

# AYLESBURY UNITED VS THAME UNITED

PITCHING IN SOUTHERN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE CENTRAL

18th March 2026



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# WELCOME

Good evening and welcome to The Meadow for this Pitching In Southern League division one central between Aylesbury United and Thame United. We offer a very warm welcome to everyone, including visiting players, officials and supporters from Thame. We hope you enjoy the game and have a safe journey home.

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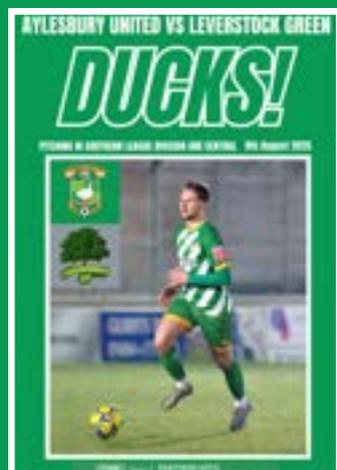
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# Today's opponents

Thame United were formed in 1883 making it one of Oxfordshire's oldest clubs. The early years were spent in various Oxfordshire Leagues and in 1906, 1909 and 1910 Thame won the Oxfordshire Senior Cup and the Senior League in 1907, 1908, 1910, 1930 and 1931. A switch to the Hellenic League then brought further success culminating in the Hellenic League title in 1961-62 and 1969-70, as well as being runners up in 1960-61, 1976-77 and 1980-81. The Oxfordshire Senior Cup was won in both 1976 and 1981 but a poor spell in the mid-eighties preceded a crossing of the pyramid in 1988-89 to join the South Midlands League. The Club finished runners up in both 1988-89 and 1989-90 before eventually winning the title in 1990-91.

Thame received the green light to join the Diadora League in 1991/92. 1994-95 saw the Club win the Division 2 Championship with 93 points - an 11-point margin. In 1995/96 the Club reached the 3rd Round Qualifying in the FA Cup and the FA Trophy. In the league we finished a creditable 13th in our first ever season in the Isthmian League Division One. Andy Sinnott was appointed first team manager in June 1997, and, with a dramatically reduced operating budget, the side were relegated into Ryman Division Two. The Club bounced straight back into Ryman Division One and reached the semi-finals of the FA Vase.

2000/2001 season the team lead the way for most of the season, putting together a club record of 12 consecutive league wins but a slump in form in the latter part of the season resulted in a 5th place finish. A mid-table finish followed in 2001/2002 season, but the Oxfordshire Senior Cup was retained. Mark West was appointed player/manager when Andy left United during the Summer of 2003. In October 2003 the Club reached the 4th qualifying round of the FA Cup for the first time in its history, before being beaten 1-2 by Conference side Farnborough Town. After a mid-table finish the Club moved to the newly formed Southern League, Division 1 West. In October 2004 the Club again reached the FA Cup 4th qualifying round and finished the season 11th in the league. Mark West left to join Slough Town and defender Tony Joyce was appointed player manager. By July 2005 the Club were in financial trouble and, following a visit from Bailiffs acting on behalf of HMRC, the landlord enforced a clause in the tenancy agreement and evicted the club from Windmill Road.

However, shortly thereafter Thame United reached a formal agreement with the new owners of Windmill Road that secured £1.7 million to enable a new facility to be constructed, on Church farm on the edge of the town Whilst the Club progressed procurement of the new site and the necessary planning permission, a ground share agreement was reached with neighbours Aylesbury United.

With the side struggling at the foot of the Southern League Division 1 West, Tony Joyce resigned in December 2005, with a new joint managerial partnership of Richard Searl and Alan Thorne appointed. Relegation to the Hellenic League was confirmed later in the season. A ground share agreement was reached with AFC Wallingford for the 2006/07 season. Mark West returned to the Club mid-way through the season but could not save the Club from relegation to the Hellenic League Division 1 East. The 2007/08 season provided greater stability for the Club, with Mark West and new assistant, Frank Thompson, looking after first team affairs. 2009/10 saw the Club win the Division 1 East title by six points and reclaim their place in the Premier Division.

The 2010/11 season was the most significant in the Club's recent history. With work on a new £3.1m ground at Meadow View Park commencing in March 2010, United returned to Thame at the ASM Stadium on 11 December 2010, just over five years after their enforced eviction from the town. Boasting eight pitches, a floodlit 3G training pitch and 8000 sq ft clubhouse, United now have one of the best sporting facilities in the County. The official opening against Oxford United on 18th January 2011 set a record crowd of 1,382.

Season 2016-17 was one of the most successful in the recent history of the Club. Going the whole league season without losing at home, United were crowned Hellenic League Premier Division Champions. United were duly promoted to the Southern Football League East Division, returning after a spell of twelve years away. In the first season back at Step 4. In 2018/19 United secured an 8th place finish in the new Division 1 Central with the side occupying a mid-table position when the 2019/20 season was curtailed due to the pandemic.

The 2020/21 season was curtailed due to the pandemic, with only seven league matches completed before the league was again halted. Prior to the 2021/22 significant enhancements were completed to Meadow View Park, including a new full-size 3G training pitch, together with associated organisational changes. Last season, after a slow start, United finished eighth in Division One Central, and until the final month of the season were within touching distance of a play-off place.

2022/2023 the team struggled towards the bottom of the table but an unbeaten run in April saw the team win all matches and climb to a respectable 12 in the table. Whilst a successful run in the Oxfordshire Senior Cup rounded off the season being crowned champions beating Oxford city in the final 4 -1. At the end of the season after a number of years Mark West and his management team left the club.

Ben Williams formally of Aylesbury United was appointed to guide the club through the 2023/2024 season.

2023 /2024 was a difficult season, new manager Ben Williams joined the club with pre-season about to start and had to work hard to bring in players. The team spent most of the team fighting at the bottom of the table, which resulted in the team finishing second from bottom of the table, this did not reflect the overall performances with many games Thame were well in contention. With a number of step 3 teams dropping out of the league.

Thame gained a reprieve from relegation due to the teams having the best points per game over the season, of all the step four clubs who finished second from the bottom. But it wasn't all bad with the team reaching the Oxfordshire Senior Cup final for the second season running and coming away with a 3 - 2 victory against Kidlington, lifting the cup for the second consecutive season.

Ben Williams and his team remained in charge for the 2024/ 2025 season and got off to a good start, reaching the third qualifying round of both the FA Cup and FA Trophy. In the league the team were in playoff contention right up until the last game of the season, but missed out by 3 points finishing in sixth place. But there was good news in the Oxfordshire Senior Cup where the team won the title for the third consecutive year beating Ardley United 5 - 1 in the final at Oxford City.

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# WHO'S WHO?

## At Aylesbury United FC

**Manager-** Paul Batchelor

**Assistant Managers-** Danny Gray & Matt Kelloway

**First team kit-** Will Harvey

**Physiotherapist-** James Lewis

**Chair-** Graham Read

**Vice Chair-** Ken Turnbull

**Managing Director-** Bob Moody

**Club Secretary-** Steve Baker

**Fixtures Secretary-** Ian Pluck

**Company Secretary-** Roger Simmons

**Directors-** Graham Read, Alan Sherwell, Ken Turnbull

**Safety Officer-** Graham Martin

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Ducks chair-** Andy Martin

**Club chaplain, welfare officer and safeguarding officer-** Rev. Martyn Shaw

**Legal name-** Aylesbury United Football Club

**Company number-** 05814026

**Significant interests (Shareholders/Shareholding)-**

Graham Read (51%), 21<sup>st</sup> Century Ducks (39%)

# Our community role

Do you know what we do  
for the community via our Womens and Junior sections of club?

Just have a look – we are more than a Step four club, we are a much larger, envied ONE CLUB. Aylesbury United Football Club.

The Womens and Junior sections are still proudly flying the Aylesbury United flag in and around the town. We are proud of them, and they are proud to do so.

The Womens section comprise of 17 teams! 14

play in local leagues with another three 'social' playing teams. This amounts to more than 270 players, lead by 60 coaches and volunteers, more than 1,000 parents and club members receiving news and information about the club via social media and newsletters, etc.

Paul Timms, chair of the Women's section says: "The demand for women's football is growing enormously, and we are proud to be part of it!"

The Juniors section is currently running 25 teams, with 370 players, 94 coaches and volunteers, week in, week out supporting the youth of Aylesbury, and unfortunately turning kids away as they have no capacity to take more (mainly down to the lack of – or poor quality of – facilities e.g. playing fields).

John Stirzaker, Juniors section chairman, states: "Without facilities, we struggle, the town struggles and kids suffer, this is why it's so important to 'Bring the Ducks Home' and provided the necessary pitches required."

Below are some amazing  
figures highlighting the hours given up by volunteers (of both the Womens and Juniors sections) to give

the youngsters of Aylesbury the opportunity of playing football and being part of our club. I would imagine the hours are higher now but based on previous years' activity.

- 675 hours of weekly sporting activity by providing access to training.
- 27,000 hours of sporting activity by providing access to training over a 40 week season.
- 13,500 hours of additional sporting activity with participation in weekly fixtures.
- 13,500 hours of sporting activity for members of the wider community who are members of other clubs and participate as our opposition in fixtures
- 2,500 hours of sporting activity for club members and the wider community at our annual 'End of Season Football Festival'.

The minimum total sporting activity that is provided to its members over a 40 week period, by AUJFC & AUWFC, is 56,500 hours.

And not forgetting the Pan-Disability and Walking football sections that also do an amazing job for our club. All sections are always on the look out for more volunteers and coaches, so if you fancy it, or know anybody that would be interested in helping the Aylesbury youth of today (and our potential players of tomorrow) then please make contact.

As ever, I appreciate your support, whether it be the Mini Ducks right through to the first team, I thank you, and I know we would not be as strong as we are without you all.

*Graham Read*  
Chairman, Aylesbury United Football Club

# Charity Partner Youth Concern



Each season Aylesbury United partners with a local charity to raise funds through various activities associated with the club. The election of a Charity This season Aylesbury United is supporting Youth Concern as our charity partner. Youth Concern are a youth charity that support young people in Aylesbury Vale. They welcome all 13-25 year olds, but specialise in working with young people who face additional challenges including, but not limited

to, those who are financially vulnerable, have mental health needs, homeless or at risk of homelessness, young carers, 'looked after' or affected by domestic/sexual violence or abuse. Youth Concern has a drop-in centre in Aylesbury which provides a range of activities and support.

Hannah Asquith, CEO at Youth Concern, said: *"I'm absolutely thrilled that supporters' of Aylesbury United have chosen Youth Concern to be the club charity partner for the season, and we are grateful for your support. We look forward to working in partnership with the club and wish The Ducks all the best this season."*

## WHAT DOES YOUTH CONCERN DO?

YOUTH CONCERN

YOUTH CONCERN SUPPORTS YOUNG PEOPLE FROM THEIR 13<sup>TH</sup> UNTIL THEIR 25<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAYS.



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WE SUPPORT ALL 13-25 YEAR-OLDS BUT SPECIALISE IN HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL LIFE CHALLENGES, OR THOSE IN NEED.



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# 25/26 FIXTURES

- 2/8/25- Ardley United (A) FAC 1-0 L
- 9/8/25- Leverstock Green (H) 0-0 D
- 12/8/25- Marlow (A) 3-0 L
- 23/8/25- MK Irish (A) 4-1 W- Larwood 10' French 38' Beadle 49' Tamplin 90+4'
- 26/8/25- Flackwell Heath (H) 0-2 L
- 6/9/25- Stanway Rovers (A) FAT 4-0 L
- 13/9/25- Northwood (H) 2-2 D- Raposo 14' Layman 85'
- 27/9/25- Enfield (A) 3-0 W- Raposo 33' Bewley 65' Larwood 87'
- 1/10/25- Leighton Town (H) 1-0 L
- 11/10/25- Biggleswade (H) 3-2 L Tuttle 43' Kakembo 79'
- 15/10/25- London Lions (A) 4-1 L Kakembo 27'
- 18/10/25- Hertford Town (A) 5-1 L Garcia 8'
- 21/10/25- AFC Dunstable (A) 2-0 L
- 29/10/25- Beaconsfield Town (A) 3-2 W OG, 71' Larwood 81', 87'
- 2/11/25- Biggleswade Town (H) 3-0 L
- 8/11/25- Ware (A) 2-0 L
- 12/11/25- Welwyn Garden City (H) 2-2 D Martin 93' Reeves 97'
- 15/11/25- Leverstock Green (A) 3-3 D French 15' Reeves 26' Martin 51'
- 19/11/25- Hadley (H) 1-1 D OG 91'
- 22/11/25- Hitchin Town (H) Abandoned in the first half due to a waterlogged pitch
- 26/11/25- Marlow (H) 2-0 W Bewley 30' Akinbobola 45'
- 29/11/25- Northwood (A) 2-0 W Akinbobola 17' Stobbs 88'
- 6/12/25- Barton Rovers (A) 1-0 L
- 13/12/25- Rayners Lane (H) 3-1 W Reeves 41' French 43' Cameron 62'
- 20/12/25- MK Irish (H) 2-0 W OG 49' Martin 83'
- 27/12/25- Flackwell Heath (A) 3-0 L
- 10/1/26- Stotfold (A) 2-1 L Tamplin 83'
- 14/1/26- Hitchin Town (H) 2-0 L
- 17/1/26- AFC Dunstable (H) 6-0 W Tamplin 36' Bircham 45+1' Turner 71' Swaby 75' Bircham 85' OG 87'
- 24/1/26- Leighton Town (A) 2-1 L Turner 23'
- 31/1/26- London Lions (H) 3-0 L
- 6/2/26- Biggleswade (A) 2-1 L Jellal 72'
- 14/2/26- Beaconsfield Town (H) 3-1 L Bircham 75'
- 21/2/26- Biggleswade Town (A) 5-1 L Swaby 89'
- 28/2/26- Ware (H) 1-0 W Reeves 35'
- 7/3/26- Welwyn Garden City (A) 3-2 L Tamplin 7' Bircham 60'
- 14/3/26- Enfield (H) Reeves 57', 62', 81' Tamplin 79'
- 18/3/26- Thame United (H)
- 21/3/26- Hitchin Town (A)
- 28/3/26- Rayners Lane (A)
- 3/4/26- Barton Rovers (H)
- 6/4/26- Thame United (A)
- 11/4/26- Stotfold (H)
- 18/4/26- Hadley (A)
- 25/4/26- Hertford Town (H)

# **MENS FOOTBALL**

## **At Aylesbury United FC**

**The men's first team currently play in the Pitching In Southern League Division One Central. They are managed by Paul Batchelor.**

**Founded in 1897 – when local sides Night School, The Printing Works and Aylesbury Town merged to become Aylesbury United – the first team turned semi-professional in 1976 and joined the Southern League.**

**For the past decade the team has played in the Southern League at step four of the National League pyramid.**

**The club was evicted from our home ground in Aylesbury when the lease expired in 2006, and for the past 19 years has had to play home matches outside the town. For the past eight seasons, the team has played at The Meadow, home of Chesham United.**

# **WOMENS FOOTBALL**

## **At Aylesbury United FC**

**The women's first team currently play in the Thames Valley Counties Women's Football League Division Three North.**

**Aylesbury United Ladies was re-established in 2002, following a number of years without a team and the demise of Berkhamsted Ladies. Early highlights including a 7-2 victory over multi-time women's FA Cup winners Southampton Women's FC, and reaching the League Plate Final in 2004. The team picked up its first honours in 2007 with victory in the Thames Valley League Plate Final against Wolverton Wasps by penalty shoot-out. The Ladies won the League Plate again in 2014-15, the same season the club merged with junior side Vale Reds FC, to form Aylesbury United Ladies and Girls.**

**In 2023 the club changed its name to Aylesbury United Women to better reflect its position as an end-to-end female club for all ages with a clear pathway to the first team.**

# **JUNIOR FOOTBALL**

## **At Aylesbury United FC**

**Aylesbury United Juniors FC has a long history within the town of providing local youngsters with opportunities to train and play football. We currently provide this provision for more than 350 players from 3 years of age; through to 18.**

**Our Mini Duck sessions are for 3 to 6 year olds. Age groups U7-U12 play in the South Bucks Mini Soccer Conference where fixtures are considered an extension of training and aimed at development; and age groups U13-U17 play competitively at all levels within the Wycombe and South Bucks Minor Football League. The club's all inclusive disability section also comes under the Juniors' banner and will play in the Berks, Oxon and Bucks Inclusive League.**

**As an accredited FA Club we will be able to provide regular football, so whether a player is looking to play for enjoyment, or has ambitions to play at a senior level, we can cater for their needs.**

**All of our volunteers are subject to FA enhanced background checks and are all encourage to develop themselves as coaches as their players progress. The club also prides itself in supporting all volunteers including young coaches and referees. If you are interested in joining Aylesbury United Juniors, please email:  
[membership@aujfc.co.uk](mailto:membership@aujfc.co.uk)**

# **PAN-DISABILITY**

## **At Aylesbury United FC**

**The Aylesbury United pan-disability team is a fully inclusive side for both children and adults with physical or learning difficulties.**

**The side is affiliated with the Berkshire Oxfordshire Buckinghamshire Inclusive (BOBi) League, one of the largest pan-disability leagues in the country.**

**Sessions take place at Ashmead School in Stoke Mandeville on Saturday mornings from 9am to 10.30am.**

**If children or adults you know would be interested in playing football, please come along to a session, or get in touch. Siblings, family and friends are also welcome to come along. There's no need to book, just bring suitable clothing, football, and something to drink.**

**The team was first established by James Byrne when his disabled son wanted to start playing football. He coached the team for four years, and it's now organised by Nick Gurney and his team of coaches.**

# **WALKING FOOTBALL**

## **At Aylesbury United FC**

**Walking Football was only invented in 2011. As the name suggests, no running – either with or without the ball – is allowed, and it is a no contact sport so all tackling must be done without touching the opponent. Teams are six-a-side, and is open to men over 50, and women over 40.**

**Our team was formed back in October 2015, thanks to the vision of the late Matthew Doherty. With an enthusiastic bunch aged between 18 and 78 turning out on a cold autumn night, Aylesbury United Walking Football Club was born. The ethos behind the club has always been to allow an inclusive environment for all to take part in the game we all love.**

**The team's success means there are two teams at Over 50 – the Aylesbury United Greens, and the Aylesbury United Stripes, as well as an Over-60s side, all of which participate in the Thames Valley Walking Football League. As the team is one of the pioneers of Walking Football, they often find themselves up against 'big' names of Football, and previous matches have seen the Ducks take on Watford, Oxford United, and even Arsenal.**

**Weekly sessions take place at the Aylesbury Vale Academy on Wednesday evenings between 7-8pm. The minimum age is 48 to participate due to the popularity and space available.**

**If you'd like to take part and get involved, please contact the team via its Facebook, Twitter or Instagram pages.**

# Paul Batchelor- Manager



'Batch' rejoins the club where he began his management career in the managerial role, he started the season with Aylesbury Vale Dynamos. Paul emphasises opportunities for young players to come through into the first team and will bring the ducks an exciting style of play.

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# Danny Gray- Assistant manager



A former Aylesbury United player, Danny joins the ducks as an assistant manager.

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# Matt Kelloway- Assistant manager



Matt has previously worked with Batch, as U23 manager at Aylesbury Vale Dynamos. He joined the ducks along with Batch and Danny in October 2025.

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# Will Harvey- Kitman



Having been a supporter of the club for nearly 10 years, Will started working for the ducks in November 2024 in a media role, before taking up the role of first team kitman in February 2025.

He currently runs the social media platforms and produces the matchday programme, as well as his kitman responsibilities.

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## Jack Hopwood- Goalkeeper



Goalkeeper who joined the ducks from Tring Athletic in 2018.

Hoppy left the club in 2021 following his relocation but returned just a year later for the 22/23 season. He spent a year playing for Kidlington before returning to the ducks for a third spell in 2024/25.

Jack has won multiple end of season awards for his excellent performances and service to the ducks.

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## Jack Wood- Defender, Captain



Long-serving club captain, Jack initially joined the club on loan from Luton Town in March 2010, before making the move permanent the following summer. An outstanding and versatile talent, he lines-up in central defence these days, but came to the club as a midfielder and has also featured in the wide positions.

He is top on the list of all-time appearances for the Ducks after breaking the record vs Welwyn Garden City in November 2025, and has made more than 670 appearances for the club. He continues to display incredible loyalty to the club despite several offers to ply his trade elsewhere.

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## Jake Bewley- Defender



Ever reliable attack-minded left back who has barely missed a game since being recruited from former landlords Leighton Town in summer 2014 after a four-year association with the Bedfordshire side, having previously played for Dunstable Town and AFC Dunstable before that. Jake's year-on-year improvement culminated in him being named Supporters' Player of the Year and Players' Player of the Year at the end of the 2016-17 campaign, having been named the Most Improved Player in 2015-16. Always eager to support attacks on the left flank, he has an excellent left foot which can also be turned to set piece speciality, Jake weighing in with a number of direct free kick goals and penalties over the course of his ducks career.

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## Liam Batchelor- Morgan- Defender



Full back signed in summer 2024 from Biggleswade. Has also previously played for Hilltop and Tring Corinthians. Liam is an attack-minded right back, who was our highest appearance maker in 24/25.

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## Luke Martin- Defender



An intelligent CB that reads the game and presents a tactical awareness to dictate defensive structure with calm authority. A defensive prowess combined with on the ball-ability including a diverse passing range, and a versatility which allows him to play full-back and in midfield.

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## Kian Henry- Defender



Kian is a powerful defender who has recently returned from injury, impressing since his reintroduction to the squad

## Ben Peters- Midfielder



Midfielder signed from Risborough Rangers in December 2023, who was previously part of the Academy 23 set-up with both Slough Town and then at Beaconsfield Town.

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## Hayden Beadle- Midfielder



Central midfielder who came through the youth and development system at Thame United before breaking into the first team. Joined the Ducks in Summer 2023 before playing elsewhere in 24/25 before rejoining this summer.

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## Finlay Reeves- Midfielder



17 year old winger who impressed on his debut against Beaconsfield, Fin joins the ducks from Aylesbury Vale Dynamos, where he scored in their FA Cup tie against St Albans City.

## Sonny French- Midfielder



Talented midfielder who has made effortlessly gliding past opponents in midfield something of an art form, Sonny signed for Aylesbury United on registration day in March 2015 from town neighbours Aylesbury FC, where he was a former Player of the Season winner. Began his career with Hemel Hempstead Town, before becoming an important part of the Aylesbury FC team, scoring just short of 40 goals during his four years with the club. Made more than 200 appearances, scoring 62 times for the Ducks, before departing in summer 2023 for Kings Langley. Re-signed for a second spell in September 2024.

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## Lee Stobbs- Midfielder/ Fullback



Rejoined The Ducks this summer following a spell away playing at Tring. Stobbsy has previously played over 50 games for us. He is known for his excellent delivery in the final third.

## Frankie Bircham- Midfielder



Midfielder recently signed from Rayners Lane

## Abdullah Jellal- Midfielder



Powerful striker signed in March 2025 from Kidlington. Scored his first ducks goal in a pre-season game against Chalfont St Peter.

## Rocko Tamplin- Winger



Rocko rejoined the ducks this season, scoring on his return to the ducks against MK Irish. Previously playing for the club in 22/23, Rocko's pace and flair makes him exciting to watch on the pitch!

## Fabian Garcia- Winger



The rapid winger had spells with Thame United and Aylesbury Vale Dynamos last season including one outing against the Ducks.

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## George Cleveland- Striker

Young striker recently signed for the Ducks

# Opposition Squad

## **Matthew Crowther: (Goalkeeper Age 24)**

Matthew is in his second season with Thame after playing for Milton United, a very assured and confident keeper who last season completed in 50 matches for Thame, keeping 20 clean sheets.

## **Jonny Pettitt (Goalkeeper Age 19)**

Jonny joins us on loan from Wycombe Wanderers where he has signed his first professional contract with the EFL side, where he has been in and around the first team squad this season.

## **Callum Hall: Full Back (Age 18)**

Callum joins the Red Kites this season from MK Dons Academy, the young right sided full back is quick and strong and his impressive performances in pre- season has earned him a place in the squad for this season.

## **Abuzar Khan: Full Back (22)**

Abu joins Thame on a dual registration with Aylesbury Vale Dynamos, where he has played for the last two seasons, and amassing over 170 non-league appearances the majority with Dynamos. A right footed player who can play as a winger or a full back.

## **Luca Perrin Centre Back (25)**

6ft 4 central defender joined Thame in December from Holmer Green.

## **Luke Tingey: Centre Back (Age 28)**

A strong experienced right footed central defender, with over 260 non-league appearances, joins us from Leighton Town where he made 30 appearances for them last season. He started his career playing at Hendon, where he stayed for five seasons, before moving on to Northwood, then Leighton Town. Luke will add a great deal of experience to the Thame United defence this season.

## **Finlay Murray: Centre Back (Age:24)**

Finlay came through the ranks at Barnet FC. and joined Thame in 2017/ 2018 a solid and assured defender who can play anywhere across the back four and was part of the team that has won the last three Oxfordshire Senior Cup Final. Making 44 appearances for the Red Kites and scoring 5 goals last season and made over 180 appearances for Thame.

## **Mark Riddick: Midfield (Age 28) Captain**

Mark has re-signed for the Red Kites for a third season and continues to captain the team this season. A very experienced defensive midfielder with over 330 non-league appearances, who has previously played for Tring Athletic, Aylesbury United and Berkhamstead. From his 42 appearances last season he scored 8 goals, the majority of from headers.

## **Jack Tutton: Midfield (Age 27)**

Defensive midfielder who is in his second season of his second spell after a season and a half away playing at North Leigh and Harrow. Previously spending four seasons with Thame making over 200 non-league appearances.

# Opposition Squad

## **Ethan Lack: Midfield (Age 21)**

A talented, skilful and hardworking box to box midfielder Ethan joins the club on a permanent registration after being on loan from Kings Lynn Town last season. He will provide a strength in the centre of the midfield and is comfortable carrying the ball as well as picking out passes.

## **Dan West: Midfield (Age 32)**

Dan has been retained for this season, a vastly experienced player who will add quality to the team, can play in midfield, up front and in defence and has over 420 non-league appearance's over 10 seasons, the majority of which were at Thame United. A proven goal scorer at step 4 scoring 173 in his non-league career.

## **Harry Alexander: Midfield (Age:21)**

Retained from last season a regular member of the squad who started playing for Thame when he was 7. Harry's season was cut short back in February through injury but still managed to score 12 goals from his 35 appearances, after scoring 17 in the previous season. Having Harry back fully fit will be like a new signing for the team.

## **Curtis Brown: Forward (Age 22)**

Curtis resigns for this season, strong and quick paced right footed forward, who is a real handful for defenders and can play across the front line. An impressive season with 49 appearances and 12 goals making him joint top goal scorer, and in his five seasons in non-league football as scored 56 goals in just over 150 appearances.

## **Greg Hackett: Forward (Age 30)**

A quick and skilful winger who loves to take on defenders, he started his career with Didcot Town in the 2018 /2019 season before moving on to play for Thame for four seasons, with brief spells at North Leigh and Risborough before re-joining Thame last season where he played 35 games and scored 8 goals.

## **Jenson Wright: Forward (Age 24)**

A right sided attacking player, Jenson joins the Red Kites from Didcot Town, where he played 42 games for the Railway men last season and has had spells at Hanwell Town and North Leigh and did make three appearances for Thame back in the 2020 / 2021 season, with 31 goals in his 150 non-league appearances, it will add a wealth of experience and quality to the Thame forward line.

## **Louis Walsh: Forward (Age 24)**

A talented left winger, who is skilful on the ball, with pace and likes to take on defenders. Louis past clubs include Oxford City, Bishops Stortford, Gosport and most recently Flackwell Heath in his 120 Non-Leagues appearances.

## **Lance Williams: Forward (Age 36)**

Lance joins the Red Kites, after playing for Kings Langley and Kidlington last season. An experienced centre forward with over 300 appearances and 50 goals in his 13 seasons in non-league football, previous clubs include North Leigh, Leighton Town and Didcot.

**Charlie Stow (Age 17)** Home grown striker that has made his way through the youth set up at Thame and made his league debut this season against Leighton Town and scored.

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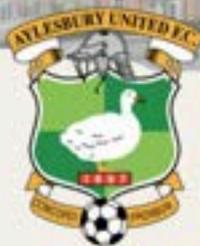
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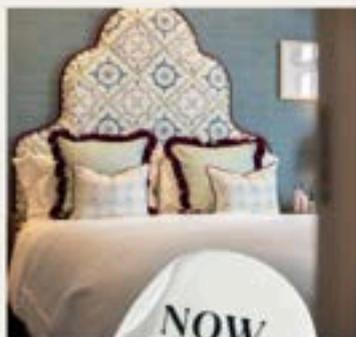
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For everyone's safety, we will report anyone carrying out these offences to the police, which can result in a criminal record.

Anyone who enters the pitch without permission and those carrying or using smoke bombs or pyros will now receive an automatic club ban. These measures could also now apply to the parents or guardians of children involved in these activities.

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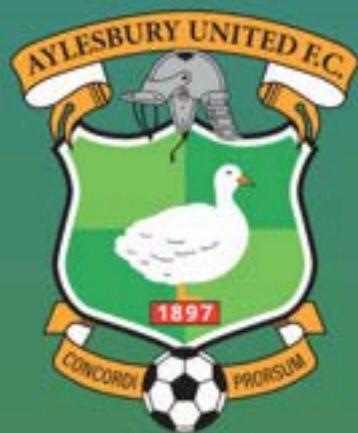
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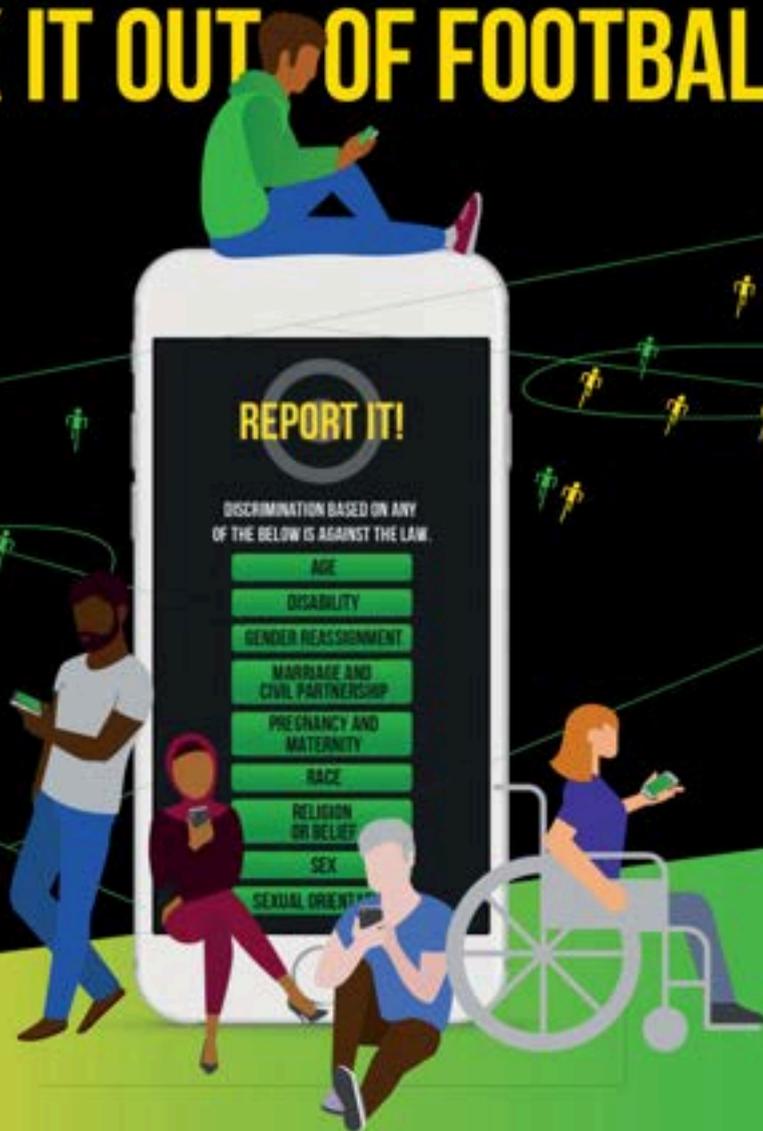
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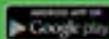
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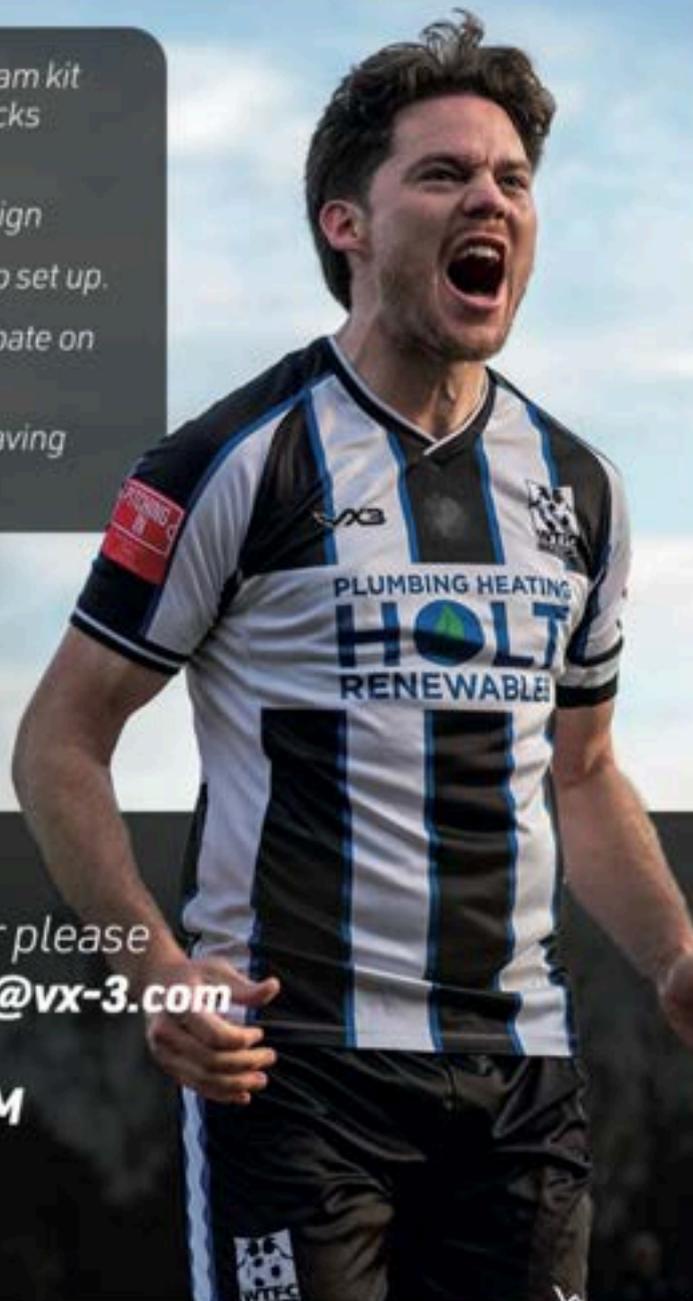
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