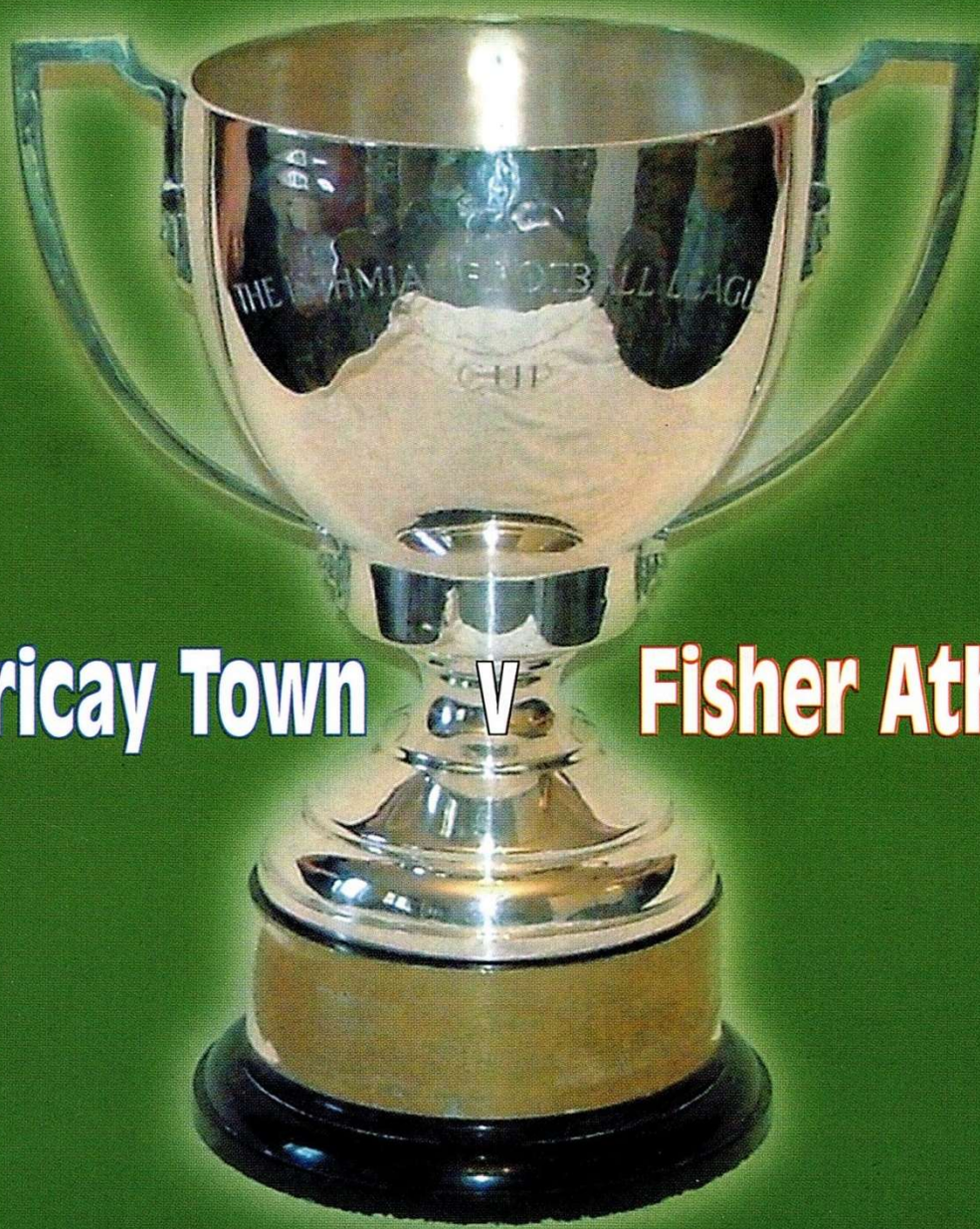


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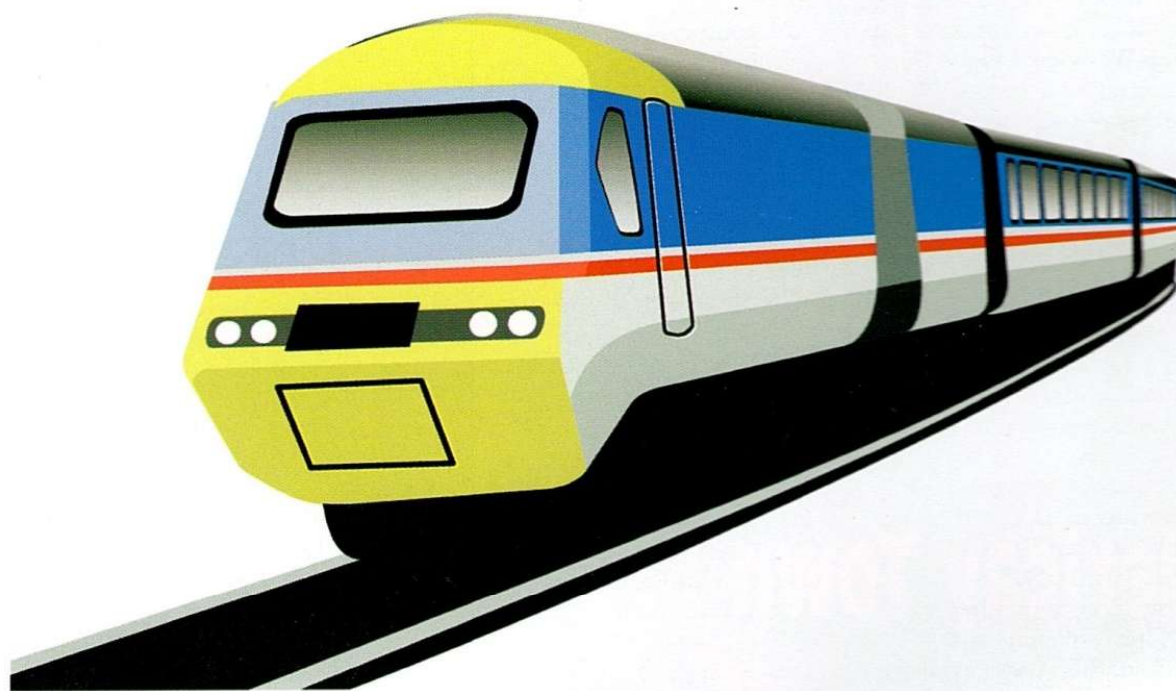
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# welcome to the final

Good evening ladies and gentlemen, and a warm welcome to the New Recreation Ground, home of Grays Athletic Football Club.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Isthmian Football League, I welcome you to tonight's Final of the League's Westview Cup.

I would like to sincerely thank Mr. Mick Woodward, Managing Director of Westview Rail Ltd, and also Chairman of Grays Athletic Football Club, for his company's sponsorship of both this Westview League Cup competition and the Westview Youth Cup. The sponsorship covers a three year period, and his support will enable the League to assist all our Clubs during the season.

We are also very grateful to all his colleagues at Grays Athletic Football Club, in particular Club Secretary Phil O'Reilly, for their work and help in staging tonight's Final. The Club have had a magnificent season, culminating in reaching the Final of the FA Trophy for the second successive season, and we wish the Club every success in the Final being played at West Ham United Football Club on Sunday, 14th May.

Billericay Town and Fisher Athletic Football Clubs will contest this season's Final. Billericay Town have been members of our League since 1979, although this is the first time they have reached the Final of the competition.

For Fisher Athletic it is their first appearance in this Final as this is also their first season as a member Club of the League.

Both semi-finals were fiercely but cleanly contested, with each match being settled by the margin of a single goal over two legs, and therefore this promises to give us a good contest tonight.

I would like to thank Mr Lee Harding of our programme sponsors **Queensway Publishing Limited** for sponsoring the colour in this evening's souvenir programme and our match football sponsors - **Chryso Limited** - for their support this season and providing the footballs for tonight's match.

We also thank our four match officials who are officiating at the match tonight, and in so doing, representing all their colleagues who serve us so excellently week-in-week-out throughout the football season.

The rules of the competition require extra time to be played in the event of a draw after 90 minutes, and for penalties to decide the result of the match on the night in the event of scores also being level at the end of extra time.

My congratulations and best wishes go out to both sides this evening in this Final. I do hope you enjoy the match.

*Alan Turvey, Chairman  
Ryman Football League*

**Welcome to Grays Athletic Football Club and this evening's Final of the Westview Cup competition.**

Our Company are pleased to be associated with the prestigious Ryman League which has great traditions and is closely associated with local communities.

Support of their two cup competitions helps bring soccer to the community, and we are particularly pleased to have an involvement in young players through the Youth Cup.

I am also pleased that the Board of Directors of the Isthmian Football League are assisting not only the winners and runners-up of the Cup, but all their clubs through our support and sponsorship.

I am looking forward to an eagerly and closely contested Final this evening.

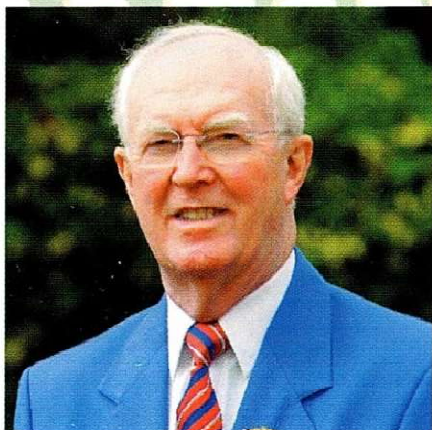
Finally, my thanks go to everyone that supports the Ryman Football League.

Its proud history and traditions can only continue with hours of dedicated work from ground staff to ticket sellers, from players to match reporters, every one makes a difference.

We are delighted to have the Westview name associated with the Isthmian Football League.

Enjoy the game.

*Mick Woodward, Managing Director,  
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| THIS EVENING'S<br>ORDER OF EVENTS |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| 7.35pm                            | Presentation of teams and match officials to Messrs Alan Turvey and Mike Westwood. |
| 7.45pm                            | First Half.  |
| 8.30pm                            | Half Time.   |
| 8.45pm                            | Second Half.   |
| 9.40pm                            | Presentation of Trophies at conclusion of match.                                   |





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## AWARDS

The Directors have confirmed the sponsorship monies that will be available for payment to Clubs for the current Season. The details of the Awards are as follows:

**Premier Division**  
 Champions - £3,000  
 Runners-Up - £2,000  
 The 3 other Clubs involved in play-off places - £1,000 each

**Division One**  
 Winners - £2,000  
 Runners-Up - £1,250  
 The 4 other Clubs involved in play-off places - £750 each

**Division Two**  
 Winners - £1,250  
 Runners-Up - £750

In addition to the cash awards referred to above, the Directors are also considering ways in which all Member Clubs may receive some financial benefit and details will be announced when the various schemes have been finalised.

Ryman also assist the League and ultimately all Member Clubs in the provision of stationery equipment, which does help keep subscriptions reduced to the minimum. All Member Clubs are also entitled to receive a Ryman Group discount card allowing very generous discounts of products purchased from Ryman Retail Stationery outlets as well as La Senza and Contessa outlets.

The Directors have also agreed the following Awards from the sponsorship of the Westview Cup and Westview Youth Cup competitions. The Awards for both competitions will be based on a sliding scale according to the progress made by clubs through the rounds of the two competitions, thus enabling us to spread the distribution of awards to clubs throughout the League. The details of the Awards are as follows:

**Westview Cup**  
 First Round Winners (19) - £50  
 Second Round Winners (10) - £75  
 Third Round winners (16) - £100  
 Fourth Round winners (8) - £150  
 Fifth Round winners (4) - £250  
 Semi-Final winners (2) - £500  
 Runners-up (1) - £500  
 Winners (1) - £1,000

**Westview Youth Cup**  
 First Round Winners (16) - £25  
 Second Round Winners (8) - £50  
 Third Round winners (4) - £100  
 Fourth Round winners (2) - £200  
 Winners (1) - £400

In addition, a further sum of money has been set aside for goods and services to be made available to all clubs in the League.

## PLAY-OFFS

The Play-off Dates for the Ryman Football League have been agreed by the Board of Directors as follows:

**Step 3 - Premier Division**  
 Semi Finals - One Game (Monday, 1st May 2006)  
 Club in 2nd place vs. Club in 5th place  
 Club in 3rd place vs. Club in 4th place  
 Final - One Game (Saturday, 6th May 2006)  
 Highest placed club will play at home.

**Step 4 (First Division)**  
 Semi Finals - One Game (Monday, 1st May 2006)  
 Club in 3rd place v Club in 6th place  
 Club in 4th place v Club in 5th place  
 Final - One Game (Saturday, 6th May 2006)  
 Highest placed club will play at home

In the event a team having a match which takes precedence on 1st May, such as the County FA Senior Cup Final, then the play-off will be rescheduled.

## END OF SEASON PROMOTION & RELEGATION

The Football Association have confirmed they will shortly be writing to all Steps 1 to 4 clubs confirming the end of season promotion and relegation procedures. These have been slightly revised from those issued before the commencement of the season in that one less Step 4 club will be relegated at that level as a result of the impact of increasing the size of the Football Conference's national division from 22 to 24 clubs. The parts particularly applicable to the Ryman Football League are:

### Step 2 and Step 3

The clubs in the bottom three places in each of the two divisions at Step 2 at the end of season 2005/2006 (this will revert to three clubs with effect 2006/2007) will be relegated to a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 3. They will be replaced by the clubs finishing in 1st position in each of the divisions at Step 3 together with a further three clubs determined by a series of play off matches involving those clubs finishing in positions 2 to 5 in each of the divisions at Step 3. The promoted clubs will also be placed in a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 2.

### Step 3 and Step 4

The clubs in the bottom three places in each of the three divisions at Step 3 at the end of season 2005/2006 (this will revert to four

clubs with effect 2006/2007) will be relegated to a feeder pool and placed in the most geographical appropriate division at Step 4. These nine clubs will be joined by an additional club, this being the club finishing fourth from bottom in the three divisions at Step 3 with the lowest points gained per game played. This club will also be allocated to a feeder pool.

They will be replaced by the clubs finishing in 1st and 2nd position in each of the divisions at Step 4 together with a further four clubs to be determined by a series of play off matches involving those clubs finishing in positions 3 to 6 in each of the divisions at Step 4. The promoted clubs will also be placed in a feeder pool and placed in the most geographically appropriate division at Step 3.

### Step 4 and Step 5

The clubs in the bottom places in each of the four divisions at Step 4 will be relegated and placed into a feeder pool. These four clubs will be joined by an additional three clubs, these being the three clubs finishing second from bottom in the four divisions at Step 4 with the lowest points gained per game played. These clubs also be allocated to a feeder pool and placed into the most geographically appropriate league at Step 5.

## WESTVIEW YOUTH CUP

This competition has now reached the semi-final stages. Dulwich Hamlet will entertain Chalfont St. Peter on Wednesday, 12th April. In the second semi-final, Redbridge entertain Worthing on Thursday, 20th April.

The date of the Final has still to be fixed.

## RYMAN LEAGUE CLUBCALL telephone 09066 555 777

The Ryman League ClubCall is the League's official telephone information service. The line is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. ClubCall presents a daily bulletin of news and interviews. We like to speak to the clubs that are in the news each day.

All the match results are available on the ClubCall line each midweek night after around 10pm and every Saturday after 6pm. Calls are charged at 60p per minute. The call revenue helps the Ryman Football League.

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### SEASON 2006/07

The Board of Directors have confirmed that season 2006/07 will start on Saturday, 19th August 2006.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The League's Annual General Meeting will take place at Staines Town Football Club on the evening of Monday, 19th June 2006.



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# the isthmian league

**Prior to the turn of the century, the only competitive games for amateur clubs in the South of England were various cup competitions. The majority of other fixtures were friendly.**

At the suggestion of Mr T.H. Kirkup, secretary of the London Football Association, Mr George Clark, honorary treasurer of Ilford and Frank Evans honorary Secretary of Clapton FC a meeting was held at Winchester House, Old Broad Street with representatives of the Casuals, Civil Service, Clapton, Ealing Association, Ilford, and London Caledonians had been invited to consider the formation of a strong amateur league. The representatives were all in favour and the Isthmian League was formed on 8 March 1905. The league's motto has always been 'honour sufficit'. Consequently, no cup was awarded to the champions nor were there any medals for players. Honour was the only reward.

In the first three seasons of the League there were just six member clubs and of these three clubs resigned after the first two seasons to be replaced by three new clubs.

Membership of the League had always been by invitation. Membership increased to 10 clubs in 1908 and 11 clubs in 1911. After the First World War there were just 5 clubs but this soon went back to 12 clubs in 1919.

1921 saw an increase to 14 clubs and membership stayed at this level until 1952 when an increase was made to 15 clubs and in 1956 a more even number of 16 clubs formed the basis of membership of the League.

In 1963 membership was increased to 20 with the addition of the 4 strongest clubs from the Athenian League namely, Enfield, Hendon, Hitchin Town and Sutton United. Membership remained then fairly static until 1971 when Maidstone United and Wealdstone turned professional to join the Southern League and were replaced by 3 more clubs from the Athenian League and then in 1972 Leatherhead were admitted to increase membership to 22 clubs.

In 1973 a second Division was formed and in 1979 saw a third Division added. With the final demise of the Athenian League in 1984 the League saw itself with the highest number of clubs it had had with the ability to have a total of 88 clubs. It only achieved this on a few occasions but, nevertheless, saw its position as the premier league in the south of the country maintained.

The League has been innovators in many ways. The League was the first league to have sponsorship when Rothman's of Pall Mall selected the Isthmian League with a number of other leagues around the country to lead the way with sponsorship. Prize money was offered to promote more goals and to encourage fair play. Any clubs which went over a certain number of penalty points for bookings and send offs during a season lost any money at all it earned by position in the League. Following on from this Berger Paints, Servovarm, Vauxhall, Diadora, ICIS and current sponsors Ryman have been the title sponsors. The League Cup has seen Hitachi, AC Delco and Bryco amongst

its sponsors.

The League was the first league to adopt 3 points for a win, the first to use goal difference instead of goal average and was the first league outside the Football League to become a limited company with a full time administration.

To return to this history of the Isthmian League, one finds that it was soon involved in dispute, which lasted eight years. The Surrey, Middlesex and Football Association Council forced these associations to take over the government of the professional clubs as well. There was opposition to take this motion and in March 1906, the Amateur Football Association was formed to protect what the amateur clubs considered their rights. The Amateur Football Association was split from the other county associations and member clubs were not allowed to play professional clubs or any other amateur club that remained affiliated to the Football Association. As a result of this the Casuals, Civil Service FC and Ealing, who had joined the Amateur Football Association resigned from the Isthmian League and their places were taken by Dulwich Hamlet, Oxford City and West Norwood.

Membership to the Isthmian League had always been by invitation. In 1908-09, Bromley, Leytonstone, Nunhead and Shepherds Bush were invited to join, thus increasing the membership to 10 clubs. Bromley were champions during the first two seasons, but resigned at the end of their third season in the Isthmian League. They were replaced in 1911-12 by Tunbridge Wells and Woking, thus increasing the membership to 11 clubs. New Crusaders replaced Tunbridge Wells for the 1913-14 season and the Isthmian League closed down during the First World War, London Caledonians were champions in three successive seasons, 1911-14.

When the Isthmian League resumed in 1919-20, the membership was increased to 12 clubs. The Casuals and Civil Service FC were accepted back into the Isthmian League as the Amateur Football Association's dispute with the Football Association had been resolved in 1914. Tufnell Park was also accepted into the Isthmian League, but New Crusaders and Shepherds Bush did not take their place after the war. In 1921-22, the Isthmian League was increased to 14 clubs with the addition of Wimbledon and Wycombe Wanderers. St. Albans City replaced West Norwood in 1923-24 and Kingstonian replaced Civil Service FC in 1929-30. There was no further changes in membership until just before the Second World War, which bought the Isthmian League to a close shortly after the start of the 1939-40 season. Casuals had amalgamated with the Corinthians in 1939 and London Caledonians and Nunhead were absentees after having had their grounds requisitioned. As neither club were able to find alternative accommodation, they had no option but to resign and their places were taken by Romford and Walthamstow Avenue from the Athenian League. At the time of their resignation, London Caledonians had won their first

Isthmian League championship a record 6 times, including the first hat-trick between 1911-1914.

At the end of the 1951-52 season, Tufnell Park was not re-elected. Their place was taken by Barking. Bromley also returned to the Isthmian League, and even though there have been subsequent occasions when clubs playing records have been below that of the rest of the clubs in the league, it is unusual that a club is not re-elected at the Annual General Meeting. Tufnell Park, after several name changes, have since returned to the Isthmian League as Haringey Borough. Also in 1951-52, Leytonstone completed a hat-trick of championship wins, the first since London Caledonians effort between 1911-14. Wimbledon (1961-64) and Enfield (1967-70 and 1975-78) have since emulated this feat.

Tooting & Mitcham United were elected to the Isthmian League in 1956-57 extending the membership to more manageable 16 clubs. Romford turned professional at the end of the 1959-60 season and joined the Southern League. They were replaced by Maidstone United.

For some time, the top Athenian League clubs had claimed to be better than the poorer Isthmian league clubs but because membership of the Isthmian League was invitation only, and as the Isthmian League was reluctant to elect new clubs in place of the bottom clubs, the Athenian League clubs were not given the opportunity to prove their claim. Efforts to operate a system of promotion and relegation between the two leagues had always been rejected by the Isthmian League and so progressive clubs could reach the top of the Athenian League and no further. In 1963-64, the Isthmian League increased its membership to 20 clubs by admitting Enfield, Hendon, Hitchin Town and Sutton United from the Athenian League and, with the addition of Wealdstone in 1964-65 as replacements for Wimbledon, who had decided to turn professional after several seasons as the recognised top amateur club in the country, the Isthmian League had gone some way to meeting the objectives of the Athenian League clubs. After the admission to the Isthmian League, Enfield won the Isthmian League championship 7 times and finished second on 4 occasions before moving on to the Alliance Premier League in 1981.

There were no further changes in membership until 1971-72, when Maidstone United and Wealdstone turned professional and joined the Southern League. They were replaced by Bishop's Stortford, Hayes and Walton and Hershman. Leatherhead was admitted for the 1972-73 season to increase the membership to 22 clubs.

In addition to sponsorship, the Isthmian League intruded three points for a win and accepted promotion and relegation in 1973-74. Fifteen clubs from the Athenian League and Hertford Town from the Eastern Counties League formed the Isthmian League Division



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# the isthmian league

Two. Dagenham and Slough Town were promoted at the end of the season in place of Corinthian Casuals and St. Albans City. Boreham Wood and Croydon were admitted to Division Two increasing membership of that Division to 18 clubs. Division Two was further increased to 22 clubs in 1975-76 with the inclusion of Harrow Borough, Hornchurch, Ware and Wembley from the Athenian League.

A third Division was added in 1977-78. The divisions were named Premier, Division One and Division Two. The Athenian League was provided with the bulk of the 17 new clubs. Metropolitan Police from the Southern League being the exception. At the end of that season, Epsom & Ewell and Metropolitan Police were promoted from Division Two to Division One, with Corinthian Casuals and Hornchurch making the reverse journey. Membership of Division Two was increased to 18 clubs in 1978-79 with the addition of Hungerford Town from the Hellenic League.

At the end of the 1978-79 season, the Isthmian League lost one of its founder members, Ilford, who had lost their ground, amalgamated with Leytonstone as Leytonstone and Ilford. At that time, Ilford were one of the only two clubs to have competed in the Isthmian League in every season since its foundation. The sole survivor is Clapton. During their spell in the Isthmian League, Ilford won their championship three times, the last instance being in 1921-22. Leytonstone had 9 championship wins to their credit. In their initial season after amalgamation, the club competed in Division One. They obtained promotion straight away to Division One champions in 1979-80 and then went on to win the Premier Division championship in 1981-82.

To compensate for the loss, the Isthmian League accepted Barton Rovers and Billericay into Division Two. Billericay Town were Athenian League champions in the previous two seasons following successes in the Essex Senior League and the FA Challenge Vase. They reached the Premier Division in the shortest possible time by winning the Division Two championship in 1979-80 and finishing runners up in Division One in 1980-81. Barton Rovers had been champions of the South Midlands League in eight of their previous nine seasons.

Enfield and Dagenham both left the Isthmian League at the end of the 1980-81 season. Both clubs accepted an invitation to join the Alliance Premier League, Bognor Regis Town were accepted into Division One from the Southern League and justified this by gaining promotion to the Premier Division in their first season in the Isthmian League, 1981-82. Basildon United and Windsor and Eton from their Athenian League also joined the Isthmian League in 1981-82. At the end that season, Camberley Town failed to be re-elected and returned to the Athenian League. The Isthmian added former Athenian League clubs, Leyton-Wingate and Uxbridge in 1982-83. It was also agreed that with effect from 1982-83, the Isthmian League champions would be promoted to the Alliance Premier League and that the bottom two clubs in Division Two would, subject to

facilities, be replaced by the top two Athenian League clubs. However, at the end of the 1982-83 season, Wycombe Wanderers, the Isthmian League champions decided not to move to the Alliance Premier League and no other Isthmian League club sought election in their place. At the bottom end of the league, Harwich and Parkston became the first Isthmian League club to be relegated to the Athenian League. As there was a vacancy in the league only one club was relegated from Division One. Newbury Town and Grays Athletic were promoted from the Athenian League at the end of the 1982-83 season.

The arrangement with the Athenian League did not last for long. The Isthmian League decided to expand further in 1984-85 by regionalising its second division. 20 clubs were added, the bulk of them again coming from the Athenian League, which was forced to disband. The Isthmian League also added several clubs from county league football: Heybridge Swifts and Saffron Walden Town from the Essex Senior League, and Petersfield United from the Hampshire League. A number of Athenian clubs, including champions Redhill, could not be accepted as their grounds were not up to required standard. Staines Town were demoted from the Premier Division at the end of the 1983-84 season because they failed to carry out the requisite improvements, thus saving Tooting & Mitcham United from relegation. Corinthian Casuals who had existed for over 100 years, with out having their own ground, finally obtained one at Wimbledon Park. However, as they were unable to obtain planning permission to carry out necessary improvements, they were forced to resign from the Isthmian League, and were accepted, at short notice into the London Spartan League.

At the end of the 1984 season, the Isthmian League took up their option of promotion to the Gola League (now known as Football Conference). Champions, Sutton United decided not to apply, leaving the way open to Wycombe Wanderers to compete in the Gola League in 1985-86. Yeovil Town were relegated from the Gola League.

The Isthmian League has accepted the Combined Counties, Essex Senior, London Spartan and South Midlands Leagues as feeder leagues to its two second divisions. Changes at the bottom in 1985-86 are the relegation of Chertsey Town to the Combined Counties' League, the expulsion of Epping Town and election of Southwick and Vauxhall Motors.

Prior to the end of 'amateur football' the Isthmian League was without doubt to top amateur league in the south, although Northern League laid claim to being top amateur league in England. The claim being made on the basis of performances in the FA Amateur Cup. Nevertheless, the Isthmian League can look back on 30 occasions when its member clubs won the FA Amateur Cup.

The most successful clubs are Clapton with 5 wins and Dulwich Hamlet with 4. Neither clubs won the FA Amateur Cup after the Second World War. Of the 22 clubs in membership of the Isthmian League Division

One in 1973-74, the last season of the FA Amateur Cup, 15 clubs had at least one win in the FA Amateur Cup. In addition, London Caledonians, Wealdstone and Wimbledon all had their names inscribed on the FA Amateur Cup before leaving the Isthmian League.

Initially, Isthmian League Clubs did not have a great deal of success in the FA Challenge Trophy. It was not until 1975-76, the seventh competition, that Enfield became the first Isthmian League club to reach the semi-finals. Since then Dagenham (1979-80), Leatherhead (1977-78), Sutton United (1980-81), Dagenham & Redbridge (1996-97) have been beaten finalists. Most Isthmian League clubs compete in the FA Challenge Trophy but below the top two divisions compete in the FA Challenge Vase. Yeading being the first Isthmian League club to win the FA Vase in 1989/90, whilst Southall (1985/86), Oxford City (1994/95) and Berkhamsted Town 2000/01 have been finalists.

There have been too many occasions when the Isthmian League clubs have topped Football League Clubs in the FA Cup to record them all. In 1952-53, Walthamstow Avenue were drawn away to Manchester United in the Fourth Round of the FA Cup. They managed a draw at Old Trafford before losing a replay 5-2, which was played at Highbury. In the earlier rounds they had beaten Wimbledon, Watford and Stockport County. These are not the only occasions that Walthamstow Avenue have beaten Football League clubs in the FA Cup. They have also beaten Gillingham and Queens Park Rangers and also held Ipswich Town to a draw. In 1958-59, Tooting and Mitcham United beat Bournemouth 3-1 and Northampton Town 2-0 before being drawn at home to Nottingham Forest who won the FA Cup that season and they claimed that the nearest they came to a defeat throughout the competition was when they played Tooting and Mitcham United. In 1975-76, Tooting and Mitcham United reached the Fourth Round of the FA Cup following wins over Romford, Leatherhead, Swindon Town before losing to Bradford City. Sutton United were hosts to Leeds United in the Fourth Round of the FA Cup in 1969-70, but there was no fairy tale ending as they lost 6-0. In 1979-80, Harlow Town beat Leytonstone and Ilford, Southend United, after a replay, and Leicester City after a replay before going to Watford and losing 4-3. Enfield reached the Fourth Round in 1980-81, beating Wembley, Hereford United, Port Vale, in a replay, before losing to Barnsley in a replay held at White Hart Lane in front of over 35,000 spectators. The Isthmian League clubs also have an extremely good record in the various County Cup Competitions.

Since 1974-5, the Isthmian League has run its own cup competition. In the first season, entry was restricted to Division Two clubs, Tilbury beat Croydon Amateurs in the final over two legs. All member clubs have competed in the competition since 1975-76 and the competition was known as the Hitachi Cup between 1977-85, AC Delco Cup 1985-91 and now the Westview Cup!



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1989/90 - 1st Round  
1990/91 - Preliminary Round  
1991/92 - 2nd Round  
1992/93 - 2nd Round  
1993/94 - 2nd Round  
1994/95 - 1st Round  
1995/96 - 2nd Round  
1996/97 - 2nd Round

1997/98 - 3rd Round  
1998/99 - 2nd Round  
1999/00 - 3rd Round  
2000/01 - 3rd Round  
2001/02 - 1st Round  
2002/03 - 4th Round  
2003/04 - 2nd Round  
2004/05 - 3rd Round

## FISHER ATHLETIC - Route to the Final

3rd - 7/11/05 - Folkestone Invicta (H) W4-2,  
Hearn (2), Scannell, Barr Att: 82

4th - 19/12/05 - Hampton & Richmond (H) W2-1,  
Griffiths, Barr Att: 113

5th - 21/2/06 - Hendon (A) W1-0,  
Hearn Att: 50

SF 1st Leg - 13/3/06 - Slough Town (H) W5-2,  
L.Piper (2), Taylor, Watts (2-1 pen) Att: 108

SF 2nd Leg - 22/3/06 - Slough Town (A) L1-3,  
L.Piper Att: 118

## PREVIOUS RECORD

This is Fisher Athletic's first season as Isthmians.

## RECENT LEAGUE MATCHES

Ryman Football League - Premier Division  
1st October 2005 - Billericay Town 1 (Elder), Fisher  
Athletic 3 (Griffiths 2, Riviere)  
18th March 2006 - Fisher Athletic 0,  
Billericay Town 2 (Hunter 2)

## WESTVIEW CUP - DIVISIONAL PROGRESS ROUND BY ROUND

| Round        | First     | Second    | Third     | Fourth    | Fifth    | Semi-Final | Final    |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| Premier      | 0         | 0         | 22        | 13        | 8        | 4          | 2        |
| One          | 21        | 14        | 8         | 3         | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| Two          | 16        | 6         | 2         | 0         | 0        | 0          | 0        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>37</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>4</b>   | <b>2</b> |



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## FOLKESTONE INVICTA FC

The widow of Paul Sykes - the Folkestone Invicta striker who tragically collapsed and died during a Kent Senior Cup match a year ago this month - says she hopes the special memorial match to be held in his honour will prove a fitting farewell to her husband.

Dozens of famous faces from the Kent footballing scene will take part in a special match - the Syko Challenge - which takes place at Margate's Hartsdown Park on Sunday, 30th April.

Among those expected to play a role during the game are the likes of Martin Buglione and former Gills stars Mark Saunders and Andy Pennock, as well as a possible rare return to action for the former goal-machine this is Invicta boss Neil Cugley.

Speaking in a special onterview on last weekend's Kent on Sunday, Carly Sykes said, "This memorial game will be a nice finishing point for everyone to celebrate and then move on."

"It is a way of not only celebrating his life but saying goodbye as well in a really good, positive way. I just know it will be fantastic."

Sykes was just 28 when he died of a rare heart condition - leaving behind wife Carly and nine-month old son Thomas.

Folkestone pulled out of the Kent Senior Cup following the tragedy and although the Final was dedicated to his memory and attended by more than 2,000 fans, it was clear there was a huge demand from his former team-mates to play a part in a more dedicated tribute.

The game has been organised by BBC Radio Kent sports reporter Mike Green.

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## CHAPPLE IN FINAL 'FA CUP HEROES' VOTE

Former Kingstonian manager Geoff Chapple has been shortlisted by a panel of experts at the Football Association, chaired by Sir Trevor Brooking, as one of 25 managers vying to be an 'FA Cup Hero'.

In his four seasons with the K's, Chapple took the club through to the final qualifying round, the 2nd round, the 1st round, and momentarily the 4th round in each respective campaign.

Football League sides were challenged on a regular basis, and Kingstonian proved to be a consistent challenger from the semi-professional ranks. Leyton Orient were taken to a replay in season 98/99 before a game at Luton Town in 99/00 every bit as thrilling as the Hatters' tie against Liverpool this season.

The culmination of the 'FA Cup years' came in season 00/01 where local league side Brentford were dispatched with ease before a fighting win at Southend. High drama followed in the fourth round at Bristol City, in front of nearly 15,000 spectators, when Kingstonian led through a Phil Wingfield goal going into injury time... A meeting with Leicester City in the final 16 was not to be, however, as an injury time equaliser and then a late winner in the replay proved to be the end of a fine relationship between Chapple, Kingstonian and the FA Cup.

Voting has now commenced on TheFA.com website as visitors are asked to select their FA Cup Legends team and manager between now and Monday 24th April 2006. The final

results will be announced, by position, throughout the build up to May's Cup Final. There are great prizes on offer from the Football Association for every fan who enters, so get voting to put Geoff Chapple in charge of the greatest FA Cup team of all time!

## CRAY WANDERERS FC

Cray Wanderers FC have published a new book, featuring centre forward Ken Collishaw, a star player of the 1950s and 1960s. Ken is the Wands' all-time top goalscorer with a career total of 274 goals. He also played for Bromley and Tonbridge.

The book contains several archive photos and nostalgic reminders of Non-League football in Kent and South London fifty years ago.

Price £2.99 (48 pages) - the book is on sale at Cray's home matches or can be ordered via the mail for £3.50 including p&p from:

Cray Wanderers FC, c/o The Courage Stadium, Hayes Lane, Bromley, Kent BR2 9EF

## SEASON 2006/07 - FA CUP AND TROPHY DATES

The Football Association have announced the dates for next season's FA Competitions, including the FA Cup and FA Trophy.

### FA CUP

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Extra Preliminary .....       | 19th August 2006    |
| Preliminary .....             | 2nd September 2006  |
| First Round Qualifying .....  | 16th September 2006 |
| Second Round Qualifying ..... | 30th September 2006 |
| Third Round Qualifying .....  | 14th October 2006   |
| Fourth Round Qualifying ..... | 28th October 2006   |
| First Round Proper .....      | 11th November 2006  |
| Second Round Proper .....     | 2nd December 2006   |
| Third Round Proper .....      | 6th January 2007    |
| Fourth Round Proper .....     | 27th January 2007   |
| Fifth Round Proper .....      | 17th February 2007  |
| Sixth Round Proper .....      | 10th March 2007     |
| Semi-Finals .....             | 14th April 2007     |
| Final .....                   | 19th May 2007       |

### FA TROPHY

|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Preliminary .....             | 7th October 2006   |
| First Round Qualifying .....  | 21st October 2006  |
| Second Round Qualifying ..... | 4th November 2006  |
| Third Round Qualifying .....  | 25th November 2006 |
| First Round .....             | 16th December 2006 |
| Second Round .....            | 13th January 2007  |
| Third Round .....             | 3rd February 2007  |
| Fourth Round .....            | 24th February 2007 |
| Semi Final 1 .....            | 10th March 2007    |
| Semi Final 2 .....            | 17th March 2007    |
| Final .....                   | 20th May 2007      |

## FOUR NATIONS TOURNAMENT 2006 - COMING TO SUSSEX

The Football Association have confirmed that this year's Four Nations Tournament will take place at Eastbourne Borough FC, Worthing Football Club or the Ryman Football League and



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Bognor Regis Town FC between 23rd-27th May.

The tournament in its current guise was re-established in 2002 by The FA and England are the reigning holders, having won all three games in the Republic of Ireland last May.

England are unbeaten in their last eight games under Manager Paul Fairclough, and the former Stevenage Borough boss is excited about the selection dilemma's awaiting him.

"The Four Nations is a fantastic tournament as I have the opportunity to select the very best players from outside of The Football League.

"Last year DJ Campbell was in my squad whilst he was at Yeading in the Ryman Football League, and in the last twelve months he has moved first to Brentford, and then to Birmingham City in the Premier League.

All three England games will be played at Eastbourne Borough Football Club, capping a meteoric rise for the club who just 23 years ago were founding members of the Sussex County League Division 3, as Langney Sports.

The County of Sussex has over 1,000 clubs and sees an estimated 37,000 players involved in the game each weekend.

Sussex FA Chairman and FA Representative Matches Committee Chairman Peter Bentley is proud to be involved in bringing international football to his home county.

"The tournament takes place at the end of the league season and falls perfectly before the start of the World Cup, when football fever will be at its peak.

"It would be great to think that we'll see big crowds at all the games, including those at Worthing and Bognor Regis Town, with the final round of games staggered to enable supporters over the Bank Holiday weekend to get to both games and create a carnival atmosphere."

Tournament Schedule:

23rd May England v Ireland - Priory Lane, Eastbourne Borough - 7.45pm

23rd May Wales v Scotland - Nyewood Lane, Bognor Regis Town - 7.45pm

25th May England v Wales - Priory Lane, Eastbourne Borough - 7.45pm

25th May Ireland v Scotland - Victor Gladwish Stadium, Worthing - 7.45pm

27th May England v Scotland - Priory Lane, Eastbourne Borough - 4.00pm

27th May Ireland v Wales - Victor Gladwish Stadium, Worthing - 12.30pm

Tickets for England games will cost £5 for Adults and £1 for children U16 and OAP's. The three games at Worthing FC and Bognor Regis Town FC will be free.

## HARROW MENCAP TEAM UP WITH WEALDSTONE

Wealdstone Football Club will host an awareness day this coming Saturday, 8 April, during their home game versus Fisher Athletic to mark a new partnership with a local charity giving people with learning disabilities the chance to play the beautiful game.

People with learning disabilities will get free entrance to the match and any accompanying adult will receive a free match-day programme. Entrance for adults is £8.

As part of the agreement, from next season 2006/7, Harrow Mencap's football team Harrow Stones Stars FC will wear the famous blue and white quarters.

Last year, Harrow Mencap obtained a £60,000 grant, spread over three years, from the Football Foundation to start a football club in the area.

"We are delighted to be strengthening our ties with Wealdstone. They have supported our project from the start and we were an original community partner for their Prince Edward development," said Simon Heaney, Harrow Mencap's football scheme manager.

"Football should be for everyone but there hasn't always been many opportunities for people with a learning disability to play. We want our players to feel that you can enjoy football even if you have never kicked a ball before. It's about having fun."

For Wealdstone, club director Howard Kraiss said: "Being at the heart of the community has always been a priority for us. Getting together with Harrow Mencap makes perfect sense in that regard.

"The Prince Edward development has always been a community based development. Working with teams like Harrow Stones Stars FC shows that we are passionate, not only to be successful on the field, but operating at the heart of the wider community."

"It is good to see that a local club wants to get involved with its surrounding community," continued Simon, "a number of our players are fans already and I'm sure that many more will be after Saturday."

Before Saturday's game, Wealdstone manager Gordon Bartlett presented Scott Powling from Shaftesbury School on Headstone Lane, and Divyesh Jarni from the Brember Centre in South Harrow with tickets for a future England game at Wembley after they won a competition to design the team's new badge and name. At half time, some members of the team took part in a penalty competition.

"We wanted a name that gives ownership to the members as well as a strong link with Wealdstone," said Michael Molokwu, Community Sports Coach at the Middlesex County Football Association. "Thanks to Wealdstone's endorsement, we can hopefully remove the stigma of being identified as a learning disability charity, which can put parents off."

## MARTINTOAL AND HMV

Martin Toal will be singing once again at this year's Banquet and Ball in June. Should anyone wish to purchase his new CD "Aria Celtica", it can be obtained from one of the following 3 HMV stores:

HMV Oxford Circus

HMV Marble Arch 360 Oxford St

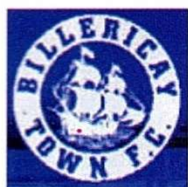
HMV Trocadero - off Piccadilly.

It can, of course, be ordered online but it is available to buy immediately in one of these stores.

## MARGATE FC

Margate Football Club has relieved manager Chris Kinnear of his duties as Manager of the Club. The Club has appointed Robin Trott as caretaker Manager until the end of this Season and he took charge from training on Wednesday evening. Robin Trott has appointed Mike Flannigan as his assistant; Mike will join the squad for Saturday's match at Hampton & Richmond Borough and will be with the Club to the end of the Season.





# introducing ...

**The Club was formed in 1880 making it the 11th. oldest club in Essex and moved into the Romford & District League in 1890 - competing in this league until 1914. After the 1st. World War, the Mid-Essex League was entered and they remained in that competition until 1947.**

That year they joined the Southern Essex Combination remaining there until 1966 when they became founder-members of the Essex Olympian League.

Five years later, Billericay Town became founder-members of the Essex Senior League and the club's six-year stay in that competition saw them win the Championship three times and were Runners-Up twice (and third the other season). The League Cup was won four times and they were Finalists once. In addition they won the League Challenge Cup the only time that it was competed for.

Progressing to the Athenian League in 1977, Billericay won the Championship and the League Cup in the first season. They became Champions again in 1978/79 and after two seasons were elected into the Isthmian League.

Whilst members of the Essex Senior League, the club won the F.A. Vase in 1976 when Stamford were beaten 1-0 after extra-time at Wembley Stadium.

The following season, 1976/77, saw the club go to Wembley again and - after a 1-1 draw there - played at Nottingham Forest F.C. in the re-play and emerged victorious with a 2-1 victory over Sheffield, the oldest club in the world.

Billericay Town became the first (and so far the only) club to win the F.A. Vase for a third time in 1979 when they defeated Almondsbury Greenway 4-1. This match was notable for a hat-trick by Doug Young - the first hat-trick in a Cup Final at Wembley Stadium since Geoff Hurst's in the 1966 World Cup Final.

The Club then competed in the F.A. Trophy until 1989/90 when the F.A. Vase was again entered and the Quarter-Final was reached, losing 0-1 to the eventual Finalists, Bridlington.

After their success in the Athenian League, Billericay's league successes continued in the Isthmian League when in their first season they easily won the Division 2 title with a winning margin of 17 points, and scoring 100 goals in their 36 league matches. The following season, in Division 1, they finished as Runners-Up to Bishops Cleeve - the first time in the history of the Isthmian League that a club had won promotion in two successive seasons on entry into the League.

Billericay then had five seasons in the Premier Division until being relegated in 1986. They then spent two years in Division One before again being relegated - this time into Division Two North.

Following re-organisation of the League, Billericay finished in third place in the newly formed Division Two and so gained promotion to Division One. That season, 1991/2, they finished the season with an unbeaten run of 15 games, including winning the Essex Thames-Side Trophy.

Promotion back to the Premier Division was obtained in 1998 and 12th. position was obtained in the first season back. In season 1999/2000 they obtained their highest-ever league position in the Pyramid structure - 7th. place. In the following three seasons they finished in 8th., 9th. and 12th. places in the League.

Following the resignation of Gary Calder as Manager at the end of the 2002/03 season the Club moved away from the usual list of local managers and appointed ex-Tottenham Hotspur player Justin Edinburgh as Manager - his first venture into football management following his early retirement from the game after being injured playing for Portsmouth, where he spent two seasons.

In January 2004, a local business-man, Steve Kent, acquired the controlling interest in the Club by buying the shares of the major shareholders and also settling the club's debts. Since his arrival Steve has set about renovating some of the clubs facilities, overseeing the resurfacing of the car park, the building of new boardroom and office facilities and commencing work on a refit and extension of the clubhouse.

Unfortunately the 2003/04 season ended in disappointment for Billericay as they were unable to escape the bottom four and failed to earn a place in the new Nationwide South league. Many changes have occurred on the playing side of the club over the summer, with a lot of new players arriving at New Lodge as Billericay became the latest non-league club to move towards having a full-time squad. The following season Billericay finished as runners up in the Ryman premier division, but failed to obtain promotion via the play-offs. They also reached the first round of the FA Cup for only the second time in the clubs history.

Midway through the 2005/06 season, manager Justin Edinburgh left on the club, however Matt Jones quickly took over the reins and set about putting his own stamp on the team and leading them to their first cup final for ten years.

Full Membership of the Football Association was achieved in 1993, twelve years after obtaining Associate Membership in 1981.

Billericay Town also became the first Non-League club to win the Rothmans Merit Award in 1978 for "having made a worth-while contribution to the wide spectrum of the game in 1977/78" - the only CLUB previously to have won this Award was LIVERPOOL, the previous season, when they were the EUROPEAN CHAMPIONS!

*Meet Billericay ...*

**Matt Jones - Manager** - Matt Jones took over as Billericay Town manager in January 2006 after the departure of Justin Edinburgh. Matt had previously been Edinburgh's assistant, since the departure of Andy Polsten in the 2004 close season. A hugely experienced campaigner in non-league football, Matt includes Dagenham (with whom he won the Isthmian premier league), St. Albans City and Heybridge Swifts amongst his former clubs. A former England

Schoolboy international, Matt started out at Southend United where he played alongside manager, Justin Edinburgh. Most recently Matt was at Chelmsford City where he was player / coach.

**Jason Broom - Assistant / Coach** -

Jason was appointed to the Billericay Town backroom staff soon after Matt Jones took over as boss in 2006. A former Blues, Jason made over 100 appearances for Town, progressing through the youth set-up and into the first team. A move to Dagenham followed, with over 300 appearances for the Victoria Road outfit. A short spell at Grays later, Jason joined Thurrock as player coach.

**Grant Gordon - Assistant / Coach** -

Another appointment by Matt Jones, Grant is an experienced hand whose knowledge of the local non-league scene will be invaluable to Billericay. Before joining the Blues, Grant was on the staff at Thurrock.

**Mike Cole - Sports Therapist** - The third member of Matt Jones' backroom staff is Mike Cole who joined Billericay as sports therapist after leaving QPR where he worked in their academy set-up. Mike is another with a Dagenham connection.

**Ricky Millard** - Ricky joined on initially on loan from Cambridge City in November 2005 before later making his move permanent. A talented keeper who started out at Barnet Ricky also had a short spell at Hemel Hempstead.

**Dale Brightley** - A young keeper signed as cover for Mel Capleton, Dale arrived at New Lodge in the Summer of 2005. Previous clubs include Concorde Rangers. Dale made his debut in October 2005, keeping a clean sheet in a win at East Thurrock.

**Gary Henty** - A versatile player with two good feet, Gary Henty joined Billericay in the summer of 1999, making his debut as a substitute in the opening game of the season. Prior to joining Billericay Gary was at Wimbledon where he progressed through the youth team ranks to reach reserve team status. Gary is now by some way the longest serving Billericay player, having stayed with the club throughout the entirety of Gary Calder's reign as manager as well as all of Justin Edinburgh's to date.

**Danny Brown** - A young centre back who joined Billericay in March, Danny was previously with Basingstoke and Woking, and has experience of playing in Australia. Danny achieved the notable feat of scoring on his debut, against Bromley.

**Rob Swaine** - Captain of the under 18s, Rob is the latest of the youngsters to be given a chance at first team level, making his league debut in the 3-1 win at Leyton in April 2006.

**Pat Sappleton** - Pat arrived at New Lodge at the beginning of December 2003, making his debut in the 1-1 draw at Grays. Initially on loan from Farnborough Town, Pat subsequently signed for us on a permanent basis. Prior to joining Farnborough, Pat played for Hendon and Boreham Wood, and also represented Jamaica at Youth International level. After an series of



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excellent performances in the 2004/5 season, Pat received the supporters player of the year trophy.

**Dave McSweeney** - Dave McSweeney arrived at Billericay in the summer of 2004 after leaving Southend United. Whilst at Southend Dave played a good number of first team games, and that experience stood him in good stead as he immediately settled into the first choice XI. One of the most consistent players at the club, Dave has played at both right back and in the centre of defence.

**Danny Kerrigan** - A popular player with the fans, Danny is now in his second stint with the club, having played under previous manager Gary Calder in 2002/03. A tough tackling left back, Danny started out with Southend United. In between his two spells at New Lodge, Danny played for Grays and Hornchurch.

**Jamie Dormer** - Jamie Dormer arrived at New Lodge in the summer of 2003, being one of Justin Edinburgh's first signings. He quickly established himself in the side, despite being asked to fill a number of roles at various times, including centre back and midfield. Since the start of the 2004/05 season, Jamie has made the left midfield role his own. Jamie took over the captaincy of the side mid-way through his first season and went on to win both the Players' and TJs' (Town Juniors) player of the season awards at the 2003/04 prizegiving.

**Matthew Game** - A young player signed in the summer of 2004 Matty was one of the most improved players over the season. A

tenacious midfielder whose tackling belies his diminutive size, Matt made his debut in the away game at Northwood in September. Unfortunately injury has disrupted much of his first season at Billericay Town, however he scored his first goal for the Blues at Leyton on New Years Day.

**Leon Hunter** - Another player to have arrived early on in Justin Edinburgh's reign as manager, Leon has been a regular in the centre of midfield throughout. A player with a good engine, Leon has the capability to boss the midfield. The 2004/05 season saw him walk off with the players' player of the year award. Leon has also been selected for the Ryman representative side.

**George Lay** - A young winger who arrived at Billericay in June 2005, George was a product of the Chelmsford City youth scheme. A brief spell at Welling followed before he returned to City in October 2004. Unfortunately George's first season at New Lodge has been curtailed by a badly broken leg.

**Dave Collins** - A left sided midfielder, Dave joined Billericay from Redbridge in the Autumn of 2005. An excellent crosser of the ball Dave quickly made a name for himself with his expertise at dead ball situations.

**Warren Ryan** - Warren joined the Billericay squad in November, making his debut against Bromley. His former clubs include Waltham Forest and Margate.

**John Simmons** - A product of the recently formed Under 18 squad, John broke into first

team reckoning during the 2004/05 season, making a couple of league starts. A good passer of the ball, John will be pushing for a regular starting berth before too long.

**Scott Forbes** - Matt Jones' first signing as manager, Scott is an experienced player who can operate anywhere in the midfield. Perhaps best known for his spell at Southend, Scott has also played for Canvey and Bishops Cleeve amongst others.

**Lee Hodges** - Lee is an experienced midfielder who joined Billericay from Thurrock in February, making his debut in the impressive win at Worthing. Lee has plenty of league experience, having turned out for West Ham and Bristol Rovers amongst others.

**Nathan Elder** - A hugely exciting prospect, Nathan made a big impression after arriving from Aveley midway through the 2004/05 season. Taking little time to find his scoring boots, he hit an impressive 17 goals from 20 starts and 8 substitute appearances.

**Joe Flack** - Joe joined Billericay in February after being released by Conference outfit Stevenage Borough. A pacey forward, Joe has also had a spell at Havant and Waterlooville on loan from the Conference outfit.

**Tom Poole** - Like John Simmons, Tom is a product of the Under 18s side at New Lodge, where he was top scorer last season. He made his first team debut in last season's Eastern Floodlit Cup, and this season got his first senior goal in the FA Trophy match against Wingate and Finchley.



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| Westview Cup – First Round               |   |  |     |
|--|---|--|-----|
| Banstead Athletic                        | 2 - 1   | Corinthian Casuals                           | 57  |
| <i>Huckle 84, Savage 115</i>             | (After extra time)                                | <i>Byatt 58 (pen)</i>                        |     |
| Burgess Hill Town                        | 2 - 4   | Brook House                                  | 74  |
| <i>Musungu 18, Watts N. 89</i>           |   | <i>Papili 41, 43, Dennison 56</i>            |     |
| Camberley Town                           | 0 - 1   | Edgware Town                                 | 57  |
|  |   | <i>Morton 66</i>                             |     |
| Chertsey Town                            | 1 - 2   | Leatherhead                                  | 124 |
| <i>McGovern 58</i>                       |   | <i>Carpenter 8, Thompson 38</i>              |     |
| Croydon                                  | 1 - 3   | Croydon Athletic                             | 63  |
| <i>Freeman 55</i>                        |   | <i>Allen 77, Cole-Bolt 90, George 90</i>     |     |
| Dover Athletic                           | 1 - 0   | Ware   | 301 |
| <i>Smisen 59</i>                         |   |  |     |
| Dulwich Hamlet                           | 3 - 1   | Bashley                                      | 107 |
| <i>Cort 34, 42, Beaney 58</i>            |   | <i>Gillespie 90</i>                          |     |
| Egham Town                               | 2 - 3   | Fleet Town                                   | 50  |
|  | (after extra time)                                |  |     |
| <i>Marton 72, Smith P. 80 (og)</i>       |   | <i>Asante 43, Smith E. 54 (pen)</i>          |     |
| Epsom & Ewell                            | 0 - 3   | Hastings United                              | 39  |
|  |   | <i>Wallis 51, Rook 57, White 60</i>          |     |
| Flackwell Heath                          | 1 - 3   | Witham Town                                  | 40  |
| <i>Newman 31</i>                         |   | <i>Simpson 3 (pen), 58, Rowell 11</i>        |     |
| Horsham                                  | 6 - 1   | Chalfont St. Peter                           | 102 |
| <i>Taylor 44, 59, Carney 48</i>          |   | <i>Barriteau 24</i>                          |     |
| <i>Hudak 68, Graves 77, Brake 83</i>     |   |  |     |
| Kingsbury Town                           | 3 - 1   | Molesey                                      | 37  |
| <i>Boateng 38, 53, Thomas 62</i>         |   | <i>Mepharm 79</i>                            |     |
| Lymington & New Milton                   | 2 - 0   | Kingstonian                                  | 90  |
| <i>Powell 8, 72</i>                      |   |  |     |
| Metropolitan Police                      | 4 - 2   | Hertford Town                                | 45  |
| <i>Cooper 2, 80, 86, Johnson 60</i>      |   | <i>Neilson 25, Goss 30</i>                   |     |
| Ramsgate                                 | 1 - 2   | Newport IOW                                  | 128 |
| <i>Suter 81</i>                          |   | <i>Keogh 19, Ngassa 21</i>                   |     |
| Tonbridge Angels                         | 3 - 1   | Clapton                                      | 170 |
| <i>Cramp P. 42, Smith 77, Dolby 89</i>   |   | <i>Gray 1</i>                                |     |
| Walton Casuals                           | 0 - 4   | Tooting & Mitcham United                     | 113 |
|  |   | <i>Tanner 6, Grant 15, Pinnock 35 (pen)</i>  |     |
| Wembley                                  | 5 - 2   | Crayford 90 (og)                             | 52  |
| <i>Shelton 15, 41, 64</i>                |   | <i>Ashford Town</i>                          |     |
| <i>Dalton-Brown 47, Mitchell 76</i>      |   | <i>Bonaparte 8, Duncan 80</i>                |     |
| Whyteleafe                               | 1 - 3   | Dorking                                      | 57  |
| <i>Sidwell 59</i>                        |   | <i>Purcell 14, Philpot 63, Terry 82</i>      |     |
| Westview Cup – Second Round              |   |  |     |
| Cray Wanderers                           | 6 - 0   | Kingsbury Town                               | 34  |
| <i>Woolf 23, Bremner 56, 75,</i>         |   |  |     |
| <i>Gray 68, Main 84, 88</i>              |   |  |     |
| Dorking                                  | 0 - 3   | Edgware Town                                 | 48  |
|  |   | <i>Morton 15, Blackburne 62,</i>             |     |
|  |   | <i>Milton 76 (og)</i>                        |     |
| Dover                                    | 5 - 0   | Wembley                                      | 314 |
| <i>Smisen 12, 13, 27, Matata 15,</i>     |   |  |     |
| <i>Hogg 90</i>                           |   |  |     |
| Dulwich Hamlet                           | 3 - 2   | Banstead Athletic                            | 98  |
|  | (After extra time)                                | <i>Mitchell 27, 106</i>                      |     |
| <i>Walsh 22, Brady 98, Warner 107</i>    |   | <i>1 - 3 Hasting United</i>                  |     |
| Fleet Town                               | 1 - 3   | Hastings United                              | 69  |
| <i>Smith 45</i>                          |   | <i>Ellis 57, Loft 68, McArthur 85</i>        |     |
| Leatherhead                              | 4 - 1   | Metropolitan Police                          | 117 |
| <i>Stevens 4, 40, Doherty 50, 84</i>     |   | <i>Bennetts 82 (og)</i>                      |     |
| Lymington & New Milton                   | 1 - 4   | Horsham                                      | 31  |
| <i>Smith P. 41</i>                       |   | <i>Taylor 21, 38, Farley 77, Westcott 85</i> |     |
| Newport IOW                              | 1 - 2   | Brook House                                  | 114 |
| <i>Greening 46</i>                       |   | <i>Papali 10, Rouco 77</i>                   |     |
| Tonbridge Angels                         | 0 - 1   | Tooting & Mitcham                            | 224 |
|  |   | <i>Lasbury 74</i>                            |     |
| Witham Town                              | 0 - 2   | Croydon Athletic                             | 40  |
|  |   | <i>Hall 45, Lonbardo 57</i>                  |     |
| Westview Cup – Third Round               |   |  |     |
| Billericay Town                          | 2 - 1   | Maldon Town                                  | 201 |
| <i>Hockton 49, 85</i>                    |   | <i>Parkes 42</i>                             |     |
| Brook House                              | 1 - 2   | Hendon                                       | 84  |
|  | (After extra time)                                |  |     |
| <i>Pereira 60</i>                        |   | <i>Cooper 90, Hunt 96</i>                    |     |
| Chelmsford City                          | 3 - 1   | Horsham                                      | 197 |
| <i>Richards 18, Fiddes 83, Watson 85</i> |   | <i>Taylor 20</i>                             |     |
| Dover                                    | 2 - 0   | Leyton                                       | 324 |
| <i>Humphrey 12, Matata 72</i>            |   |  |     |
| East Thurrock United                     | 0 - 3   | Heybridge Swifts                             | 66  |
|  |   | <i>Marks 29, Shinn 77, Cousins I. 90</i>     |     |
| Fisher Athletic                          | 4 - 2   | Folkestone Invicta                           | 82  |
| <i>Hearn 6, 29, Scannell 22 (pen),</i>   |   | <i>Jones 36, Dryden 78</i>                   |     |
| <i>Barr 84</i>                           |   |  |     |
| Hampton & Richmond Borough               | 1 - 0   | Dulwich Hamlet                               | 104 |
|  | (After extra time)                                |  |     |
| <i>Seuke 95 (og)</i>                     |   |  |     |
| Harrow Borough                           | 1 - 0   | Windsor & Eton                               | 117 |
| <i>Dyer 59</i>                           |   |  |     |
| Hastings United                          | 2 - 3   | Braintree Town                               | 172 |
| <i>Loft D. 79, White 90</i>              |   | <i>Riddle 13, Ofori 46, Wild 57</i>          |     |
| Leatherhead                              | 5 - 3   | Cray Wanderers                               | 121 |
|  | (After extra time)                                |  |     |
| <i>Charles-Smith 34, 118,</i>            |   | <i>Bremner 4, Abbott 77,</i>                 |     |
| <i>Thompson 82, 97, O'Connor 116</i>     |   | <i>Hall 115</i>                              |     |
| Margate                                  | 2 - 3   | Bromley                                      | 345 |
|  | (After extra time)                                |  |     |
| <i>Amoako 10, 78</i>                     |   | <i>Gardner 14, Luckett 25 (pen),</i>         |     |
| Slough Town                              | 3 - 2   | Redbridge                                    | 139 |
| <i>Hodge 41, 54, Brooks 65</i>           |   | <i>Luck 57, Noakes 77</i>                    |     |
| Staines Town                             | 0 - 2   | AFC Wimbledon                                | 622 |
|  |   | <i>Butler S. 6, Farr 75</i>                  |     |
| Tooting & Mitcham United                 | 3 - 0   | Edgware Town                                 | 115 |
| <i>Platel 43, Gray 50, Kinch 63</i>      |   |  |     |
| Wealdstone                               | 1 - 0   | Croydon Athletic                             | 98  |
| <i>Jolly 26</i>                          |   |  |     |
| Worthing                                 | 2 - 2   | Walton & Hersham                             | 222 |
|  | (After extra time, Worthing won 5-4 on penalties) |  |     |
| <i>Pacquette 24 (pen), Russell 29</i>    |   | <i>Nwokeji 64, Lampton 79 (pen)</i>          |     |
| Westview Cup – Fourth Round              |   |  |     |
| AFC Wimbledon                            | 0 - 1   | Hendon                                       | 835 |
|  |   | <i>O'Brien 20</i>                            |     |
| Billericay Town                          | 3 - 1   | Tooting & Mitcham United                     | 168 |
| <i>Sapleton 33, McSweeney 70,</i>        |   | <i>Hastings 25</i>                           |     |
| <i>Elder 80</i>                          |   |  |     |
| Braintree Town                           | 1 - 2   | Wealdstone                                   | 109 |
| <i>Revel 60</i>                          |   | <i>Jolly 46, Montgomery 56</i>               |     |
| Dover Athletic                           | 0 - 2   | Bromley                                      | 475 |
|  | (After extra time)                                |  |     |
| <i>Harrow Borough</i>                    |   | <i>McDonnell 99, Awuah 102</i>               |     |
| <i>Bent 75 (pen)</i>                     | 1 - 2   | Worthing                                     | 114 |
| Heybridge Swifts                         | 2 - 0   | Pacquette 18 (pen), 63                       | 241 |
| <i>Cousins N. 18, Artun 65</i>           |   | <i>Chelmsford City</i>                       |     |
| Fisher Athletic                          | 2 - 1   | Hampton & Richmond Boro'                     | 113 |
| <i>Griffiths 47, Barr 57 (pen)</i>       |   | <i>Boosey 85</i>                             |     |
| Leatherhead                              | 0 - 2   | Slough Town                                  | 151 |
|  |   | <i>Woodruffe 27, Daly 86</i>                 |     |
| Westview Cup – Quarter-Final             |   |  |     |
| Bromley                                  | 3 - 2   | Wealdstone                                   | 182 |
| <i>Stone 51, Wood 59, 81</i>             |   | <i>Hall 27, Beckford 55</i>                  |     |
| Hendon                                   | 0 - 1   | Fisher Athletic                              | 50  |
|  |   | <i>Hearn 28</i>                              |     |
| Slough Town                              | 3 - 0   | Heybridge Swifts                             | 157 |
| <i>Ballard 16, 63, 66</i>                |   |  |     |
| Worthing                                 | 1 - 3   | Billericay Town                              | 157 |
| <i>Alexander 61</i>                      |   | <i>Leaver 16 (og), Simmons 92, Hunter 93</i> |     |
| Westview Cup – Semi-Final First Leg      |   |  |     |
| Bromley                                  | 2 - 2   | Billericay Town                              | 315 |
| <i>McDonnell 17, O'Sullivan 90</i>       |   | <i>Hunter 76, 82</i>                         |     |
| Fisher Athletic                          | 5 - 2   | Slough Town                                  | 108 |
| <i>Piper L. 3, Taylor 62, 71,</i>        |   | <i>Hodges 32, Alexis 37</i>                  |     |
| <i>Watts 45, 90 (pen)</i>                |   |  |     |
| Westview Cup – Semi-Final Second Leg     |   |  |     |
| Billericay Town                          | 2 - 1   | Bromley                                      | 362 |
|  | (Billericay Town win 4-3 on aggregate)            |  |     |
| <i>Elder 53, Flack 64</i>                |   | <i>Wood 8</i>                                |     |
| Slough Town                              | 3 - 1   | Fisher Athletic                              | 118 |
|  | (Fisher Athletic win 6-5 on aggregate)            |  |     |
| <i>McCleary 45, 47, Daly 79</i>          |   | <i>Piper L. 3</i>                            |     |



# previous winners

## THE ISTHMIAN LEAGUE CUP

| <i>Season</i> | <i>Winners</i>            | <i>Runners-up</i>   | <i>Venue</i>        | <i>Score</i> |
|---------------|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 1974-75       | <b>Tilbury</b>            | Croydon             | (Two-legs)          | 3-1          |
| 1975-76       | <b>Slough Town</b>        | Tilbury             | Hayes               | 4-0          |
| 1976-77       | <b>Hendon</b>             | Barking             | Harrow              | 1-0          |
| 1977-78       | <b>Dagenham</b>           | Leatherhead         | Dulwich             | 1-0          |
| 1978-79       | <b>Enfield</b>            | Hayes               | Slough              | 2-1          |
| 1979-80       | <b>Enfield</b>            | Sutton United       | Harrow              | 2-1          |
| 1980-81       | <b>Slough Town</b>        | Walthamstow Avenue  | Hayes               | 4-2          |
| 1981-82       | <b>Leytonstone-Ilford</b> | Kingstonian         | Boreham Wood        | 2-0          |
| 1982-83       | <b>Sutton United</b>      | Wycombe Wanderers   | (Two-legs)          | 2-1          |
| 1983-84       | <b>Sutton United</b>      | Wycombe Wanderers   | (Two-legs)          | 3-1          |
| 1984-85       | <b>Wycombe Wanderers</b>  | Farnborough Town    | (Two-legs)          | 5-1          |
| 1985-86       | <b>Sutton United</b>      | Uxbridge            | Metropolitan Police | 3-1          |
| 1986-87       | <b>Bognor Regis Town</b>  | Hendon              | Windsor             | 3-2          |
| 1987-88       | <b>Yeovil Town</b>        | Hayes               | Basingstoke         | 3-1          |
| 1988-89       | <b>Bishop's Stortford</b> | Farnborough Town    | Hayes               | 1-0          |
| 1989-90       | <b>Aveley</b>             | St. Albans City     | Dagenham            | 3-0          |
| 1990-91       | <b>Woking</b>             | Carshalton Athletic | Kingstonian         | 2-1          |
| 1991-92       | <b>Grays Athletic</b>     | Enfield             | Dagenham            | 3-1          |
| 1992-93       | <b>Marlow</b>             | Molesey             | Aldershot           | 2-1          |
| 1993-94       | <b>Chertsey Town</b>      | Enfield             | Hayes               | 3-0          |
| 1994-95       | <b>Aylesbury United</b>   | Slough Town         | Marlow              | *1-1         |
| 1995-96       | <b>Kingstonian</b>        | Aldershot Town      | Aldershot           | 4-1          |
| 1996-97       | <b>Boreham Wood</b>       | Braintree Town      | Dagenham            | 1-0          |
| 1997-98       | <b>Sutton United</b>      | Oxford City         | Harrow              | 6-1          |
| 1998-99       | <b>Aldershot Town</b>     | Boreham Wood        | Slough              | 2-1          |
| 1999-2000     | <b>Farnborough Town</b>   | Maidenhead United   | Basingstoke Town    | 1-0          |
| 2000-01       | <b>Heybridge Swifts</b>   | Croydon             | Purfleet            | 3-0          |
| 2001-02       | <b>Northwood</b>          | Hampton & Richmond  | St. Albans City     | 3-2          |
| 2002-03       | <b>Yeading</b>            | Canvey Island       | Hornchurch          | 2-0          |
| 2003-04       | <b>Thurrock</b>           | Dunstable Town      | Bishop's Stortford  | 5-1          |
| 2004-05       | <b>Slough Town</b>        | Hampton & Richmond  | Staines Town        | 3-1          |
| 2005-06       |                           |                     | Grays Athletic      |              |

\*7-6 on penalties





# introducing ...

**In 1908, Mr Michael Culiton, headmaster at Dockland School, announced that a club was to be set up to provide sporting facilities for underprivileged youths of Bermondsey, London. The club was named after the martyr, Blessed John Fisher.**

The football team competed in various district leagues before moving to the Parthenon League where they stayed until 1965. At this time the original club folded and reformed as Fisher Athletic FC. Based in Mitcham, they initially played in the West Kent League. A second successive promotion coincided with a move to their present home, the purpose built stadium at Surrey Docks.

Once in the Southern League, Fisher wasted no time winning it at the first attempt and two seasons later they made it to the Vauxhall Conference, the pinnacle of non-league football. Fisher were now being hailed as the next Wimbledon, filling their trophy cabinet with various cups and shields as they went.

Fisher's success came to an end in 1992 when they were relegated back to the Southern League and then to the Southern Division where they remained, generally finishing in mid-table. It was during the 1997-8 season that a new limited company was formed and the club was rewarded with a long-term lease on their stadium.

The 1999-2000 season saw the arrival of Alan Walker as manager. Walker assembled a fine squad of players to launch a serious promotion challenge. Promotion was secured two weeks before the end of the campaign, but the battle to go up as champions was left to the final day of the season however, when Fisher beat Newport IOW 2-0 to be crowned Eastern Division Champions.

Fisher's success was short-lived, after just one season in the Dr Martens Premier Division they were relegated back into the Eastern Division. This was despite the arrival mid-season of

the ex-Millwall manager Keith "Rhino" Stevens.

Season 2001-2 saw a good run in the FA Cup, reaching the 4th Qualifying Round before losing 3-1 at home to Forest Green Rovers. The Quarter Final of the London Senior Cup was lost to local rivals Dulwich Hamlet and the club reached the 3rd round of the FA Trophy before losing 5-0 to Barnet. The semi-final of the Kent Senior Cup was also reached before a home-defeat against eventual winners Gravesend and Northfleet.

Sadly losing league games that should have been won saw the club finish in 6th place, 23 points behind the promoted clubs.

During the close season, Rhino left the club to concentrate on business affairs, and former Director of Football Bob Davies took over as Manager. He departed October 2003 to be replaced by non-league scoring legend Gary Abbott. Regrettably Abbo's nose for scoring did not extend to management and he quickly departed.

In February 2004 Wayne Burnett came in to take over team affairs. Off the field planning permission has been granted for a major redevelopment of the Surrey Docks Stadium and new chairman Sami Mudghola signalled his intentions with a raft of top signings to push Fisher back towards the heady heights of the Conference and this paid instant dividends in 2004-5 with the Southern League Division 1 East title and the London Senior Cup. Currently in the middle of a two-year ground share at Champion Hill (home of Dulwich Hamlet) before they return to Rotherhithe, the Fish are hoping that when they do it will be with a side worthy of their redeveloped facilities.

*Meet Fisher ...*

**Steve Watts** - Big, strong centre forward who joined Conference side Shrewsbury Town in the summer of 2003 from Leyton Orient but then returned to east London in October 2003 by joining rivals Dagenham & Redbridge, with whom he had enjoyed

a previous loan spell. Started his career with Dulwich Hamlet and then joined Fisher Athletic in the summer of 1998. However, his stay with them was brief as he was snapped up by Orient two months later. Played over 130 times for the O's and also had loan spells with Welling United, Margate, Dagenham & Redbridge and Lincoln City. Looked like heading for Singapore in February 2004 but when that deal fell through he signed for Ryman Leaguers St Albans City. Moved onto Fisher Athletic in June last year where he grabbed 48 goals in their double-winning campaign of 2004-5.

**Hamid Barr** - A latecomer into the full professional game when the attacking midfielder was signed by QPR in the summer of 2001 from Fisher Athletic. Hamid had been on the books at Millwall and Crystal Palace as a youngster but then had spells with Welling United, Sutton United, Crockenhill and Erith & Belvedere before joining Fisher in October 1999 via a second stint at Crockenhill. Things did not quite work out at QPR, and he was released at the end of the 2001/2 season. Signed for Ryman Premier side St Albans City in August 2002, switched back to Fisher Athletic in early October and then joined Conference outfit Gravesend just a week or so later. Signed for Tonbridge in December 2002. Returned to Fisher in February 2004 after resigning as joint manager at Tonbridge.

**Leroy Griffiths** - Striker who started out with the likes of Sutton United, Banstead Athletic and Corinthian Casuals before signing for Hampton & Richmond Borough in February 2000. Had barely a season with the Beavers before making a surprise switch to Queen's Park Rangers in June 2001. Played 23 times for the Rangers before being released at the end of the 2001/02 season and joined Farnborough Town in August 2002. Switched to Grays Athletic in the summer of 2004, where his 16 goals helped the Essex men to the Nationwide Conference South title.



# ... fisher athletic



Eagerly snapped up by the Fish after being released at the end of the season.

**Will Packham** - Will is a promising young keeper who signed for Conference side Farnborough Town from Brighton during the summer of 2003. Made four league appearances for the Seagulls, having started out at the Southampton Academy. Returned to the south coast by joining Ryman Division One South side Worthing in December 2003. Joined Fisher on a month's loan in March 2003, initially as cover for Jerome John but in June the move became permanent.

**Chris Piper** - Chris arrived at Farnborough Town from St Albans City in January 2001 and then followed brother Lenny to Dagenham & Redbridge in June 2003. A forward who is more than capable of performing in midfield, he began his career at Charlton Athletic. Re-joined Lenny, this time at Fisher Athletic in June 2004. An injury sustained in pre-season kept him out of action until October but he returned to play an integral role in Fisher's success last term.

**Francis Duku** - Joined the Fish from Conference South side Lewes during the summer, having joined the Rooks from Conference team Gravesend & Northfleet in July 2004. Four successful years at Stonebridge Road saw the uncompromising and highly influential defender reach the pinnacle of the Non League game with Duku attracting a considerable interest from Football League clubs during his career. He began his career with Reading as a youngster before moving to Collier Row, Romford and Maidenhead United. A successful spell at Dulwich Hamlet followed but frozen out by then manager Dave Garland, Duku moved to the 'Fleet in July 2000.

**Mark Warren** - Mark signed for Fisher Athletic in the summer of 2004 from Southend United for whom he made 270 League appearances the previous season, bringing his total number of Football League games to 270 with 8 goals. The rock on which

Fisher's defence was built last season, Mark's career started at Leyton Orient taking in Oxford, Notts County and Colchester before arriving by the seaside in June 2003 where he commanded the number five shirt

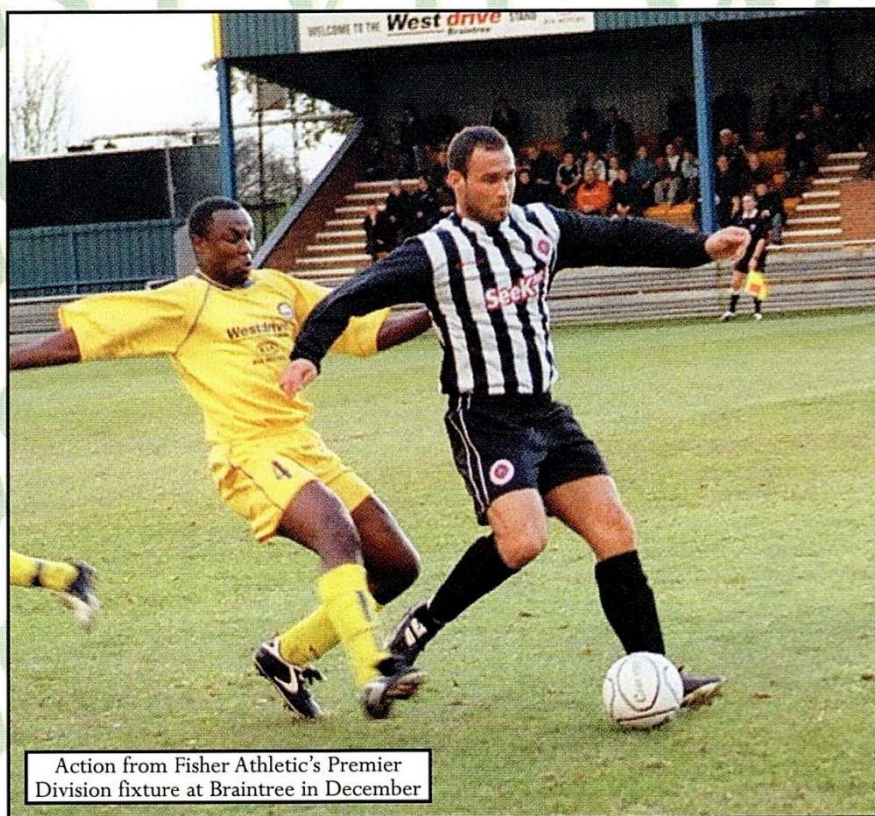
**Michael Smith** - Talented midfielder previously at Arsenal for nine years and Millwall for a season. Bags of tricks and a level head on his shoulders. Signed for Fisher Athletic in March 2003. Unlucky with injury in 2004/5 and will be hoping for a more consistent season this time around.

**Lenny Piper** - A former England Youth international midfielder who started his career with Wimbledon. Failed to make the breakthrough with the Dons and moved to Gillingham, where he made around 20 League appearances. Was released at the end of 1997/98 season and initially joined Welling United before moving on to St Albans City a couple of months into the new campaign. Proved a hit at Clarence Park, scoring a number of goals, before switching to Borough in

July 2000. Transferred to Dagenham & Redbridge in June 2003 but failed to settle at Victoria Road and, after a loan spell with Margate, joined Fisher in March 2004

**Anthony Riviere** - Anthony first came to prominence at Faversham Town, but it was at Welling United where his career really took off after signing in 1998, eventually leading to international honours and being proclaimed at the best Wings No.7 of all time. A local lad born in Brockley, Rivs is a pacey right-sided midfielder, who was voted Welling's player of the season in 2001-2. His move to Fisher in the summer of 2004 was met with shock by Wings fans, but proved the ambition of the Fish.

**Nick Davis** - Exciting young defender who signed for Fisher in June 2004 from Kent Leaguers Maidstone United. Helped VCD Athletic to the Kent League double before signing for the Stones where he became a first-team regular during the 2003/4 season.



Action from Fisher Athletic's Premier Division fixture at Braintree in December



20 - Westview Cup Final - Billericay Town v Fisher Athletic, Wednesday, 12th April 2006

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**WEDNESDAY, 5TH APRIL 2006**  
**BROOK HOUSE WIN ASSOCIATE**  
**MEMBERS TROPHY** by David Ballheimer

## ASSOCIATE MEMBERS TROPHY FINAL

**Brook House (1) 3, Hertford Town (0) 1**

Brook House put aside their recent blip in League form to win the Associate Members Trophy at Kingshill Avenue last Wednesday



night. They overcame Hertford Town (pictured above), and the final score of 3-1 was probably a fair reflection of the game.

However, if the Blues had taken their early chances, it may have been a different game. The first opportunity fell to Simon Eden in the opening 30 seconds, but he dallied too long - a trait Hertford failed to correct all evening. His shot was eventually blocked by Chris Owens.

Greg Homer had Brook House's first chance, but he fired over from the edge of the penalty area after 14 minutes. In the 22nd minute, Jerome Pereira almost set up Ryan



Kirkland, but his effort went just wide from a good position.

Hertford were forced to make an early substitution, Phil Leggatt replacing Scott Neilson after less than half an hour. It was a big blow for the Blues, and things should have got a lot worse for them a few minutes later when Dean Papali had an almost open goal to aim at. He fired wide of the target but felt his shot had been deflected by a defender.



There were chances at both ends. Daryl Mitchell spotted Keiran Jimmy off his line, but the Hertford striker's attempted lob was wayward. Pereira then had an effort cleared off the line by Mark Teasdale. The opening goal came deep in first half stoppage time. A corner was curled in from the Brook House left and Nick Booth rose well to power home an uncontested header.

Seven minutes into the second half, the game was all but decided, when Papali lost his marker and ran onto a through ball from Kirkland. He waited for Mark Virgo to commit himself before sliding the ball past the goalkeeper.

Hertford's night went from bad to worse in the 69th minute, when Mitchell made an injudicious comment to the referee and was shown his second yellow card. He barely had



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time to make it to the dressing room before the free-kick was turned into the net by Ian Jones.

The Blues' magnificent group of supporters, who sang all night in the face of ever mounting despair, finally had something to cheer about in the last minute of stoppage time. Eden was bundled over in the penalty area and Phil Goss made no mistake with the spot-kick.



At the conclusion of the match, the Trophy was presented to the victorious Brook House captain Chris Fermie by Ryman Football League Director Nick Robinson (*see above*).

Teams: BROOK HOUSE: Jimmy, J. Mitchell, Vargas, Booth, Fermie, Owens, Pereira (Chakaodza), Homer, Papali, Jones (Cahill), Kirkland. Unused subs: Rouco, Charlery, Lindsay (gk).

HERTFORD: Virgo, Spenceley (O'Driscoll), Teasdale, Nicholson, Watts, Wade (Redford), Neilson (Leggatt), Goss, D. Mitchell, Eden, Roberts. Unused subs: Maybury, Sturgeon.



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# award winners 05'06

**The Ryman Football League makes three monthly awards to each of the three Divisions.**

The prestigious "Manager of the Month" award, which is currently sponsored by Score Teamwear, recognises the performance of a team in League matches played during the respective calendar month. The Safe Hands award, sponsored by Endsleigh Sports Insurance, is based on the number of goals conceded in League matches during the same calendar month.

The award for the "Team Performances of the Month" recognises a particularly noteworthy performance by a Club during that month, and covers all matches in all senior competitions played by the clubs. This award is sponsored by GX Soccer Ltd.

In addition, an overall award based on the full playing season is made in each category and presented at the League's Annual Banquet and Ball in June. Awards winners so far this season are:

## **MANAGERS OF THE MONTH**

*(sponsored by Score Teamwear)*

### **August & September**

*Premier - Alan Devonshire -*

*Hampton & Richmond B*

*First - Tony Dolby - Tonbridge Angels*

*Second - Russell Tanner - Witham Town*

### **October**

*Premier - George Borg - Braintree Town*

*First - Richard Cadette -*

*Tooting & Mitcham United*

*Second - Steve Bennett - Egham Town*

### **November**

*Premier - George Borg - Braintree Town*

*First - Richard Cadette -*

*Tooting & Mitcham United*

*Second - Roy Butler - Chertsey Town*

## **December**

*Premier - Lee Patterson -*

*East Thurrock United*

*First - Tony Dolby -*

*Tonbridge Angels*

*Second - Russell Tanner -*

*Witham Town*

## **January**

*Premier - Brian Statham -*

*Heybridge Swifts*

*First - Brian Sparrow -*

*Croydon Athletic*

*Second - Joe Mitchell - Brook House*

## **February**

*Premier - Brian Statham -*

*Heybridge Swifts*

*First - Jim Cooper -*

*Metropolitan Police*

*Second - Glen Alzapiedi - Ware*

## **March**

*Premier - Alan Pook/Danny Bloor -*

*Worthing*

*First - John Maggs - Horsham*

*Second - Steve Bennett/Steve Webb -*

*Egham Town*

## **SAFE HANDS**

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### **August & September**

*Premier - Walton & Hersham*

*First - Fleet Town*

*Second - Clapton*

### **October**

*Premier - Fisher Athletic*

*First - Metropolitan Police*

*Second - Croydon*

### **November**

*Premier - AFC Wimbledon*

*First - Tooting & Mitcham United*

*Second - Croydon*

### **December**

*Premier - Leyton*

*First - Tonbridge Angels*

*Second - Edgware Town*

## **January**

*Premier - Billericay Town*

*First - Croydon Athletic*

*Second - Brook House*

## **February**

*Premier - Folkestone Invicta*

*First - Croydon Athletic*

*Second - Chertsey Town*

## **March**

*Premier - Braintree Town*

*First - Horsham*

*Second - Egham Town*

## **TEAM PERFORMANCE**

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### **September**

*Premier - Fisher Athletic*

*First - Leatherhead*

*Second - Brook House*

### **October**

*Premier - Folkestone Invicta*

*First - Newport IoW*

*Second - Kingsbury Town*

### **November**

*Premier - Fisher Athletic*

*First - Ramsgate*

*Second - Ware*

### **December**

*Premier - Hendon*

*First - Banstead Athletic*

*Second - Dorking*

### **January**

*Premier - Chelmsford City*

*First - Ashford Town*

*Second - Wembley*

### **February**

*Premier - Maldon Town*

*First - Kingstonian*

*Second - Brook House*

### **March**

*Premier - Billericay Town*


*First - Molesey*

*Second - Brook House*





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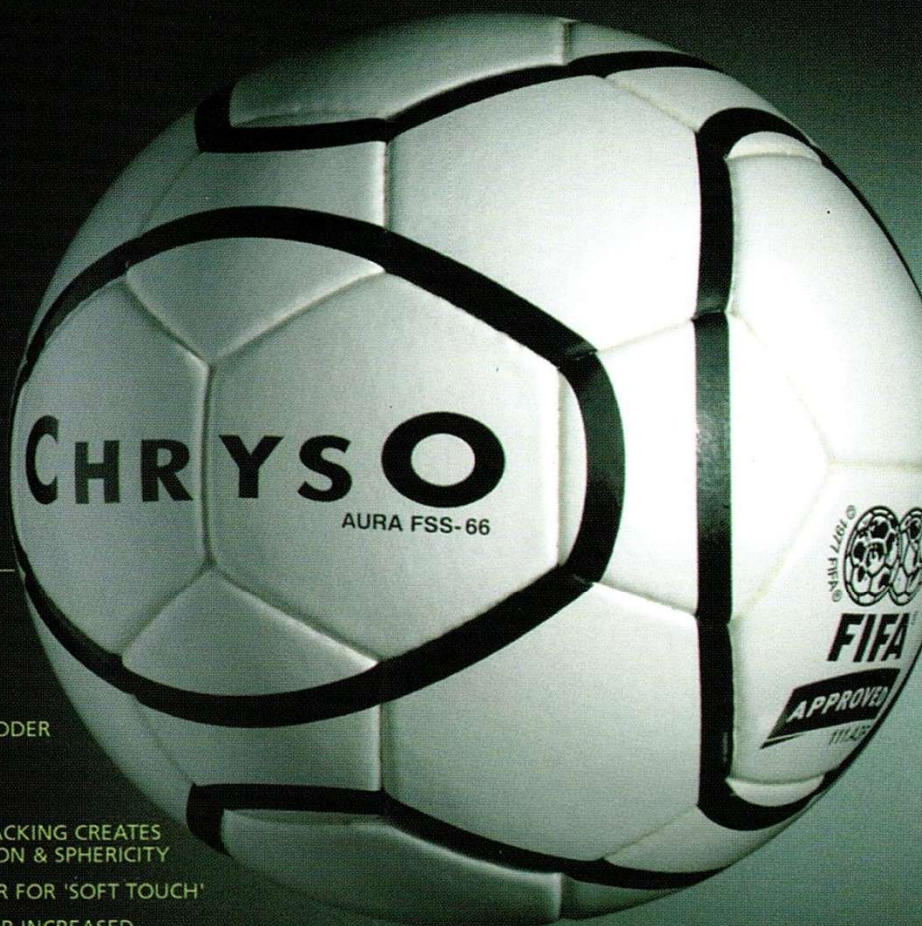


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| PREMIER DIVISION                 | P  | W  | D  | L  | F  | A  | Pts | GD  |
|----------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| Braintree Town .....             | 38 | 24 | 10 | 4  | 66 | 30 | 82  | +36 |
| Fisher Athletic .....            | 38 | 23 | 6  | 9  | 73 | 40 | 75  | +33 |
| Heybridge Swifts .....           | 38 | 24 | 3  | 11 | 61 | 43 | 75  | +18 |
| Staines Town .....               | 38 | 20 | 9  | 9  | 69 | 47 | 69  | +22 |
| Worthing .....                   | 38 | 19 | 9  | 10 | 70 | 54 | 66  | +16 |
| Hampton & Richmond Borough ..... | 38 | 21 | 3  | 14 | 66 | 50 | 66  | +16 |
| AFC Wimbledon .....              | 38 | 18 | 11 | 9  | 59 | 33 | 65  | +26 |
| Billericay Town .....            | 39 | 17 | 12 | 10 | 60 | 42 | 63  | +18 |
| Walton & Hersham .....           | 38 | 18 | 7  | 13 | 53 | 44 | 61  | +9  |
| Chelmsford City .....            | 38 | 16 | 9  | 13 | 51 | 56 | 57  | -5  |
| East Thurrock United .....       | 39 | 17 | 5  | 17 | 55 | 52 | 56  | +3  |
| Folkestone Invicta .....         | 38 | 15 | 8  | 15 | 39 | 44 | 53  | -5  |
| Bromley .....                    | 38 | 12 | 14 | 12 | 49 | 46 | 50  | +3  |
| Slough Town .....                | 38 | 13 | 7  | 18 | 57 | 66 | 46  | -9  |
| Leyton .....                     | 38 | 12 | 9  | 17 | 55 | 54 | 45  | +1  |
| Harrow Borough .....             | 38 | 12 | 9  | 17 | 51 | 65 | 45  | -14 |
| Margate .....                    | 38 | 9  | 15 | 14 | 42 | 52 | 42  | -10 |
| Wealdstone .....                 | 38 | 12 | 5  | 21 | 63 | 72 | 41  | -9  |
| Hendon .....                     | 38 | 8  | 12 | 18 | 37 | 56 | 36  | -19 |
| Maldon Town .....                | 38 | 6  | 11 | 21 | 36 | 69 | 29  | -33 |
| Windsor & Eton .....             | 38 | 7  | 7  | 24 | 31 | 68 | 28  | -37 |
| Redbridge .....                  | 38 | 3  | 5  | 30 | 27 | 87 | 14  | -60 |

| DIVISION ONE                 | P  | W  | D  | L  | F  | A  | Pts | GD  | DIVISION TWO            | P  | W  | D | L  | F  | A  | Pts | GD  |
|------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-------------------------|----|----|---|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| Ramsgate .....               | 40 | 22 | 13 | 5  | 79 | 34 | 79  | +45 | Ware .....              | 26 | 18 | 3 | 5  | 68 | 30 | 57  | +38 |
| Horsham .....                | 39 | 22 | 9  | 8  | 76 | 48 | 75  | +28 | Brook House .....       | 24 | 14 | 5 | 5  | 54 | 29 | 47  | +25 |
| Metropolitan Police .....    | 41 | 21 | 7  | 13 | 67 | 44 | 70  | +23 | Witham Town .....       | 25 | 13 | 7 | 5  | 51 | 27 | 46  | +24 |
| Tonbridge Angels .....       | 39 | 21 | 7  | 11 | 66 | 45 | 70  | +21 | Flackwell Heath .....   | 26 | 13 | 7 | 6  | 46 | 41 | 46  | +5  |
| Tooting & Mitcham Utd .....  | 40 | 20 | 9  | 11 | 87 | 57 | 69  | +30 | Egham Town .....        | 26 | 12 | 5 | 9  | 32 | 30 | 41  | +2  |
| Kingstonian .....            | 40 | 18 | 13 | 9  | 70 | 52 | 67  | +18 | Chertsey Town .....     | 26 | 11 | 7 | 8  | 40 | 34 | 40  | +6  |
| Dover Athletic .....         | 39 | 18 | 13 | 8  | 57 | 41 | 67  | +16 | Chalfont St Peter ..... | 25 | 13 | 1 | 11 | 44 | 43 | 40  | +1  |
| Croydon Athletic .....       | 40 | 19 | 10 | 11 | 51 | 37 | 67  | +14 | Edgware Town .....      | 25 | 12 | 3 | 10 | 41 | 34 | 39  | +7  |
| Hastings United .....        | 40 | 19 | 7  | 14 | 60 | 52 | 64  | +8  | Kingsbury Town .....    | 26 | 8  | 9 | 9  | 29 | 30 | 33  | -1  |
| Bashley .....                | 40 | 18 | 10 | 12 | 57 | 51 | 64  | +6  | Dorking .....           | 26 | 8  | 8 | 10 | 39 | 46 | 32  | -7  |
| Dulwich Hamlet .....         | 41 | 17 | 8  | 16 | 48 | 39 | 59  | +9  | Wembley .....           | 26 | 9  | 4 | 13 | 36 | 41 | 31  | -5  |
| Cray Wanderers .....         | 40 | 17 | 8  | 15 | 72 | 69 | 59  | +3  | Croydon .....           | 25 | 8  | 6 | 11 | 28 | 32 | 30  | -4  |
| Leatherhead .....            | 39 | 15 | 13 | 11 | 55 | 47 | 58  | +8  | Hertford Town .....     | 25 | 5  | 8 | 12 | 24 | 45 | 23  | -21 |
| Fleet Town .....             | 39 | 13 | 17 | 9  | 46 | 47 | 56  | -1  | Epsom & Ewell .....     | 26 | 5  | 6 | 15 | 28 | 51 | 21  | -23 |
| Walton Casuals .....         | 39 | 15 | 9  | 15 | 64 | 62 | 54  | +2  | Camberley Town .....    | 26 | 3  | 8 | 15 | 25 | 51 | 17  | -26 |
| Molesey .....                | 40 | 11 | 10 | 19 | 52 | 71 | 43  | -19 | Clapton .....           | 25 | 4  | 9 | 12 | 28 | 49 | 16  | -21 |
| Whyteleafe .....             | 41 | 10 | 12 | 19 | 47 | 60 | 42  | -13 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |
| Lymington & New Milton ..... | 40 | 10 | 11 | 19 | 55 | 74 | 41  | -19 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |
| Burgess Hill Town .....      | 39 | 10 | 7  | 22 | 49 | 69 | 37  | -20 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |
| Banstead Athletic .....      | 40 | 7  | 13 | 20 | 38 | 64 | 34  | -26 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |
| Ashford Town .....           | 40 | 8  | 9  | 23 | 38 | 75 | 33  | -37 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |
| Newport IoW .....            | 40 | 5  | 11 | 24 | 33 | 87 | 26  | -54 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |
| Corinthian Casuals .....     | 40 | 5  | 8  | 27 | 35 | 77 | 23  | -42 |                         |    |    |   |    |    |    |     |     |

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## TOP GOALSCORERS

| PREMIER DIVISION  |       | Lge Goals                                   |
|-------------------|-------|---|
| Jermaine Beckford | ..... | Wealdstone .....25                          |
| Richard Jolly     | ..... | Heybridge Swifts .....23                    |
|                   |       | (Includes 14 goals for Wealdstone)          |
| Ian Hodges        | ..... | Slough Town .....19                         |
| Danny Hockton     | ..... | Margate .....19                             |
|                   |       | (Includes 8 goals for Billericay Town)      |
| Steve Watts       | ..... | Fisher Athletic .....17                     |
| Alex Revell       | ..... | Braintree Town .....17                      |
| Stafford Browne   | ..... | Worthing .....17                            |
| Lawrence Yaku     | ..... | Hampton & Richmond .....16                  |
| Leli Bajada       | ..... | Leyton .....15                              |
| Cliff Akurang     | ..... | Heybridge Swifts .....14                    |
| Tony Boot         | ..... | Chelmsford City .....14                     |
|                   |       | (Includes 7 goals for East Thurrock United) |
| Nic McDonnell     | ..... | Bromley .....14                             |

| DIVISION ONE      |       | Lge Goals                         |
|-------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| Phil Ruggles      | ..... | Molesey .....28                   |
| Richard Gillespie | ..... | Bashley .....21                   |
| Shaun Welford     | ..... | Ramsgate .....21                  |
| Kevin Cooper      | ..... | Metropolitan Police .....20       |
| James Rose        | ..... | Kingstonian .....19               |
|                   |       | (Includes 5 goals for Fleet Town) |
| Jamie Taylor      | ..... | Horsham .....18                   |
| Gregory Ball      | ..... | Walton Casuals .....18            |
| John Hastings     | ..... | Tooting & Mitcham Utd .....17     |
| Eben Allen        | ..... | Croydon Athletic .....16          |
| Craig Wilkins     | ..... | Dover Athletic .....15            |
| Kenny Ojukwa      | ..... | Kingstonian .....15               |

| DIVISION TWO      |       | Lge Goals                     |
|-------------------|-------|-------------------------------|
| John Frendo       | ..... | Ware .....25                  |
|                   |       | (Includes 4 goals for Hendon) |
| Dean Papali       | ..... | Brook House .....19           |
| Stuart Blackburne | ..... | Edgware Town .....17          |
| John Pomroy       | ..... | Chertsey Town .....15         |
| Joe Stevens       | ..... | Ware .....12                  |
| Henry Haastrup    | ..... | Kingsbury Town .....11        |
|                   |       | (Includes 3 goals for Ware)   |
| Kevin Budge       | ..... | Witham Town .....11           |
| Gordon Hill       | ..... | Flackwell Heath .....11       |
| Barry Brosnan     | ..... | Chalfont St. Peter .....11    |

## BEST ATTENDANCES - CLUB BY CLUB

| PREMIER DIVISION |   |
|------------------|---|
| 3,315            | ..AFC Wimbledon vs. Hampton & Richmond Boro' ....18.02.06 |
| 2,998            | ..Chelmsford City vs. Billericay Town .....2.01.06        |
| 2,520            | ..Hampton & Richmond Boro' vs. AFC Wimbledon ....11.10.05 |
| 2,285            | ..Staines Town vs. AFC Wimbledon .....2.01.06             |
| 2,253            | ..Worthing vs. AFC Wimbledon .....21.01.06                |
| 1,916            | ..Braintree Town vs. AFC Wimbledon .....4.03.06           |
| 1,280            | ..Margate vs. Maldon Town .....20.08.05                   |

| DIVISION ONE |  |
|--------------|--|
| 1,734        | ..Dover Athletic vs. Ramsgate .....26.12.05              |
| 716          | ..Horsham vs. Banstead Athletic .....19.11.05            |
| 691          | ..Ashford Town vs. Dover Athletic .....2.1.06            |
| 552          | ..Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Kingstonian .....11.02.06 |
| 536          | ..Tonbridge Angels v Dover Athletic .....28.02.06        |
| 501          | ..Hastings United vs. Dover Athletic .....1.11.05        |

| DIVISION TWO |  |
|--------------|--|
| 305          | ..Hertford Town vs. Ware .....26.12.05           |
| 263          | ..Ware vs. Croydon .....1.04.06                  |
| 169          | ..Egham Town vs. Hertford Town .....11.03.06     |
| 146          | ..Chertsey Town vs. Flackwell Heath .....2.01.06 |
| 131          | ..Dorking vs. Hertford Town .....24.09.05        |
| 121          | ..Camberley Town vs. Egham Town .....18.02.06    |

## LEAGUE FORM GUIDE (LAST SIX MATCHES)

| PREMIER DIVISION        | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| 1 Staines Town          | 4 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 5  | 14  |
| 2 Billericay Town       | 4 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 5  | 13  |
| 3 Fisher Athletic       | 4 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 5  | 13  |
| 4 Worthing              | 4 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 5  | 13  |
| 5 Heybridge Swifts      | 4 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 5  | 12  |
| 6 Braintree Town        | 3 | 3 | 0 | 7  | 1  | 12  |
| 7 Chelmsford City       | 3 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 7  | 11  |
| 8 Folkestone Invicta    | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7  | 5  | 10  |
| 9 East Thurrock United  | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8  | 7  | 10  |
| 10 Bromley              | 2 | 3 | 1 | 7  | 6  | 9   |
| 11 AFC Wimbledon        | 3 | 0 | 3 | 9  | 9  | 9   |
| 12 Maldon Town          | 1 | 4 | 1 | 5  | 6  | 7   |
| 13 Windsor & Eton       | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5  | 8  | 7   |
| 14 Slough Town          | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6  | 10 | 7   |
| 15 Redbridge            | 1 | 2 | 3 | 7  | 11 | 5   |
| 16 Walton & Hersham     | 1 | 1 | 4 | 8  | 12 | 4   |
| 17 Hampton & Richmond B | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6  | 10 | 4   |
| 18 Hendon               | 0 | 4 | 2 | 5  | 9  | 4   |
| 19 Wealdstone           | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6  | 11 | 4   |
| 20 Leyton               | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6  | 12 | 4   |
| 21 Margate              | 1 | 1 | 4 | 6  | 12 | 4   |
| 22 Harrow Borough       | 1 | 0 | 5 | 5  | 15 | 3   |

| DIVISION ONE              | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| 1 Horsham                 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 5  | 14  |
| 2 Dover Athletic          | 4 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 2  | 14  |
| 3 Ramsgate                | 4 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 4  | 13  |
| 4 Dulwich Hamlet          | 4 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 6  | 13  |
| 5 Hastings United         | 4 | 1 | 1 | 9  | 5  | 13  |
| 6 Molesey                 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 8  | 12  |
| 7 Tonbridge Angels        | 3 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 8  | 10  |
| 8 Walton Casuals          | 3 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 9  | 10  |
| 9 Croydon Athletic        | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7  | 6  | 10  |
| 10 Bashley                | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7  | 7  | 10  |
| 11 Kingstonian            | 2 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 8  | 9   |
| 12 Lymington & New Milton | 2 | 3 | 1 | 8  | 5  | 9   |
| 13 Cray Wanderers         | 2 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 8   |
| 14 Tooting & Mitcham Utd  | 2 | 2 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 8   |
| 15 Whyteleafe             | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5  | 6  | 8   |
| 16 Fleet Town             | 2 | 2 | 2 | 8  | 11 | 8   |
| 17 Metropolitan Police    | 2 | 1 | 3 | 8  | 8  | 7   |
| 18 Ashford Town           | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5  | 11 | 7   |
| 19 Leatherhead            | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5  | 6  | 5   |
| 20 Banstead Athletic      | 0 | 2 | 4 | 3  | 10 | 2   |
| 21 Newport IoW            | 0 | 2 | 4 | 3  | 18 | 2   |
| 22 Corinthian Casuals     | 0 | 1 | 5 | 4  | 11 | 1   |
| 23 Burgess Hill Town      | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3  | 15 | 0   |

| DIVISION TWO        | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts |
|---------------------|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| 1 Ware              | 5 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 8  | 15  |
| 2 Edgware Town      | 5 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 4  | 15  |
| 3 Flackwell Heath   | 4 | 1 | 1 | 9  | 5  | 13  |
| 4 Witham Town       | 4 | 1 | 1 | 8  | 4  | 13  |
| 5 Dorking           | 3 | 1 | 2 | 10 | 6  | 10  |
| 6 Brook House       | 3 | 1 | 2 | 9  | 6  | 10  |
| 7 Chalfont St Peter | 3 | 0 | 3 | 9  | 8  | 9   |
| 8 Egham Town        | 3 | 0 | 3 | 7  | 7  | 9   |
| 9 Wembley           | 2 | 2 | 2 | 9  | 6  | 8   |
| 10 Kingsbury Town   | 2 | 1 | 3 | 7  | 7  | 7   |
| 11 Chertsey Town    | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6  | 7  | 7   |
| 12 Hertford Town    | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6  | 9  | 7   |
| 13 Camberley Town   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8  | 13 | 5   |
| 14 Croydon          | 1 | 0 | 5 | 6  | 15 | 3   |
| 15 Epsom & Ewell    | 0 | 2 | 4 | 7  | 14 | 2   |
| 16 Clapton          | 0 | 2 | 4 | 7  | 18 | 2   |

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# the men in black

## Steven Cook (Referee)

Steven, pictured, is 22 years of age and is a student at Portsmouth University.

A product of the Charlton Athletic Referees' Academy, he has been refereeing since the age of 14 and has progressed through the Combined Counties League, becoming a Ryman League Assistant Referee at 17. He now referees on the Contributory League National List, taking charge of games on the Conference (South), Ryman League and Southern League. At the start of the current season, he was promoted to the National List of Assistant Referees and runs the line on the Football League.

Previous honours include the 2003 Island Games Final (Referee), 2005 Surrey Senior Cup Final (Assistant), 2005 Southern League Championship Match (Assistant), 2006 Surrey Senior Cup Final (Fourth Official) and 2004 Fourth Official - England Ladies v. Denmark Ladies at Fratton Park. Steven also refereed last season's Southern League Premier Division Play Off Final.

In his spare time, he enjoys listening to music and watching all sports.

## John O'Brien (Assistant Referee)

John is 33 years old, single and works as an Insurance Officer. His hobbies include watching/playing cricket/golf. He has been a Contributory League assistant referee from 1994 through to the current season, and has just been promoted to the Contributory League Referees List for next season.

John has been assistant referee at the Surrey Senior Cup Final in season 2000/01 and assistant at the English Schools FA v The FA and the Southern League v The FA matches.

## Ian Kitchen (Assistant Referee)

Ian is also single, living with his parents in Woking and works as a Barristers Clerk. His hobby is swimming. He is a Level 4 referee officiating on the Combined Counties Football League, having been refereeing since he was 15.

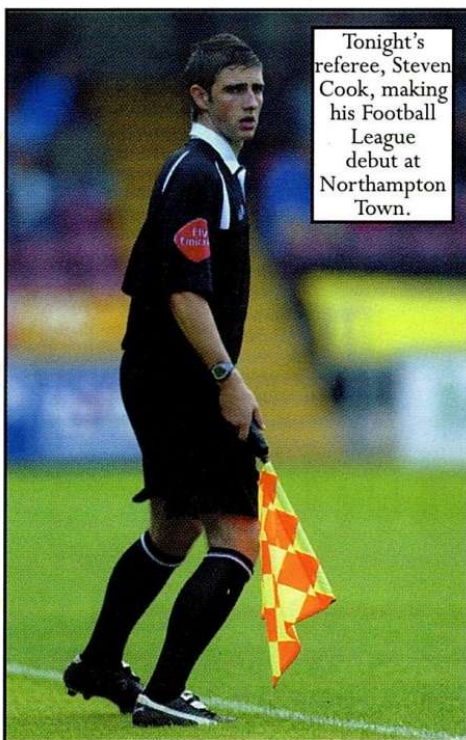
Ian has been appointed assistant referee on the Surrey Saturday Senior Cup Final this year between AFC Wimbledon v Kingstonian.

## Mick McCoy (Fourth Official)

Mick is Head of PE at The Archbishop's School in Canterbury and has one daughter, Katie who is 9. Mick's hobbies include watching and participating in various sports, reading, listening to music and watching films.

He started refereeing in 1990 and became a referee on the Southern League in 1997 and then an assistant referee on the National List in 2000. He spent three years on the panel list of referees from 2001, but had to come off that list as he reached the age limit of 42.

Important matches that he has officiated in include the Kent County Senior Cup Final that he refereed in May 2002 and the 2nd leg of the Under19 Premier Academy final in May 2002. He has also been assistant referee in a number of live Sky games and an under 17 international, England vs. Russia in September 2004.



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# and finally ...

Have you heard of the Club Secretary who forgot to include a player's date of birth on his registration form. It was her son's form.

I promised Alison I wouldn't let on who it was or even mention it to Peter, her Club Chairman. My lips are sealed

"I was amused to read the 'Finally' about the Secretary who forgot to enter her son's Date of Birth. However, our neighbours 'over the bridge' might be comforted to know that equally daft things happen here too. Having handed out registration forms for our Youth players to fill in, they then pass them across for signing by me as required. However, I noticed that in the space under the Witness's signature, where it said 'Position In Club', one particular lad had written 'Full Back'!"

On being reminded that he needed to pay for ten of the thirty footballs from Chryso, Club Secretary John decided that if he stood outside the ground when his team were playing away, during the match he could collect any footballs kicked over the wall. He would then have enough not to require the ten for purchase.

The only problem he could foresee was could he get his players to kick the footballs over the right wall to where he was standing. Did John come up with this scheme whilst out Fishin'.

Spectators at the Cray Wanderers vs. Walton Casuals match last Saturday were treated to a sighting of the Red Arrows directly above the pitch at Hayes Lane, just as the second half started. Was this a tribute to Cray's "flying" start to the season?

Not exactly - the formation-flyers were rehearsing for the Biggin Hill airshow nearby! But the pilots hopefully enjoyed their brief glimpse of some live action from the Ryman League!

I received an Email from a Club Secretary at the end of last week that said,

"I noticed a John Smith on the list of registered players and thought is he one of ours, as I didn't recognise him - although we'll have him if he's any good!"

Well, let's hope he is a good player, as the same Club Secretary had signed and registered the said John Smith's form a

week before the end of August to register him for his own club. Obviously John Smith can't have been scoring many hat-tricks to have got himself noticed.

Noted on a recent Referee's Match Report Form:

Weather - Before Match: Hot

Weather - During Match: Hotter

## THE WORLD'S SHORTEST FAIRY TALE

Once upon a time, a guy asked a girl "Will you marry me?" The girl said, "NO!"

The guy lived happily ever after and went fishing, hunting, watched football and played golf a lot, and drank beer, and ate whenever he wanted.

THE END

After the great Johnny Haynes passed away just recently, the twenty year old son asked his Dad, "How good a player was he?"

"An absolutely brilliant inside left - one of the best, and captain of England" was the reply.

"What's an inside left?" the Dad was asked.

Dad was lost for words.

"Bobby Moore was captain of England - where did Bobby play?" came the next question.

"Left half", Dad replied without hesitation.

"Is that the same as a left back?"

End of conversation as Dad walks away in despair.

Club Secretary to Competition Secretary,

"Could you also confirm whether or not JP has played for his previous club in an earlier round of the Westview Cup as we are thinking of playing him tomorrow (Tuesday)."

Competition Secretary reply,

"JP played in the First Round on Tuesday, 6th September, when he was also yellow carded."

Club Secretary back,

"Thanks. I thought as much, he told me he definitely hadn't played in the competition yet this season!"

Which Football Club's Programme Editor's wife was recently watching the BBC Television final scores programme

the other Saturday just after 5.00 p.m. and pointed out that the Portsmouth vs. Wigan game had a very unusual score-line?

It was politely pointed out to her that 5-15 was the kick off time.

Clearly a need for a 'Police' investigation here!!

A football player is walking down the street when he sees a fire in a block of flats.

He runs over to help and hears a woman calling from the top of the building.

"Will someone save my baby" she yells. "The stairway is blocked! There's no way down! If I throw my baby can somebody catch him?"

The footballer shouts back, "Fear not. I'm a goalkeeper in the Ryman Football League! Throw down your baby and I promise I won't drop him!"

So the mother throws down the baby and the goalkeeper makes a perfect catch - before bouncing it twice and kicking it 30 yards down the road.

## STAINES IN SECOND LEG MISHAP

We were all very concerned to hear that a Staines Town supporter had broken his leg on leaving the ground after the game against Braintree Town a fortnight ago.

Dave Tott, a former Committee member, and Swans follower for 30 years, suffered the mishap on the stairs of the main stand, and is grateful to the stewards who bore him on a stretcher to his car - Bill Baker, Jesse Richards, and Bob & Kim Sherwood.

Dave was then able to drive home safely, and later he went to Roehampton where he was fitted with a new bolt, and we are pleased to report that his artificial limb is now as good as new.

What Ryman Football League side's Chairman was recently seen in his Boardroom standing on a chair with a long round metal curtain rail in his hands protruding through the nearby top louver window.

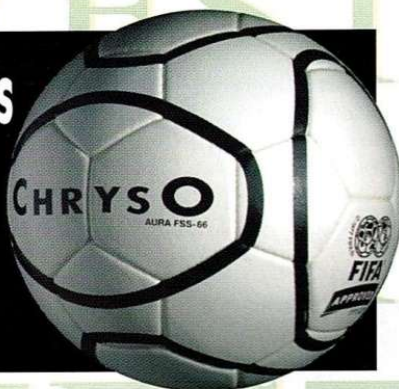
Needless to say his perfect snooker shot hit the white match football, stuck on the roof of the grandstand, to send it straight back onto the pitch.

The long arm of the law being put to one of its better uses.



# the teams

This evening's  
matchballs  
are  
provided by



## Billericay Town

|    |                |
|----|----------------|
| 1  | Ricky Millard  |
| 2  | Gary Henty     |
| 3  | Danny Kerrigan |
| 4  | Danny Brown    |
| 5  | Dave McSweeney |
| 6  | Jamie Dormer   |
| 7  | Matt Game      |
| 8  | Leon Hunter    |
| 9  | Nathan Elder   |
| 10 | Joe Flack      |
| 11 | Lee Hodges     |
| 12 | Tom Poole      |
| 14 | Dave Collins   |
| 15 | Scott Forbes   |
| 16 | Rob Swaine     |
| 17 | Dale Brightley |

## Fisher Athletic

|    |                 |
|----|-----------------|
| 1  | James Pullen    |
| 2  | Chris Piper     |
| 3  | Ahmed Deen      |
| 4  | Nick Davis      |
| 5  | Mark Warren     |
| 6  | Charlie Hearn   |
| 7  | Anthony Riviere |
| 8  | Michael Smith   |
| 9  | Hamid Barr      |
| 10 | Steve Watts     |
| 11 | Lenny Piper     |
| 12 | Francis Duku    |
| 14 | Tim Clancy      |
| 15 | Charlie Taylor  |
| 16 | Junior Kadi     |
| 17 |                 |

## men in black

Match Referee:

Steven Cook

Assisted by:

John O'Brien & Ian Kitchen

Fourth Official:

Mick McCoy