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**TUESDAY 20TH AUGUST 2024, 7.45PM**  
EMIRATES FA CUP PRELIMINARY ROUND - REPLAY

# CHAIRMAN: **ANDY CLARKE**



## **Good evening and a warm welcome to all players, supporters, and officials for tonight's FA Preliminary Round replay.**

With the season being a massive 10 days old, what can we decipher from the matches to date?

Although I missed the match, Newmarket received a baptism of fire in the Isthmian League North, ending up on the receiving end of a 6-1 opening day thrashing at The Martello Ground.



I am reliably informed that the opposition that day performed far better than the scoreline indicates. However, we can't do anything but give praise to our boys, as scoring 6 goals in this league is not a regular occurrence. A sign of things to come???

On to Saturday as we look to start our FA Cup campaign at local rivals Bury Town. I'm not sure why, but I always find it such a disappointment when we get drawn against a side from our league. For me, playing in the FA Cup is about going to new grounds, playing sides I've not heard of before (Leverstock Green or Mousehole AFC?), meeting new people, and enjoying the experience.

Not to be this time, as we head to Ram Meadow (which still has some of the nicest facilities in the league, along with a top-drawer playing surface).

On a beautiful sunny day, I chatted pre-match with Russell, the Bury Chairman, saying that I couldn't see much between the sides today and that I looked forward to seeing him on Tuesday for the replay—tongue in cheek. Little did I know, lol.

The game kicked off with both sides full of a mixture of youth, experience, and quality, so hopefully, we won't be disappointed.

We took the lead in the 17th minute, with Zak showing his pace and outstripping the Bury back four to keep his head and slide it past the onrushing keeper. Bury got an equaliser in the 41st minute after a mistake in our back line allowed Bury's prolific Ramadam to score. All square at half-time.

We started the second half at what seemed to be a higher tempo, dictating play and pressing Bury at every opportunity. This led to Charlie giving us a deserved lead in the 51st minute.

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As you would expect, Bury made changes, went to three at the back and three up top, looking to get the ball forward early.

This soon paid dividends when they were awarded a rather soft penalty. Justice prevailed as the spot kick was missed, and we breathed a sigh of relief.

Chances came at both ends, with Felixstowe having the better opportunities but failing to make any of them count, thus not giving us the breathing space required.

In the 84th minute, Bury got their equaliser after we failed to clear our lines and were made to pay with a good finish.



More chances came and went in the closing stages until, right at the death, when one-on-one with the Bury keeper, Willie just failed to curl his effort inside the far post.

A 2-2 draw in a game where we probably created both more and better chances; however, I'm sure Bury would have felt very hard done by if they had lost.

So we try again this evening in our quest to reach the Holy Grail of the 1st Round proper and emulate the likes of Sudbury, Maldon & Tiptree, and Haverhill in years gone by.

Back to the league next Saturday with a quick trip up the A12 to Witham Town, followed by our next home game at The Martello Ground on Bank Holiday Monday against, you guessed it, Bury Town!

Enjoy the game,  
Andy

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# STUART BOARDLEY





## **Good evening all and a warm welcome to Cole and his Bury Town side who we will now be playing three times within very quick succession following Saturday's 2-2 FA Cup draw.**

I thought it was a fairly evenly fought match with Bury having a good amount of possession but we felt that the best chances on the day definitely fell our way and we were left slightly disappointed not to have come away having progressed through the tie without the need for a replay tonight. Bury are a very talented and well drilled side so on reflection going there in front of their fans and coming away with a draw was a good result and we hope now to be able to use our home advantage to our benefit.

As a group and individually I think we are still finding our fitness. Pre-season was a little disjointed and to be honest I thought it may take a few games for us to hit our levels, so last Saturday's win at home to Newmarket was really pleasing. I wouldn't say it came as a surprise but we felt we were a little "undercooked" going into the game so we were over the moon with the performance and of course the result.

The FA Cup once again is so important for us as a club. It can create a togetherness within the group, excite fans and of course bring in crucial revenue to the club as a whole. We will be giving it our all and despite a few knocks from Saturday we believe that the depth in our squad is a particular benefit to us this season. Having a bench Saturday lined with quality, is something we are very lucky to have and we have reinforced to the players that it is very much a squad game nowadays. A change to the number of substitutes this season (you can now use 5 from 5 in the league and 5 from 7 in the FA Cup) has created a real need for strength in depth and that is something we feel our squad has over others so we are looking forward to the changes and hope than pan out in our favour!

Enjoy the game  
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# ISTHMIAN NORTH DIVISION TABLE 2024/25

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1	<b>Felixstowe &amp; Walton United</b>	1	1	0	0	6	1	+5	3
2	Maldon & Tiptree	1	1	0	0	4	1	+3	3
3	Bury Town	1	1	0	0	3	0	+3	3
4	Witham Town	1	1	0	0	3	0	+3	3
5	Brentwood Town	1	1	0	0	4	2	+2	3
6	Gorleston	1	1	0	0	2	1	+1	3
7	Sporting Bengal United	1	1	0	0	2	1	+1	3
8	Basildon United	1	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
9	Ipswich Wanderers	1	1	0	0	1	0	+1	3
10	Grays Athletic	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	1
11	Mildenhall Town	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	1
12	Cambridge City	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
13	Heybridge Swifts	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
14	Waltham Abbey	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
15	Walthamstow	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
16	Haringey Borough	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
17	Tilbury	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
18	Redbridge	1	0	0	1	2	4	-2	0
19	Wroxham	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	0
20	Brightlingsea Regent	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0
21	Concord Rangers	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0
22	Newmarket Town	1	0	0	1	1	6	-5	0



## LEAGUE FIXTURES SATURDAY 24TH AUGUST

- Brentwood Town v Walthamstow
- Bury Town v Wroxham
- Cambridge City v Basildon United
- Gorleston v Redbridge
- Grays Athletic v Sporting Bengal United
- Haringey Borough v Brightlingsea Regent
- Ipswich Wanderers v Heybridge Swifts
- Maldon & Tiptree v Tilbury
- Waltham Abbey v Mildenhall Town
- Witham Town v Felixstowe & Walton Utd





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Isthmian League North

**Photos:** Tom Bradford

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# SEASIDER PHIL GRIFFITHS

## Not many people know this...

Tonight we host Bury Town in what will be our 82nd FA Cup tie, including all our replays which tonight will see us play our 12th. Of the other 11, we have won just three and lost 7. Not a great record on paper, but we have met some fairly serious competition, none more so perhaps than a side called Irthlingborough Diamonds, who in 1982 when we played them were at the very beginning of their transition into what was to become Rushden & Diamonds following a merger with Rushden Town. Max Griggs who at the time was Doc Marten of famous footwear fame took on sponsorship and ownership, seeing a meteoric rise to the football league, Division 3

winners and then an equally meteoric fall into obscurity.

Saturday was our first meeting with Bury Town under our current name, although we have played Team Bury a couple of times and we met once as Felixstowe Town FC but never as Felixstowe Port & Town. Considering our geographical proximity it did seem rather odd to me as the early rounds are regionalised that we haven't faced each other more often over the 45 seasons we have entered the competition,

Let's hope tonight is of equal quality to Saturday's draw.

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# THE OTHER SIDE BURY TOWN

Founded in 1872, Bury Town Football Club is one of the oldest Football Club's in the country and has a proud history dating back over 140 years. The club was founded by Mr William Lake at a meeting in the Suffolk Hotel. The original name of the club was Bury St Edmunds FC and the first committee of the club elected to choose royal blue as the club's colours.

The club took up residence at Kings Road, also known as the Cemetery Road ground, in 1888. Kings Road was the first football ground in East Anglia to operate floodlights when on Monday 12th January 1953, the Blues played their first ever floodlit game against Cambridge City in front of 2,105 spectators. A total of 14 bulbs of 1500 watts illuminated the Suffolk skyline for the first time and history was created. The lights were financed by the Bury Town Supporters Club.



A notable player for the club in the early days was Reginald De Courtney Welch who appeared as a defender for Bury St Edmunds in 1877. De Courtney Welch was a member of The Wanderers side that won the first ever FA Cup in 1872 and he also played in the first ever official international match for England, against Scotland in November 1872.

The club was one of 11 founder members of the Suffolk County Football Association in 1885 and has won the Suffolk Premier Cup on 13 occasions.

The club's name was changed by a vote to Bury Town in September 1885, however 10 years later the members chose to adopt the full name of the





town back as the name, before changing to Bury United in 1908. In 1923 the clubs members decided that the name 'United' was no longer appropriate as there were a number of sides in Bury St Edmunds, and decided to revert to Bury Town, which has remained to this day.

The club played in various local leagues until 1935 when it became a founder member of the Eastern Counties League. The club spent a total of 22 consecutive seasons in the Eastern Counties League, finishing as runners up in 1937-38. The Blues claimed the ECL title in the 1963-64 season as part of an historic treble, as they also captured the ECL Knockout Cup and the Suffolk Premier Cup.

This success saw the club move to the Metropolitan League and they kicked off their first ever Metropolitan game against Charlton Athletic 'A' at Kings Road in front of 1,150 spectators, Bury running out 1-0 winners. The club finished 4th in their first season and also retained the Suffolk Premier Cup.

Season 1965-66 was another successful season and another treble haul of trophies as the club stormed to the Metropolitan League title, won the Metropolitan League Cup and the Suffolk Premier Cup again. By this time the club were averaging over 1,000 supporters at their home matches and interest in the club was at an all time high.

In 1968, the Blues reached the First Round Proper of the FA Cup and drew Third Division side Bournemouth & Boscombe at Kings Road. 3,000 spectators assembled and witnessed Bury hold the Football League side to a goalless draw. The replay saw Bournemouth win through by 3 goals to 0 at Dean Court. The season had further success when the Blues won the Metropolitan League title for a second time.

The clubs success resulted them taking the bold step to join the Southern Football League for the 1971-72 season. The club struggled to adapt to their new surroundings and after five seasons, decided to take the decision to re-join the Eastern Counties League, a decision that proved unpopular with supporters.

On Wednesday 28th April 1976, Bury Town played their final match at the historic Kings Road ground when West Ham United were the visitors.



1,750 watched on as the sides drew 2-2, and a pitch invasion signalled the end of the Blues spiritual home.

Bury Town moved into their current Ram Meadow ground in 1978 and collected the Suffolk Premier Cup as a reward. The Blues spent a total of 11 seasons back in the ECL and their most successful moment of that time came in their final season when they reached the 4th Qualifying Round of the FA Cup and were drawn away at Football Conference leaders Enfield. The sides drew 0-0 at Southbury Road and returned to Ram Meadow for the replay, however in front of 2,500 supporters, the visitors sneaked home 1-0 to reach the First Round Proper.

The 1987-88 season saw ambition return to the club and Bury were promoted to the Southern League. After a few seasons of promising results and large home crowds, the Blues failed to reach the Premier Division, the closest they came was finishing 4th in 1988-89. Years of overspending on players and ground improvements finally caught up and the club drifted into decline as the crowds drifted away. On the 4th May 1996, the Blues were relegated at Redditch United from the Midland Division of the Southern League, back to the Eastern Counties League.



The club spent another 10 years in the ECL, and despite some early seasons of struggles, success coincided with the appointment of former Colchester United captain Richard Wilkins to the manager's seat. The club reached the Quarter Final of the FA Vase in 2005 and then the Semi Final in 2006. Crowds rose back up and after two consecutive runners up spots in the Premier Division of the ECL, the club were



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promoted to the Isthmian League for the first time in their history. The stay lasted two seasons and after adjusting to a higher level in 2006-07 with a 17th place finish, the following season saw the Blues finish in 7th position.

The FA re-organisation in 2008 saw Bury moved into the Southern League for a third spell of membership. A successful campaign saw Bury finish in 7th position in the Midland Division table, reach the First Round Proper of the FA Cup, losing 4-2 at Alfreton Town, and reach the Semi Final of the Southern League Cup, however in 2009-10, Bury Town clinched the Southern League Midland Division Championship on the final day of the season with a 3-0 home victory over Marlow in front of 1,550 supporters. The Blues piped Hitchin Town to the title, scoring 115 goals during the campaign and collecting 102 points to gain promotion. Another move across the pyramid saw the Blues re-join the Ryman League for the 2010-11 season, entering the Premier Division. A great season saw Bury finish third, but go out of the play off's to Lowestoft Town. There was however some silverware for the boardroom as Bury defeated Needham Market 2-0 in the final of the Suffolk Premier Cup at Portman Road.

2011-12 saw the club lift the Ryman League Cup with a victory over East Thurrock United and again finished in the play off places, but lost out to AFC Hornchurch in the Semi Final. 2014-15 saw our spell in the Premier Division come to an end after 5 years with relegation to Division One North. In our last two seasons back in Division One North we have finished in 13th and 11th place. 2017-18 saw the Blues finish 9th and reach the final of the Suffolk Premier Cup.

2018-19 saw the Blues press for the play off places and a hope of a return to the Premier Division. It was a successful season with a 6th placed finished achieved, the best finish the club has had since relegation in 2015.

Following a couple of disappointing seasons, Ben Chenery left the club following 9 years in charge and was replaced by former professional Cole Skuse who turned fortunes around and saw the Club into the Play Off's at the end of the 2023-24 season, but in front of 1,222, the Blues went out to Brentwood Town in a home semi final tie.



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# THE OTHER SIDE PLAYER PROFILES

**COLE SKUSE – MANAGER:** A former professional who made 615 league appearances for Bristol City, Ipswich Town and Colchester United. He retired at the end of last season and was quickly appointed to his first managerial position at Ram Meadow.

**PAUL MUSGROVE – ASSISTANT MANAGER:** Paul joined with Cole Skuse ahead of the current season. Previously a manager at Stowmarket Town and Walsham-Le-Willows, he has an extensive knowledge of the local scene and lead Stowmarket to the Isthmian League play off's in their first season in the division.

**CHARLIE BECKWITH:** Goalkeeper who joined in October 2023 from Thurlow Nunn League side Lakenheath where he won both the Suffolk Senior Cup and Thurlow Nunn League Cup. Has previous experience at step 3 with Leiston.

**LUKE BROWN:** Striker Luke joined in the summer of 2023 after previously playing at Needham Market. He had a successful spell with Paul Musgrove at Stowmarket Town and also played at Hitchin Town and Soham Town Rangers.

**OLLIE CANFER:** Experienced striker who had a spell with us back in 2016-2018 before going on to play locally at Mildenhall Town, Stowmarket Town and Felixstowe & Walton where he reached the play off's last season. He had a short spell at Stowmarket at the start of this season before rejoining us in November.

**JOSH CURRY:** Josh joined the Blues ahead of the new season from Stowmarket Town. He had previously played at step 3 for Lowestoft Town and can play either in defence or midfield and links up again with Paul Musgrove who has twice signed him for both Walsham-Le-Willows and Stowmarket. He made 40 appearances for the Greens Meadow club last season and scored 4 goals.

**MIKEY DAVIS:** A summer signing from Cambridge City. Mikey was with EFL side Grimsby Town as a scholar but after leaving the Mariners he joined both Haverhill club, initially playing for Borough and then to Rovers. His performances prompted higher level Cambridge City to sign him in November 2018 and he has gone on to be a mainstay of their side over the last 6 years.

**LOUIS HENMAN-MASON:** Louis first joined the club in the 2022/23 season from Fakenham Town, but later in the season left to join Dereham Town in the Northern Premier League Midland Division. After a change of management at the start of the season, Louis re-joined from Dereham and has also spent time on loan at Fakenham this season.

**RYAN HORNE:** Midfielder who returned to the club for the 2023-24 season after leaving the previous season to go travelling. Originally joined from AFC Sudbury in 2018 and has also had spells with Soham Town Rangers and experience of step 3 at St Neots Town in the Southern League.

**RYAN JOLLAND:** Midfielder who started out with the Ipswich Town academy before joining our partnership academy at West Suffolk College. Over the years has been an important part of our side and is now one of the senior and more experienced players.

**MAX MAUGHN:** A bright young prospect who joined Bury Town in the summer of 2019 after being released by Colchester United. He was





picked up by the U's from local side Cornard United and Ben Chenery has high hopes for Max who is a skilful midfielder.

**ETHAN MAYHEW:** Ethan joined the club from Hadleigh United of the Thurlow Nunn League in the summer of 2023. A highly rated prospect who was a product of the AFC Sudbury academy, who will be looking to establish himself as a step 4 player this season.

**LEWIS O' MALLEY:** Lewis joined from local rivals AFC Sudbury in July 2022. Lewis can play in either defence or midfield and was captain of the Sudbury side that reached the FA Cup First Round last season. He also found the net on 5 occasions, including an important goal against Dartford in the 4th Qualifying Round.

**TAYLOR PARR:** Primarily playing as a centre half, Taylor was with Cambridge United as a youth player before playing two seasons at Royston Town. He then spent 3 seasons as part of a successful St Neots Town side before making a move back to Royston Town. He moved to Cambridge City in 2021 and spent three years with them, making 107 appearances and scoring 14 goals.

**CEMAL RAMADAN:** Cemal re-joined the club in early November 2018 after a short spell with Leiston. He was our leading goalscorer last season with over 30 goals which caught the eyes of many clubs higher up the pyramid, however he is now back at Ram Meadow and looking for goals again.

**ED UPSON:** A Bury born former professional who progressed through the Ipswich Town academy and winning the FA Youth Cup before going on to play for Yeovil Town, Millwall, MK Dons, Bristol Rovers, Newport County and Stevenage. Joined the Blues from Stowmarket Town in the summer of 2023.

**JOE WHITE:** Another player who has progressed through the West Suffolk College academy scheme, a strong central defender who has worked his way into the team over the last couple of seasons and now a regular name on the team sheet.





# FELIXSTOWE & WALTON UNITED FC FIRST TEAM SQUAD 2024/2025



## FELIXSTOWE & WALTON UNITED



### BACK ROW L-R

Charlotte Robinson, Stuart Stevenson, Callum Harrison, Charlie Warren,  
Josh Hitter, Hugh Cullum, Cameron Forde-Brown, Alex Egelton

### MIDDLE ROW L-R

Leon Ottley-Gooch, Noel Aitkens, Billy Holland, Harry Wright,  
Josh Mayhew, Joe Whight, Tom Warren

### FRONT ROW L-R

Willie Clemons, Zak Brown, Jack Ainsley, Stuart Boardley,  
Andy Crump, Stuart Ainsley, Sam Ford, Callum Bennett

**NOT IN PHOTO** Ollie Brown, Archie Dunne, Kubi Kussan, Doug French





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**BURY  
TOWN**

Ramadan, Thulborn

**FELIXSTOWE &  
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Brown, C Warren

**2**

**2**

Saturday 17th August  
Kick off 3pm

**Attendance:** 465

Emirates FA Cup  
Preliminary Round

**Photos:** Tom Bradford















# FIXTURES 2024/25

## AUGUST

<b>SAT 10</b>	<b>NEWMARKET TOWN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>	<b>W 6-1</b>	<b>401</b>
<i>C Warren (3), Ford, Forde-Brown, Clemons</i>						
<b>SAT 17</b>	<b>BURY TOWN</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>FA CUP</b>	<b>D 2-2</b>	<b>465</b>
<i>Brown, C Warren</i>						
<b>TUE 20</b>	<b>BURY TOWN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>7.45PM</b>	<b>EMIRATES FA CUP PRELIMINARY ROUND REPLAY</b>		
<b>SAT 24</b>	<b>WITHAM TOWN</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>MON 26</b>	<b>BURY TOWN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 31</b>	<b>MALDON &amp; TIPTREE</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		

## SEPTEMBER

<b>SAT 7</b>	<b>BASILDON UNITED</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>FA TROPHY FIRST QUALIFYING</b>		
<b>TUE 10</b>	<b>WROXHAM</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>7.45PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 14</b>	<b>CAMBRIDGE CITY</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 21</b>	<b>BASILDON UNITED</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 28</b>	<b>BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		

## OCTOBER

<b>SAT 5</b>	<b>REDBRIDGE</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 12</b>	<b>TILBURY</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 19</b>	<b>WALTHAMSTOW</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 26</b>	<b>CONCORD RANGERS</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		

## NOVEMBER

<b>SAT 2</b>	<b>BRENTWOOD TOWN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>TUE 5</b>	<b>WROXHAM</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>7.45PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 9</b>	<b>CAMBRIDGE CITY</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 16</b>	<b>BASILDON UNITED</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 23</b>	<b>BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 30</b>	<b>MILDENHALL TOWN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		

## DECEMBER

<b>SAT 7</b>	<b>HARINGEY BOROUGH</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 14</b>	<b>WALTHAM ABBEY</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>SAT 21</b>	<b>GORLESTON</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		
<b>THU 26</b>	<b>IPSWICH WANDERERS</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>		



## JANUARY

WED 1	BURY TOWN	A	3PM	LEAGUE
<b>SAT 4</b>	<b>GRAYS ATHLETIC</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>
SAT 11	HEYBRIDGE SWIFTS	A	3PM	LEAGUE
<b>SAT 18</b>	<b>SPORTING BENGAL UNITED</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>
<b>SAT 25</b>	<b>HARINGEY BOROUGH</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>

## FEBRUARY

SAT 1	MILDENHALL TOWN	A	3PM	LEAGUE
SAT 8	REDBRIDGE	A	3PM	LEAGUE
<b>SAT 15</b>	<b>TILBURY</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>
SAT 22	WALTHAMSTOW	A	3PM	LEAGUE

## MARCH

<b>SAT 1</b>	<b>CONCORD RANGERS</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>
SAT 8	BRENTWOOD TOWN	A	3PM	LEAGUE
SAT 15	WALTHAM ABBEY	A	3PM	LEAGUE
<b>SAT 22</b>	<b>GORLESTON</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>

## APRIL

<b>SAT 5</b>	<b>HEYBRIDGE SWIFTS</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>
SAT 12	GRAYS ATHLETIC	A	3PM	LEAGUE
<b>SAT 19</b>	<b>MALDON &amp; TIPTREE</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>
SAT 21	IPSWICH WANDERERS	A	3PM	LEAGUE
<b>SAT 26</b>	<b>WITHAM TOWN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>3PM</b>	<b>LEAGUE</b>

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In the autumn of the year 2000, German football was in turmoil. It had been a decade since Franz Beckenbauer had overseen a World Cup victory, and the decade of dominance he had predicted for his powerful side had failed to materialise. Berti Vogts may have delivered an unlikely and, according to the German press, undeserved win at Euro '96, but a more fancied Germany side had lost the final four years earlier against Denmark, and he had failed to make it past the quarter-finals of the two World Cup campaigns he had overseen. At France '98, Croatia hadn't so much beaten them as dismantled them. Erich Ribbeck's uninspired showing at Euro 2000 - one point, one goal, and even a defeat to England - meant change was needed. And the first name out of that hat was Christoph Daum.

Daum had built a reputation as an overachiever. He started his career over a decade earlier at Koln, where he took over a weak and struggling side after spending time coaching the reserves. Standing out in his trademark bright tracksuit, and with innovative coaching methods that gave his players an edge (it was claimed they never even realised that they were tired), he took his rocketing up the table. In the 1986/7 season, they made a strong challenge for European football, before eventually dropping away. The following season would be even better, with Koln involved in a three-way title fight, losing out to Bayern - a perennial problem for Daum - and eventual champions



Werder Bremen. They would finish runners up in the next two seasons, to a Bayern side that was just beginning to dominate German football. Toward the end of the 89/90 season, Koln reached the semi-final of the UEFA Cup, losing out to Italian powerhouses Juventus by the skin of their teeth. Everything looked bright, with a strong side to build on and a burgeoning reputation.

It was a surprise, then, when Daum was sacked in the off-season. No explanation was given for this departure, and the club have never really reached the heights he set. He started the season unemployed, but it wasn't long before Stuttgart made use of his talents.

Taking over the side in 15th, Stuttgart began to run up the table. They opened the Daum era with a victory over his former club Koln, who they then lost to in the quarter-final of the German Cup. But momentum was with



the side from southern Germany, and they pipped Daum's former charges to a European spot on the last day of the season. The following season, as Bayern fell apart horribly, Daum finally got his hands on the Bundesliga title. It was a remarkable turnaround for a club fighting relegation just 18 months earlier.

A strong showing the next year put them in Europe once again, but an administrative error against Leeds in the 93/94 Champions League would prove to be his downfall. He was sacked as Stuttgart were kicked out of the competition, and went to Turkey. At Besiktas, he won the domestic cup double in his first season, before winning the league in his second. But Turkish football is a cauldron of passion, and as Fenerbahce ran away with the title his his third year, he was dismissed once more.

He returned to Germany, this time with Leverkusen, relegation strugglers who he once again transformed. An unlikely title charge followed his appointment in 1996, once again thwarted by Bayern, and in 1998 he took his side to the Champions League quarter-finals. 1999 and 2000 saw similar second placed finishes, as the Bayern juggernaut proved unstoppable.

For Daum though, his reputation was seemingly unassailable. When Ribbeck was dismissed, he was the obvious candidate, and the DFB were even willing to wait a year for his Leverkusen contract to expire. And then Daum's long time rival, Bayern director Uli Hoeness, made a startling accusation. Daum was a cocaine addict, a habitual prostitute user, and possibly involved in extortion. This, claimed Hoeness, was the reason for his sudden Koln departure a decade earlier. The German job would wait until he had proved his innocence.

Daum responded in the strongest terms, denying the allegations and agreeing to drug testing. The entire nation held its breath while they waited for the results, and then



the seemingly impossible happened. The tests came back positive. Sacked by Bayern, and with Die Mannschaft withdrawing his contract offer, he fled to Florida, before returning a year later to face the music.

Daum's tactical genius ensured that he continued to get work, but he could never escape the Daum-Affair that tarnished his career. Already peripatetic, he sought refuge away from the German spotlight, most notably back in Turkey. For Germany, who had a Daum-shaped hole to fill in their plans, it would take another decade and a half for them to finally return to winning ways, an eternity in German football. Ironically, the plans he had to take German football forward were still mostly adopted, and led to that unstoppable force under Joachim Low in 2014. But for Daum, he'll always be remembered for his mistake.

Enjoy the game.





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Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round Replay  
Tuesday 20th August 2024, 7.45pm



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Assistant Manager: Andy Crump



red/yellow - goals - played

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- Stuart **Ainsley**
- Noel **Aitkens**
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- Ryan **Jolland**
- Max **Maughn**
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- Tom **Thulborn**
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