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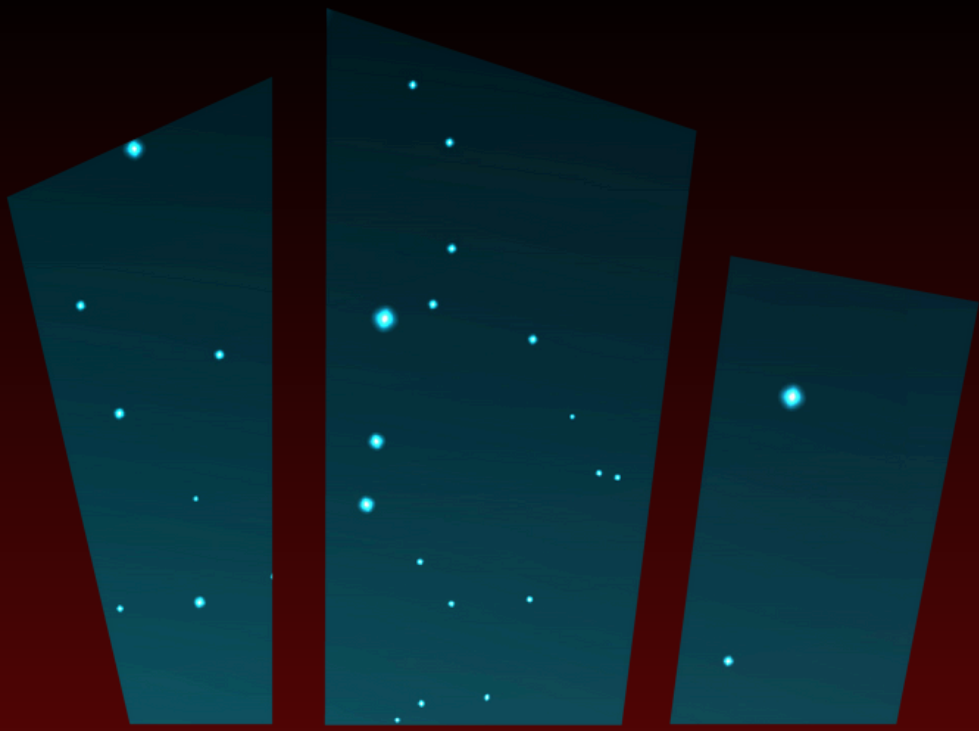
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SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY
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VS STOTFOLD RESERVES



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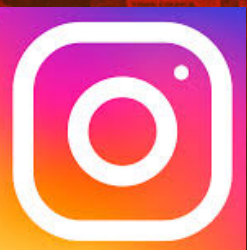
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HUNTERS HISTORY

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.



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TODAY'S OPPONENTS



**STOTFOLD
RESERVES**

Stotfold is a small country town with a population in the region of 9,000. It is situated in the county of Bedfordshire but being near the North Herts border. The first recorded football in the town was 1904, however it is certain that the game was played for a number of years before that. In those early 1900s, Stotfold sides played in the Biggleswade and District League. This was followed by a spell of nearly 30 years in North Herts Football. The first record of a trophy being won was 1911 when Potton were beaten 1-0 in the Biggleswade and District Championship. Stotfold FC was officially founded after W/W2 in 1946. In 1951 we joined the South Midlands League Division 2 and in 1953 were promoted to Division 1. Up until 1965 our home ground was located at Hitchin Road Recreation Ground and the club then purchased and developed a meadow named Roker and the ground was aptly named Roker Park which we occupied for 54 years. The club remained in the South Midlands League for over 30 years winning promotion to the Premier League in 1955 and winning the championship in 1980. Phil Pateman took over from Ian Allinson stepping up after managing the reserves to League champions and Beds Intermediate success. During 1998-2001 under his charge the club won The Beds Senior and Premier Cups, UCL League Cup, and the Hinchingsbrooke Cup. The club also reached the last 32 of the FA Vase and the 3rd Qualifying Rd of the FA Cup. Phil stepped down to become Chairman in 2001.

The early 2000s saw challenging times for Stotfold Club after gaining just 11 points from 17 league games and some heavy defeats in season 2006/7. A partnership of Ian Allison and Ian Donnelly took over and with the club staring relegation in the face, Ian recruited several senior players and the club hauled themselves out of the bottom two, winning 8 of the last 10 games. During the summer of 2007, the squad strengthened further, culminating in the most successful season in the club's history. Both first and second team squads won their respective league and county cup competitions, (the first club and to date only one to do so), with the second team under John Philbin remaining unbeaten in the league.

The 2010s saw the club move back from the United Counties League to the Spartan South Midlands League in 2010/11. In season 2012/13 Gordon Bickerstaff stood down and Steve Young was appointed as Manager supported by Roy Ryall. After another poor start the first team secured a respectable mid-table position. Steve promoted from within the club, Michael Parkin and Matt Endersby stepping up. The first team turned their season around from being 3rd from bottom of the SSML Premier Division with just 18 points at Xmas, to three cup finals and a semi-final place in another. They also moved away from the foot of the table with a further 29 points in the second half of the season. The mid 2010s presented a challenge and following Steve's resignation in January 2015, Rob Bates stepped up and he managed to mould a team to stave off relegation from the Premier League and finish a creditable 16th.

TODAY'S OPPONENTS



**STOTFOLD
RESERVES**

Revised plans were drawn up when an offer to build 60 properties on Roker Park was accepted in return for a stadium being built for us. The club completely restructured with a merger of Senior & Junior clubs with an ongoing program of inclusive football for a Charter Standard Club comprising of more than 60 teams and 700 participants. So, to the 2020s success off the field being as important as on it. In this regard we were delighted that our former player Luke Gregson agreed to be our manager after a wonderful spell at Baldock. He brought with him Jim Sterling and rebuilt the side. After a slow start the Eagles went on a fantastic run of form winning 14 consecutive league games and seemingly nailed on for promotion before Covid-19 null and voided the season. However not before we won the Beds Senior Trophy beating Stevington 2-0 in the final. Despite, the disappointment 2020 marked a landmark for the club when we moved to our New Roker Park JSJ Stadium. The £2M Step 4 facility opened its doors on Feb 8th with a home game against Shefford & Campton, and a crowd of 644 witnessed a super game with the Eagles winning 5-3.

After 20 years as club chairman Phil Pateman stepped down at the end of season 2020/21 with his vice-chairman of some 4 years Rob Parkin agreeing to take on the role of chairman. We started the new 2021/22 season full of optimism having been re-structured off the field and in the re-structured Division 1 under former players Brett and Paul Donnelly. Joining Brett's management team is UEFA B licence and FA Coach mentor Eddie McLoughlin. The management team are completed by Michael Parkin (Goalkeeping coach), Ryan Jefferies (Physio) and Roy Ryall with Jon Little, Sean Lyness and Darren Clarke looking after the Development/U18 sides. The season saw unprecedented success with the first team winning Division 1 and promotion back to the South Midlands Premier Division, the Development team winning Division 1 of the Beds County Football League and promotion to Premier Division and the U18s winning the Nemean Division of the Southern Counties Southern Floodlit League.

We started season 2022/23 with the same management teams for the first and development teams and the club had their first ever Women's team under the management of Tom Olney and Becca Lightfoot playing in the Beds and Herts Woman's Football League. A new management team of Stuart Lopez and Scott Cretton took over the U18 team. Unbelievably the first team secured back-to-back promotions finishing runners up in the SSMFL Premier Division and winning the play off at Dereham Town 2-0. The women's team secured promotion to the Premier Division of their league in their first season.

Season 2023/24 saw the 1st team play at step 4 in the Southern League Central Division 1 for the first time in the club's history. In a tough league we were delighted to finish a very creditable 7th. The Development team finished runners-up in the Beds County Football League, gaining promotion to Spartan South Midlands Division 1 a great achievement for a club to have teams at step 4 and step 6. The Women's team finished third in their first season in the Premier Division and the U18s finished third in the Delphian Division. Sadly, we saw Brett and Eddie move on to take over management roles at Hitchin Town towards the end of the season. We thank them for all the success they brought to the club.

Season 2024/25 starts under the new 1st team management of Paul Donnelly, Callum Donnelly and Ryan Frater with Malcolm Lay as coach and Louis O'Neill as goal keeping coach. The Development and Women's teams remain under the same management, but the club has taken the decision not to run an U18 team due to pressure on the pitch.

TODAY'S OPPONENTS



**STOTFOLD
RESERVES**

Stotfold Reserves' Last 5 Games

21/1/25 Bedfordshire County Cup	Stotfold Reserves 4 Amphill Town 1
18/1/25 League	Rushden & Higham United 2 Stotfold Reserves 1
4/1/25 League	Stotfold Reserves 0 AFC Welwyn 1
28/12/24 League	Stotfold Reserves 2 Langford 1
21/12/24 League	Stotfold Reserves 3 Eaton Socon 1

Table

Spartan South Midlands Division One

1	Irchester United	53
2	AFC Welwyn	49
3	Moulton	45
4	Eaton Socon	45
5	Desborough Town	41
6	Amphill Town	39
7	Wellingborough Whitworth	37
8	Stotfold Reserves	33
9	Cranfield United	32
10	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	30
11	Buckingham	28
12	Rothwell Corinthians	25
13	Langford	23
14	Long Buckby AFC	22
15	Leighton Town Reserves	19
16	Royston Town Reserves	19
17	Rushden & Higham United	16
18	HUNTINGDON TOWN	10
19	Raunds Town	10
20	London Colney	8

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 **Totternhoe****

September

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

October

5th **Caddington** (14:00)**
15th **St Neots Town*** (19:45)**
19th **Royston Town Reserves**
22nd **Royston Town Reserves (19:45)**
26th **Irchester United**
29th **St. Ives Town (19:45)******

November

2nd **London Colney**
9th Letchworth GC Eagles
16th **Long Buckby AFC**
23rd AFC Welwyn
30th Buckingham

December

10th Desborough Town (19:45)
28th **Eaton Socon**

January

18th **Raunds Town**
25th Stotfold Reserves

February

1st Leighton Town Reserves
4th **Langford**
8th **Desborough Town**
15th **AFC Welwyn**
22nd London Colney

March

1st **Buckingham**
4th Rothwell Corinthians
8th **Cranfield United**
15th Wellingborough Whitworth
18th Rushden & Higham United
22nd **Moulton**
29th **Stotfold Reserves**

April

1st Irchester United (19:45)
5th **Ampthill Town**
8th **Letchworth GCE**
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
28/9/24	Amphill Town	SSMD1	L1-2	Hunters Stadium	Raj Badiani
5/10/24	Caddington	GCT	L1-3	Caddington S&S Club	Isaac Allen
15/10/24	St. Neots Town	Hinchingbrooke Cup	L1-8	Hunters Stadium	Ian King
19/10/24	Royston Town Reserves	SSMD1	L0-3	Garden Walk	N/A
22/10/24	Royston Town Reserves	SSMD1	L0-1	Hunters Stadium	N/A
26/10/24	Irchester United	SSMD1	L1-5	Alfred Street	Antonio Mendy

RESULTS SO FAR

Date	Opponent	Competition	Score	Venue	Goalscorers
29/10/24	St Ives Town	Hunts Senior Cup	L1-5	Hunters Stadium	Raj Badiani
2/11/24	London Colney	Spartan South Midlands Division One	L2-3	Cotlandswick Park	Ian King Isaac Allen
9/11/24	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	SSMD1	L3-4	Hunters Stadium	Marley Manser (x2) Isaac Allen
16/11/24	Long Buckby AFC	SSMD1	W5-3	Station Road	Isaac Allen (x3) Ian King Gedminas Greviskis
23/11/24	AFC Welwyn	SSMD1	L0-5	Hunters Stadium	N/A
30/11/24	Buckingham	SSMD1	L0-2	Hunters Stadium	N/A
10/12/24	Desborough Town	SSMD1	L1-8	Hunters Stadium	Ian King
28/12/24	Eaton Socon	SSMD1	L1-6	River Road	Marley Manser
18/1/25	Raunds Town	SSMD1	L0-5	Kiln Park	N/A

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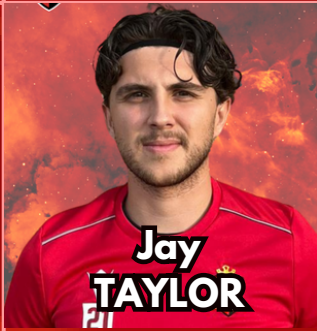
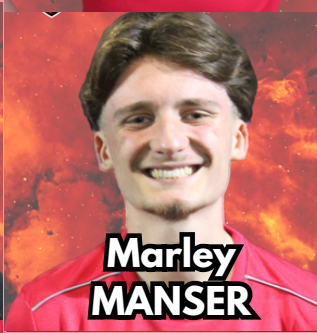
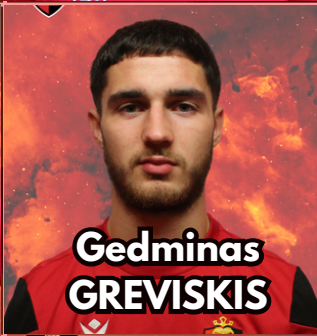
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TODAY'S FIXTURES

Spartan South Midlands Division One - 25 January

Kick Off Time		Home	Away	
15:00		Amphill Town	AFC Welwyn	
15:00		Desborough Town	Raunds Town	
15:00		Huntingdon Town	Stotfold Reserves	
15:00		Leighton Town Reserves	Langford	
15:00		Letchworth Garden City Eagles	Rushden & Higham United	
15:00		London Colney	Moulton	
15:00		Rothwell Corinthians	Buckingham	
15:00		Royston Town Reserves	Wellingborough Whitworth	

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Spartan South Midlands Division One - 18th January

Kick Off Time		Home			Away	
15:00		Buckingham	1	1	Rothwell Corinthians	
15:00		Eaton Socon	1	1	Amphill Town	
15:00		Irchester United	2	0	Cranfield United	
15:00		Letchworth Garden City Eagles	2	3	Long Buckby AFC	
15:00		Moulton	5	2	Leighton Town Reserves	
15:00		Raunds Town	5	0	Huntingdon Town	
15:00		Rushden & Higham United	2	1	Stotfold Reserves	

Cups - 18th January

14:00		Desborough Town	4	1	Roade	
14:00		Wellingborough Whitworth	3	0	FC Peterborough	

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Spartan South Midlands Division One

Rothwell Corinthians 3-1 Rushden & Higham United
Wellingborough Whitworth 4-2 Moulton

County Cups

HUNTINGDON
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St Neots Town 1-0 Eaton Socon
Stotfold Reserves 4-1 Ampthill Town

Pos.	Team	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1	Irchester United	24	16	5	3	63	27	36	53
2	AFC Welwyn	21	15	4	2	50	17	33	49
3	Moulton	21	14	3	4	57	35	22	45
4	Eaton Socon	22	14	3	5	52	32	20	45
5	Desborough Town	17	13	2	2	65	19	46	41
6	Amphill Town	20	11	6	3	30	16	14	39
7	Wellingborough Whitworth	21	12	1	8	46	38	8	37
8	Stotfold Reserves	21	10	3	8	45	42	3	33
9	Cranfield United	20	10	2	8	35	24	11	32
10	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	22	9	3	10	44	50	-6	30
11	Buckingham	20	8	4	8	25	25	0	28
12	Rothwell Corinthians	22	7	4	11	30	35	-5	25
13	Langford	22	6	5	11	36	54	-18	23
14	Long Buckby AFC	18	6	4	8	39	38	1	22
15	Leighton Town Reserves	20	5	4	11	30	39	-9	19
16	Royston Town Reserves	19	5	4	10	24	37	-14	19
17	Rushden & Higham United	20	5	1	14	25	54	-29	16
18	HUNTINGDON TOWN	19	3	1	15	25	62	-37	10
19	Raunds Town	22	3	1	18	23	60	-37	10
20	London Colney	19	2	2	15	14	54	-40	8

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TODAY'S TEAMS

THE HUNTERS

Amir Aleksandrovich

Isaac Allen

Raj Badiani

Ben Burton

Ahri Chaddar

Ethan Cox

Ethan Dann

Morgan Garrington

Harvey Gothard

Gedminas Greviskis

Brad Herbert

Dylan Hughes

Ian King

Rhys Leggett

Marley Manser

Joseph Mapuranga

Antonio Mendy

Noah Millar

Liam Morton

Lucas Payton

Juan Quintero

Kass Rajani

Ignas Sakalas

Oliver Steinke

Jay Taylor

Zander Watson

Olly Yau

STOTFOLD RESERVES

Emmanuel Adegboyega

Matthew Ball

Charles Bedford

Taylon Brookes

Jack Brown

Harry Buckley

Charlie Cane

Jonny Crawford

Gurjosh Dhesi

Joshua Francis

Aaron Hector

Samuel Hope

Billy Little

Darai Long

Corey Lyness

Charlie Mallett

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