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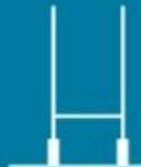
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THE CLAN: The Chairman - Richard Meadows

Good afternoon everybody, seasons greetings and best wishes to you all!

The weather has been kind and we are expecting the game to go ahead and so welcome to Addison Road for our much awaited festive fixture against Daventry Town FC. Sports are into a tough run of fixtures with the game today being another real test for Andy and his men. The squad is getting back to full strength after injuries and suspensions and so I am sure they will be looking forward to this lunchtime kick off. The performance was good against Aylestone Park and the scoreline didn't match the performance. I will be keeping my fingers crossed that the lucky breaks go our way which was not always the case against Aylestone.



I do hope we can get a good crowd up to Addison Road to support the team. This might be the perfect way to get some fresh air and to catch up with people after a few days in.

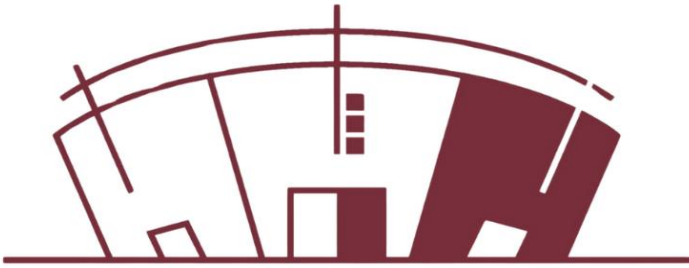
Just before rounding these notes off, I just wanted to give a special mention to the adult section. Christmas is an important time to see friends and family and so this played a part in the change of date for the fixture. With this in mind, Sports' adult section have done themselves proud in recent days, arranging a collection which was used to pay for presents and essentials for the Banbury Children's ward and a sofa bed for the overnight room at Katharine House Hospice. I had the pleasure of visiting the lovely staff at the Hospice and it really made my day to see the sofa bed had already been used.

It just reinforces the importance of trying to do things for our local community where we can at Christmas time and adds to the Food contributions to the Local Larder already donated in December. Well done all and for the players driving this.

Back to the game today.... Good luck to the boys and I hope you enjoy the game and have a safe journey home.

Best wishes,

Richard Meadows
Chairman



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THE CLAN: The Gaffa - Andy Sharman

I hope you all had a lovely Xmas and are now enjoying the break before the new year kicks in. Hopefully, you are all desperate to get out of the house ready for your football fix as we take on neighbours Daventry Town. I enjoy watching games over the Xmas period even if its supporting and not managing, they always bring a little bit more excitement, games are generally kept local so there are plenty local bragging rights up for grabs. I've never understood why the football league don't do the same and keep games local?



You will have seen over social media we visited the children's ward at the Horton & Katharine House on Xmas eve. Staff, coaches & players from the men & woman's team donated money for toys and a new sofa-bed for the hospice. This is what makes the club special & brings us closer together. It was great to see the players & staff get involved on the day, you walk out feeling emotional & proud knowing you are making a difference to peoples lives. From a 1st team perspective a huge thanks to our skipper Beany for leading, he's done so much not just only over the Xmas period but also throughout the season with the local foodbank.

Since my last notes performances on the football pitch have been strong, we were dominant against a very physical Godmanchester Rovers. We started the game on the front foot with our opponents sitting behind the ball, it was a case of staying patient and not forcing the issues, it was all about getting that first goal and once we scored it was complete one-way traffic. I was pleased how we coped with the physical aspect and remained disciplined throughout the game. There were some very questionable challenges that went unpunished.

We then travelled to league leaders Aylestone Park where the 4.2 scoreline completely flattered our opponents. We controlled the opening half hour and created a number of good chances; these are the type of games where you have to be ruthless as Aylestone scored from their first attack. We then concede from set piece which was frustrating and avoidable. Second half is some of the best football we have played all season and we got ourselves back in the game with a goal from Swanny who has found his form again, I thought he was excellent and caused them a lot of problems. We asked a lot of questions and controlled all of the second half so its massively frustrating we came away empty handed, it was never a penalty at the end which made the scoreline not reflect our dominance. Football can be cruel, but we need to take the positives out of the game carry straight on from where we left off- if we can do this then we will almost certainly start climbing up the table. This starts today in what will be another tough game against a new look Daventry Town who have had a good season sitting in the playoff places.

Performances have been good and the morale in the squad is strong, we also have players returning from injury. We are not where we want to be in the league so we must start turning these performances into wins. As a group we know where the gaps are, but we also know where our strengths are and everyone knows what their job is once they cross that white line. We will be ready to go again tomorrow and hopefully get another 3 points on the board.

If you are reading this before the game tomorrow, please get yourself there and create another great atmosphere, we need you!! – don't forget it's a 12.00 kick off!

Finally, thanks for all your support this year, most of you have been nothing but supportive and positive, we are a working progress and I'm certain that we will start climbing up the table in 2025.

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MATCH DETAILS

Venue: Aylestone Park
Date: 21st December 2024
Score: 4-2

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Wynne, Convey



MATCH REPORT

Sports travelled to league leaders Aylestone Park looking to put some results on the board to match recent performances and follow up from the win at home against Godmanchester.

Sports started well and more than matched the hosts in an event contest but once again were unable to capitalise on their chances. Josh Wynne was forced off early and replaced by Howards.

Aylestone took the lead from their first attack, much to Sports frustration. However, they continued to stay in the game and match the league leaders. However it was soon 2-0 as the hosts scored from a set piece.

Luke Swann pulled a goal back as Sports played some excellent football in the second half.

Aylestone again extended their lead before Mercer came on to score.

A late soft penalty made it 4-2 which flattered Aylestone



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THE CLAN: History of The Clan

The Club was formed in the immediate post-war period of 1945/46 to fulfil the sporting and social needs of the young people of the Easington housing estate in Banbury, many of whom were returning from war service. The Club, then known as 'The Clan', soon prospered, as there was an obvious need for such a facility, and formed a cricket, tennis and a ladies section. Football was, however, the main branch of the Club's activity, and they began playing in the local Junior Leagues as Easington Sports F.C.

The football was played on pastureland to the west of Wykham Lane, and for a few years endured the lack of facilities enjoyed today by almost all clubs. (No water available on site, no real changing facilities to name but two of the privations to be met on a cold winter's afternoon). Fortunately, this situation was soon to change after tireless fund raising by stalwarts such as Gordon Vivash, Tim Fountain and many other committed club members, the prospect of a new ground owned by the Club became a reality.



The purchase of the Addison Road ground and the building of a clubroom, together with the Club's entry to the Oxfordshire Senior League was the beginning of senior football for Sports, and to their credit they proved to be a formidable force at that level. Sports became winners and finalists in the Senior Cup and led the Premier League table on two occasions in the early and mid-fifties. In view of their success at county level the Club sought entry and was accepted into the old Warwickshire Combination, which at that time counted professional and semi-professional teams including Aston Villa 'A' and West Bromwich Albion 'B'.

Although having moderate success in this competition, as with many other amateur clubs; finance played its part in the decision to return to the Oxfordshire Senior League, where the expenses, in particular travelling, were much more in line with the club's limited income. Looking to raise their standards once more, the Club sought entry to the Hellenic League. Subject to certain ground improvements they were readily accepted and remained as members until 2021. In 2018/19 Ben Milner and squad won promotion to the Premier League being crowned Champions before two Covid affected seasons. A review of the NLS saw Sports move into the United Counties League South and a new challenge. In our first season in the UCLS, Matt Giles managed the squad to 14th with impressive wins including those against Coventry United and Rugby Town.

In 2021/2022 Andy Sharman managed the Development squad to the UHL Division 2 title and OFA Intermediate Cup Final. With Matt Giles stepping down, Andy Sharman was appointed managed with Tommy Kinch and Mark Boyland assisting. Sharman will once again focus on using local Banbury based talent to compete in the UCL, giving a chance to many from the Development and Clan squads.

In 2022 the club were awarded Level 3 FA Accreditation, with 38 affiliated teams and over 600 players. Our youth teams include both boys and girls and our open age section now includes three male, two female, a pan disability squad and over 50's football. We also work in partnership with Oxford United in the Community, offering free Women Wellbeing, Premier League Kick and Primary Stars sessions as part of the programme. Relocation remains a priority for the committee and trustees to ensure that our facilities match the growth and needs of the club. We remain committed to providing those in the local community with a pathway into football.





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Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	<u>Aylestone Park FC</u>	21	15	3	3	34	48
2	<u>St Neots Town FC</u>	22	15	3	4	31	48
3	<u>Rugby Borough FC</u>	21	15	2	4	33	47
4	<u>March Town United FC</u>	21	10	7	4	10	37
5	<u>Daventry Town FC</u>	21	10	5	6	7	35
6	<u>Hinckley AFC</u>	22	10	4	8	8	34
7	<u>Northampton O.N.Chenecks FC</u>	22	9	6	7	4	33
8	<u>Histon FC</u>	21	9	5	7	9	32
9	<u>Eynesbury Rovers FC</u>	21	10	2	9	7	32
10	<u>Newport Pagnell Town FC</u>	21	10	1	10	-3	31
11	<u>Coventry United FC</u>	21	9	3	9	1	30
12	<u>Northampton Sileby Rangers FC</u>	23	8	5	10	-6	29
13	<u>Lutterworth Town FC</u>	21	8	4	9	-5	28
14	<u>Yaxley FC</u>	23	8	2	13	-10	26
15	<u>Easington Sports FC</u>	19	7	2	10	-7	23
16	<u>Leicester Nirvana FC</u>	20	5	5	10	-19	20
17	<u>Bugbrooke St.Michaels FC</u>	21	5	3	13	-17	18
18	<u>G.N.G Oadby Town FC</u>	23	4	2	17	-35	14
19	<u>Godmanchester Rovers FC</u>	22	3	2	17	-42	11



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THE CLAN: OUITC Partnership

We are now entering the third year of our Hub Partnership with Oxford United in the Community. The partnership has been a huge success over the last three years and we have seen a huge uptake in all programs from Wellbeing sessions, Premier League Kicks and Holiday camps. We look forward to coming up with new ideas to ensure we continue to offer football for the whole community.



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THE CLAN: Player Stats

Player Name	ESFC		Season	
	Total		2024 / 2025	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Elliot Barton	109	6	25	2
Chay Buckingham	42	10	7	
Ellis Champkins	28	0	22	
Ethan Champkins	48	7	25	7
Callum Convey	168	55	18	2
George Coombes	101	23	6	
Ben Doak	15	0	4	
Adam Doyle	55	0	2	
Edgar Dumbreck	1	0	2	
Billy Durnin	1	0	2	
Joe Eyre	247	49	14	1
Luke Fuller	45	0	21	
Joshua Golder	1	0	1	
Leam Howards	89	38	22	12
Jake Humphreys	71	6	21	2
Tommy Kinch	63	1	4	
Alex Mercer	22	0	10	1
Josh Reilly	31	7	8	
Ollie Rose	79	8	17	2
Tom Smith	196	11	23	3
Luke Swann	187	31	24	4
Max Treml	25	0	25	
Dan Watkin	128	9	17	
James Watts	130	11	20	2
James Williams	26	1	26	1
Josh Wynne	44	5	9	

THE CLAN: 2025 Tournament

Easington Sports Football Club would like to invite you to their Annual Summer Tournament which will take place on **Saturday 31st May 2025 and Sunday 1st June 2025**.

The tournament will be open to **boys and girls teams** who will compete in groups, leading to knock out stages. We are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity for both boys and girls teams to enter. All games will be played **six aside** with a maximum squad size of **ten players**. The tournament is spread over two days and will feature both **cup and shield** knock out stages.

Saturday 31st May 2025: Boys - U7, U9, U11, U13 Girls - U9 U13

Sunday 1st June 2025: Boys - U8, U10, U12 Girls - U11, U15, U16

A range of other events, together with food and drink, will be available throughout the day to keep both players and supporters entertained.

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Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so early submission is recommended.

There will be a £3 charge per adult on the day of the tournament as an entrance fee.

Further information is available either by contacting Jamie Hunter or visiting our tournament website at <https://easingtonsports.torneopal.com/>

Confirmation of places and further details will be available through our tournament website.

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THE CLAN: 2024 / 2025 Fixtures

Date	Opponents	H/A	Competition	Score	Scorers
06/07	Clanfield FC	H	Friendly	2-0	Swann, Reilly
11/07	Ardley United	H	Friendly	3-3	Howards, Reilly, Humphreys
13/07	Saffron Dynamo	H	Friendly	2-0	Watkins, Wojcik
16/07	Banbury United	A	Friendly	2-2	Howards, Swann
20/07	FC Stratford	H	Friendly	3-0	Watkin, Eyre, Ellis Champkins
27/07	March Town United	H	League	1-2	Rose
30/07	N Silebey Rangers	A	League	P-P	
03/08	Portishead Town	A	FA Cup	0-1	Humphreys
10/08	Hinckley AFC	A	League	1-1	Howards
14/08	Bugbrooke St Michael	H	League	3-2	Swann, Ethan Champkins, Watts
17/08	Bristol Manor Farm	H	FA Cup	3-1	Humphreys, Barton, Smith
24/08	Yaxley	H	League	1-3	Swann
26/08	Coventry United	H	League	4-3	Ethan Champkins 2, Smith 2
31/08	Frome Town	H	Cup	1-1	Eyre
03/09	Frome Town	A	Cup	2-1	Howards
07/09	Staveley Miners Welfare	H	Cup	1-1 (4-5)	Rose
11/09	Sileby Rangers	A	League	4-2	Howards, Williams
14/09	GNG Oadby Town	H	League	3-0	Howards x 3
18/09	Lutterworth Town	H	League	2-1	Ethan Champkins, Howards
21/09	Windsor and Eton	A	FA Vase	3-0	
28/09	Eynesbury Rovers	H	League	P-P	
05/10	Yaxley	A	League	3-0	
09/10	Rugby Borough	A	League	1-2	Howards, Watts
12/10	ON Chenecks	A	League	1-0	
22/10	Newport Pagnell	A	League	3-1	Swann
26/10	Sileby Rangers	H	League	2-1	Convy, Ethan Champkins
02/11	Leicester Nirvana	A	League	1-1	Barton
09/11	Histon FC	H	League	1-3	Own Goal
13/11	North Leigh	A	OFA Cup	4-2	Howards x 2
16/11	Histon FC	A	League	2-1	Convey
23/11	Aylestone Park	H	League	p-p	
30/11	Eynesbury Rovers	A	League	2-0	
07/12	Godmanchester Rovers	A	League	P-P	
14/12	Godmanchester Rovers	H	League	4-1	Howards x2, Ethan Champkins x2
21/12	Aylestone Park	A	League	4-2	
28/12	Daventry Town	H	League		
04/01	St Neots Town	A	League		

THE CLAN: 2024 / 2025 Fixtures

Date	Opponents	H/A	Competition	Score	Scorers
11/01	Newport Pagnell Town	H	League		
18/01	March Town United	A	League		
25/01	ON Chenecks	H	League		
01/02	Rugby Borough	H	League		
08/02	Eynesbury Rovers	H	League		
15/02	Lutterworth Town	A	League		
22/02	Aylestone Park	H	League		
01/03	Coventry United	A	League		
15/03	St Neots Town	H	League		
29/03	GNG Oadby Town	A	League		
05/04	Hinckley AFC	H	League		
12/04	Bugbrooke St Michael	A	League		
19/04	Leicester Nirvana	H	League		
21/04	Daventry Town	A	League		

THE CLAN: Clan in the Community

We are delighted to announce that Easington Sports FC, Banbury United FC, Adderbury Park FC and Oxfordshire FA have partnered to support the development and growth of youth and adult disability football in Banbury.

The aim of the collaboration is to provide a full youth pathway for players aged 5 to 15 to feed into the existing adult football provision currently delivered by Easington Sports FC.

The long-term aim of the partnership is to provide disability recreational/team opportunities for U12, U14, U16 and adult players in Banbury, and we believe this can be achieved by all clubs pulling their resources together.

To kick things off, the partnership is delivered a Banbury Inclusive Football Summer Festival on Sunday 20th August 2023 (10am – 12pm) at Easington Sports FC (Addison Rd, Banbury OX16 9DH).

The taster session was for individuals to sign up and we provided both youth (5 – 15-year-olds) and adults (16+) the opportunity to come and get involved. Everybody was welcome regardless of learning or physical disability.

The event was a huge success and we aim to release new dates soon for further sessions.



The poster features logos for Banbury United FC, Adderbury Park Football Club, and Easington Sports FC at the top. The main title is 'BANBURY INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL SUMMER FESTIVAL' with a subtitle 'YOUTH AND ADULT INCLUSIVE TASTER SESSION FOR ALL AGES DELIVERED BY BANBURY DISABILITY FOOTBALL PARTNERSHIP.' A QR code is labeled 'SCAN ME'. The event details are: DATE: Sunday 20th August 2023, TIME: 10am – 12pm, VENUE: Easington Sports Football Club, Addison Rd, Banbury OX16 9DH. A list of participants includes 'All boys & girls welcome', 'Youth – 5 – 15 years old', and 'Adult – 16 years +'. A 'FREE OF CHARGE' badge is overlaid on a photo of children playing. The Oxfordshire FA logo is in the bottom right corner. Contact information for Claire Curtis is provided at the bottom.

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- All boys & girls welcome
- Youth – 5 – 15 years old
- Adult – 16 years +

DATE: Sunday 20th August 2023
TIME: 10am – 12pm
VENUE: Easington Sports Football Club, Addison Rd, Banbury OX16 9DH

FREE OF CHARGE

Oxfordshire FA

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THE CLAN: The Lineups



UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION SOUTH
SATURDAY 28th DECEMBER 2024



EASINGTON SPORTS FC

DAVENTRY TOWN FC

MAX TREML	1	LEWI PATCHING
LUKE SWANN	2	CALLUM WESTWOOD
JOE EYRE	3	AIDEN PRINT
DAN WATKIN	4	JACK ASHTON ©
ELLIOT BARTON ©	5	TOM WOOD
JAKE HUMPHREYS	6	ARCHIE MAY
ETHAN CHAMPKINS	7	ANDRIAN ANKRAH
ELIIS CHAMPKINS	8	GEORGE GEARS
LEAM HOWARDS	9	CYRUS BRUCE
JAMES WATTS	10	CARTER PRICE
TOM SMITH	11	RHYS HOENES
JOSH WYNNE	12	LUKE EMERY
ADAM DOYLE	14	MATTY RINALDO
CALLUM CONVEY	15	DYLAN WILSON
OLLIE ROSE	16	KELVIN MOYO
LUKE FULLER	17	WILL BEWLEY
JAMES WILLIAMS	18	
ALEX MERCER	19	

Manager: Andy Sharman

Assistants : Ben Lovatt, Kevin Squirrell
Ben Jackson

Physio: Ali Whitrow

Manager :

Assistants:



THE CLAN: MDH Teamwear

We are delighted to announce that we will continue our partnership with MDH Teamwear for the 2024/2025 season as our provider for kit and equipment across all teams.

MDH will offer a range of Joma products available to teams / sponsors / parents to order.

A selected range has been chosen in consultation with MDH to ensure that moving forward all ESFC teams wear the same kits, in the same colours.

Details of our new online shop can be found on our website - <https://www.easingtonsportsfc.com/a/mdh-teamwear-order-forms-66036.html>

We are looking forward to continue working with MDH and thank Andy Sparrow and team for giving us this exciting opportunity.



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THE CLAN: The Visitors

Since forming in 1886 Daventry Town Football Club has had a chequered history over its 132 years, from a devastating fire in 2005 which threatened the club's existence to an incredible cup run which saw over 700 fans travel to League 2 Chesterfield in 2014.

Switching to the Northants Combination in 1987, under the guidance of Manager Willie Barrett, the clubs fortunes began to flourish, Barrett leading the club to successive championships in the Northants Combination First and Premier Divisions & in 1989/90 they secured promotion to the United Counties League Division One

Leaving the "Hollow" in the centre of the town in 1990 when the club moved to its current home at the Elderstubs, the club's fortunes suffered a devastating blow in 2005–06, when the Elderstubs clubhouse and changing rooms were destroyed during an arson attack.

With the club on the brink of going out of business, Iain Humphrey took the helm and work began to revitalise the club with the introduction of new floodlights, walkways and other infrastructure to support the clubs promotion ambitions. 2007–08 was a very successful season for the Town. They won UCL Division One, losing just once, and defeated three Premier division teams en route to the League Knockout Cup final, where they lost to Desborough Town 3–2.

In the season 2009–10, Daventry won promotion to the Southern League Division One Central, by becoming champions of the United Counties League under the guidance of manager Ady Fuller. Daventry Town reached the last 16 of the FA vase, the final of the NFA Senior Cup, beaten by Corby Town by 3 – 2 and the semi – finals of the UCL KO cup before Captain Paul Saunders lifted the UCL championship to secure Daventry Town a coveted place in the Southern League for 2010/11.

Under the guidance of Ady Fuller and assistant Paul Lamb, their first season in the Southern League almost ended with another promotion however they lost in the play off final to Hitchin Town.

Former Aston Villa, Charlton and Republic of Ireland international Mark Kinsella became manager in the summer 2011 however his season long spell was unsuccessful and former Daventry United/Ford Sports Manager Darran Foster was appointed with Neil Champelovier as his assistant in 2012.

Daventry Town made history in 2013-2014 by reaching the First Round of the FA Cup, a visit to Chesterfield's Proact Stadium their reward. They were eventually beaten by 2 – 0 in front of over 700 of their own travelling supporters and a crowd of over 5269. Town also reached the first round proper of the FA Trophy losing 1 0 to Maidenhead United.

Town reached the final of the Northamptonshire Senior Cup – Hillier Cup beating Cogenhoe United, managed by Andy Marks, 3 – 0, Scott Cross (2) and Luke Keen scoring the goals.

Town had been season-long favourites for promotion from the Southern League Division One Central in 2013 -2014 but the back log of fixtures caused by the cup runs took effect. They lost the promotion play-offs at the semi-final stage at Kettering Town, narrowly beaten 1-0.

Darran Foster resigned as manager on 30th October 2014 following budget cuts and was replaced by former Watford, Oldham and Preston star, Allan Smart. Former Manager Ady Fuller was appointed as his Assistant Manager with the bulk of the players supplied by Smart's London based Academy.

In the Summer of 2015, the club were moved to the Northern Premier League Division One South and with Smart and the players based in the South, het resigned in July 2015.

Darran Foster returned to Daventry Town as Manager just nine months after leaving however he also resigned on Easter Saturday after a 5 0 home defeat to Kidsgrove Athletic.

EASINGTON SPORTS FOOTBALL CLUB

Club Goalkeeping Coach Derren Midson and the Club's Juniors Development Officer Pete Flockhart stepped in as Caretaker Managers with Brian Porter returning as Club Secretary to ensure the club somehow completed their remaining 6 fixtures of the 2015/2016 season.

In a move planned to reset the club's financial problems, Town took voluntary relegation to step 6 football and the club returned to the United Counties League Division 1.

In April 2016, Steve Tubb took over as Chairman and on the 12th May 2016, the club appointed Arron Parkinson and Andy Marks as joint managers. With a zero budget for the season, the team management have worked wonders in turning the club around and winning the UCL Division 1 title, unbeaten at home.

Andy Marks left the club at the end of the season due to family and work commitments. Ian King joined Parkinson as Joint Manager in May 2017.

Town finished the 2017/18 season in 10th position, winning the Buckingham Charity Cup for the first time. 2018/19 saw the return of the Reserves managed by Andy Emery. Ian King left to join Northampton Town Academy. Arron Parkinson took over as Manager with goalkeeper Matt Finlay as his Assistant Manager and Pete Harris coming in a Club Coach respectively.

After an excellent start to the 2018/19 league season and two FA Cup wins scoring 16 goals in the process, the Town went on to win the UCL Premier Division with a 1 1 draw at Pinchbeck United. The club were presented with the trophy on Easter Monday after a 3 0 win over local rivals and pre-season favourites Rugby Town in front of a crowd of 393. They also won the UCL Knock Out Cup by beating Holbeach United 3 1 in the final at Raunds Town. Town then returned back to the BetVictor Southern League Division One Central.

In 2019–20, the club returned to the Southern League, however, the Covid 19 Pandemic meant that they would not complete this or the 2020–21 season.

Sadly during this time, the Town lost three members of the Hobbs family in quick session. Club President, Frank Hobbs died just two weeks after his wife Sarah. Frank's younger brother, Malcolm Hobbs died just three months later. Between them, they had covered just about every position within the club and had given almost 200 years of combined service to the Town. In 2021–22, the club moved to the Northern Premier League Midlands Division. After a difficult start to the season, Jim Scott joined the coaching team and along with a number of new signings, Town ended the season in 16th place but 15 points clear of the relegation spots.

The club also started a third male adult team playing in the Northants Combination League Division 3. This team was named Daventry Town Hobbs after the sadly missed Hobbs family.

Off the pitch, the club announced that it had cleared all inherited debts since taking over in 2016 and that the club was now debt free.

The 2022-23 season was challenging for Daventry. A slow start in the tough Northern Premier League led to the budget being cut and manager Arron Parkinson left after 6 seasons. Almost all of the players left leaving a scratch side of reserves and youth team to unsuccessfully avoid relegation from the Northern Premier League.

Prior to the 2023-24 season Daren Young was unveiled as First Team Manager. Following an inconsistent season and with only 2 wins in 2024, the club and Young mutually agreed to part company.

Jamie Forrest was appointed as First Team Manger prior to the 2024-25 season where the club would compete again in the UCL Premier Division South. This season also saw the return of the Reserves to the UCL and will be managed by Jamie Jollands.

EASINGTON SPORTS FOOTBALL CLUB



Easington Sports FC – One Club – The Clan – Oxfordshire FA Club of the Year



THE CLAN: Club News

ESFC Wildcats – New players welcome

This is the sixth year we have run the programme and since its development we now have 6 affiliated girls teams and loads of new players to the game – which is awesome. The sessions will be run by ESFC qualified coaches on Thursday evenings 6-7pm. Any girls aged 5-11 years are welcome, contact secretary@easingtonsportsfc.com for more info.

Volunteers needed – Can you help!!!

We are a volunteer driven football club, and all of what we achieve is done through the amazing volunteers that we have associated with the club. As ever, and in line with our expansion, we are looking for more people to join The Clan. Below is a list of roles we currently need assistance with – Can you help?

Pitch Preparations – To ensure pitches prepared and marked each Friday before the busy weekend at Addison Road. To include open age and youth team pitches. Pitches to be cut when needed and line marked.

Match Day Hospitality – To coordinate with the First Team Committee and Club House Manager and to provide hospitality for those officials joining us at Addison Road from opposing teams in the UCLS

Match Day Videos – We are looking for a film / sports enthusiast who would be interested in filming the first team games and producing match day edited highlights.

Sponsorship / Marketing Manager – To work alongside the Committee and seek new sponsorship opportunities and to engage with the local business community.

For more information contact easingtonsports@hotmail.com

Whats coming up?

Preparations are well under way for our Annual 2025 Tournament. As ever we are looking for local businesses to support our event. With over 1400 players attending and 5000 spectators across the weekend its Banburys largest sporting event. For more info please contact Jamie Hunter tournament@easingtonsportsfc.com

DANGEROUS BEHAVIOUR HAS NO PLACE IN OUR GAME.

**FOOTBALL HAS COME TOGETHER TO TOUGHEN MEASURES
ADDRESSING FAN BEHAVIOUR AT MATCHES**

CRIMINAL BEHAVIOUR:

- ✗ Entering the pitch without permission
- ✗ Smoke bombs and pyros
- ✗ Throwing objects
- ✗ Drug use
- ✗ Discriminatory behaviour

THERE ARE CONSEQUENCES

- ⊕ Risk of serious injury
- ⊖ Automatic club ban
- 👮 Reported to the police
- ⚖ Criminal record
- 🎓 Education and employment at risk

**HELP US ENSURE MATCHES ARE SAFE AND ENJOYABLE FOR ALL
LOVE FOOTBALL. PROTECT THE GAME.**

