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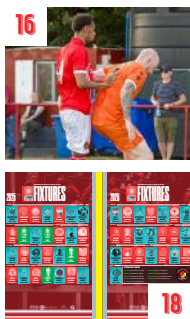
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PRE-MATCH Teasers

Answers on page 37

- 1 Alan Devonshire is a former West Ham FA Cup winner from 1980 who manages one of our rival clubs, Maidenhead United. Which other Hammer from that victorious side once managed another National League club (Southend)?
- 2 Jimmy Bullard famously moved from the Fleet to West Ham in 1999 but for which side did he make his professional debut in the Football League?
- 3 Which of these former Fleet players did not play for West Ham? John Dick, Lewis Page, Cliff Cant or Manny Omoyinmi?
- 4 What did West Ham win for the first time in the same season as our first league title success of 1957/58?
- 5 Some 22 miles separates the Kuflink and London Stadiums. Which is the next nearest Premier League ground to us?
- 6 What was the name of West Ham's predecessor club who used to play against Gravesend United?
- 7 Who scored Fleet's goals in last year's 2-0 win?
- 8 Which Greek club succeeded West Ham as Europa Conference League champions in 2023/24?

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JOSH WRIGHT

MANAGER



GOOD AFTERNOON

and welcome back to the Kuflink Stadium for the first time since April as we begin the preparations for the 2025/26 campaign.

Well, I say 'begin' - of course we have already had two away friendlies and the planning and foresight for the coming campaign began long before this month as we identified and organised playing targets, training methods, tactics and much, much more for the next nine months.

The fruits of our labours are on the pitch this evening - a lot of new signings, players who fit the mould, players who will be proud to wear the Fleet shirt - and more importantly make you proud to see them wearing it.

They have been signed for the strengths they will bring to our side this season, a mix of experience and very, very talented youth, with an emphasis on consistency and the very specific abilities they demonstrate in the



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positions in which they will play.

Tonight is the first of four home friendlies, together with visits to St Albans and Dartford to come, that are designed to get our preparations spot on and our physical condition to an absolute peak when we take to the field in that first National League South game at Dagenham.

It's a warm welcome once again to West Ham who I have had the privilege of playing against twice in pre-season here previously and managing against once in the National League Cup. They have always been close, competitive affairs which is exactly what both management teams want from a pre-season engagement.

It's been fantastic to hear your voices and see your faces again at Punjab and Aveley... it sets the scene for when the real thing begins in three weeks.

We experimented with a Fleet XI at Punjab as previously explained in interviews so Saturday's trip to Aveley was the first chance for some of you to get to see the new players up close.

They have all been worked very hard in the two weeks since we returned from the close-season break. It's very early days, of course, but that hard work in hot weather is all part of our plan for the first couple of weeks and now we will begin to hit our stride more as we get these back-to-back friendlies against some difficult opposition in.

It will be good to get back on our pitch and get the new players used to playing on our pitch - and the four in a row here to the end of July will certainly do that. So enjoy the games and getting to know new faces!

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CEO



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back every summer and yet it's always pleasing to get another pre-season under way, getting to know new signings after a month of announcements, mulling over the fixtures ahead and of course that sense of anticipation for what a new season may hold.

This is the first of four friendlies on home soil following the conclusion of another successful couple of rugby league games to cement our relationship with the London Broncos further and I know many of you have enjoyed both Broncos rugby and Fleet football this July – as it should be!

As a club, we are very pleased with our recruitment this summer. Josh and his staff have focused very much on bringing in players with a consistent history of regular game time year after year in their careers to date. We have some experienced players and also some very exciting younger but accomplished performers to make up a balanced squad of strong characters for the

season ahead. Of course, we are not the only ones recruiting and a lot of clubs at this level have enjoyed significant new investment and are making that known with some of the dealings already this summer. We continue to recruit with a strong, competitive but also prudent budget with our long-term sustainability always in mind and as ever our recruitment has been planned alongside this.

The busy four-week public enquiry for the Harbourside project was held over the close season. That is now in the hands of the planning inspectorate to report on but in the meantime can I remind you that we still need your active support in public and online arenas etc. The inquiry was above board with concerns aired by those for and against the development but there continues to be dishonest and underhand tactics employed in certain quarters, which is both tiring and unnecessarily damaging to our project and future. So please, support your club where and how you can.

It was great to catch up with so many of you at Punjab and Aveley last week. The linkup with Punjab continues to be a very healthy one for two clubs who share community roots and friendship... sending an XI to the Steve Cook Stadium to remember the popular local groundsman every season is just one way we show our respect and extend our ties in and around our locality. As the traditional pre-season curtain raiser, we are delighted to extend it to a sixth successive season of meetings between us.

Many of the first-team were on show at Aveley on Saturday and now more of you have the opportunity for an up-close inspection of the new faces and some more familiar ones over the course of four home friendlies against opposition that will test the players ahead of that big first game at Dagenham.

Finally, please remember that season-tickets cards and home shirts are all available for pickup/purchase – and enjoy the friendly games ahead.

THE OPPOSITION *West Ham United*



VISITORS' GUIDE

Home ground Rush Green Stadium, Romford

Capacity 6,078

U21 captain Lewis Orford

2023/24 finish 2nd (of 26)

Current league position 12th (of 26)

Recent honours

Premier League 2 Division 2: 2020

Runners-up: 2017

Premier League Cup: 2016

Premier League 2 runners-up: 2023/24

U18 Premier League South: 2023

FA Youth Cup wins: 1963, 1981, 1999, 2023

Runners-up: 1957, 1959, 1975, 1996

WHAT THEY LOOK LIKE



Welcome once again to our most regular pre-season visitors of recent years as we kick-off the home friendlies.

The Hammers U21s have provided an excellent warm-up game since 2021 – not to mention they were visitors here also in the National League Cup back in January.

West Ham's development players have a series of games against similar opposition this month as they also faced our rivals Worthing at the weekend, with Maidenhead United to follow as well. A couple of exits since last we met have seen Kamarai Swyer join Northampton Town while Brad Dolaghan has returned to Worthing after playing on loan there last season. There are also a few U21s on first-team duty in Germany this week so the squad is bulked up by a couple of U18s.

A new arrival is Daniel Cummings from Celtic who will be with the U21s in pre-season ahead of trying to break into the first-team.

The young Hammers finished fourth in Premier League 2 in 2024/25 and a number of last season's U18s from the Academy's Premier League Cup-winning squad have stepped up to the development team for their first year as professionals.

The Fleet side has, of course, changed considerably with only seven (Cousins, Samuel, Domi, Dallison, Edser, Anthony and Chapman) of the 23-man squad who featured this time last year against West Ham in contention for involvement this evening.

IN CHARGE *Mark Robson*



The U21 Lead Coach was a former West Ham player, born on the club's then doorstep at Upton Park. He played for Exeter City and Spurs before a move to the Hammers in 1992 and finished his career with Charlton Athletic and Notts County. It was at Charlton his coaching career began in 2000 and he also spent time with Peterborough United, Gillingham and in the England youth setup. He returned to West Ham in 2021 as U21s Lead Coach and was also first-team coach under David Moyes in 2023/24.

LAST LINEUP



PRE-MATCH FORM : LAST FIVE GAMES

EBBSFLEET UNITED

AVELEY	JUL 12th	A	D 0-0
PUNJAB UNITED	JUL 5th	A	L 3-4
OLDHAM ATHLETIC	MAY 5th	A	L 0-2
MAIDENHEAD UTD	APR 29th	H	L 0-2
SOUTHEND UNITED	APR 24th	H	L 0-4

WEST HAM UNITED U21

WORTHING	JUL 12th	A	L 1-4
MANCHESTER UTD	MAY 5th	A	L 1-4
SUNDERLAND	APR 26th	H	W 3-1
MIDDLESBROUGH	APR 11th	A	D 1-1
CRYSTAL PALACE	APR 4th	H	L 2-5

OUR LAST MEETING



Fleet 1-2 West Ham January 8, 2025

The Fleet suffered a narrow defeat in the National League Cup with debuts for midfielder George Moncur and goalkeeper Felix Goddard, whilst Dominic Samuel and Nathan Odokonyero returned from long-term injuries. West Ham found the opener with eight minutes on the clock. Kamarai Swyer slipped a pass to Josh Ajala and he finished. Dominic Poleon was forced into an early exit following a heavy challenge by Junior Robinson before Todd Kane brought down Ajala and Lewis Orford stepped up for the penalty. But the Fleet's debutant goalkeeper went the right way and made a strong save. West Ham found a second on 55 minutes when Emeka Adiele held play up and he squared the ball back into the arriving Swyer who drove home for 2-0. Fleet's late goal kept the result in the balance. It came from a Todd Kane free-kick whipped into the area and the ball fell for Odokonyero to find the net with an outstretched leg from close range. There were chances to grab an equaliser but the Hammers held out.

EUFC: Goddard, Chapman (John 46), Kane, Dallison, Olagunju (Wakely 75), Aoraha, Davies, Moncur (Manktelow 61), Bingham, Samuel (Odokonyero 46), Poleon (Domi 11). Subs: Anthony, Firth

WHU: Herrick, Robinson, Luizao, Fearon (Moore 89), Laing (Golambeckis 73), Mayers, Battrum (Tarima 89), Orford, Ajala (Dolaghan 89), Swyer, Adiele. Subs: Akpata, Castile, Terry. **Attendance:** 508



TYRON AKPATA

MIDFIELDER

The energetic central midfielder signed his first contract this year. A former skipper of the U18s, where he scored three goals in 26 appearances last season, he has been elevated to U21 duty this summer. He captained the U21s at Worthing on Saturday.



RYAN BATTRUM

DEFENDER

After winning the FA Youth Cup and U18 Premier League South title, the versatile youngster stepped up for his first U21 game in March 2023. He signed professional terms ahead of last season and is another player to have captained the side.



JOSH BRIGGS

DEFENDER

Signed from Linfield in Northern Ireland in 2022, the centre-back won U18 honours in his first season, scoring in the FA Youth Cup Final. He signed his pro contract on turning 18 years of age last year and made 16 appearances in his first full U21 season.



LUIS BROWN

DEFENDER

Son of ex-Hammers player Kenny Brown and grandson of the legendary Ken Brown Sr, Luis is an England youth international capable of operating in the centre or on the left of the backline. He has previously captained Arsenal's U18s, moving to WHU in 2024.



GABRIEL CALISTE

MIDFIELDER

West Ham's first full Mauritius international when he made his senior debut last year, three years after joining the academy. A versatile, athletic, technically-gifted player who can operate in defence or midfield, Caliste signed his first pro contract in January this year.



REGAN CLAYTON

DEFENDER

A quick and committed attack-minded defender, the flying wing-back made 31 U21 appearances in 2022/23 and became involved in first-team squads. He is another to have lifted the FA Youth Cup at U18 level and has played for Dagenham on loan.



DANIEL CUMMINGS

FORWARD

Having scored 38 goals in 57 games for Celtic's B Team, the Glaswegian U19 Scotland international put pen to paper on a long-term West Ham contract earlier this month. He scored six in seven UEFA Youth League games as Celtic achieved their best-ever finish.



RILEY HARGAN

MIDFIELDER

An intelligent central midfielder, who possesses close control and a varied passing range. He played in the victorious Premier League Cup final last season and having been at West Ham since the age of six, he now begins his move into the U21s.



FINLAY HERRICK

GOALKEEPER

The England U19 international won the FA Youth Cup with the club he has been with since the age of six and penned his first professional deal in 2023. He was the only goalkeeper nominated for Premier League 2 Player of the Season with the most clean sheets (seven).



FINLEY HOPPER

GOALKEEPER

U18 who joined the Hammers at U9 level, signing a full-time Scholarship last year. Throughout his time with the Academy, Finley has impressed coaches with his technique, instigating many attacking transitions with his excellent distribution.



MOHAMADOU KANTE

MIDFIELDER

French player signed on a five-year contract from Paris FC last season and who then returned there on loan. The 19-year-old played six senior games as well as U19 fixtures as Les Parisiens won promotion to Ligue One.



PATRICK KELLY

MIDFIELDER

Began his career with Coleraine in Northern Ireland, where he spent one season with the senior team before signing for West Ham in June 2022. The 20-year-old U19 international featured for Doncaster Rovers on loan last season, picking up a League Two title medal.



GIDEON KODUA

FORWARD

East Londoner who enjoyed a season-long loan in League One with Wycombe Wanderers last season and also played for them for a spell in 2023/24. He was captain of the West Ham team which won the 2023 FA Youth Cup and will be looking to break through this term.



JOSH LANDERS

FORWARD

Scottish youth international signed from Hibernian in January after playing eight senior games for them. He is a tireless centre-forward who can run the channels and hold up play and who has been consistently playing above his age group.



LUIZAO

DEFENDER

Signed in January 2023 from São Paulo in Brazil where he had played for the senior side, the 23-year-old Brazilian centre-back has turned in a string of impressive performances. Earlier this year he featured for Polish club Pogon Szczecin on loan.



JETHRO MEDINE

DEFENDER

A quick and tenacious right-back who can affect the game at both ends of the pitch, Jethro joined the club in 2016, aged nine. He made his England U17 debut in 2023 and last season started every game for the U18s as they went on to win the Premier League Cup.





SEAN MOORE

FORWARD

Dynamic winger signed from Ulster side Cliftonville in July 2023. He was named in the NIFL Premiership Team of the Year and won the NI Football Writers' Association Young Player of the Year award. He is an U19 Republic of Ireland international.



RAYAN OYEBADE

DEFENDER

A strong, elegant left-sided centre-half, who first featured in Claret and Blue as an U15 player. Known for his ability on the ball and reading of the game, he made his junior international debut for England at U15s. Signed his first pro contract back in April.



DAN RIGGE

MIDFIELDER

Attacking midfielder who signed on a scholarship in 2023, before being offered a pro contract only four months later. He enjoyed an impressive debut season and was part of the young double-winning side before five appearances last year at this higher age level.



JUNIOR ROBINSON

DEFENDER

Played Sunday football locally in Forest Gate before being spotted aged six. The attacking wing-back signed professional terms in 2022 and made 24 appearances for the U21s last season. He has played for England at U15 and U17 level.



ELISHA SOWUNMI

FORWARD

Skilful with the ball, and with plenty of work rate off it, the versatile attacker is comfortable on the left or right or as No10. He became a key part of the U18s side and was top goalscorer, scoring two hat-tricks. He is now transitioning into the U21s setup.



MASON TERRY

GOALKEEPER

The Canvey Islander won player of the year in his season on loan at Hornchurch in 2024/25, making a total of 53 appearances, keeping 17 clean sheets. He also won the same award on loan at Concord Rangers the season before.



THE ONE TO WATCH

Josh Ajala

The scorer of 11 goals for the U21s last season (and more for the U18s, including one here in the National League Cup in January), Ajala spent his schoolboy footballing career with Chelsea. A pacy striker, who can play off both feet and has scored goals regularly throughout his youth, he arrived ahead of the 2023/24 season and signed his first pro contract with West Ham in November 2023.





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MOSES **ASHIKODI**



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JOHN **DICK**



MATTY **FANIMO**



JIMMY **BULLARD**



DARYL **McMAHON**



LEWIS **PAGE**



BONDZ **N'GALA**



BOB **CLOZIER**



ALEX **O'REILLY**

The distance from West Ham to the Fleet is not a long one and a fair few players have made the journey.

GOALKEEPER

ALEX O'REILLY

Played 15 games in 2003/04 including in the FA Cup against Notts County, the goalkeeper was a West Ham youth from 1997-2001. He won the UEFA U19 championships with the Republic of Ireland.

DEFENDERS

BOB GLOZIER

A regular visitor to our former players' day, our former full-back and short-term manager played 116 games here and won the Southern League Cup with us after coming through West Ham's youth system and signing professionally from 1966-69.

BONDZ N'GALA

A brief time here with four games in 2019, the burly centre-back began his career with West Ham from 2006-10 before a lower EFL and National League career that included Portsmouth and Barnet.

LEWIS PAGE

The recently departed left-back signed from Dagenham last summer was another to come

through the Hammers youth system, playing Europa League and League Cup games for today's visitors.

MIDFIELDERS

JIMMY BULLARD

Famously moved from the Fleet to West Ham for £35,000 in 1999 and was on the bench at Anfield the week after his move. He didn't make a first-

team appearance, however, and found fame with Wigan and Hull City.

DARYL MCMAHON

The former Fleet midfielder and promotion-winning manager, now boss at Hornchurch, was a West Ham junior from 1998-2004 before later appearing for Leyton Orient.

JOHN DICK

A 1966 signing who briefly became Fleet manager at a lean time in our history, the Scottish international was a Hammers legend, amassing 326 appearances from 1953-62.

GEORGE MONCUR

Our midfield maestro was at West Ham as a boy, from 2007 through to 2014, making two appearances

at the same club his father John also graced. He departed for Colchester.

MATTY FANIMO

Fleet's 2023/24 signing was rated the fastest footballer while at West Ham from the age of seven through to 19. After a spell in the Balkans, the England youth international played a bit part in Fleet's season before moving on to Folkestone.

FORWARDS

MANNY OMOYINMI

Found unwelcome fame at West Ham for an ineligible appearance in the League Cup that ultimately cost the Hammers a semi-final place. The forward had been at Upton Park from 1994-2000. He was popular here at Stonebridge Road, playing 49 times for us from 2004-05, scoring 12 times.

MOSES ASHIKODI

The much-travelled striker had two spells with the Fleet, a superb first season in 2009/10 and another in 2012/13. He spent two years with West Ham from 2004-06 after a much-publicised troubled spell at Millwall.



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PUNJAB UNITED 4-3 EBBSFLEET UNITED XI



CAMPBELL 9', 25', 62' / OKECHUKWU 46'

TRIALIST 55' / TRIALIST 80' / BRITTEN 83'





The hosts kept the Steve Cook Cup at the Steve Cook Stadium for the first time as they overcame a spirited late fightback by a Fleet XI to prevail by the odd goal in seven. Elijah Anthony was joined by a long list of trialists and several Academy youngsters as Josh Wright spoke of his intention to use the first match to cast his eye over available players and those coming through the youth setup.

Punjab took the lead just before the 10-minute mark when Roman Campbell went up against the goalkeeper in the air and as the ball spilled loose, he was able to keep his balance to finish despite protests from the red shirts for a foul. The same

player converted a cross on 25 minutes to extend Punjab's lead before Ethan Okechukwu nipped in to gather the ball from the Fleet goalkeeper's attempted grasp straight away in the second-half to make it 3-0.

A Fleet penalty was saved before a pair of trialists clawed two back, Punjab adding another to leave the score at 4-2 with seven minutes left. With Fleet having introduced a number of Academy players including Fabian Odamo and Harry Britten, it was the latter who marked his introduction with a strike to reduce the arrears to just one goal.



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SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

 HORNCHURCH HOME Sat 6 Sep	 FA CUP 20 TBC Sat 13 Sep	 TORQUAY UNITED AWAY Sat 20 Sep	 FA CUP 30 TBC Sat 27 Sep	 EASTBOURNE BOROUGH HOME Sat 4 Oct	 WESTON-SUPER-MARE AWAY Sat 11 Oct	 DORKING WANDERERS HOME Sat 18 Oct
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OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

 ENFIELD TOWN AWAY Tue 21 Oct	 SALISBURY FC HOME Sat 25 Oct	 MAIDENHEAD UNITED AWAY Sat 1 Nov	 MAIDSTONE UNITED HOME Tue 4 Nov	 AFC TOTTON AWAY Sat 8 Nov	 FA TROPHY R2 TBC Sat 15 Nov	 CHESHAM UNITED HOME Sat 22 Nov
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NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

 HORSHAM HOME Tue 25 Nov	 FARNBOROUGH AWAY Sat 29 Nov	 WORTHING HOME Sat 6 Dec	 FA TROPHY R3 TBC Sat 13 Dec	 CHELMSFORD CITY AWAY Sat 20 Dec	 TONBRIDGE ANGELS HOME Fri 26 Dec	 DOVER ATHLETIC AWAY Tue 30 Dec
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Sat 24 Jan

MALDON
AWAY
Tue 27 Jan

MAIDENHEAD UNITED
HOME
Sat 31 Jan

SALISBURY
AWAY
Sat 7 Feb

FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY

ENFIELD TOWN
HOME
Tue 10 Feb

AFC TOTTEN
HOME
Sat 14 Feb

CHESHAM UNITED
AWAY
Sat 21 Feb

HORSHAM
AWAY
Tue 24 Feb

FARNBOROUGH
HOME
Sat 28 Feb

TORQUAY UNITED
HOME
Sat 7 Mar

EASTBOURNE BOROUGH
AWAY
Tue 10 Mar

MARCH

MARCH

BOKING WANDERERS
AWAY
Sat 14 Mar

WESTON-SUPER-MARE
HOME
Sat 21 Mar

SLOUGH TOWN
HOME
Sat 28 Mar

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AWAY
Fri 3 Apr

DOVER ATHLETIC
HOME
Mon 6 Apr

HORNCOURCH
AWAY
Sat 11 Apr

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HOME
Sat 18 Apr

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Sat 25 Apr

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West Ham's 2021 U21s take a break in the hot sun here at the Kuflink Stadium four years ago



CLASS OF '21

This is the fifth successive pre-season meeting of the clubs - but what happened to those promising West Ham youngsters who were here back in 2021?

IT WAS A 2-1 WIN

for the Fleet in 2021 as Dominic Poleon and Elliott Romain struck either side of Nathan Holland's equaliser – a lot of water has passed under the bridge in the four years since and many of the Hammers young starlets made appearances here in subsequent pre-seasons, but how have the 2021 crop fared in their careers since?

HARRISON ASHEY

The son of former Fleet assistant manager Barry, the 23-year-old made his Premier League debut in December 2021 and later moved to Newcastle in a £3m move. He hasn't yet made an appearance for them and has played for Swansea City and QPR on loan.

JAMAL BAPTISTE

The England youth moved

on to Manchester City but was released last summer. He spent last season with Sheffield United's U21s but is still awaiting a first-team breakthrough.

LEVI LAING

The centre-back stayed at West Ham until earlier this year, having played for Cheltenham Town on loan. He moved to Aldershot and made his debut



Harrison Ashby, currently on Newcastle's books, looks as perplexed as Kresh Krasniqi

against the Fleet in March and has since moved to the Canadian Premier League to play for Cavalry FC in Alberta.

AJI ALESE

After spells on loan with Accrington Stanley and Cambridge United, the central defender left West Ham in 2022 to sign for Sunderland. He made 12 appearances last season in the Mackems' promotion campaign.

EMMANUEL LONGELO

A tall left-sided player, the Barking-born 24-year-old signed for Birmingham City in 2023 and played 40 times in the Championship for them, though last season he spent on loan in League One with Cambridge United.

WILL GREENIDGE

The right-back is currently under the care of former Hammer and ex-Fleet

boss Daryl McMahon at Hornchurch. He played semi-regularly for Colchester from 2023-25 but will line up against us for the Urchins this season.

PIERRE EKWAH

A new signing for an undisclosed fee from Chelsea when he played for West Ham here in 2021, the French midfielder subsequently moved to Sunderland in 2023 and he was a regular in the Championship that season. He spent last year on loan with Saint Étienne who have an option to buy him permanently for €7m.

OSSAMA ASHLEY

He spent just one more year with the Hammers, departing in 2022 to sign for Colchester where he broke

into their first team. The following season saw him move to Salford City for a fee and last year he won the club's player of the year, triggering a contract extension with the Manchester club.

KEENAN APPIAH-FORSON

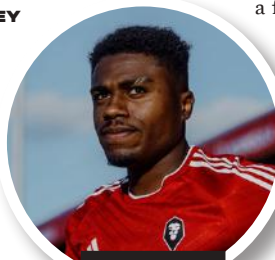
We've seen plenty of the midfielder in subsequent friendlies against West Ham, as well as in the National League. He played for Dagenham & Redbridge on loan in 2023/24 and following his release by West Ham at the end of that campaign, he moved to Southend United, turning out in the promotion final for them last month.

THIERRY NEVERS

Signed from his local club Reading in 2021 and named after French legend Henry, Thierry Nevers was a new boy when he appeared for the Hammers here that same year on his debut. He had spells on loan with Newport County and Bristol City before a permanent move to Sheriff Tiraspol in Moldova in 2024. Last season he played for NK Varazdin in Croatia but is a free agent again.

ARMSTRONG OKO-FLEX

Alongside Ekwah and Nevers, winger Oko-Flex



Ossama Ashley was Salford City's player of the year in 2024/25



Signed from Celtic in 2021, Armstrong Oka-Flex – now playing in the Swiss League – battles Michael West

was one of West Ham U21's much-heralded new arrivals in 2021. He signed from Celtic, for whom he had made two appearances in the SPL. The Republic of Ireland U21 had a season on loan with Swansea in 2022/23 and after his release from E20, he moved into Swiss football with FC Zürich.

DAN CHESTERS

The second West Ham U21 to ply his trade with Salford City, livewire midfielder Chesters made one Premier League appearance and another in the Europa League with the Hammers. He got senior experience with Colchester United on loan in 2022/23

and then with Salford the following season, before signing permanently for the Ammies last summer.

KAMARAI SWYER

Having appeared here for the first time in 2021, attacker Swyer scored in the National League Cup for West Ham in January. His long youth connection with the Hammers ended this summer following his release and move to Northampton Town. He also has senior experience with Crawley Town from a loan spell in 2023/24 and eight first-team appearances in all with West Ham.

NATHAN HOLLAND

One of West Ham's older players when he appeared

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and scored here in 2021, the midfielder was West Ham's Young Player of the Year in 2019/20. The now-27-year-old midfielder was loaned out to Oxford United before a permanent switch to MK Dons in 2022. He had a spell at Forest Green Rovers in 2023/24 but hasn't featured since.

AMADOU DIALLO

The East London-born winger spent 10 years in the Hammers youth setup before a move to Newcastle in 2022. He made his Premier League debut against Chelsea the following year but struggled to make any further breakthrough and signed for Bordeaux last season.



Battle of the 22s – Ben Chapman takes evasive action from Amadou Diallo

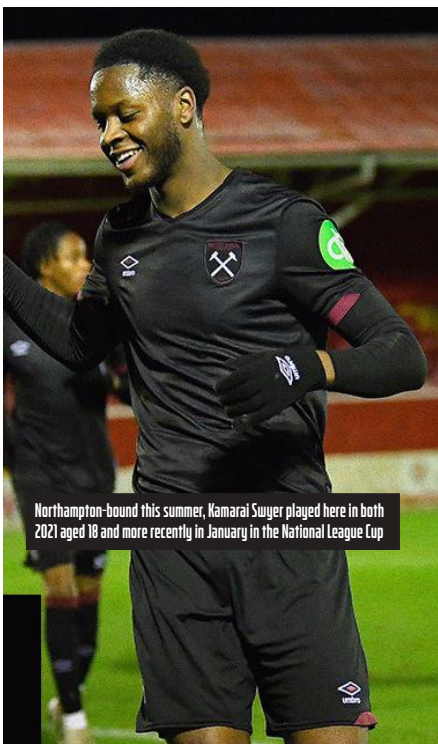
MIPO ODUBEKO

Already much-travelled at the age of 22, the forward's career has taken in both Manchester clubs as a schoolboy, loans with Huddersfield Town, Doncaster Rovers and Port Vale and – after leaving West Ham in 2023 – to Portugal with Marítimo, back in England with Fleetwood Town and currently back in Ireland where

he was born, with Damien Duff's Shelbourne.

MESAQUE DJÚ

Arrived at West Ham from Benfica in 2019, the start of a three-year spell that saw him fail to trouble the first-team. He has since played for OFI in Greece, Gorica in Croatia and back in Portugal with second-tier Oliveirense.



Northampton-bound this summer, Kamari Sowmya played here in both 2021 aged 18 and more recently in January in the National League Cup

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Gerry Hitchens of Inter greets
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FROM THE MINES TO MILAN

An Englishman who became a legend in Italy

Serie A has always been a hotbed of international talent. Players from around the globe have lined up to make their way in the Italian game. Apart from those from these shores. British players in the peninsula are few and far between, although a few more in recent years have made the journey.

In the 1960s there was another spate of expats in search of La Dolce Vita, with Jimmy Greaves heading to Milan and

Denis Law trying a spell at Torino. Neither, however, had the impact of a miner from Staffordshire. All but forgotten at home, both in his time and since, in Italy Gerry Hitchens is a bit of a legend.

The forward from Rawnsley had obvious talent as a youngster, but like so many was simply not identified by clubs who might have had use of a prolific striker. He began his career as a miner and contented himself with playing for the

local works side. It wasn't until he reached a cup final in 1953 that someone finally spotted something in him. Two productive years at Kidderminster in the Southern League followed, before he was off again, this time to professional football with Cardiff City.

His time at Cardiff really showcased his talent. The forward made 108 appearances across two seasons, scoring 58 goals, which drew the attention of genuine giants of the

in the form of FA Cup winners Aston Villa. Back in the Midlands with Villa in 1957, he scored just under a century of goals in four years. In 1961, he got his first international call up, scoring on his debut. Two weeks later, he scored twice in Rome. It was the game that would change his life.

Unbeknownst to the former miner, the visionary Argentine manager Helenio Herrera was looking for a goalscorer to spearhead his revolutionary *catenaccio*, and after seeing him play against Italy, he decided Hitchens was his man. Internazionale made a bid of £85,000 to Villa, and the forward's career in his homeland was over. He moved to Italy, saying "my ability has taken me a long way from the pits. I want to see just how far it will take me."

In what was becoming a trend, Hitchens scored on his debut for the *Nerrazzurri*, and didn't stop scoring all season, finishing as top hitman as Inter just missed out on the title. Unfortunately, out of sight of the England selectors, it took a run of injuries before he was allowed to add to his

caps, eventually selected for the 1962 World Cup. He had perhaps adopted to the Italian lifestyle too quickly, however, heading to South America with a collection of designer suits and standing out conspicuously among his more earthy teammates. England crashed out of the tournament, and for the first time replaced their manager, bringing in Alf Ramsey. The new man made clear that he wouldn't be picking players who plied their trade abroad, and Hitchens'

international career was over.



Unfazed by his exclusion, Hitchens moved not back to his homeland, but to Torino

to fill the void left by Denis Law, who had been signed by Matt Busby. Life was tougher in Turin, and Hitchens found goals harder to come by. It didn't stop him notching 11 in his first season though, as his side just missed out on the Coppa Italia, losing in the final to Atalanta. The following season he got just nine, his first haul of less than double figures since turning professional, and Torino once again lost the Coppa Italia final, this time to Roma. Not that it

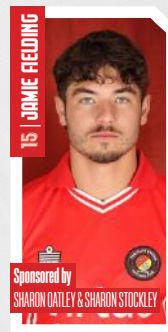
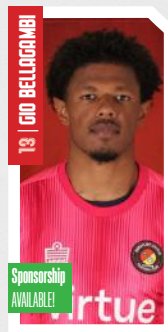
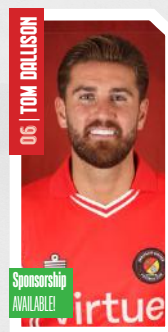
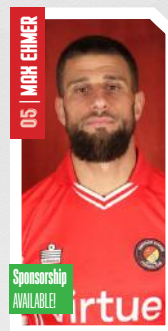
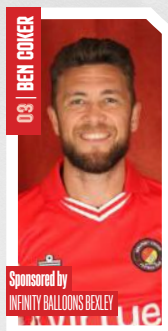
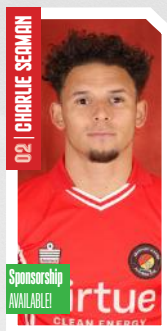
dampened enthusiasm for the Englishman, whose legend in Italy is considered greater than Law or Greaves, and on a level with John Charles at Juventus. With his blonde hair and blue eyes, his model wife, and his adoption of an Italian lifestyle, he was a celebrity in his own right, earning the nickname *Il Cannone*, or occasionally, The Prince of Football.

After four years in Turin, he spent two years at Atalanta and then one at Cagliari, before a brief spell at Merthyr Tydfil finished his career. He managed a factory in Wales after his retirement, until tragically asked to play in a charity game. In 1983, over a decade after plying his trade in Italy, he collapsed on the pitch and was rushed to Wrexham General Hospital. Aged only 48, they were unable to revive him.

Gerry Hitchens should be revered as a pioneer of English football, staking a claim on the continent like nobody else. Of English players, only Bradley-Wright Phillips has a longer continuous stay abroad than Hitchens' eight years. No Englishman has played in Europe longer.

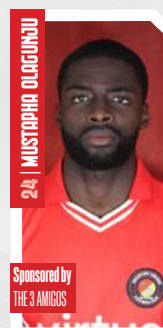
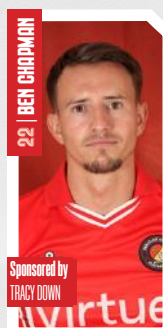
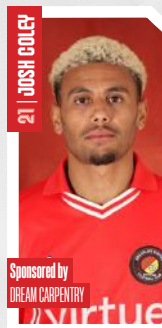
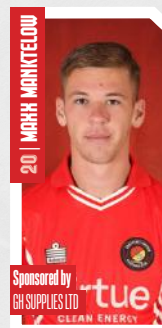
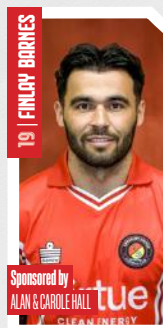
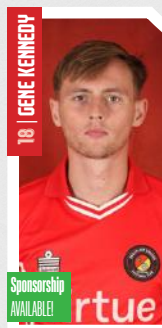
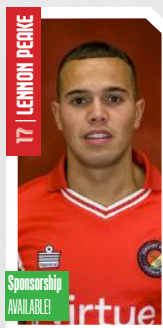
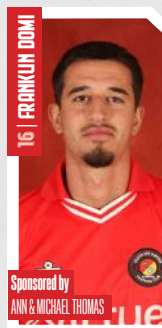
He gave up his international career to see where his ability took him, and paved the way for others to do the same.

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DATE	OPPONENTS	SCORE	VENUE, ATTENDANCE	REFEREE	SQUAD
SAT 10	GATESHEAD	1-5	International Stadium / 1,242	M.McQuillan	Cousins O'Neill Page Cordern John Wright
SAT 17	BARNET	1-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,636	S.Copeland	Cousins O'Neill Page Cordern Phillips Wright
TUE 20	YEOVIL TOWN	2-3	Huish Park / 3,295	G.Rollason	Cousins O'Neill Page Dallison John Wright
SAT 24	WOKING	0-3	Kuflink Stadium / 1,575	A.Farmer	Cousins O'Neill Page Cordern Dallison Domi
MON 26	BRAINTREE TOWN	0-0	Cressing Road / 1,313	L.Impey	Cousins Phillips Page Cordern Dallison Wright
SAT 31	FC HALIFAX TOWN	0-1	Kuflink Stadium / 1,379	S.Morland	Cousins Phillips Page Cordern Dallison Wright
SAT 07	ALTRINGHAM	0-4	Moss Lane / 2,074	J.Westgate	Cousins Phillips Page Cordern Dallison Wright
TUE 10	ALDERSHOT TOWN	0-0	Kuflink Stadium / 1,175	F.Hallam	Cousins O'Neill Page Olagunju Dallison Domi
SAT 14	HARTLEPOOL UNITED	1-0	Kuflink Stadium / 1,424	O.Mackey	Cousins Chapman Page Olagunju Dallison Wright
SAT 21	SUTTON UNITED	2-3	Gander Green Lane / 3,131	R.Eley	Cousins Chapman Page Olagunju Dallison Wright
TUE 24	MAIDENHEAD UNITED	1-2	York Road / 1,006	E.Swallow	Cousins Chapman Domi Olagunju Dallison Wright
SAT 28	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	1-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,589	A.Farmer	Cousins John Page Olagunju Dallison Wright
TUE 01	WEST BROM U21 NLC	2-2	Kuflink Stadium / 213 (5-4 on PENS)	A.Byrne	Berry Phillips Anthony Olagunju Chapman Lawson
SAT 05	ROCHDALE	2-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,452	W.Cartmel	Cousins Kane Cundle John Dallison Wright
TUE 08	GILLINGHAM KSC R2	3-1	Kuflink Stadium / 410	N.Dunn	Berry Wakely Omole Olagunju Anthony Ondo
SAT 12	MAIDSTONE UTD / FRIC A4	0-3	Gallagher Stadium / 2,910	F.Hallam	Cousins Kane Domi John Dallison Wright
SAT 19	YORK CITY	0-4	LNCR Community Stadium / 5,716	J.Bancroft	Cousins Kane Square John Stewart Wright
TUE 22	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	1-3	The New Lawn / 1,311	W.Davis	Cousins Stewart Square John Dallison Wright
SAT 26	WEALDSTONE	2-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,498	R.Martin	Cousins Stewart Square Domi Dallison Wright
TUE 29	TOTTENHAM U21 NLC	1-1	Kuflink Stadium / 865 (4-5 on PENS)	E.Swallow	Berry Wakely Cordern Domi Dallison Lawson
SAT 09	TAMWORTH	1-1	The Lamb Ground / 1,141	B.Wyatt	Cousins Kane Chapman Cordern Stewart Wright
SAT 16	SOLIHULL MOORS	0-6	Kuflink Stadium / 1,664	P.Johnson	Cousins Kane Chapman Cordern Stewart Wright
WED 27	EASTLEIGH	0-1	Kuflink Stadium / 1,023	A.Farmer	Cousins O'Neill Chapman Cordern Stewart Wright
SAT 30	BOSTON UNITED	0-0	Kuflink Stadium / 1,563	B.Atkinson	Cousins O'Neill Chapman Wakely Stewart Wright
SAT 07	SUTTON UNITED / FOT R3	3-3	Gander Green Lane / 955 (2-4 on PENS)	G.Rhodes	Norman Stewart Square Cordern John Kane
TUE 10	AFC FYLDE	2	Mill Farm / 963	P.Cooper	Berry Stewart Square Cordern Davies Wright
SAT 14	BARNET	1-4	The Hive / 1,583	O.Mackey	Cousins Dallison Square Cordern John Kane
SAT 21	GATESHEAD	1-4	Kuflink Stadium / 1,275	A.Humphries	Cousins O'Neill Page Cordern Dallison Domi
TUE 26	SOUTHDOWN UNITED	0-4	Roots Hall / 8,423	A.Dale	Cousins O'Neill Page Cordern Dallison Kane
WED 01	DAGENHAM & RED.	0-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,995	K.Dowle	Cousins O'Neill Kane Cordern Olagunju Domi
TUE 07	WEST HAM U21 NLC	1-2	Kuflink Stadium / 508	J.Oldham	Goddard Chapman Kane Dallison Olagunju Davies
SAT 11	BOSTON UNITED	2-2	Jakemans Stadium / 1,909	C.Walchester	Cousins O'Neill Kane Dallison Olagunju Domi
TUE 14	YEOVIL TOWN	1-1	Kuflink Stadium / 1,125	R. Moss-Ellis	Cousins Chapman Kane Dallison Olagunju Cordern
SAT 18	WOKING	1-1	Kingfield / 2,048	R.Martin	Cousins O'Neill Chapman Dallison Stewart Domi
TUE 21	NOTT'AM FOREST U21 NLC	1-1	Kuflink Stadium / 215 (2-1 on PENS)	S.Parkinson	Firth Domi Lankshear Wakely Olagunju Manktelow
SAT 25	BRAINTREE TOWN	0-1	Kuflink Stadium / 1,385	D.Baines	Cousins O'Neill Stewart Dallison Olagunju Chapman
SAT 01	FC HALIFAX TOWN	0-2	The Shay / 1,465	S.Morland	Cousins O'Neill Stewart Dallison Olagunju Lankshear
SAT 08	ROCHDALE	0-0	Crown Oil Arena / 2,134	W.Cartmel	Cousins Passley Stewart Dallison Olagunju Lankshear
WED 12	BROMLEY KSC QUARTER FINAL	1-1	Kuflink Stadium / 244 (4-2 on PENS)	J.Williams	Firth Chapman Stewart Manktelow Ky. Thomas Carr
SAT 15	YORK CITY	0-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,745	A.Dale	Covolan Passley Stewart Dallison Olagunju Lankshear
TUE 18	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	0-0	Kuflink Stadium / 1,057	A.Farmer	Cousins Passley Stewart Dallison Olagunju Lankshear
SAT 22	WEALDSTONE	2-4	Grosvenor Vale / 1,401	D. Baines	Cousins Passley Stewart Dallison Olagunju Lankshear
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TUE 04	EASTLEIGH	0-2	Silverlake Stadium / 2,090	S.Mulhall	Cousins Passley Stewart Dallison Chapman Lankshear
SAT 08	SOLIHULL MOORS	1-2	ARMCO Arena / 848	A.Jackson	Cousins Lankshear Page Dallison Olagunju Chapman
SAT 15	AFC FYLDE	1-0	Kuflink Stadium / 1,215	I.Searle	Cousins O'Neill Page Chapman Olagunju Lankshear
TUE 18	TONBRIDGE KSC SEMI FINAL	1-0	Kuflink Stadium / 501	B.McDonald	Goddard Manktelow Anthony Cordern Olagunju Ky. Thomas
SAT 22	ALDERSHOT TOWN	3-3	EBB Stadium / 2,685	W.Davis	Cousins O'Neill Manktelow Passley Olagunju Chapman
SAT 29	ALTRINGHAM	2-2	Kuflink Stadium / 1,173	N.Smith	Cousins O'Neill Manktelow Stewart Olagunju Chapman
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Fonguck	Lawson	Tanner	Bingham	Poleon	Cundle, Randall Page, John, Tanga, Anthony, Berry			
Fonguck	Chapman	Lawson	Domi	Poleon	Cundle, Tanner, Tanga, Randall Ondo, Phillips, Berry			
Domi	Ondo	Tanner	Randall	Tanga	Cundle, Kane, Thomas, Wright, Dallison John, Firth			
Domi	Chapman	Tanner	Tanga	Poleon	Lawson, Bingham, Randall, Wakely Olagunju, Anthony, Berry			
Fonguck	Lawson	Tanner	Randall	Cundle	Tanga, P, Manktelow, Domi, Dallison Firth			
Kellermann	Chapman	Tanner	Tanga	Bingham	Stewart, Fonguck, Thomas, Lawson Cundle, Olagunju, Berry			
Kellermann	Fonguck	Tanner	Domi	Thomas	Cosgrave, Bingham, Poleon, Lawson, Chapman Wakely, Berry			
Kellermann	Chapman	Tanner	Cosgrave	Poleon	Cundle, Fonguck, Domi, Thomas Bingham, Wakely, Berry			
Chapman	Fonguck	Bingham	Cosgrave	Poleon	Thomas, Tanner, Tanga, Lawson John, Wakely, Berry			
Kellermann	Chapman	Tanner	Thomas	Poleon	Fonguck, Tanga, Olagunju, Manktelow, John, Cundle Firth			
Kellermann	Domi	Edser	Cosgrave	Thomas	Tanner, Wakely Bingham, Fonguck, Poleon, Souaré, Berry			
Kellermann	Tanga	Edser	Cosgrave	Thomas	Davies, Fonguck, Tanner, Wakely John, Dallison, Berry			
Domi	Tanga	Edser	Cosgrave	Bingham	Dallison, Kane, Poleon, Manktelow Fonguck, Wakely, Berry			
Kane	Tanga	Edser	Cosgrave	Bingham	Souare, Manktelow, Domi, Poleon, Fonguck Dallison, Berry			
Domi	Manktelow	Edser	Cosgrave	Bingham	Harriott, Dallison Wright, Tanga, Firth			
Aoraha	Harriott	Edser	Cosgrave	Thomas	Manktelow, Tanga, Ky, Thomas, Domi, Bingham Wakely, Berry			
Aoraha	Davies	Edser	Harriott	Thomas	Poleon, Cosgrave, Domi, Bingham, Manktelow Tanga, Berry			
Aoraha	Davies	Tanner	Bingham	Poleon	Souare, Cosgrave, Manktelow, Thomas, Tanga Anthony, Berry			
Aoraha	Harriott	Edser	Cosgrave	Poleon	Souare, Manktelow, Thomas, Tanga, Domi Tanner, Berry			
Edser	Davies	Bingham	Cosgrave	Poleon	Tanga, Manktelow, Aoraha, Thomas Chapman, Tanner, Berry			
Aoraha	Moncur	Bingham	Samuel	Poleon	Domi, Odokonyero, John, Manktelow, Wakely Anthony, Firth			
Edser	Moncur	Harriott	Cosgrave	Thomas	Aoraha, Samuel, Bingham, Manktelow Odokonyero, Stewart, Goddard			
Aoraha	Moncur	Edser	Cosgrave	Thomas	Davies, Stewart, Samuel, Manktelow, Bingham Odokonyero, Goddard			
Aoraha	Moncur	Edser	Cosgrave	Thomas	Samuel, Manktelow Bingham, Odokonyero, Carr, Lankshear, Goddard			
Aoraha	Tanga	Bingham	Samuel	Odokonyero	Stewart, Tanner, Chapman, Moncur, Thomas, Edser, Cousins			
Aoraha	Moncur	Edser	Cosgrave	Thomas	Lankshear, Manktelow, Tanga, Samuel Carr, Odokonyero, Firth			
Aoraha	Moncur	Edser	Samuel	Thomas	Domi, Odokonyero, Tanga, Manktelow John, Carr, Firth			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Domi	Cosgrave	Chapman, Thomas, Manktelow Bingham, Samuel, Aoraha, Firth			
Aoraha	Tanga	Bingham	Samuel	Odokonyero	Olagunju, Domi, Thomas, Cosgrave Bolger			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Domi	Cosgrave	Chapman, Thomas, Manktelow, Samuel, Bingham Aoraha, Firth			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Bingham	Thomas	Domi, Cosgrave, Chapman Samuel, Manktelow, Aoraha, Covolan			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Domi	Cosgrave	Chapman, Carr, Samuel, Thomas, Manktelow Bingham, Firth			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Samuel	Cosgrave	Harriott, Thomas, Manktelow, Chapman, Bingham Page, Carr			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Domi	Samuel	Thomas, Page, Cosgrave, Carr, Bingham Manktelow, Harriott			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Cosgrave	Samuel	Thomas, P, Aoraha, Domi, Manktelow, Bingham Stewart, Firth			
Bolger	Aoraha	Moncur	Domi	Cosgrave	Passley, Bingham, Thomas, Manktelow Poleon, Carr, Firth			
Carr	Aoraha	Bingham	Poleon	Thomas	Edser, Chapman, Domi, Cosgrave O'Neill			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Domi	Cosgrave	Anthony, Thomas, Poleon, Carr Bingham, Aoraha, Goddard			
Bolger	Moncur	Edser	Domi	Cosgrave	Cundle, Bingham, Poleon, Carr Anthony, Aoraha, Goddard			
Carr	Moncur	Cundle	Bingham	Poleon	Manktelow, Domi, Bolger, Cosgrave, Anthony			
Carr	Bolger	Edser	Moncur	Cosgrave	Harriott, Passley Wright, Anthony, Goddard			
Carr	Bolger	Edser	Moncur	Cosgrave	Aoraha, Harriott Poleon, Aoraha, Goddard			
Carr	Bolger	Edser	Moncur	Cosgrave	Poleon, Aoraha, Harriott Tanga, Anthony, Goddard			
Carr	Bolger	Edser	Moncur	Cosgrave	Poleon, Harriott Wright, Tanga, Anthony, Goddard			
Carr	Edser	Moncur	Poleon	Cosgrave	Tanga, Harriott, Manktelow Wright, Anthony, Aoraha, Goddard			
Carr	Bolger	Edser	Moncur	Cosgrave	Poleon Wright, Tanga, Ky, Thomas, Anthony, Cousins			

RONNIE JAMES RIP

The club learned of the death of long-term supporter Ronnie James recently. Ronnie, who used to attend matches with the late Dave Holden amongst others, went back many years with the Fleet. He was born in 1955 and his parents used to live on Stonebridge Road so he didn't get much say in the choice of football club to follow!

Ronnie, who was also a keen petanque player for Kent, was one of several Fleet regulars at The Three Pillars bar in Gravesend where many photos of himself and fellow supporters from great days and nights following the club adorn the walls.

All of us here at the club send our very best wishes and deepest sympathies to all of Ronnie's family, friends and Fleet associates in and around the stands on matchdays.



TODAY'S REFEREE : DAN BLADES

Dan Blades is a Kent FA official from Allington who refereed in the SCEFL and Isthmian leagues before promotion last month to Level 2 to take on National League South games. A Relationship Manager at Santander in his day job, he will also officiate in the U18 Professional Development League this season. Last season, he took charge of the Isthmian play-off semi-final between Dartford and Cray Valley Paper Mills.

Quiz answers from page 3

1. Alvin Martin;
2. Peterborough United (in 2001);
3. Cliff Cant;
4. The Division Two title;
5. Selhurst Park (23.5 miles);
6. Thames Ironworks;
7. Dom Samuel and Kwame Thomas;
8. Olympiacos

OUR NEXT MATCH



**SATURDAY JULY 19 - HOME
LEYTON ORIENT - 1.00PM**

Almost four years on from our last meeting in the Emirates FA Cup and two years after a pre-season friendly here, the Fleet and recent League One play-off finalists Leyton Orient go head to head once more. Richie Wellens' side have made a number

of new signings ahead of their first league fixture but largely kept their squad from last season intact. The last friendly here, in July 2023, saw a Dominic Poleon brace and a Shaq Coulthirst strike put Fleet 3-0 ahead for an eventual 3-2 win in front of a 539 attendance.





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