

OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME



RINGWOOD TOWN FC v ASH UNITED FC



Sat 7th Feb 2026

KO 3pm

Wessex League Div1

CHAIR'S WELCOME

A very warm welcome to the Ringwood Community Hub for this afternoon's Velocity Wessex League Division 1 fixture against Ash United FC.

We welcome our visitors' players, committee members, and spectators, together with match officials, referee **Bruce Waymark**, and his assistants **John Bungay** and **Jacob Angell**.



The weather continues to disrupt the schedule so fingers-crossed for today's game. The facilities we have here are outstanding and the at times like this the 3G pitch really proves its worth. Training carries on uninterrupted, youth games are largely unaffected and from the wider perspective the availability continues as an integral part for modern, accessible community football.

The match postponements reignite the debate of 3G v natural grass as the preferred playing surface. 3G offers clear advantages of all-weather reliability, high durability and usage, and a consistent surface.

On the flip side, some argue there's a higher risk of knee-related injuries though there's no definitive evidence to confirm this. And, as we discovered last summer - odd as that might sound to say at this time of year - they do absorb much more heat than grass, leading to noticeably higher surface temperatures.

I'm a traditionalist at heart and will always favour natural grass. That said, my ideal solution would be a hybrid playing surface that blends natural grass with synthetic fibres as widely adopted by pro-clubs. If they can be made affordable for clubs such as ours, I'd be first in the queue!

Enjoy the game
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MANAGER'S NOTES

It's been another frustrating week, with the weather once again badly affecting fixtures across the Wessex League.

Our performance last week against a side in the top three was excellent right up until we conceded from an unfortunate individual error.

At the moment we're a little fragile at times, and we're experiencing a run that every team goes through at some stage, regardless of level.

The group remains fully committed and united in their determination to improve our position, and I'm confident we will turn this around quickly. It was pleasing to see a number of our U23 players on the bench against Colden Common, and that youthful enthusiasm and hunger will be vital over the coming weeks across the squad.

We now look ahead to Ash, weather permitting, and are very much focused on turning our fortunes around as soon as possible.

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TODAY'S OPPOSITION

Ash United FC

Club History

Founded in 1911, Ash United have been a proud part of local football for well over a century. The club began life playing on Ash Common, competing in the Surrey Intermediate League where they quickly made their mark. United lifted league titles in 1948–49, 1951–52, 1964–65 and 1966–67, establishing themselves as one of the competition's strongest sides.

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A new challenge arrived in 1968 when the club stepped up to the Surrey Senior League. However, in 1971, Ash United were forced to leave their long-standing home at Ash Common, resulting in the club withdrawing from the league. After relocating to what would become their permanent new home, Shawfield Stadium, the club rebuilt and rejoined the Surrey Senior League in 1976, beginning a fresh era.

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That era soon brought success. In 1978, the Senior League rebranded as the Home Counties League, with Ash finishing runners-up in its inaugural season and lifting the George Allen Memorial Cup. Another evolution followed when the competition became the Combined Counties League, and Ash United again secured a runners-up finish.

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The 1981–82 campaign delivered one of the biggest moments in club history. With the league split into Eastern and Western Divisions, Ash topped the Western section and then clinched the overall league championship, defeating Malden Town 3–0 on aggregate (1–0 at home, 2–0 away) in the play-off final.

Ash continued to be one of the league's most consistent sides through the mid-1980s, culminating in another league title in 1986–87.

Infrastructure improvements kept pace with on-field progress, with floodlights installed in 1996, allowing midweek football to flourish, and a new 100-seat stand added in 2003, enhancing the matchday experience at Shawfield Stadium.

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Ash United FC

Club History

The late 1990s brought further silverware. Ash United lifted the Premier Challenge Cup in 1997–98, followed by a remarkable league and cup double in 1998–99, winning their third league title and the Aldershot Senior Cup. The club added another Aldershot Senior Cup triumph in 2001–02.

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When the Combined Counties League created a second division in 2003, Ash were placed in the Premier Division, remaining there for more than a decade before relegation to Division One at the end of the 2013–14 season. In 2020–21, the FA laterally moved the club to Division One of the Wessex League, marking a fresh chapter and new opponents.

Most recently, Ash United added to their proud honours list by winning the 2023–24 Surrey Premier Cup, beating the Honourable Artillery Company 4–2 in an exciting final—another memorable moment in the long history of a resilient and community-driven club..

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TODAY'S OPPPOSITION ASH UNITED FC

Recent Results

Type	Date / Time	Home Team		Away Team	
DIV1	04/02/26 19:45	Whitchurch United		4 - 2	 Ash United
DIV1	24/01/26 15:00	Ash United		0 - 2	 AFC Aldermaston
SSC	20/01/26 19:45	Ash United		0 - 6	 Reading City
DIV1	10/01/26 15:00	Ash United		3 - 4	 Colden Common
DIV1	27/12/25 15:00	Ash United		1 - 1	 Frimley Green
DIV1	20/12/25 15:00	Yateley United		4 - 0	 Ash United

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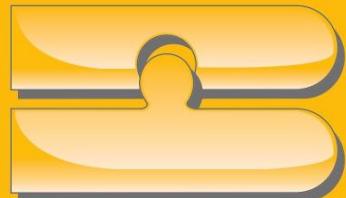
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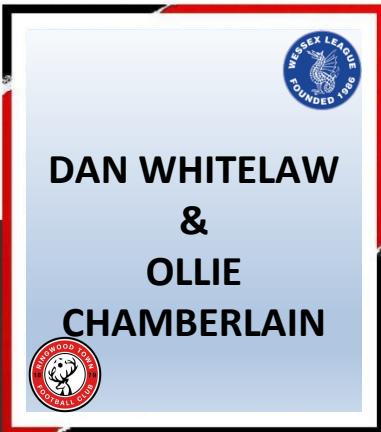
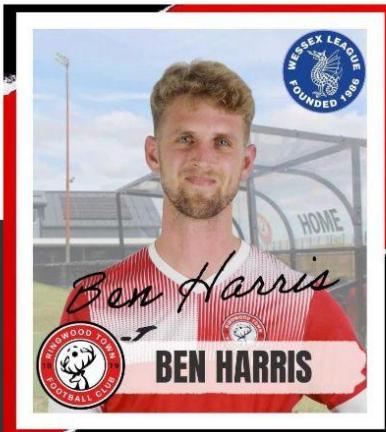
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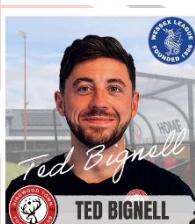


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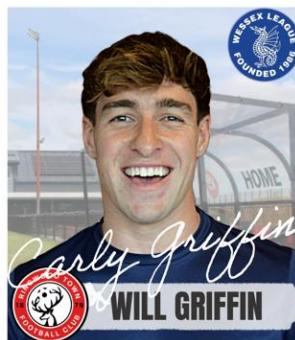
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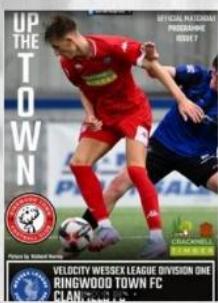
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Date	H/A	Opponents	Comp	Result	H	A	Scorers
Sat 02-Aug	H	US Portsmouth	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	4	Vint
Sat 09-Aug	A	Amesbury Town	Wx Lg1	Won	4	3	Vint (3), Bignell
Tue 12-Aug	H	Fawley AFC	Wx Lg1	Won	1	0	Harris
Sat 16-Aug	H	Yateley Utd	Wx Lg1	Won	5	1	Harris, Vint (2), Bignell
Tue 19-Aug	A	Bournemouth P's	HSC	Lost	1	4	Vint
Sat 23-Aug	A	Selsey	FAV	Lost	0	2	
Sat 30-Aug	H	Frimley Green	Wx Lg1	Lost	0	4	
Tue 02-Sep	A	Alresford Town	WLC	Won	1	0	Yates
Sat 06-Sep	A	Romsey Town	Wx Lg1	Lost	0	2	
Tue 09-Sep	H	Hamworthy Utd	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	3	Vint
Sat 13-Sep	A	Newport (IOW)	Wx Lg1	Draw	3	3	Vint (2), Rabin
Tue 16-Sep	H	Colden Common	SSC	Won	3	1	Vint, May, Warriner
Sat 20-Sep	H	Kintbury Rangers	Wx Lg1	Won	2	1	Harris, May
Tue 23-Sep	A	Lymington Town	Wx Lg1	Won	3	1	Vint, Pothas, Bradwell
Sat 27-Sep	H	Folland Sports	Wx Lg1	Won	4	2	Vint (2, 1 pen), Bignell, Ridland
Tue 30-Sep	A	Millbrook	WLC	Lost	2	3	Jackson, C Whitelaw
Sat 04-Oct	H	Clanfield	Wx Lg1	Lost	2	5	Vint, Ridland
Sat 11-Oct	H	Whitchurch	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	4	Vint
Tue 14-Oct	A	Millbrook	RCC	Lost	0	2	
Sat 18-Oct	A	Ash	Wx Lg1	Won	2	0	Cresswell, Bignell
Sat 25-Oct	H	Colden Common	Wx Lg1	Lost	2	4	Pothas, Bradwell
Tue 28-Oct	A	Totton & Eling	SSC	Draw	1	1	Vint (pen). Win pens 5-3
Sat 01-Nov	A	Aldermaston	Wx Lg1	Won	3	1	Ridland, Kerse, D Whitelaw
Sat 08-Nov	A	Alresford Town	Wx Lg1	Lost	0	2	
Tue 11-Nov	H	Nursling & Shirley	SSC	Won	7	0	Bignell, Rabin, Duell-Merritt, Harris, May, Cresswell, Stoodley
Sat 29-Nov	H	Fleetlands	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	2	Vint
Sat 06-Dec	A	Frimley Green	Wx Lg1	Won	3	1	Vint (pen), Brown
Sat 13-Dec	H	Romsey Town	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	2	Vint
Tue 16-Dec	A	Brockenhurst	SSC	Lost	2	5	Vint, May
Sat 27-Dec	A	Hamworthy Utd	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	2	Brown
Wed 07-Jan	A	Blackfield & Langl	Wx Lg1	Lost	1	2	Bradwell
Sat 24-Jan	H	Lymington Town	Wx Lg1	Lost	2	4	OG, Bradwell
Sat 31-Jan	A	Colden Common	Wx Lg1	Lost	2	4	Vint, Ridland



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FIXTURES COMING UP

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	VS	Away Team
DIV1	14/02/26 15:00	United Services Portsmouth	VS	Ringwood Town
DIV1	17/02/26 19:45	Folland Sports	VS	Ringwood Town
DIV1	21/02/26 15:00	Ringwood Town	VS	Amesbury Town
DIV1	28/02/26 15:00	Fleetlands	VS	Ringwood Town
DIV1	03/03/26 19:45	Totton & Eling	VS	Ringwood Town
DIV1	07/03/26 15:00	Ringwood Town	VS	Alresford Town



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VELOCITY WESSEX LEAGUE DIVISION 1 TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Fleetlands	26	18	4	4	56	33	23	58
2	Whitchurch United	26	18	3	5	71	41	30	57
3	Colden Common	29	17	5	7	81	52	29	56
4	Folland Sports	24	15	2	7	59	35	24	47
5	Frimley Green	24	12	8	4	63	37	26	44
6	Yateley United	26	14	2	10	61	37	24	44
7	Cove	22	12	6	4	37	24	13	42
8	Romsey Town	22	12	5	5	41	24	17	41
9	Hamworthy United	27	12	4	11	65	48	17	40
10	Newport (IoW)	21	12	2	7	42	37	5	38
11	Clanfield	25	10	2	13	35	42	-7	32
12	Ash United	25	8	6	11	31	43	-12	30
13	AFC Aldermaston	26	8	5	13	42	48	-6	29
14	Alresford Town	26	7	8	11	51	58	-7	29
15	Ringwood Town	24	9	1	14	45	57	-12	28
16	Amesbury Town	24	7	5	12	42	44	-2	26
17	United Services Portsmouth	24	7	4	13	35	59	-24	25
18	Blackfield & Langley	26	7	4	15	32	59	-27	25
19	Kintbury Rangers	23	6	6	11	40	54	-14	24
20	Lymington Town	27	7	3	17	34	67	-33	24
21	Fawley AFC	24	3	7	14	23	55	-32	16
22	Totton & Eling	23	4	2	17	21	53	-32	14

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Match Reports

Ringwood Town Disability Sun 1st Feb

A very wet and windy Southampton greeted the disability team's next set of matches.

Ringwood 3 St Francis 0

A solid performance from Ringwood with striker Richard Blake scoring two quick goals (goal poacher!)

Then a third from captain mark coward mid-way though the game sealed the victory for 'the wood'.

St Francis pushed get back in the game however Katie and Damien held firm in defence to keep a clean sheet.

Ringwood 3 Hiltingbury 0

Ringwood again started strong with goals from Richard Blake, Daniel Short and Mark Coward with a third. Hiltingbury pushed to get back into the game with Stuart making a good save from a Hiltingbury striker. Our opponents kept pushing but good keeping from Stuart and good defending from Katie and Tyrone kept Hiltingbury at bay.

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Match Reports

Ringwood Town Disability Sun 1st Feb

Ringwood 2 Brendon 66 1

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Ringwood started very slowly in this one and some very sloppy defending let the Brendon striker score from close range. Ringwood slowly grew into the game with Mark Coward 3rd goal of the day to equalise. A few minutes later Tyrone Whittle just got enough foot on the ball to take it past the keeper to score late on and for Ringwood to secure victory.

Player of The Day

Daniel Short - scored one, set up a couple of goals again. Massive performance from him with such difference from last season.

Special mention to **Richard Blake** who is now on 17 goals so far for the season

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Squad

- 13. Stuart Mander,
- 14. Katie Brown
- 4. Damien Dominey
- 7. Mark Coward (Captain)
- 12. Tyrone Whittle
- 10. Richard Blake
- 17. Daniel Short

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Thanks to James Brown for the match reports!

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