

# THE

HUNTINGDON TOWN  
OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

ISSUE 5

# HUNTERS

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HUNTINGDON  
TOWN



SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER  
SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS DIVISION ONE

# VS AMPHILL TOWN

# VIEW FROM THE DUGOUT



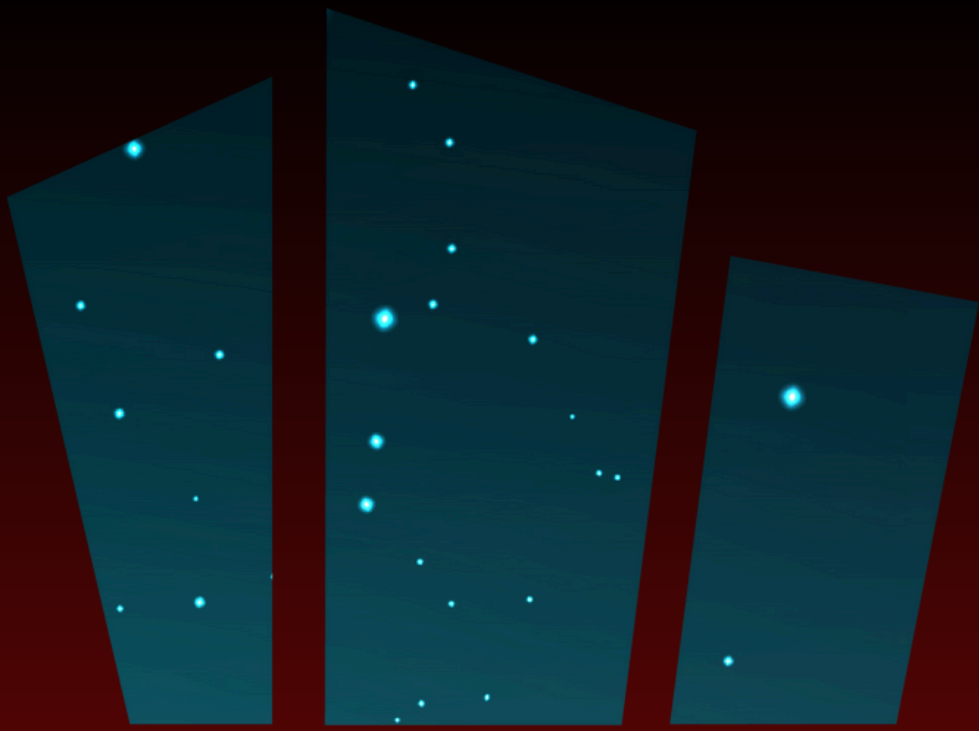
**ROSS PRIOR**  
**ASSISTANT MANAGER**

**Good afternoon all, I would like to welcome our opposition  
Amphill Town, their staff and supporters to the Hunters  
Stadium.**

**I would also like to welcome any neutral supporter or  
supporter of Huntingdon Town, old or new, we hope you  
enjoy your day here.**

**Things are heading in a positive direction, certainly on the  
training ground in recent weeks, whilst results haven't been  
what many would like, performances on the whole haven't  
been lacking in quality, and there is certainly many  
positives to take. We're hoping today these can shine  
through in abundance and our recent work on the training  
field will be visible to you all during the game.**

**We thank you all for your support today. Enjoy the game,  
and up the Hunters!**



ELEGON

The  
Hangout



# Huntingdon Town FC

## Football Education Programme



# STUDY

BTEC Level 3 in Sport  
BTEC Level 3 Extended  
Diploma in Sport

# TRAIN

Qualified  
UEFA level coaches



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# HUNTERS HISTORY

The club was formed in 1980 under the name Montagu FC by former secretary Russell Yezek, before being renamed to Sun FC. In 1995, the club was renamed to its current name, Huntingdon Town, following a move from the West Anglian League to the Cambridgeshire League, and entered the Cambs League Division 2B for the 1996-97 season. The club committee had decided it wanted to progress through local football, and chose to resurrect the then-defunct Huntingdon Town name, the name formerly used until the 1940's by a Huntingdon-based team that then merged with Huntingdon Wanderers to form Huntingdon United in 1948.

The club was promoted from Division 2B to 1B in 1997-98, before winning Division 1B in 1999-2000, as well as winning the Huntingdon Junior Cup.

The following year, the club retained the Hunts Junior Cup, but was defeated in the Hunts Scott Gatty Cup. The 2001-02 season saw more success, with the club going one step better to win the Scott Gatty Cup, and retaining the Hunts Junior Cup for the third year in a row. The club also finished runners up in the Cambs League Senior B Division and the Percy Oldham Cup in that season. In 2003, the club moved to its current-day home, Jubilee Park (presently known as Hunters Stadium), which allowed work to be undertaken on facility upgrades needed to continue the club's progression through the leagues.

2003 also saw the club debut in the UCL Division 1, having transferred from the Cambs League at the end of 2002-03. The club's first four years in the UCL were more challenging, with the club finishing 17th, 14th, 12th and 14th respectively. However, the club's fifth season in the UCL was much more fruitful, the 2007-08 season seeing the club finish 4th, only missing out on promotion by goal difference. The reserve team won the Reserve Division 2 title and won the Hunts Benevolent Cup. In July 2004 the new floodlighting system was opened with a friendly against League 1 side Peterborough United, which attracted a crowd of nearly 1000 spectators.

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# HUNTERS HISTORY

The new clubhouse was opened for the 2009-10 season, at a cost of £1.1 million. The only on-field success this season was the U18 side, who won the treble, the league, the League Cup and the County Cup. 2010-11 was an up-and-down year, with the team starting the season slowly until Ricky Marheineke & Paul Swannell took charge in February 2011, with the team sitting third bottom, and eventually guided the club to 5th by the end of the season. The pair built on this success in their first full season, 2011-12, storming to the United Counties League Division 1 title, scoring over 100 goals along the way, with Marheineke winning two Manager of the Month awards. Town also reached the semi-finals of the Hinchingsbrooke Cup but lost 3-0 to St Neots Town. 2011-12 also saw a 50-seater stand erected. 2012-13 saw Town finish a lofty 4th in their first season in the Premier Division, scoring over 100 goals, and reaching the final of the Hunts Senior Cup, however the club were beaten on penalties after a 0-0 draw, once again to St Neots Town. The second 50-seater stand was erected. In 2013-14 Town finished 2nd in the league, but won the league KO cup and the Hinchingsbrooke Cup for the first time.

2014-15 and 2015-16 were far more difficult campaigns, with the club staving off relegation in 2014-15, before finishing rock bottom in 2015-16, however Town were reprieved from relegation by circumstance. 2015-16 also saw the loss of the Reserve and U18 teams by the end of the season. Town finished bottom of the league again in 2016-17, and this time were relegated to Division 1, however the U18 team was restarted during the season.

Town finished 12th in Division 1 in its first season back (2017-18), but reached the final of the Hinchingsbrooke Cup.

2018-19 was another tough campaign for the club, finishing 3rd bottom. 2019-20 looked like more of the same, although investments were made to improve the pitch and other facilities at Jubilee Park. The club was 2nd bottom, however, when lockdown hit, and the season was suspended. 2020-21 was another curtailed season, with the club 10th when the season was suspended again. The club transferred to the Eastern Counties League Division 1 for 2021-22.

The club finished 7th in the ECL Division 1 in both 2021-22 and 2022-23, before being transferred again, to the Spartan South Midlands League Division One for 2023-24.

Under the new ownership of Richard Maxwell, and with a new coaching staff, ethos and new players, the club finished 14th in the league in the first season of the new era, and with more upgrades and facility improvements during the off-season, are optimistic for a strong 2024-25 campaign.



**BECOME  
A HUNTER  
PLAYERS  
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FIRST TEAM  
AND U23**

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# TODAY'S OPPONENTS



## AMPTHILL TOWN

Ampt Hill Town are one of the oldest clubs in Bedfordshire and date back to the 1880s. They joined the South Midlands League in 1960 after playing in the Beds. League and were placed in the Premier Division which they won in 1962 and were runners up a year later.

After finishing bottom of the Premier Division in 1965 the club went into Division 2 of the United Counties League. They were promoted to Division 1 despite finishing sixth that year. In 1991 they returned to the South Midlands and joined Div 1.

Following a sequence of ups and downs from the sections they stayed in the Senior Division from 2001 to 2011 when they were promoted as runners up. They finished fifth in 2013 and went to the Premier and were runners up in 2014 when they also reached the last eight of the Vase before losing at Eastbourne. But in the next year the club were relegated after finishing bottom.

The club has consolidated in recent years and three seasons ago they reached the Division one play offs only to lose at home to Whitworths. The Amps have finished just outside the play offs places in the last two seasons and were hampered by a run of ten games in April last year.

They won more games away than at home securing eleven wins on their travels while home form at Easter cost them dear with one point from 3 games. Town reached the last four of the Challenge Trophy last year before losing at London Lions after beating Premier clubs Stansted and Aylesbury Vale after New Bradwell and Eaton Socon.

They lost at home to Rothwell in the Div 1 cup on penalties while Leverstock Green gave them an early exit in the Vase while Caldecote ended their county cup hopes at the last eight stage.

This year they won at Oxhey Jets in the Vase on penalties before losing at home to British Airways and won at Bovingdon in the Challenge Trophy. Chris Harvey begins his second spell as manager and has been joined by Colin Lauder from AFC Dunstable. Sam Holmes top scored last year with 25 goals.



# TODAY'S OPPONENTS



**AMPHILL  
TOWN**

## Cranfield United's Last 5 Games

21/9/24 FA Vase	Amphill Town 1 British Airways 3
14/9/24 League	Amphill Town 0 Eaton Socon 1
7/9/24 League	Langford 1 Amphill Town 1
31/8/24 Gladwish Challenge Trophy	Bovingdon 2 Amphill Town 4
24/8/24	Oxhey Jets 1 Amphill Town 1 (2-3 pens)

## Last Season's Meetings

18/4/24	The Hunters 2 Amphill Town 3
2/4/24	Amphill Town 2 The Hunters 2

## Table

1	Irchester United
2	Eaton Socon
3	Desborough Town
4	AFC Welwyn
5	Moulton
6	<b>AMPHILL TOWN</b>
7	Cranfield United
8	Wellingborough Whitworth
9	Langford
10	Long Buckby AFC
11	Letchworth Garden City Eagles
12	Rothwell Corinthians
13	Leighton Town Reserves
14	Stotfold Reserves
15	<b>HUNTINGDON TOWN</b>
16	Rushden & Higham United
17	Royston Town Reserves
18	Buckingham
19	Raunds Town
20	London Colney

# NEW MANAGERS UNDER 23'S SQUAD



**Tom  
STEEPLES**



**Paul  
REDFERN**

**WELCOME TO THE HUNTERS!**

# OFF-SEASON IMPROVEMENTS



# 2024-25 Fixture List

1st  
Team

## July

27th **Wellingborough Whitworth**

## August

3rd **Rushden & Higham United**  
10th Moulton  
13th **Rothwell Corinthians (19:45)**  
17th Langford  
20th Raunds Town (19:45)  
24th **Stowmarket Town\***  
31st **Tottenham\*\***

## September

7th **Buckingham**  
10th **Desborough Town\*\*\* (19:45)**  
14th Cranfield United  
28th Ampthill Town

## October

1st St. Neots Town\*\*\*\* (19:45)  
5th **Caddington\*\* (14:00)**  
19th **Royston Town Reserves**  
22nd Royston Town Reserves (19:45)  
26th Desborough Town  
29th St. Ives Town (19:45)\*\*\*\*\*

## November

2nd **London Colney**  
9th Letchworth GC Eagles  
23rd AFC Welwyn

## December

7th **Langford**  
14th Long Buckby AFC  
21st Rushden & Higham United  
28th **Eaton Socon**

## January

4th **Letchworth GC Eagles**  
11th Rothwell Corinthians  
18th **Raunds Town**  
25th Stotfold Reserves

## February

1st Leighton Town Reserves  
8th **Desborough Town**  
15th **AFC Welwyn**  
22nd London Colney

## March

1st Buckingham  
8th **Cranfield United**  
15th Wellingborough Whitworth  
22nd **Moulton**  
29th **Stotfold Reserves**

## April

1st Irchester United (19:45)  
5th **Ampthill Town**  
12th **Leighton Town Reserves**  
19th Eaton Socon

\* FA Vase 1st Qualifying Round

\*\* League Challenge Trophy

\*\*\* Division One Cup

\*\*\*\* Hunts County Cup

\*\*\*\*\* Hinchingsbrooke Cup

# FIXTURES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

ALL FIXTURES 3PM KICK OFF  
UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED



Home Fixture

Away Fixture

# RESULTS SO FAR

Date	Opponent	Competition	Score	Venue	Goalscorers
27/7/24	Wellingborough Whitworth	Spartan South Midlands Division One	L3-4	Victoria Mill Ground	Kass Rajani Antonio Mendy Raj Badiani
3/8/24	Rushden & Higham United	SSMD1	L2-4	Hayden Road	Liam Morton Lucas Payton
10/8/24	Moulton	SSMD1	L0-1	Hunters Stadium	N/A
13/8/24	Rothwell Corinthians	SSMD1	W1-0	Sergeants Lawn	Marley Manser
17/8/24	Langford	SSMD1	D1-1	Hunters Stadium	Antonio Mendy
20/8/24	Raunds Town	SSMD1	W3-1	Hunters Stadium	Kass Rajani (x2) Ben Morley
24/8/24	Stowmarket Town	FA Vase	L1-2	Greens Meadow Ground	Marley Manser
31/8/24	Totternhoe	Gladwish Challenge Trophy	W2-0	Totternhoe Football & Social Club	Marley Manser Ben Morley
10/9/24	Desborough Town	Division One Cup	L3-3 (4-1 Pens)	VPK Stadium	Own Goal Ethan Cox Joe Bellamy
14/9/24	Cranfield United	SSMD1	L1-4	Hunters Stadium	Kass Rajani

# MATCH REPORT



## The Hunters 1-4 Cranfield United



**Saturday  
14th September**

**Hunters Stadium**

Our last outing - two weeks ago now - unfortunately ended in a heavy defeat for The Hunters against a good Cranfield side.

Coming into the game fresh off the back of an exhilarating cup tie at high-flying Desborough that had seen us beaten on penalties, we started the game well, taking the lead on the 17th minute after a sensational solo effort from Kass Rajani, in which he ghosted past numerous Cranfield defenders before slotting home coolly.

However, the visitors had had some good opportunities before our opener, Oliver pulling off a number of fine saves to keep us level, and so it was no surprise when they did take one, just seconds after Kass' goal had given us the lead.

With the scores level at half-time, it was all to play for in the second 45, but it was the visitors who took charge in the second half, adding two quick-fire goals to make it 3-1 within 10 minutes of the second half, before adding a fourth in the closing stages to wrap up a comfortable victory for them.

It wasn't our day in truth, and we will look for better today against a similarly strong Ampthill side.

### **Line-Up**

**Oliver Steinke, Noah Millar, Lucas Payton, Ben Burton, Jay Taylor, Ian King (C), Marley Manser, Kass Rajani, Raj Badiani, Dylan Hughes, Juan Quintero.**

### **Subs**

**Tom Steeples, Lindan Bates, Sam Hutt, Junior Mendy, Joe Bellamy.**

**MAN OF THE MATCH: KASS RAJANI**



**BEFORE YOU CURSE**

**MIND YOUR LANGUAGE**



**Respect**



# THE HUNTERS





# TODAY'S FIXTURES

## Spartan South Midlands Division One - 28 September

Kick Off Time		Home	Away	
15:00		Buckingham	Rushden & Higham United	
15:00		Huntingdon Town	Amphill Town	
15:00		Langford	Moulton	
15:00		Letchworth Garden City Eagles	AFC Welwyn	
15:00		London Colney	Long Buckby AFC	
15:00		Raunds Town	Rothwell Corinthians	
15:00		Whitworth	Eaton Socon	

Pos.	Team	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1	Irchester United	10	7	2	1	30	16	14	23
2	Eaton Socon	12	7	2	3	21	17	4	23
3	Desborough Town	8	7	1	0	37	9	28	22
4	AFC Welwyn	9	6	2	1	21	9	12	20
5	Moulton	9	6	1	2	17	13	4	19
6	Amphill Town	8	5	2	1	10	4	6	17
7	Cranfield United	9	5	1	3	22	13	9	16
8	Wellingborough Whitworth	9	5	1	3	19	13	6	16
9	Langford	11	4	4	3	22	20	2	16
10	Long Buckby AFC	9	4	2	3	21	15	6	14
11	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	11	4	2	5	25	29	-4	14
12	Rothwell Corinthians	10	3	2	5	13	15	-2	11
13	Leighton Town Reserves	10	3	2	5	18	23	-5	11
14	Stotfold Reserves	9	3	1	5	21	25	-4	10
15	HUNTINGDON TOWN	7	2	1	4	11	15	-4	7
16	Rushden & Higham United	10	2	1	7	14	28	-14	7
17	Royston Town Reserves	10	2	0	8	11	27	-16	6
18	Buckingham	7	1	1	5	5	14	-9	4
19	Raunds Town	9	1	1	7	8	24	-16	4
20	London Colney	9	1	1	7	11	28	-17	4

# PLAYER SPONSORS

Player Sponsorship is available for Huntingdon Town players for the 2024/25 season.

For £75, your company will receive:

- A sponsor image attached to the player profile on our website
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- 1/4 page advert in club's 1st team matchday programme
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Ian King is sponsored by Antiques and Collectables of Whittlesey



# WHO'S WHO?

## COACHING STAFF

**Richard Maxwell - 1st Team Manager**  
**Ross Prior - Assistant Manager & GK Coach**  
**Howard Wilmott - 1st Team Coach**  
**Josh Going & Isaac Allen - S&C Coach**  
**Nicole Lindsey - 1st Team Physio**

## DIRECTORS

**Richard Maxwell - Owner & Chairman**  
**Tyler Maxwell - Finance Director**  
**Steve Cox - Secretary**  
**Howard Wilmott - Football Director**  
**Gary Moss - Football Director**  
**Dorothy Maxwell - Operations Executive**  
**Justin King - Chief Operations Officer**  
**Alfie Turiccki - Chief Financial Officer**

## MEDIA TEAM

**Jacob Dann - Social Media, Programme Editor & Matchday  
Announcer**  
**Oliver Steinke - Club Shop**

**THANK YOU TO ALL OUR STAFF MEMBERS AND  
BRILLIANT VOLUNTEERS, WE COULD NOT EXIST  
WITHOUT YOU ALL!**

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You can also now find the Spartan South Midlands Division One on SofaScore! Keep up with scores and the league table on the app!

# TODAY'S TEAMS

## THE HUNTERS



David Adesida  
Isaac Allen  
Raj Badiani  
Ben Burton  
Ethan Cox  
Ethan Dann  
Tom Game  
Morgan Garrington  
Josh Going  
Dylan Hughes  
Sam Hutt  
Haariss Khan  
Ian King  
Devante Mahanzu  
Marley Manser  
Antonio Mendy  
Noah Millar  
Ben Morley  
Jonny Newland  
Liam Morton  
Lucas Payton  
Juan Quintero  
Kass Rajani  
Tom Steeples  
Oliver Steinke  
Jay Taylor  
Zander Watson  
Olly Yau

## AMPTHILL TOWN



Mo Ahmed  
Josh Bamford  
Will Barrett  
Mark Bunker  
Sam Burke  
Lawrence Burton  
Evan Cawley  
Bryn Davies  
Phil Draycott  
Sam Holmes  
Mitch Howe  
Jack Kent  
Kai McArthur  
Kiyann Newton  
Drew Roberts  
James Sheridan  
Tierlin Wilson

### Staff

Manager: Chris Harvey  
Assistants: Jack Capehorn & Jonny Rice  
Coach: Colin Lauder

## OFFICIALS

SAM WATERHOUSE - BEN PATEMAN - STEPHEN HOARE