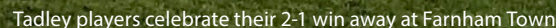




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Thorne in the side...



Match Report by Steve Williams

Tadley Calleva 1 Alton 0
Combined Counties League - Premier Division
Saturday 12th November 2022

Tadley had to dig deep for a hard earned victory over our former Wessex League rivals. The style of play was more typical of the Combined Counties League with competitive tackles, plenty of fouls and a large number of long balls rather than the patient build up play and square passes of traditional Wessex League encounters. Alton started marginally the brighter, but Tadley soon showed their potential after Ben Wright released Jamie Johnston who beat his man and delivered a dangerous driven cross on 16 minutes. Soon after, Alfie Saunders sent in a wicked free-kick that just eluded a Tadley head. On 21 minutes, a defensive error saw home striker Kieran Rogers gain possession and his cross along the 6-yard box was driven home by the ever alert Connor Thorne. Tadley were then harshly denied a second goal by the referee's whistle 6 minutes later. A short corner between Johnston and Wright led to keeper Kieran Greene dropping Wright's cross under little pressure for Brad Neal to tap home. On 36 minutes, Thorne was booked for a late trip and barely a minute later he earned a second yellow for a very early bath. His dribble with the ball evaded the first opponent, but it led to him committing a foul when, following a heavy touch, he slipped and overstretched in his attempt to win the ball. Alton winger Trevor Cabron was proving a handful and was being well supported by combative striker George Bowerman. But the Tadley back line, with the returning Shane Hollamby, coupled with the protection of central midfielders Scott Kinge and Ousman Darboe, ensured Craig Atkinson was rarely troubled. Just before the half time whistle, Tadley

were awarded a free-kick within Ben Wright's capable range. The referee made a very visible point of warning the Alton players to keep their hands down, only to not award a penalty after Wright's well struck shot clearly hit an outstretched hand. (HT 1-0)

The story of the second half was that Tadley continued to battle throughout by showing commendable defensive resilience, whilst Alton enjoyed more possession with their one man advantage. Tadley keeper Atkinson was not called upon to make a save! Alton's only real chance was fired high over the bar by centre back Billy Wright from a Cabron cross. Darboe was impressive in shielding the defence and Johnston continued to show some promising movement. Notable moments included a clever through ball from Darboe to substitute Kallum Cousins. This looked as if it would result in a goal, but a cynical attempt by Owen Lumsden to bring Cousins down put him off his stride and he pulled up short of reaching the ball. The impact of returning from a recent injury may also have played a part. However, the home side saw the game out for the three points. (FT 1-0)

Tadley Team; Atkinson, Saunders, Walsh (C), Neal, Hollamby, Johnston, Kinge, Darboe, Rogers (sub 68' Cousins), B Wright (sub 79' Horton), Thorne.

Unused Subs; Chambers, Dallimore, Goater

Attendance: 117

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Fleet Town FC - Today's Visitors



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Fleet Town



Today's Visitors

The club was officially formed in 1890 making it the oldest sports club in Fleet. The centenary was celebrated in 1990 with a special scroll being presented by the Football Association together with a commemorative plaque from the Hants FA.

After many years of steady progress the club gained promotion to the Southern League as Wessex League Champions in 1995-96. However after 5 seasons they were relegated back to the Wessex League before their return to the Southern League a few seasons later under player/manager Steve Beeks.

Season 2008-09 was probably their most successful season when under the management of Andy Sinton the club broke more records by winning four cups, including the prestigious Hampshire Senior Cup when over 1200 spectators witnessed victory over VTFC at St Mary's Stadium, Southampton to send the cup to Fleet for the first time. In addition the team also won the Russell Cotes Cup, Aldershot Senior and North Hants Cups.

After several difficult seasons and many changes at the club, the 2015-16 season saw Fleet moved back into Division One Central and they enjoyed two successful seasons with league status retained plus the winning of the Aldershot Senior Cup and North Hants Senior Cup in 2017. The club then suffered the devastating loss of Chairman Steve Cante who passed away just before Christmas and manager Craig Davis moved on at the end of the season. In 2017-18, Fleet Town's 16th consecutive season at the Step 4 level,

Steve Dormer and Andy Hunt managed to retain that status through a difficult season. With both managers resigning at the end of the season the club moved to the Southern League South Division. 2018-19 will go down as a season to forget for Fleet Town. Losing several managers and a number of players, the club battled all season with a very young team but unfortunately finished in bottom spot and were subsequently relegated.

2019-20 started with Fleet back in the Wessex League Premier Division. Moving forward a new committee was in place with Dave Kelly continuing as manager and several players returning. The team were solidly in mid-table when covid caused an end to the season. The club focussed on re-building the club infrastructure, with much work taking place on the pitch, in the clubhouse and around the ground.

2020-21 saw a second season in the Wessex League. Dave Kelly remained as manager and the team kicked on with new players, still focussing on developing young players. The team reached the 1st Round of the FA Vase for the first time in many years. With the FA re-structure over the summer, Fleet moved leagues yet again and played in the Combined Counties League Premier Division (South) in 2021-22.

They started 2022-23 with the club in a good place, having created their 'community club' with Dave Kelly still at the helm. However, Dave recently resigned and a new first team manager, Jermaine McGlashan was appointed last week.

Highs & Lows...

From the 'dugout'

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to Barlows Park to all of our supporters for this afternoon's game against Fleet Town. We'd also like to welcome Jermaine, his management team, officials, players and supporters of Fleet town who have made the journey to Tadley today.

It's great to be back at home on a Saturday after two tough away trips over the last two weekends. We'll be looking to make the home advantage count and continue our very strong form here in a place that we must continue to make as difficult as possible for teams to come. Just touching on our last home (midweek) game against Stockbridge, it was fantastic to get through to the next round of the competition with five goals, a clean sheet and minutes in the legs for some players who may have been slightly short. It was a professional performance from the players in a game that can be tough on the mind, particularly when the game in certain moments can become like a training session. It can be very easy to switch off at times and at that point you get punished. But credit to the lads, they stayed concentrated and controlled the game from start to finish. There's not much more we can ask from them than that.

On last weekend's trip to Croydon Athletic, we fell to a very disappointing 3-0 defeat. We can have no complaints about the result, we didn't feel we did enough in the important moments to come away with anything from the game. Whilst our work



Joe Lawler & Ben Dillon

rate and effort couldn't be questioned, it was an off-day performance from the lads. We struggled to keep quality possession of the football and find our dangerous players in effective areas... something we did so well against Farnham Town a week prior, in what was one of our best performances of the season. But a free-kick, a mistake and a counter attack later we were on the end of a 3-0 defeat and sent home hurting after the recent highs from the previous games. Whilst we have some very experienced players, we also have a core cohort of younger players. With this there will be elements of inconsistency. However, they all have a great attitude & willingness to learn.

On to today's game against Fleet Town, they have had a tough start to their season, but are fresh off a new managerial appointment. With this, we have no doubt there will be the 'new manager bounce' and, just like every game in this league, it will be extremely tough and we will need to perform at the top of our game if we want to claim the points.

We'd like to thank you all for your continued support and we look forward to having you back at Barlows Park for the two games before Christmas. Hopefully, you all enjoy the game and we can reward you with a result and performance.

The Gaffers

Ben Dillon & Joe Lawler

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For further information on Barlow's Park please call: 0118 9817367

Tadley's Jamie Johnston scored the opener away at Farnham Town



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5	Colliers Wood United	18	10	1	7	12	31
6	Redhill	15	10	1	4	10	31
7	Jersey Bulls	13	9	2	2	28	29
8	Tadley Calleva	15	9	1	5	4	28
9	Farnham Town	17	7	3	7	10	24
10	AFC Croydon Athletic	14	6	2	6	-8	20
11	Cobham	17	6	2	9	-9	20
12	Balham	17	5	4	8	-6	19
13	Camberley Town	15	6	0	9	-7	18
14	Alton	16	5	3	8	-8	18
15	Guildford City	15	5	0	10	-9	15
16	Horley Town	14	4	0	10	-5	12
17	Fleet Town	14	2	3	9	-14	9
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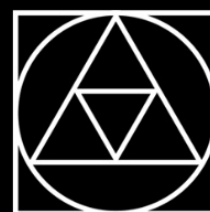
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Memorable day away...



Match Report by Dan Walkley

Farnham Town 1 Tadley Calleva 2 *Combined Counties League - Premier Division Saturday 17th November 2022*

It was a well contested mid-table clash at the Memorial Ground as Tadley picked up all three points on the road. There were new signings on show for both sides as 4 of Farnham's 6 new recruits started the game whilst Jack French, making his return to Tadley, started against his former club. The hosts got the game underway in front of a bumper crowd of 464, but it was Tadley who made the brighter start. Chances were aplenty for the visitors in the opening 15 minutes with the best coming just 4 minutes into the match. Jack French's effort was magnificently saved by James Ferguson who then got up quickly to save the follow up from Kieran Rogers. Ben Wright also saw a good effort saved on 15 minutes following some great pressing from the Tadley front line. The opening goal was looking imminent. A clearance from deep in the Farnham half was won well in the air by Jordan Goater. The ball dropped to Ben Wright who controlled well, turned and played Jamie Johnston off down the left wing. The tricky winger beat his man, cut into the box and fired into the top corner to make it 1-0 to Tadley. The remainder of the half was much of the same with the hosts not creating any clear cut chances to trouble the Tadley goal. The best chances after the goal both fell to Rogers which again brought good saves from Ferguson. An incident in the first half involving Farnham's centre back Patrick Campbell, where he appeared to slap Ben Wright, went unpunished by the officials. (HT 0-1) The hosts knew that they had to come out after the break and be more aggressive in attack....and they did just that. For the first 10 minutes they controlled the play and managed to create a couple of half chances. The best being an audacious flick at the near post that was blocked by Craig Atkinson. On 57 minutes Tadley

scored again. A header from Brad Neal was blocked on the line, but was then picked up by Rogers on the byeline and his cut back was prodded home by Ben Wright. Farnham received a lifeline on 69 minutes. Pete Roberts and Brad Neal collided in the box and as both players went to ground the referee amazingly awarded a penalty to Farnham. Connor Young's attempt from the spot was brilliantly saved down at his left by Atkinson, but unfortunately Young was first to the rebound to score. Jack French thought he had restored Tadley's two goal lead only to be thwarted by an offside flag. The game became a bit scrappy with both sides putting in some strong challenges egged on by the large home support. Tadley could have had the game wrapped up with five minutes remaining. Another ball pulled back from the byeline found Cousins 6 yards out and he looked certain to score, but Farnham keeper Ferguson was quick to produce yet another great save. In the final minute of the match Farnham thought they had spoiled our party by salvaging a draw. A cross from the left found Young unmarked in the middle of the 6 yard box and his point blank header looked destined for the net, but Atkinson had other ideas and pulled off a magnificent save to take all three points back to Barlows Park. A fantastic performance both individually and as a team. (FT 1-2)

Tadley Team; Atkinson (C), Saunders, Stow, Neal, Goater, Johnston, French, Kinge, Rogers (sub 75' Darboe), B Wright, S Wright (sub 80' Cousins).

Unused Subs; Horton, Ahmetaj

Attendance: 464



The History



Tadley has had a football team since the early 1900's. In the modern era the team was re-formed in 1989 and played in the Basingstoke and North Hants Leagues before winning promotion to the Hampshire League. The club was formed as Tadley F.C. in 1989. They joined the Hampshire League Division Three in 1994, finishing runners-up in 1995-96, gaining promotion to Division Two.

The club changed its name to Tadley Town F.C. in 1999 and joined Division One upon re-organisation. In 2004, they changed their name to their present name and entered the Wessex Football League Division Three.

Division Three was re-named Division Two in 2006, and the club finished runners-up in 2007. In the 2007-08 season, they won the Wessex League Division One title but were denied promotion as their ground did not meet the requirements for the Premier Division. The Reserve side was also very successful in the same season by taking the Wessex Combination League title.

Since then the team has remained in Division One and has steadily been making progress on and off the field year on year. They narrowly missed out on promotion in 2014-15 and 2015-16 respectively by finishing in 3rd position in both seasons.

In the 2010-11 campaign they reached the final of the Basingstoke Senior Cup losing to Thatcham Town 4-1. The club then went on to win the same cup in 2013-14 beating local rivals AFC Aldermaston 3-2 (aet) in the final. In September 2014, the club recorded probably the best result of its modern history, defeating Conference South Basingstoke Town on penalties in the Hampshire FA Senior Cup at The Camrose after a 2-2 draw in 90 minutes.

The club had its best run in the FA Vase in season 2015-16 reaching the 3rd round proper before eventually being knocked out 4-2 after a replay and extra-time against Newport (IoW) from the Wessex Premier Division.

They have also reached the final of the North Hants Senior Cup in the last two seasons; losing out 3-1 to local rivals Whitchurch United in 2016-17, again at The Camrose, and then 5-4 on penalties to Andover New Street in 2017-18 at Longmeadow after a 3-3 draw in normal time.

The club achieved its ambition of gaining promotion to the Wessex League Premier Division last season - the highest level (Step 5) that the club has competed at. The goal is to consolidate its position on the field and to make significant progress with the infrastructure off the field.

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Tadley players and the U7 mascots before our FA Vase tie against Guildford City



Former Tadley player Shemar Pettet returns in Fleet Town colours today



Defender Adam Alliston hopes to return from injury today

Tadley Calleva



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KALUM COUSINS
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