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RINGMER AFC vs GUILDFORD CITY

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CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

As we move further into the season, I would like to start by saying a huge thank you to Danny Mizon for organising our recent charity race night. It was fantastic to see such a well-attended event, supported not only by our club members but also by other members of the local community. The evening was thoroughly entertaining and, more importantly, raised money for a very worthwhile charity. Events like this demonstrate the strength of our community and the important role Ringmer AFC plays beyond the football pitch.

We have also taken delivery of our new storage container, providing some much-needed additional storage for the club. My thanks go to Sam and everyone who helped with its installation. These practical improvements make a real difference to the day-to-day running of the club and are greatly appreciated.

Football continues to come thick and fast, and we are increasingly stretched to capacity, both in terms of activity on the pitch and the demands on our facilities. It is encouraging to see good attendances and positive results across the club, reflecting the hard work and commitment of our players and management teams.

However, as the demands on the club continue to grow, it is vital that we maintain the high standards we have worked so hard to establish. This applies not only to our football but also to the way members appreciate and look after our facilities.

Finally, thank you to the committee and matchday volunteers who continue to give their time, energy and commitment to the club.

Murray Barnett
Chairman, Ringmer AFC



MANAGER'S NOTES

Good afternoon everyone, and welcome back to the Caburn. A very warm welcome to Guildford City FC and their supporters making the trip today, great to have you here.

It's been a busy period for us, and that's not going to change any time soon. The fixture list is relentless at this level, but that's exactly what you want. Every game is an opportunity and we're taking each one as it comes.

We've been building something here over the last few weeks, working hard on the training ground and putting things in place that I believe will show on the pitch. The lads have been putting the effort in and I can't ask for more than that.

Today is another test. Guildford City are a good side, well organised, and they'll make it difficult for us. But we're at home, we've got our supporters behind us, and we'll be going out there looking for three points.

Thank you for your continued support. It means everything to this club.

Come on, Ringmer.

FIRST TEAM MANAGER
DAN BARNETT



Today's Visitors...

Guildford City FC

Founded: 1921
Nickname(s): The City
Ground: Spectrum Football Ground, Guildford
First-Team Manager: Luke Simmonds

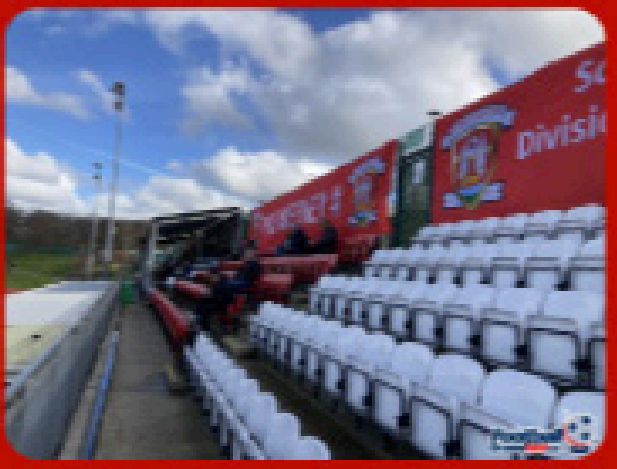
Club History

Guildford City have one of the more remarkable stories in non-league football. The original club was formed in 1921 and quickly rose to become a serious force, winning the Southern League title in 1937-38 and again in 1955-56, competing at a level that would be unrecognisable to today's Division One. The name City came about because the town expected to receive city status, and the football club adopted it in anticipation. The city status never came, but the name stuck.

The original club merged with Dorking in 1974 to form Guildford and Dorking United, and after various incarnations, a new club under the Guildford City name was established in 1996. That club rebuilt steadily through the Combined Counties League, winning back-to-back titles in 2010-11 and 2011-12 before competing at Step 4 in the Southern League.

After returning to the Combined Counties League, City have spent recent seasons pushing for promotion without quite breaking through. A difficult 2025-26 campaign ended in relegation from the Combined Counties Premier Division South, and Luke Simmonds was appointed manager in May 2026 to lead a fresh start.

Guildford City arrive in the SCFL Division One this season as a club with serious history and serious ambition. Don't underestimate them.



Opposition Lowdown

20th was Guildford City's finish in the Combined Counties League Premier Division South in 2025-26, bottom of the table after a difficult campaign. Relegated and transferred to the SCFL for 26/27, they arrive at the Caburn with plenty to prove.

Jim Langley, one of Guildford City's most famous former players, went on to play for **Brighton, Fulham and QPR** and earned three England caps in **1958**. A club that has produced proper footballers. Some things never change.

1921 is the year Guildford City were founded, over a century ago, in a town that never actually became a city. The name stuck anyway. Few clubs in this division carry that kind of history.

126 goals scored in a single season by Guildford City at their peak in the 1930s, nearly winning the Southern League title after finishing runners-up to Colchester United by just one point. Historic pedigree that most Step 6 clubs simply don't have.



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Our Predecessors' Stories

Ringmer FC, 1905–2018

Over a century of village football. Formed in 1905, Ringmer FC joined the Lewes and District League before WW1, reformed after the conflict, and secured their first trophy, the Sussex Junior Cup, in 1926. The club moved to the famous Anchor Field site after WW2 and climbed through the divisions to reach the Sussex County League in 1963.

The late 1960s and early 1970s were a golden era. In 1970-71, Ringmer became the first village club in England to reach the FA Cup First Round Proper, losing 3-0 to eventual quarter-finalists Colchester United. The Sussex County League Division One title followed in 1971-72, and the Sussex Senior Cup in 1972-73. After years of decline and financial difficulty, the club folded in 2018 and sold The Caburn to property developers.

AFC Ringmer, 2004–2020

Founded by local lads James Warren and Stephen Craig to give young, disillusioned players a chance to represent their village. Their first season brought the MSFL Division Five title, with Divisions Four and Three following in the next two years. Under Dan Merry and Sam Short, a fourth consecutive promotion was secured, before Oli Gibson led the side to the MSFL Premier Division in 2015-16.

When Ringmer FC folded, AFC Ringmer kept football alive in the village. Many of their players, managers and volunteers went on to become the backbone of Ringmer AFC, and their legacy runs through this club to this day.

Together from 2020.



RINGMER AFC

Club History

Honours

MSFL Premier Division Champions, 2023-24
MSFL Montgomery Cup Runners-up, 2024-25
SCFL Division One, 15th place (debut season), 2025-26

Our Story

Ringmer has had football in its blood for over a century. And today, that football has a home it can be proud of.

Ringmer AFC was formed in 2020, when two local clubs with two very different histories came together on the site of a brand new 3G pitch behind King's Academy School. What became the Caburn Community Ground was years in the making, and the merger that created this club was a project driven by people who refused to let football in this village disappear.

They were guided from the start by one clear principle, which still hangs on a plaque outside the clubhouse today:

"Striving to become a sustainable asset of value to the wider community through first-class facilities, access, and opportunity for all. Proudly providing a high-quality level of football with a focus on developing a pathway for local players."

The Club has grown every year since. Today, Ringmer AFC runs four men's senior sides, two men's under-18 teams, a Ladies team, a Ladies Flex (Over-30s) side, a Ladies Under-18 team, men's Veterans (Over-35s) and Masters (Over-45s) sides, and two men's Walking Football teams (Over-50s and Over-60s). There is a place here for everyone.

On the pitch, the men's first team spent several seasons competing at the top of the Mid Sussex Football League, winning the 2023-24 Premier Division title before earning promotion the following season. 2025-26 marked the Club's debut in the National League System, in SCFL Division One at Step 6. It was a tough first campaign, but survival was secured on the penultimate weekend with a 3-0 win away at Infinity FC, and the Club enters 2026-27 with a new management team and a point to prove.

The best is still to come...

SCFL Division One Table

Updated: 17 OCT 2026

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Infinity	12	11	0	1	37	13	24	33
2	AFC Walcountians	11	7	2	2	29	11	18	23
3	Reigate Priory	12	7	1	4	26	16	10	22
4	Dial Square	11	6	2	3	18	9	9	20
5	Jarvis Brook	10	6	2	2	17	8	9	20
6	Worthing United	10	6	1	3	32	8	24	19
7	Saltdean United	10	6	1	3	23	16	7	19
8	Westfield	12	5	3	4	19	15	4	18
9	Guildford City	11	5	2	4	25	16	9	17
10	Hailsham Town	12	5	1	6	21	24	-3	16
11	East Preston	11	4	3	4	16	14	2	15
12	Mile Oak	12	4	3	5	20	22	-2	15
13	Arundel	12	4	3	5	24	29	-5	15
14	Selsey	13	4	3	6	13	22	-9	15
15	Loxwood	12	3	5	4	11	14	-3	14
16	Oakwood	12	3	3	6	15	30	-15	12
17	Ringmer AFC	12	2	3	7	10	31	-21	9
18	Shoreham	12	2	2	8	9	35	-26	8
19	Clanfield	9	2	0	7	7	19	-12	6
20	Dorking Wanderers B	12	1	2	9	13	33	-20	5

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RINGMER AFC 2026-27

RESULTS:

Sat 8 Aug	DIV1		Arundel (A)	4-2
Tue 12 Aug	PBC R1		Westfield (A)	0-0 / 11-10 pens
Sat 15 Aug	FAV R1		Worthing United (A)	4-0
Tue 18 Aug	DIV1		East Preston (H)	0-1
Sat 22 Aug	DIV1		Jarvis Brook (A)	0-0
Tue 25 Aug	PBC R2		Eastbourne United (H)	2-5
Sat 29 Aug	DIV1		Worthing United (A)	8-0
Mon 31 Aug	DIV1		Westfield (H)	1-1
Sat 5 Sep	DIV1		Dorking Wanderers B (A)	0-2
Tue 8 Sep	SSCC		Selsey FC (A)	2-1
Tue 15 Sep	DIV1		Shoreham (H)	1-1
Sat 19 Sep	DIV1		Selsey (H)	0-1
Sat 26 Sep	DIV1		Dial Square (A)	6-0
Tue 29 Sep	DIV1		Mile Oak (H)	1-7
Sat 3 Oct	DIV1		Clanfield (A)	1-3
Sat 10 Oct	DIV1		Loxwood (A)	1-0

FIXTURES:

Sat 17 Oct	DIV1	Guildford City (H)
Sat 24 Oct	DIV1	Hailsham Town (H)
Sat 31 Oct	DIV1	Infinity (A)
Tue 03 Nov	DIV1	Jarvis Brook (H)
Sat 7 Nov	DIV1	Oakwood (H)
Sat 14 Nov	DIV1	East Preston (A)
Sat 21 Nov	DIV1	AFC Walcountians (H)
Sat 28 Nov	DIV1	Reigate Priory (A)
Sat 12 Dec	DIV1	Arundel (H)
Sat 19 Dec	DIV1	Hailsham Town (A)
Mon 28 Dec	DIV1	Saltdean United (H)
Sat 2 Jan	DIV1	Selsey (A)
Sat 9 Jan	DIV1	Mile Oak (A)
Sat 23 Jan	DIV1	Infinity (H)
Sat 30 Jan	DIV1	Shoreham (A)
Sat 6 Feb	DIV1	Reigate Priory (H)
Sat 20 Feb	DIV1	Oakwood (A)
Sat 27 Feb	DIV1	Dial Square (H)
Sat 6 Mar	DIV1	Clanfield (H)
Sat 13 Mar	DIV1	Worthing United (H)
Sat 20 Mar	DIV1	Westfield (A)
Sat 27 Mar	DIV1	Dorking Wanderers B (H)
Mon 29 Mar	DIV1	Saltdean United (A)
Sat 3 Apr	DIV1	AFC Walcountians (A)
Sat 17 Apr	DIV1	Loxwood (H)
Sat 24 Apr	DIV1	Guildford City (A)

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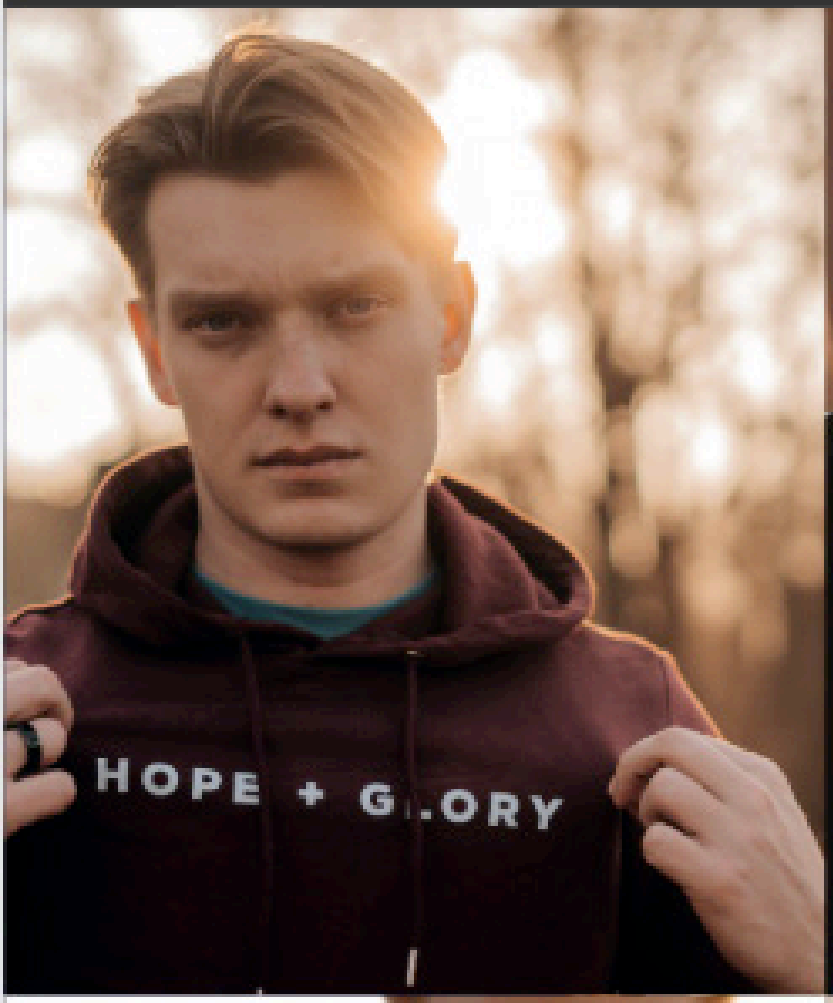
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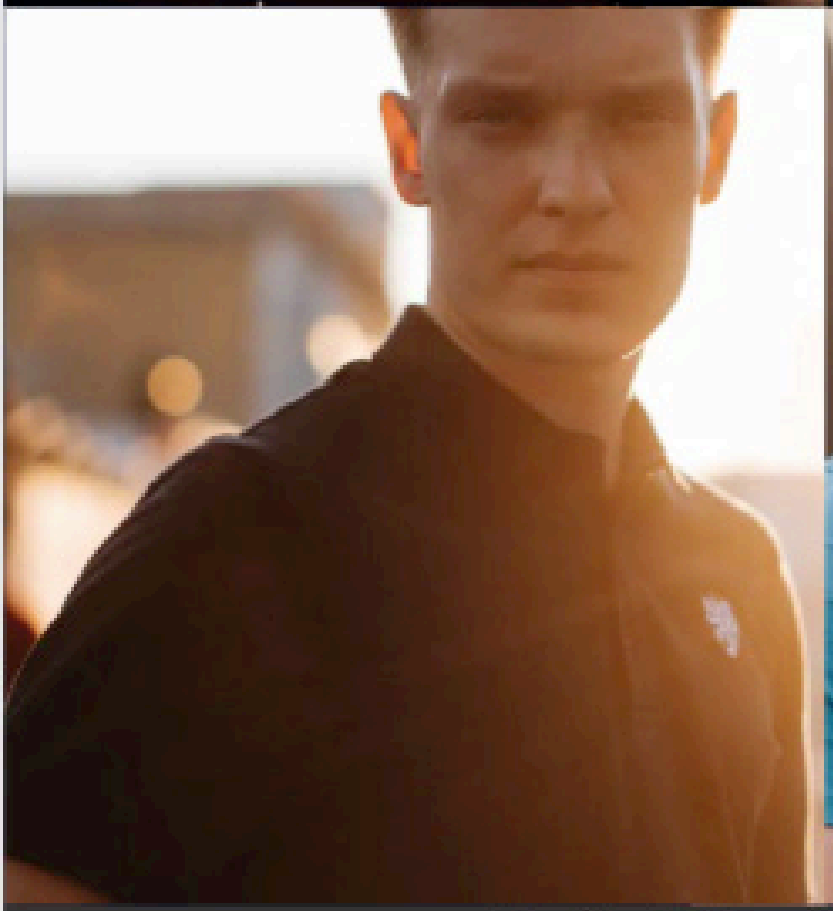
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26/27 SEASON

Membership runs from 1 July to 30 June each year. To join: contact Membership Secretary Catherine Kelly at membership@ringmer.football or enquire at the bar.

2026-27 Squad

Meet our 2026-27 season first-team squad!
Expect to get to know many of them much better over the course of the campaign with our Q&A section in these very programmes.

Goalkeepers

Will Moger, 17

Defenders

Jacob Ashwood, 23
Aidan West, 21
George Maybury, 32
Harry Denness, 23
Toby Callow, 16
Jay Pullen, 24
Jamie Smith, 19

Midfielders

Jack Craig, 19
Jake Barber, 21
Dan Diamond, 23
Lamin Sey, 35
Jack Holder, 18
Maison Butterworth, 19
Fraser Cox, 24

Forwards

Jamie Cullen, 26
George Fyffe, 22
Will Craig, 16
Luca McIntyre, 17
Rocco Cullen, 19
Ola James,
Tayler Snow, 20
Dylan Vince, 18
Charlie Parkin



Cover Star Q&A

ROCCO CULLEN

This week's cover star is 19-year-old winger Rocco Cullen, Brighton-born and three years into his time at the Lane. We sat down with him to find out a bit more about the man behind the pace.

Age: 19

Position: LW / ST / RW

Hometown: Brighton

How long have you been at Ringmer?

3 years

Describe your playing style in three words.

Relentless, rapid, never give up

Who was your football idol growing up?

Messi



Who is your biggest supporter?

My dad, Mark

What is your day job?

Labourer



Your football ambition?

To be the best version of me I can

What team do you support?

Brighton

Best piece of advice a manager has ever given you?

Focus on yourself

Three ideal dinner guests, dead or alive?

MJ, Messi, Henry





How do you unwind away from football?

Spending time with my little one

Next Away Day

ROFFEY FC

SCFL Division One

17:30KO //
TUE 27.10.26

How To Get There

Bartholomew Way is around 40 minutes from the CCG by car. Head west on the A27, then pick up the A24 north towards Horsham. From the A264 coming from the Gatwick direction, turn left at the Rusper roundabout with traffic lights, signed for Roffey, Holbrook and Littlehaven. The ground sits at the end of a residential area, so allow a few extra minutes to find it. Limited parking on site.

What To Look Out For

Roffey call their ground the Theatre of Trees, and once you see it you'll understand why. Nestled in a quiet corner of Horsham surrounded by mature trees, it's one of the more atmospheric settings you'll visit this season. Don't let the surroundings lull you into a false sense of calm. Roffey reached the semi-final of the Sussex RUR Cup in 2025-26 and are well organised at this level. A proper cup tie awaits.

Making a Day of It?

Horsham is well worth arriving early for. The town centre is a short drive from the ground with a good selection of pubs and independent cafes. The Carfax in the town centre is a solid pre-match option. Horsham Park, just off the town centre, is also a pleasant spot for a walk before the game if the weather is kind.

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