

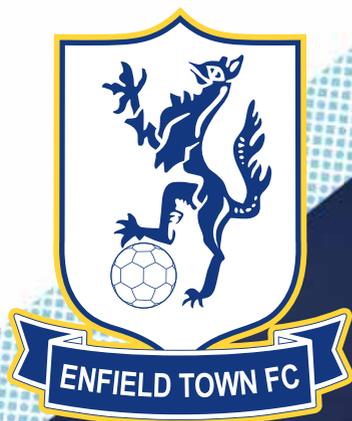
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# WELCOME

Good evening and welcome to all, and in particular everyone connected with Margate for another socially distanced fixture

I'd like to add to what our Vice-Chairman Paul Millington said in recent notes on these pages. Just when we thought that all the volunteers at the club, including the board, were coping with handling everything required to keep the club progressing in the right direction sustainably, a pandemic comes along and makes a difficult job even more so.

After our covid-precautions test fixture and gradual capacity increases we have steadily increased the numbers we can let in but have kept each match thus far to pre-booked tickets only. Our overriding priority is to ensure that fans feel comfortable attending matches here at the QEII Stadium and we make no apologies for that.

It is not the role of the club or its board to comment on other clubs but we have been complimented by our visitors so far this campaign and we will continue to put safety first, irrespective of the matchday set-up of other clubs that we visit each week.

Since Greater London was classified as a tier 2 area at the end of last week, we have been digesting what we can and cannot do on matchdays. You will become aware, for example, of what sort of bar service – if any – we can operate this evening.

Separately, we are hopeful and confident that Food

Lovers Delight will continue to operate a takeaway food and drinks service as they have done, safely, so far this season. As previous messages from the club have asked – please continue to bear with us as we try and juggle playing matches with having supporters in attendance keeping within the latest covid-19 regulations, which are of course subject to continuous change, and please respect tannoy announcements and stewards' advice at all times.

If you are able to volunteer to help the club in any capacity, please approach any director or leave your contact details at the club shop.

Getting back to the football, the last time we faced Margate midweek those that were here will recall that it was a great game, capped by a 3-1 Town win, with Liam Hope netting his record breaking 107th goal for the club, almost six years ago to the day. How time flies, and how we would all like a similar game to savour.

Please get behind the team tonight, and let's all accept that there will be – as there are every season – setbacks along the road that we all want to keep to as we look to make sustainable progress both on and off the field in the most trying of circumstances.

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# FROM THE BENCH ANDY LEESE

Welcome to all connected with Margate FC for this Isthmian League Premier Division game. They have had a mixed start to the season, but we will have to be at our best to get anything tonight.

Our best will need to be 100% better than what we served up on Saturday. After a decent previous week with six points from two home games, we proceeded to play with lethargy and defended poorly as a team to give an average Corinthian Casuals team the points.

They did not have to work too hard for their goals as we made defensive errors that cost us. We simply did not work as hard as the opposition across the whole game and there is no excuse for that. We showed we can work hard during the previous couple of games against Leatherhead and Kingstonian, and we had set a new standard to aspire to. That is why Saturday's game was so disappointing. We have addressed the issues and I expect a response tonight and this coming Saturday.

We have the squad to be able to change what we do, and the players outside of the starting XI will get their chance with so many games coming our way. Too early to be worried as I said last time after the Stortford and Horsham games, but we have to start taking responsibility for performances and apply ourselves.

We should have Lewis Taaffe back this week, and striker Neville Nzembela, who appeared for us in pre-season, is also getting close to full match fitness. We continue to be without Shaun Okojie which remains a big miss for us. Sadly, Shaun has a combination of knee and hamstring issues which will sideline him for a while yet.

The management team has changed as you will have probably seen elsewhere with Steve Wales departing. It was something we knew would happen for a while, but a disappointment all the same. I am pleased to say that Jon Meakes has agreed to come and join us in the management team which is great news. Jon and I have worked together for



many years, and his experience and know-how will be vital to us in this strangest of seasons.

Please continue to support the team fully as you did on Saturday. Let's all keep working together this year to make it a season to remember.

**Andy Leese**  
Manager

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**15 YEARS AGO  
22ND OCTOBER 2005 SOUTHERN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE (EAST)  
Enfield Town (0) 0 Corby Town (0) 1**

Town fell to the only goal of the game just before half-time in this top of the table clash at Brimsdown. The second-placed Steelmen were under the cosh for most of the match but won it when Dominic Hallows saw his looping shot beat Andy Hall a minute before the break for a vital three points.

The match started brightly enough for the home side and Niall Ritchie headed over Enfield's first chance. David Allen then had a header blocked, with Russell Penn coming close from the follow-up.

With the Corby defence in disarray, Penn almost turned a header in at the back post and Bryan Hammatt then drove the ball low across the face of the goal. Trevor Paul probably came closest to scoring for the hosts when he met a Paul Campbell cross, but the ball was cleared off the line with a suspicion of handball thrown in.

When Graeme Hall headed over, the home fans were beginning to realise it was going to be another 'one of those days'. Corby came close to adding a second with a breakaway at the other end, the ball hacked away from danger by Graeme Hall.

In the second period the hosts continued to have much of the play but were unable to find a cutting edge. Penn saw another header held by Darren Watts in the Corby goal, before Jamie Clarke floated a free-kick just wide. Paul headed the ball into the ground with one effort and then saw Watts held a shot from the edge of the box after good set-up play by Hammatt.

With Enfield pushing forward in increasing numbers, Corby were content to attack on the break. The hosts saw a handful of shots blocked, although the visitors were only denied a second goal thanks to a good save from Andy Hall. Town's final chance fell to Kojo Ofori, but his shot drifted wide of the target.

**Team:** Hall A, Allen, Penn, Gant, Hall G, Woodward, Campbell (Green), Velandia (Smith), Paul, Hammatt, Ritchie (Ofori).

**Attendance:** 295

**10 YEARS AGO  
23RD OCTOBER 2010 | ISTHMIAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE (NORTH)  
Enfield Town (0) 0 Great Wakering Rovers (2) 3**

Wakering belied their lowly position to inflict a damaging home defeat upon Town at Goldsdown Road. Midfielder Rudi Hall was playing in his 300th game for Town, but it was otherwise an unmemorable afternoon for the home faithful.

The referee waved away two penalty appeals - when Richard Morton was floored in the area and a separate handball offence - which may have been given on another day but, in truth, goals in the 25th and 28th minutes gave Town a mountain to climb in the second half. Town did themselves no favours missing a clutch of early opportunities, and in particular one glaring miss by Adam Wallace.

Grant Khory-Davinson cleared off the line from a Mark Kirby header but Luka Frankis fired past keeper Darren Bonfield and then Dan Trenkel crossed for Ty Benjamin to convert after his initial header had been parried by Bonfield.

It was game, set and match in the 57th minute when the influential Trenkel found the head of Billy Johnson. Town's simmering frustration gradually got the better of them and, apart from Michael Bardle's goalbound header which was tipped onto the bar by keeper Louis Godwin-Green, they never looked like scoring after that.

**Team:** Bonfield, Lockie, Bardle, McKay, Kirby, Morton, Campbell (Protheroe), Hall (Forward), Hope (Valenti), Wallace, Byfield.

**Attendance:** 238

**5 YEARS AGO  
17TH OCTOBER 2015 | ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION  
Enfield Town (2) 2 Staines Town (0) 1**

Enfield started well with Corey Whitely and Bobby Devyne both causing the Swans' defence problems, and Harold Joseph being denied by the crossbar.

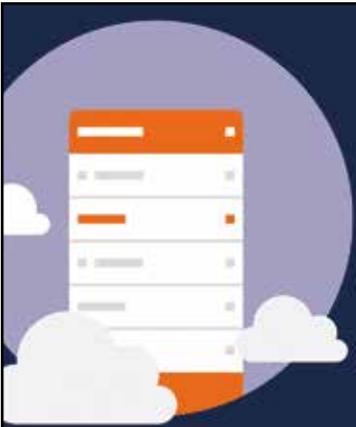
Town's pressure finally told in the 37th minute when Claudiu Vilcu nodded down a high ball into the path of Corey Whitely who hit a sweet strike from the edge of the box to beat Turner off an upright. Samir Bihmoutine stormed down the left and fired powerfully into the roof of the net in the 40th minute to give Town a deserved two-goal cushion at the interval.

In the second period Staines came out fighting with Jack Hutchinson calling keeper Nathan McDonald into action. Play was largely confined to the middle third for a while after that but the visitors threw themselves a lifeline when a goal kick from Turner bounced high over Town's advanced back line and Hutchinson controlled the ball and coolly lobbed McDonald from the edge of the area.

The visitors, to their credit, put the home defence under pressure for much of the remainder of the game, although Town had chances of their own to put the game to bed - Harry Ottaway firing wide and Ryan Doyle heading over - before the final whistle blew.

**Team:** McDonald, Parcell, Gabriel, Vilcu, Joseph, Doyle, Bihmoutine (Campbell), Livings (Durojaiye), Devyne (Hayden-Smith), Whitely, Ottaway.

**Attendance:** 364.



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# WHEN SATURDAY COMES

As Town's apparent reputation for being a media "go to" non-league club continues to flourish – there has been recent interest from outlets as diverse as The Financial Times, TalkSport, Morning Star, Ilta-Sanomat and Urheilulehti (the latter two being publications in Finland!) the club has been featured in this month's When Saturday Comes. An extract from the article – penned by Huw Richards with pictures by Simon Gill – appears below with kind permission of WSC, available from all good news stands!

The opening day of the Isthmian League season may feel very different to normal, but as the September sun shines in north London, players, staff and a crowd of 250 are just happy to be back. For the fourth year running, Lewes has been voted the best away trip in all four divisions of the Isthmian League. Yet the 32 away fans who trekked north may reflect that Enfield Town has something they lack – a joyously uninhibited slice of 1930s Art Deco; more pavilion than grandstand.

Stadium savant Simon Inglis believes only Grade II listed status prevented demolition in the early 2000s. Given what rocketing London land values have done for many non-League grounds – Southbury Road included – the site would have surely disappeared with it.

Older fans of a nostalgic bent can look southwards from the bar towards trees at the far end of the adjoining park which once overlooked Southbury Road, where the original Enfield club played until 1999. The QEII Stadium was refurbished as an Olympic legacy project. "We spent ten years at Brimsdown Rovers" recalls Town chairman Paul Reed. "It was a good relationship, and they were very generous to us, but the ground was modest to say the least and it was never our home. Enfield Council were a little embarrassed that the site here was derelict, and keen to get it back into public use. It was perfect for us and we worked together with them, signing a 99-year lease. The Grade II listing limits what we can do and repairs can be expensive, but it brings us attention and fans like it".

The club were formed by fans as a breakaway in 2001, but Reed plays down any rivalry. "We need to move away from that. We've got supporters and players who weren't born in 2001. We claim something of the soul and spirit of the old club, but not the history".

"As a supporter-owned club we've had to grow organically" continues Reed. "When the 2019-20



season was suspended in March we were on a good run and hoping to make the play-offs". The new campaign is Town's ninth in the Isthmian Premier and National League South is both their immediate objective and, Reed reckons, their likely current limit. Thinking longer term, they've studied peers such as Boreham Wood, and introduced an academy, now enrolling approximately 30 players.

While Donkey Lane accommodated 2,500 in a vibrant assemblage of displaced football nations at the 2018 Conifa World Football Cup final, last season's home average was 364, and the current permitted maximum is 600. The game, with social distancing and other covid precautions firmly in place, finishes 4-1 to Town with some chants of "can we play you every week?"

Restricted crowds and empty seats marked with black and yellow tape may be normality for a while yet – and the government cast a fresh shadow the following week, leaving National League clubs in limbo. Both Enfield Town and Lewes are well-run clubs equipped, in so far as anyone can be, to cope with adversity. And while those Town fans may have been cruelly specific in mocking Lewes, they had a point. In football's hierarchy of needs, nothing beats having somebody to play every week.



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## CORINTHIAN-CASUALS 2 ENFIELD TOWN 0

After a sluggish start during which the visitors conceded a good deal of possession during the opening twenty minutes or so, without creating any chances of their own Town managed to restrict the hosts to long range shots which failed to trouble Nathan McDonald unduly, writes John Dolan.

It wasn't until the 22nd minute that home keeper Daniel Bracken was called into action. A Sam Youngs free kick found Billy Bricknell, whose flicked header went straight into the keeper's arms. Town began to enjoy more possession at this point but, disappointingly, failed to create anything of note – an overhead volley from Bricknell following a goalmouth scramble on 42 minutes was probably the best opportunity of the half. But in an uninspiring 45 minutes, in truth neither side had troubled the respective goalkeepers, although Town did finish in the ascendancy.

Town's main weapons after the break were corners and long throws but Casuals' back line remained firmly in control.

Around the hour mark, and possibly slightly against the run of play at this point, Jerson Dos Santos opened the scoring for the home side when he found space near the edge of the penalty area after picking up a long ball. He still had plenty of work to do but impressively hit a powerful strike from an acute angle to beat McDonald.

Town were stung into action but the Casuals defence remained well drilled, disciplined and committed. On 70 minutes the hosts had a stranglehold on the game and should have increased their lead when, from a quick breakaway, the ball was played into the danger area where it eluded everyone except Hakeem Adelakun at the far post, but the full-back blazed over. Town had another let-off soon afterwards when, after conceding possession in the middle of the park, a through ball found Kieron Cadogan in a one-on-one situation with McDonald, but his chip hit the bar.

In the 79th minute, Marc Weatherstone missed a tackle for Dos Santos to run clear and bag his



Pic: Stuart Tree

second of the match with another fine shot, from 15 yards this time, to effectively seal the points. Subsequent substitutions failed to make an impact as Town chased the game. Percy Kiangebeni did well with a couple of marauding runs but the clock was ticking down too quickly to change the game sufficiently.

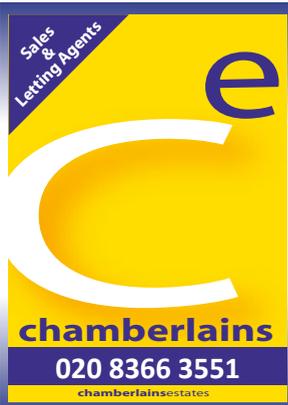
It was difficult to identify many positive outcomes from the afternoon from an Enfield perspective, and the healthy travelling supporters' misery was compounded when Weatherstone was shown a straight red card for an apparent stamp on Matthew O'Donoghue at the death.

**Town:** Nathan McDonald, Josh Urquhart, Lee Chappell (Percy Kiangebeni 79), Scott Thomas (Junior Mubiayi 79), Marc Weatherstone, Adam Pepera, Jared Small, Ryan Blackman, Billy Bricknell, Sam Youngs, Lyle Della-Verde (Larry Asare 88).

**Unused:** Jeremiah Gyebi, Jon Muleba.

**Sent off:** Weatherstone.

**Attendance:** 402.



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## TALKING TO... ADAM PEPERA

Adam had an eventful debut against Leatherhead recently, rising high to hook the ball into the back of the net early on only to be flagged offside, and then a carbon copy leap to thump a header against the crossbar shortly afterwards. But he did go on to win the Town Man of the Match award!

**FULL NAME:** Adam Pepera

**DATE OF BIRTH:** 24th August 1988

**WHERE BORN:** Accra, Ghana

**WHERE CURRENTLY LIVING:** Shepherds Bush, West London

**CURRENT JOB:** Courier...and centre-back

**TEAMS PLAYED FOR:** Hanwell Town, Harrow Borough, Farnborough, Chesham United, Hendon, Dunstable Town, and the Right To Dream Academy

**MANAGERS PLAYED UNDER:**

Too many to mention really, but notable mentions must go to Tony Fontenelle at Dunstable for his DJ'ing skills and faith in me when others didn't seem to have so much. Also Chris Moore (Hanwell) and Daniel Talbot (Chesham) for being good friends outside of football as well.

**MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AND WHY?**

I'm a bit weird in as much as I tend to remember the vast majority of my matches, to various degrees, pretty much. I guess it won't surprise you to hear that one of the most recent ones that

sticks in the mind - my debut for Town, a good 1-0 win. I enjoyed it, and it's my favourite scoreline! I'd been on the bench the first five games of the season which is tough mentally for a player at my stage of their career. So I was very relieved when the team sheet was read out and I was finally on it.

**FAVOURITE GROUND?**

The Emirates - and the clock end to be precise. Speaking of grounds, QPR's Loftus Road stadium is two minutes' walk from my place. As a kid we used to hang around on our bikes outside on matchdays waiting for footballs to be kicked over and, if they were, pedal like mad home!

**BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON YOUR GAME?**

At a distance, someone I look up to player-wise is Real Madrid's Sergio Ramos because he wins a lot and looks good doing so. Closer to home my flatmate Kenneth is always there to give me advice or criticism on what's happening when he watches my highlights or comes to games, which is helpful.

**TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOUR EARLY DAYS?**

As a kid I wanted to be a striker with a gold tooth and ponytail a la Ian Wright. But as I got older I went further and further away from the money end of the pitch. I started following Arsenal at the beginning of Arsene Wenger's reign in '96. I went to schools in north west London for most my young life; not much to report of note. But then I ended up at Millfield School for sixth form, which is known for producing sporting talents such as Chris Robshaw and Tyrone Mings! Believe it or not I used to play rugby for Saracens up to Under 13 level. In fact our training and home matches were in Enfield!

**BEST PLAYER YOU'VE PLAYED WITH?**

Reuben Reid, he plays for Cheltenham Town now as a striker. Back in schooldays he was frightening, and I was sure he would go on to play for England. He picked up a League Cup winners' medal with Manchester United under Sir Alex Ferguson. But injuries have, sadly, taken their toll. But he's still had a career he can be very proud of.

**BEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL?**

I don't really think I've had any super-poignant moments... A lot of near misses lol. I led Dunstable Town out on a Boxing Day game against Hitchin Town once [in 2015 - Ed], and my whole family came to watch. It was weird because the stadium wasn't as full as many other matches I've played in, but those few hundred people felt more like a few thousand. The game ended 0-0 (which is my second favourite scoreline), but thankfully I played well.

**WORST MOMENT?**

Being let go by clubs is never nice. I do feel like managers should be left more accountable for this as the effect on players mental health can be quite damaging. Losing cup finals and a few injuries apart. I'd probably say being born right-footed was a bad moment...left footers just make the game look so easy don't they haha!

**HOW DID YOU JOINING ENFIELD TOWN COME ABOUT?**

Steve Wales (the now-departed first team coach at Enfield) who I'm friends with from my time at Dunstable contacted me during pre-season 2019-20 to come along for training but at the time I had already signed a contract elsewhere so (ahem) politely declined. But we spoke again more recently during lockdown (mostly about Arsenal as it happens) about the 2020 pre-season and I had a heads up on what to expect

meeting the gaffer! It turned out well enough for me to get involved and sign forms.

**BEST CHARACTERS IN DRESSING ROOMS?**

I've met some good men at football, the most professional I've encountered is probably Jefferson Louis (currently at Beaconsfield Town). I look up to him as he's ten years older than me and still playing well. Funniest I've met might be a toss-up between Chris Moore, Jon-Jo Bates (Chesham) and Percy Kiangebeni here. That would be some dinner party.

**INTERESTS OUTSIDE FOOTBALL?**

Apart from football, I love animals (mainly dogs) and spend a lot of time in pet shops. How good is David Attenborough's new documentary btw?

**FAVOURITE MUSIC?**

I like most music but have never been given the privilege of being dressing room DJ. Maybe I need to get that one over the line before I retire.

**FAVOURITE TV SHOWS?**

Does Monday night football count? If it does....I like that for the analysis which is quite interesting. Unless they are criticising Arsenal's defenders which can be quite painful.

**FAVOURITE MOVIES?**

Hmm I like rags to riches stories. For example Scarface, Slumdog Millionaire, Paid In Full and Blow.

**HOPES FOR ENFIELD TOWN AND MESSAGE FOR FANS?**

Enfield is a big club that should be at least one, if not two, divisions higher so hopefully that's achieved. Short term, I would like this squad we have to stay together for as long as possible because I feel there are a lot of good players in the changing room. Also, hopefully no serious injuries because that is tough for people that work when they're not playing. And I hope the young players learn from the older ones in terms of mistakes we've made and setting certain standards and mentality because it can be very useful.

Finally, with everything that's going on it would be nice if there could be a safe way to let ALL the fans back into stadiums. Football plays such a big part in a lot of people's lives and for the community. If you're home alone or just missing things in general try following some of the players and clubs on twitter and other social media etc as everyone needs the support. I can't wait to meet you all when it's safe to do so. Up the Town!

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# ACADEMY UPDATE

Town's partnership with the EDSV Football Academy is now up and running, in spite of all the challenges that the pandemic has thrown up

EDSV Academy Director Billy Highton said "I'm delighted with way the partnership has started, with 27 pupils signed up, all taking a Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport. Working with Enfield Town fits our vision to be the best, both academically and football-wise, and to provide every opportunity for young players to fulfil their dreams.

"We are pleased with the accommodation the club has made available at the QEII Stadium, and we also have use of the Donkey Lane 3G facility as well to stage training and matches. Most of the students here have signed up for two years, with an option for a third year. There are elements of sport, lifestyle, management and business included in the study modules and all the students who joined for this term have had interviews to ensure best fit before signing up. Diplomas are awarded for the achievement of project based work, unlike the exam requirements for BTECs for example.

"We had around 90 applications for up to 30 places. The interviews had to be done over a Zoom link, but the way it's turned out that has been a positive for some interviewees who might have been a bit inhibited at an open trial as per pre-pandemic days.

"The option has always been there for individuals to send videos of themselves showing their ball skills etc."

The club have for some time wanted a strong football and academic programme to provide sporting and educational opportunities for young people across the borough and beyond as it looks to continue to grow all its various sections.

Billy continues "I know of some other clubs' academy schemes whereby the target is to maximise participation. But I liked the idea of linking up with Enfield Town because it soon became apparent that it was all about quality rather than quantity. It's important for a scheme like this one that both the academy and its participants feel that the course is right and that the environment is right."



Since 2012 EDSV have led the way in providing academic qualifications and football to over 500 students across four sites and during this time have gained international and domestic playing successes. The Academy will give opportunities through the Enfield Town scheme for players to participate in FA Youth Cup matches, National College football and, in time, Isthmian League senior football.

The current scheme is for male students only. EDSV already have a longer term relationship with the Ladies section, primarily through sponsorship, with Billy having been first team manager since 2018.

With the club deciding to discontinue the Under 23 team, for the time being at least, it will be more heavily reliant on the various 18 teams, including the academy squad, than previously to provide an eventual pathway to first team consideration.

Billy concludes "Already, some of the lads have been involved on first team training nights and that has been fantastic. There is a solid infrastructure here and, in addition to liaising with the club's Head of Football Operations Graham Dodd, I also have very positive working relationships with Peter O'Leary and Marcello Devisio – the managers of the other U18 teams.

"We've had some challenges with regard to ensuring a safe environment for all the students during the pandemic, and it has certainly made us all think on our feet, with social distancing and strict cleaning regimes for accommodation and equipment. We have had a recent inspection and passed with flying colours.

"In due course students will be able, in addition to getting a good start in football, to hopefully progress into careers in sport, such as coaching, sports scientists and therapists, physiologists, personal training etc. I'm very enthusiastic about the growth of the relationship between EDSV and the football club – I'll be looking to increase participation to 70-75 over the coming years – and the mutual benefits for all concerned."

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As publicised regularly, the club has been working hard to get all the necessary safety measures in place, including the compilation of a comprehensive risk assessment (again, see [www.etfc.london](http://www.etfc.london) under "information" and "documents") and the assembling and positioning of the signage that you will all see all around the ground tonight. There are limited facilities open this evening but, hopefully, that situation should be eased incrementally for subsequent fixtures as we familiarise ourselves with what we are, and are not, comfortable with in terms of a safe environment amid ever changing guidelines.

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## MANAGEMENT TEAM CHANGES

Following the departure of coach Steve Wales due to work and family demands, Andy Leese has wasted no time in appointing Jon Meakes to join the management team.

Andy said "Jon and I worked together at Cheshunt, Potters Bar Town and Chesham United over a period of 17 years. Jon left Chesham in 2018 and has helped us with scouting duties over the last twelve months or so. He brings a wealth of knowledge and will work with me and Maz as we look to build on our decent 2020-21 start. We are delighted to get Jon in and, on a personal level, I am looking forward to us working together again".



## MANY THANKS BEN AND BRUCE!

After long-standing Town fan **Ben Rider** scooped the £67 50/50 prize at the Leatherhead game and he kindly refused his payout and donated it back to the club's coffers, the Kingstonian game saw **Bruce Lee** pick up £52 in the same draw and he immediately reinvested the majority of his winnings by purchasing a new Town shirt. Times are tough at clubs like Town at the moment, both financially and operationally, and such generosity is currently priceless and very well received!



## ISTHMIAN LEAGUE NEWS

**Brightlingsea Regent** have announced a parting of the ways with manager Kem Izzet. Izzet took over at the club in October last year, leaving a coaching role at East Thurrock United to take the job. Regent are currently second bottom of the Pitching In Isthmian Premier Division, and they were in bottom place when the 2019-20 season was brought to a premature end.

**Worthing** have announced the capture of Carshalton Athletic defender Daniel Pappoe. He entered the fray for his new club for the first time as a substitute at Margate in a 3-1 win on Saturday. He started his career with Chelsea as an Under 12, and went on to captain the side that won the FA Youth Cup in 2010. Daniel moved on to Brighton & Hove Albion, and coincidentally was man of the match for his new club in a pre-season friendly at Worthing a few years ago! His other clubs include Hampton & Richmond Borough, Hemel Hempstead Town, Crawley Town and Dulwich Hamlet.

**Merstham** have announced the return to the club of forward Calum Davies, who has most recently been plying his trade at East Grinstead Town. Davies was an integral part of the Moatsiders' run to the 2018-19 play-off final under former boss Hayden Bird and, along with most of that squad, he upped and followed Bird to Kingstonian the following season. Prior to his initial spell at Merstham, he played for Hastings United and Leatherhead.

## FA TROPHY DRAW

This programme went to print before the draw for the third qualifying round of the Buildbase FA Trophy. Whoever we play, home or away, this tie will take place on Saturday 31st October (3pm).



# MARGATE



Margate's ex-Town full-back Jay Porter

Margate won the Southern League Premier Division title in 2000–01 and, consequently, promotion to the Conference, and the following season saw a respectable eighth place finish. Then, during the 2002–03 campaign, the club began a groundshare arrangement at Dover Athletic's Crabble stadium while redevelopment work took place at Hartsdown Park.

After defeating Leyton Orient in the first round of the FA Cup 1-0 at "home" after a 1-1 draw, Cardiff City won 3-0 at Crabble in Round Two. Disappointment followed the following season, despite finishing sixteenth, when 'Gate were demoted a division due to ongoing delays and problems with the redevelopment plans at Hartsdown.

The club spent the 2004–05 season in the newly formed Conference South and, now groundsharing at Ashford Town and with an increasing risk that the club may be forced to fold, the Blues were again relegated – not helped by a ten-point penalty for entering administration – this time to the Isthmian League Premier Division. In August 2005, Margate's return to Hartsdown Park after three years away gave the club a much-needed boost.

After a decade in the Isthmian Premier, with final placings ranging from 3rd to 16th, Margate clinched promotion back to the National League South in May 2015 after they beat Hendon 1-0 in a play-off final at Earlsmead.

'Gate's first campaign back in National League South was a rollercoaster ride, with survival only secured on the final day of the season. A 22nd place finish the following year (2016-17), however, meaning a return to the Isthmian League once again, where Premier Division finishes of 7th and 12th followed. Last term they were lying in 12th position, with 43 points from 33 matches, when the pandemic curtailment kicked in. In the FA Cup they reached the 4th qualifying round (losing 1-2 at Oxford City) and in the FA Trophy reached the 2nd qualifying round (losing 0-4 at home to Tooting & Mitcham United).

## IN CHARGE



### JAY SAUNDERS

Jay is a former Maidstone United club captain, where he went on to start his managerial career. He left Maidstone after seven years and three promotions in August 2018. After a spell assisting Neil Smith at Bromley, he took over in the Margate hotseat in February 2019.

### BAILEY VOSE (Goalkeeper)

22 year-old Bailey arrived at Hartsdown Park for the belated start of the 2020–21 campaign, making his debut in a 2-1 success at Brightonlingsea Regent. He had progressed through the Brighton & Hove Albion academy, signing his first professional contract in June 2016. In the 2016-17 campaign he was loaned out to Concord Rangers and Dartford, and then spent some similar time at Welling United and Eastbourne Borough in 2017-18 before signing for Colchester United in May 2018.

### OWEN KALLMEIER (Goalkeeper)

Owen signed a contract for Margate in March 2016 after the best part of a decade at the J4K coaching school. He made his first team debut in November 2016 in a 6-1 Kent Senior Trophy victory over Greenwich Borough. He has also appeared between the sticks for Deal Town.

### JAY PORTER (Defender)

Jay needs no introduction to Town fans, having joined 'Gate in the 2019 close season after making eleven appearances in a white shirt. He had previously turned out for AFC Hornchurch, the now-defunct Thamesmead Town, and Redbridge.

### LIAM FRIEND (Defender)

Centre-back Liam returned to the club in December 2019, having spent half a season at local rivals Ramsgate. He originally signed for the Blues in May 2017, having made over 500 appearance during a significant spell at Folkestone Invicta.

### BEN SWIFT (Defender)

Ben joined Margate in March 2017. He began his career at Maidstone United before signing for Aston Villa at the age of 17, but he struggled with injury for much of his three seasons at Villa Park. The skipper of the side, he has also had experience with Jamie Vardy's V9 Academy.

### SAM EGOLE (Defender)

Sam made his 'Gate debut in a 0-2 home loss against Cheshunt earlier this month. He was on Billericay Town's books last season, making his Blues debut in a 3-2 home success against Southend United in the Essex Senior Cup in October 2019.

### JOSH STEELE (Defender)

An academy graduate who impressed during pre-season, Josh is primarily a centre half who made his first team debut at Brightonlingsea Regent last month.

### REECE PRESTEDGE (Midfield)

Reece joined the 'Gate from Welling United in the summer of 2019, having also given service at East Thurrock United and Maidstone United. He made his debut in a 3-1 September 2019 home win against Concord Rangers in the FA Cup.

### CONNOR EVANS (Midfield)

A recent signing, Connor scored twice in a 3-2 pre-season friendly victory over Ramsgate for the Isle of Thanet Cup at Hartsdown Park in August. He was once with Southern Counties East side Sutton Athletic.

### ARCHIE BURNETT (Midfield)

A product of the 'Gate youth set-up, youngster Archie is a promising midfielder who has represented Kent FA Schools. He made his full debut last month in a 1-2 home reverse in the FA Cup against Hayes & Yeading United.

### JOHN UFUAH (Midfield)

A pacy winger, John joined Margate from Whitstable Town where he had been a regular in the side up to the Covid cancellation of last season. He also once wore the colours of Leatherhead and Dartford.

### FREDDY MONCUR (Midfield)

A versatile player, Freddy transferred from Romford recently, having already picked up plenty

of non-league experience at clubs such as Bishop's Stortford, Cheshunt, Concord Rangers, East Thurrock United and Wingate & Finchley as well as with earlier appearances for Leyton Orient.

### LUKE CAREY (Midfield)

Luke started out in the ranks at Charlton Athletic's academy, and last season he played for Corinthians. He impressed during pre-season and signed for the club in mid-September 2020.

### JACK RICHARDS (Midfield)

A June 2019 arrival, Jack originally joined the club from Maidstone United having risen through the ranks from the Kent Youth League to the academy teams. He left the club but is now in his second season since his return. He has also gained experience at Welling United.

### CHARLIE HATTON (Forward)

Teenager Charlie has represented Kent Under 18s. He made his 'Gate first team debut in the FA Cup against Hayes & Yeading in September. He has also been associated with Chatham Town and Maidstone United during his younger days

### TOBY BANCROFT (Forward)

Toby is on loan from Gillingham, where he had been promoted from the club's schoolboy programme to win a full-time scholarship. He made a handful of appearances for Wingate & Finchley before 2019-20 football was halted in the wake of coronavirus, following on from a loan spell at Ramsgate.

### NOEL LEIGHTON (Forward)

22 year-old Noel impressed manager Jay Saunders when he was taken on loan at the end of the 2018-2019 campaign and he has now clocked up over 50 appearances, scoring regularly. He started out with Millwall and Dagenham & Redbridge and has also had a brief spell at Woking.

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Alfie Bonfield	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Sam Hatton	<b>FULL KIT – COLIN BAYNHAM</b>			
Jon Muleba	<b>FULL KIT – COLIN, DAVE, JOHN AND SIMON</b>			
Marc Weatherstone	<b>FULL KIT – JAMES PATMAN</b>			
Jeremiah Gyebi	<b>FULL KIT – JON, TONY AND DUNCAN</b>			
Adam Pepera	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Lee Chappell	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Josh Urquhart	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Scott Thomas	<b>FULL KIT – ERIC AND DANUTA ALLAN</b>			
Percy Kiangebeni	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Junior Mubiyai	<b>FULL KIT – THE THOMPSONS</b>			
Lewis Taaffe	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Ryan Blackman	<b>FULL KIT – MICK LOWE</b>			
Sam Youngs	<b>FULL KIT – ALAN MEDLOCK</b>			
Lyle Della Verde	<b>FULL KIT – ALAN GREEN</b>			
Billy Bricknell	<b>FULL KIT – MARTIN WHITE</b>			
Shaun Okojie	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Larry Asare	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Charles Brown	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Jared Small	<b>FULL KIT – HOMEBREW TOWNERS</b>			
Andy Leese	<b>FULL KIT – DEXION.CO.UK</b>			
Mario Noto	<b>FULL KIT – DEXION.CO.UK</b>			
Steve Wales	<b>FULL KIT – DEXION.CO.UK</b>			
Jake Murphy	<b>FULL KIT – DEXION.CO.UK</b>			
Graham Dodd	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
John Abbott	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE
Neil Butterfield	<b>FULL KIT – STEVE READ</b>			



# ENFIELD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

## PITCHING IN ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION 2020-21 FIXTURES

DATE	OPPOSITION	SCORE	ATT	STARTING XI	SUBS
Sat Sep 19	LEWES	0-1	250	McDonald Kiangebeni, Chappell*, Thomas, Urquhart, Gyebi, Della-Verde, Youngs, Bricknell, Okojie***, Blackman**	Weatherstone*, Muleba**, Small***, Mubiayi, Pepera
Tue Sep 22	Peterborough Sports (FAC1Q)	*D2-2	233	McDonald Kiangebeni, Urquhart, Thomas, Weatherstone, Gyebi, Della-Verde, Youngs, Bricknell, Okojie, Blackman*	Small*, Muleba**, Taaffe***, Mubiayi, Pepera, Hatton, Asare
Sat Sep 26	Merstham	W1-0	235	McDonald, Muleba, Urquhart, Thomas, Weatherstone, Gyebi, Della-Verde**, Blackman, Bricknell, Small***, Taaffe*	Youngs*, Asare**, Mubiayi***, Pepera, Kiangebeni
Tue Sep 29	Bishops Stortford	L1-4	289	McDonald, Muleba**, Urquhart, Thomas, Weatherstone, Gyebi, Small, Kiangebeni*, Bricknell, Youngs, Della-Verde***	Blackman*, Mubiayi**, Asare***, Pepera, Taaffe
Tue Oct 6	Horsham	L2-5	462	McDonald, Muleba, Chappell***, Urquhart, Gyebi, Blackman, Kiangebeni, Bricknell, Youngs, Asare*, Della-Verde**	Taaffe*, Small**, Mubiayi***, Weatherstone, Pepera
Sat Oct 10	LEATHERHEAD	W1-0	350	McDonald, Urquhart, Chappell, Thomas, Weatherstone, Pepera, Small***, Blackman, Bricknell, Youngs*, Della-Verde**	Kiangebeni*, Gyebi**, Asare***, Muleba, Mubiayi
Tue Oct 13	KINGSTONIAN	W2-1	323	McDonald, Urquhart, Chappell, Thomas, Weatherstone, Pepera, Small*, Blackman, Bricknell, Youngs**, Della-Verde***	Mubiayi*, Kiangebeni**, Muleba***, Gyebi, Asare
Sat Oct 17	Corinthian-Casuals	L0-2	323	McDonald, Urquhart, Chappell*, Thomas**, Weatherstone, Pepera, Small, Blackman, Bricknell, Youngs, Della-Verde***	Kiangebeni*, Mubiayi**, Asare***, Muleba, Gyebi
Tue Oct 20	MARGATE				
Sat Oct 24	Carshalton Athletic				
Sat Oct 31	FA Trophy 3Q				
Tue Nov 3	BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT				
Sat Nov 7	CRAY WANDERERS				
Sat Nov 14	Cheshunt				
Tue Nov 17	Hornchurch				
Sat Nov 21	BOGNOR REGIS TOWN				
Sat Nov 28	WORTHING				
Sat Dec 5	Folkestone Invicta				
Sat Dec 12	EAST THURROCK UNITED				
Sat Dec 19	Wingate & Finchley				
Sat Dec 26	Haringey Borough				
Mon Dec 28	POTTERS BAR TOWN				
Sat Jan 2	Bowers & Pitsea				
Sat Jan 9	HORSHAM				
Sat Jan 16	CARSHALTON ATHLETIC				
Sat Jan 23	Brightlingsea Regent				
Sat Jan 30	CHESHUNT				
Sat Feb 6	Cray Wanderers				
Sat Feb 13	HORNCHURCH				
Sat Feb 20	Bognor Regis Town				
Sat Feb 27	Lewes				
Tue Mar 2	BISHOPS STORTFORD				
Sat Mar 6	MERSTHAM				
Sat Mar 13	Kingstonian				
Sat Mar 20	FOLKESTONE INVICTA				
Sat Mar 27	Worthing				
Sat Apr 3	Margate				
Mon Apr 5	HARINGEY BOROUGH				
Sat Apr 10	Leatherhead				
Sat Apr 17	CORINTHIAN-CASUALS				
Sat Apr 24	East Thurrock United				
Sat May 1	WINGATE & FINCHLEY				
Mon May 3	Potters Bar Town				
Sat May 8	BOWERS & PITSEA				



### ISTHMIAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION 2020/21 LATEST TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PT
1 Worthing	6	5	0	1	17	8	+9	15
2 Cheshunt	7	5	0	2	8	7	+1	15
3 Bishop's Stortford	6	4	2	0	13	5	+8	14
4 Carshalton Athletic	7	4	1	2	12	10	+2	13
5 Cray Wanderers	6	4	0	2	15	10	+5	12
6 Haringey Borough	6	4	0	2	11	7	+4	12
7 ENFIELD TOWN	7	4	0	3	11	13	-2	12
8 Leatherhead	7	3	2	2	8	12	-4	11
9 Bowers & Pitsea	5	3	1	1	13	5	+8	10
10 Horsham	7	3	1	3	14	10	+4	10
11 Bognor Regis Town	6	3	1	2	10	6	+4	10
12 Corinthian-Casuals	6	3	0	3	7	7	0	9
13 Kingstonian	6	3	0	3	9	14	-5	9
14 Hornchurch	6	2	1	3	9	8	+1	7
15 Potters Bar Town	6	2	1	3	8	7	+1	7
16 Folkestone Invicta	7	2	1	4	9	11	-2	7
17 Wingate & Finchley	6	2	0	4	12	14	-2	6
18 MARGATE	7	1	3	3	6	10	-4	6
19 Lewes	7	1	2	4	7	15	-8	5
20 Merstham	5	1	1	3	7	7	0	4
21 Brightlingsea Regent	7	1	1	5	5	15	-10	4
22 East Thurrock United	7	0	2	5	6	16	-10	2

### ENFIELD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB 2020/21 ROLL CALL

	APPS				GOALS			
	LEA	CUP	TOT	ETFC	LEA	CUP	TOT	ETFC
Larry Asare	5	-	5	5	-	-	-	-
Ryan Blackman	7	1	8	133	1	-	1	19
Billy Bricknell	7	1	8	48	4	-	4	44
Lee Chappell	5	-	5	5	-	-	-	-
Lyle Della-Verde	6	1	7	22	2	-	2	6
Jeremiah Gyebi	5	1	6	6	-	1	1	1
Percy Kiangebeni	6	1	7	40	-	-	-	1
Nathan McDonald	7	1	8	220	-	-	-	-
Junior Mubiayi	5	-	5	57	-	-	-	4
Jon Muleba	5	1	6	91	-	-	-	-
Shaun Okojie	1	1	2	7	1	1	2	3
Adam Pepera	3	-	3	3	-	-	-	-
Jared Small	7	1	8	10	-	-	-	-
Lewis Taaffe	2	1	3	41	-	-	-	4
Scott Thomas	6	1	7	47	-	-	-	-
Josh Urquhart	7	1	8	18	1	-	1	1
Marc Weatherstone	6	1	7	63	-	-	-	8
Sam Youngs	7	1	8	141	1	-	1	22

Own Goals			1	1
Totals	6	1	7	11 2 13

\*Lost 5-4 on penalties



## ENFIELD TOWN

**MANAGER:** ANDY LEESE

Nathan McDonald   
Alfie Bonfield   
Sam Hatton   
Jon Muleba   
Marc Weatherstone   
Jeremiah Gyebi   
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Charles Brown   
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Neville Nzembela



## MARGATE

**MANAGER:** JAY SAUNDERS

Bailey Vose  
 Sam Egole  
 Jay Porter  
 Reece Prestedge  
 Liam Friend  
 Ben Swift  
 Luke Carey  
 Freddy Moncur  
 John Ufuah  
 Connor Evans  
 Jack Richards  
 Noel Leighton  
 Owen Kallmeier  
 Charlie Hatton  
 Josh Steele  
 Toby Bancroft

## MATCH OFFICIALS

**Referee:** Daniel Simpson

**Assistant Referees:** Joseph Casey & Thomas Healy

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### BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT

Tuesday November 3rd | Kick-Off 7.45pm

