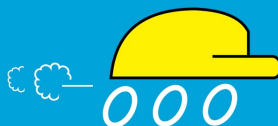


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Saturday 30th December 2017
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Today's Teams

Slimbridge AFC

(From)

Cinderford Town

(From)

Ollie Hall	1	Joe Perry
Sam Turl	2	Nick Grimes
Tom Hoskins	3	Andy Lewis
Alex Hoyle ©	4	Sammie Hicks
Corey Pring	5	Jack Alderdice
Dean Turner	6	Matt McDonald
Jack Twyman	7	Isaac Kelly
Henry Birkett	8	Danny Clare
Sean Lawson	9	Benjamin Watkins
Mike Bryant	10	Craig Norman
Joe Wilton	11	Declan Morley-Lyne
Luke Payne	12	Lewis Ellis
Joe Stokes	14	Nick Harthy
Fred Ward	15	Robbie Atkinson
Max Harper-Emerson	16	Liam Angel
Ewan Dunbar	17	Blaine Waugh

Managers:

Fred Ward

Lee Driver-Dickerson

Paul Michael

Andrew Smith

Physios:

Lucy Pearce

Kevin Brain

Referee:

Wayne Barratt

Assistants:

Paul Tyler

John Roskelly

Club Chat

With Rob Peck

Good afternoon, and welcome to Thornhill Park. I'd like to offer a warm welcome to players, officials and fans from our visitors from Cinderford Town. We hope you enjoy your afternoon with us, and have a safe journey back home later.

I hope you have all been enjoying the festive season. It's been unfortunate that the weather has intervened this year with our regular visit to Shortwood United being called off due to a waterlogged pitch. In past years it has been a very entertaining game; however it has given the lads a welcome break after a tough few weeks, the fixture will now be played on Tuesday 6th February.

Today will see our third game against neighbours Cinderford Town this season who have won both fixtures so far, let's hope it will be third time lucky for the Swans.

We are still missing Marley Thomas due to a long term ankle injury who I understand should be back fit early in the new year along with Adam Mace who suffered a nasty looking injury at Cirencester a couple of weeks ago. We also welcome new striker Ewan Dunbar to the club making his debut from the substitute's bench against Paulton Rovers last week.

On behalf of the club I wish you all a Happy and safe New Year.

Enjoy the game

Rob

A dynamic action shot of two soccer players in mid-air, competing for a ball. The player on the left is wearing a white jersey and blue shorts, while the player on the right is wearing a yellow jersey and green shorts. The background is a dark, gradient sky.

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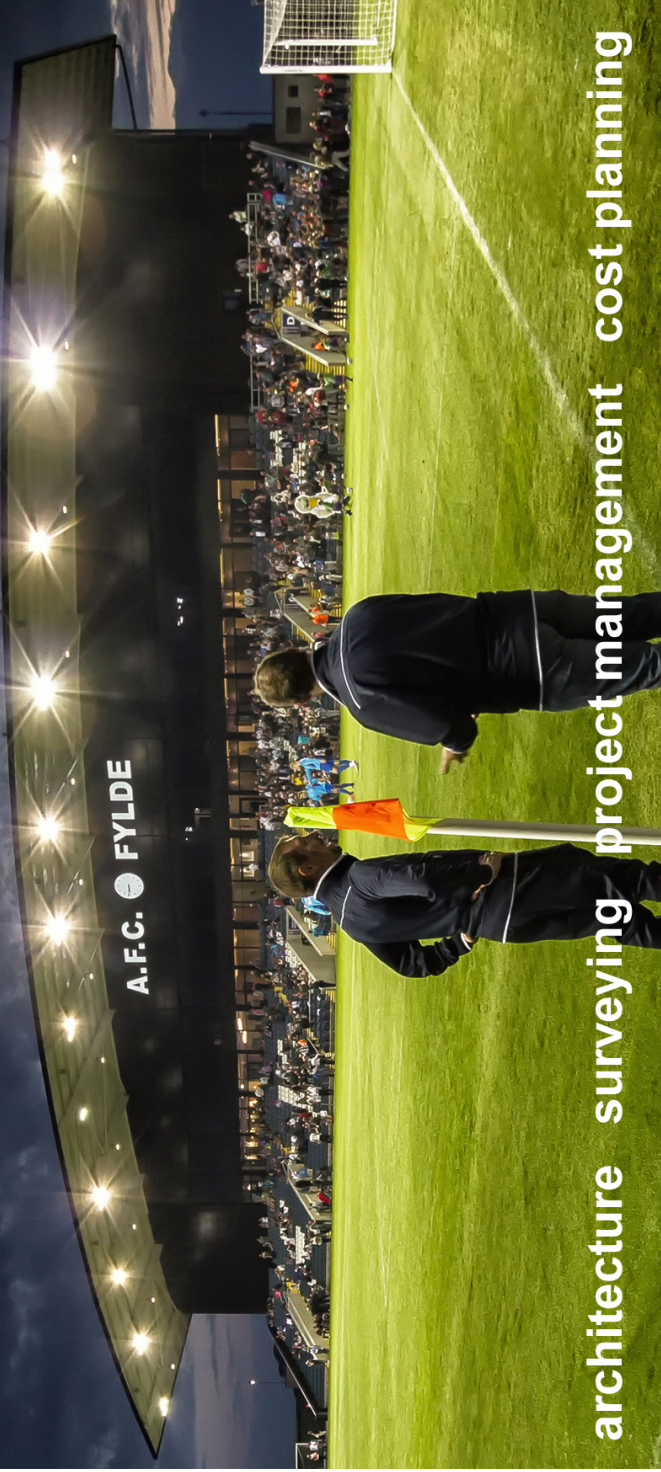
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12/08/17	Paulton Rovers	A	League	2-1	Hall	Turl	Mace	Thwaite	Hoyle	L Payne	Twyman	Reeves*	Stokes	N Payne	Wilton	Harper-Emerson	Thomas 2	Turner	7
16/08/17	Cirencester Town	H	League	1-3	Hall	Turl	Mace	Pring	Hoyle	L Payne	Twyman	Turner	Stokes	Harper – Emerson*	Thomas 1	N Payne	Wilton	Thwaite	11
19/08/17	Cinderford Town	H	FAC 1Q	1-2	Hall	Turl	Mace	Thwaite	Hoyle	L Payne	Twyman	Birkett*	Stokes 1	Harper – Emerson	Thomas	Turner	Wilton	N Payne	-
26/08/17	AFC Totton	A	League	2-1	Hall	Turl*	Mace	Thwaite	Hoyle	Twyman	Turner	Birkett	Stokes	N Payne	Thomas 2	Harper-Emerson	Reeves	L Payne	8
28/08/17	Shortwood United	H	League	1-3	Hall	Turl	Mace	Thwaite	Hoyle	L Payne	Twyman	Birkett*	Stokes	Harper-Emerson	Thomas 1	Turner	Wilton	Wilton	12
05/09/17	Shortwood United	A	GFA	1-2	Beauchamp	N Payne	Harper-Emerson	Thwaite	Squires	Pring	L Payne	Twyman	Lawson*	Birkett 1	Thomas	Stokes	L Payne	Turl	-
09/09/17	Larkhall Athletic	A	League	2-2	Beauchamp	Turl	Mace	Pring	Hoyle	Birkett	Twyman	Stokes	Lawson	Harper-Emerson	Thomas 2*	N Payne	Squires	Ward	14
16/09/17	North Leigh	H	League	0-2	Hall*	Turl	Mace	Pring	Thwaite	Turner	Twyman	Birkett	Lawson	N Payne	Thomas	Harper-Emerson	L Payne	Stokes	15
23/09/17	Bristol Manor Farm	H	League	2-1	Hall	Turl	Squires 1*	Pring	Thwaite	Turner	Twyman	Birlett	Stokes	Mace	Thomas	N Payne 1	Harper-Emerson	L Payne	10
27/09/17	Kidlington	A	League	2-2	Hall	Turl	Squires	Pring	Thwaite 1	Turner*	Twyman	Birkett	Stokes	Mace 1	Thomas	L Payne	N Payne	Harper-Emerson	9
30/09/17	Mangotsfield United	A	League	2-1	Hall	Turl	Squires 1	Pring	Thwaite*	Turner	Twyman	Birkett	Stokes 1	Mace	Thomas	L Payne	Harper-Emerson	N Payne	8
03/10/17	Cinderford Town	A	BFB Cup	2-3	Hall	Turl	Mace	Pring	Squires	Turner	L Payne	Birkett	N Payne 1	Harper-Emerson	Wilton	Twyman	Stokes	Thomas 1	-
07/10/17	Hartley Wintney	H	FAT Pre	0-1	Hall	Turl	Harper-Emerson	Pring	Thwaite	Turner	Twyman	Birkett	Stokes	N Payne	Thomas	L Payne	Mace	Lawson	-
14/10/17	Salisbury	H	League	2-5	Hall*	Turl	Mace	Pring	Thwaite	L Payne	Twyman	Bryant	Lawson 1	Harper-Emerson 1	Thomas	Turner	Birkett	Wilton	10
21/10/17	Barnstaple Town	A	League	3-0	Hall	Turl	Mace 1	Thwaite	Hoyle	Turner	Twyman	Birkett	Wilton 1*	Harper-Emerson	Thomas 1				9
25/10/17	Taunton Town	H	League	2-2	Hall	Turl	Mace	Thwaite	Hoyle	Turner	Twyman	Birkett	Wilton	Harper-Emerson	Thomas 2*	Lawson	Squires		8
28/10/17	Bideford	A	League	1-3	Hall	Turl	Mace	Thwaite	Hoyle	Turner*	Twyman	Birkett	Wilton 1	Harper-Emerson	Thomas	Lawson			9
04/11/17	Bishops Cleeve	A	League	1-1	Hall	Turl	Mace 1*	Thwaite	Hoyle	Turner	Twyman	Birkett	Lawson	Harper-Emerson	Thomas	Ward	Squires		10
11/11/17	Evesham United	H	League	3-5	Hall	Turl	Squires	Thwaite	Hoyle*	Ward	Twyman	Birkett	Lawson	Mace 1	Thomas 1	Harper-Emerson 1	Wilton	Pring	11
15/11/17	Yate Town	H	League	1-5	Hall	Pring	Squires	Thwaite	Hoyle	L Payne	Twyman *	Bryant	Mace	Harper-Emerson	Thomas 1	Lawson	Wilton	Turner	11
18/11/17	Swindon S'Marine	A	League	A-A	Hall	Turl	Mace	Pring	Thwaite	Hoyle	Turner	L Payne	Lawson	Wilton 1	Thomas	Ward			13
25/11/17	Wimborne Town	H	League	1-8	Hall*	Turl	Squires	Pring	Thwaite	Birkett	L Payne	Ward	Nash	Lawson	Wilton	N Payne	Philp	Hoskins	15
02/12/17	Didcot Town	A	League	0-4	Hall	Pring*	Robinson	Thwaite	Hoyle	Turner	Twyman	Bryant	Lawson	Wilton	Mace	L Payne	Ward		15
16/12/17	Cirencester Town	A	League	0-4	Hall	Turl	Mace	Hoskins	Hoyle	Pring	Twyman	Birkett*	Lawson	Bryant	Wilton	L Payne	Turner	Harper-Emerson	19
23/12/17	Paulton Rovers	H	League	1-4	Hall	Turl	Robinson	Hoskins	Hoyle	Turner	L Payne	Birkett	Bryant 1*	Twyman	Wilton	Dunbar	Harper-Emerson	Ward	19
31/12/17	Cinderford Town (1pm)	H	League																
06/01/18	North Leigh	A	League																
13/01/18	AFC Totton	H	League																
20/01/18	Evesham United	A	League																
27/01/18	Bishops Cleeve	H	League																
03/02/18	Bristol Manor Farm	A	League																
06/02/18	Shortwood United	A	League																
10/02/18	Kidlington	H	League																
17/02/18	Salisbury	A	League																
24/02/17	Mangotsfield United	H	League																
03/03/18	Taunton Town	A	League																
10/03/18	Barnstaple Town	H	League																
17/03/18	Winchester City	A	League																
24/03/18	Didcot Town	H	League																
31/03/18	Larkhall Athletic	H	League																
02/04/18	Cinderford Town	A	League																
07/04/18	Swindon S'Marine	H	League																
14/04/18	Yate Town	A	League																
21/04/18	Bideford	H	League																
28/04/18	Wimborne Town	A	League																

TBA: Swindon Supermarine (A)

Next First Team Home Game – vs AFC Totton, 13th January 2018, 3.00pm

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Our Visitors Today

Cinderford Town was formed in 1922 and played in the Gloucester Northern Senior League until 1939. In that year they joined the newly formed Bristol Charity League but this league folded two weeks later at the outbreak of World War II. In 1957 they won the title but the two seasons they spent in the top flight put severe financial pressure on the club, who were forced to withdraw and return to the Gloucester Northern Senior League. Three years later the club made the unusual decision to join the Warwickshire Combination and won a league and cup double in 1964, which saw them step up to the West Midlands (Regional) League.

Cinderford returned to play in the newly formed Gloucestershire County League for the 1969–70 season and stayed for the next five years, finishing as runners-up on three occasions, but again sought a higher standard of football and were accepted into the Midland Football Combination. Town played in this League for the next 10 seasons, achieving a best finish of 4th, before being forced to withdraw and return to the Gloucestershire County League after more financial problems.

In the 1990–91 season the club gained admission to the Hellenic League, initially in Division One, where they won the league championship at the first attempt. Four years later the club claimed the Premier Division title and stepped up to the Southern League, where they remain to this day.

Our Visitors Today

In the 2015-16 season, they were champions of the Southern League Division One South & West but initially rejected promotion on financial grounds.

However they were forced to accept promotion, in June 2016, following a series of appeals which affected the constitution of the Southern League heading into the new season. They took up their place in the Southern Premier Division in the 2016-17 season.

Following relegation, the club are back in the Evo-Stil League South, West



Match Reports

Slimbridge 1–4 Paulton Rovers

Saturday 23rd December 2017

Another bad day at the office for the Swans despite a late consolation.

Slimbridge made the first chance of the game on 7 minutes when Luke Payne fed stand-in striker Jack Twyman but his shot sailed wide of the post. Five minutes later the visitor took the lead with a solo run from Jack Ball who evaded two Swans defenders to tuck the ball into the net with Ollie Hall beaten. Within a minute Ball forced Hall to save a fairly tame shot from close range. Paulton doubled their lead on 22 minutes, Dale Evans shot taking a wicked deflection past Hall.

Slimbridge were forced into an early substitution, Henry Birkett leaving the field having taken a boot to the face in the lead up to the visitor's second goal and being replaced by manager Fred Ward.

Ball had a chance on 27 minutes skipping past Sam Turl who slipped while trying to make the tackle however his shot was wide of the post. Twyman at the other end shot wide after some good team interplay from the back. Slimbridge almost pulled a goal back on 35 minutes with two successive dangerous corners from Ward, the first deflected wide at the near post and the second cleared from the line after a goal mouth scramble.

The half ended with an ambitious free kick on the half way line saw Ward try his luck however the visiting keeper Andrew Hannah was wise to the attempt catching the ball just under the cross bar.

Slimbridge came out at half time looking to pull a goal back, and had a good 15 minute spell a quickly taken Ward free kick to Dean Turner whose cross evaded everyone at the back post. Joe Wilton put a shot over the bar into the car park on 52 minutes having been fed a pin point through ball from Sam Turl. However the spell ended with an Evans free kick on 69 minutes from 25 yards cannoning off the underside of the bar allowing Joe Hillard a simple tap in to increase the visitors lead.

Match Reports

The Swans failed to give up, debutant Ewan Dunbar was introduced replacing Wilton on 70 minutes. A minute later Payne's pass from the left found Mike Bryant who then managed to turn his marker before slotting into the corner to give the home side something to cheer about. Slimbridge continued to pile on the pressure for the last 10 minutes of the game but failed to convert a couple of half chances. A rare mistake in the Swans defence by Alex Hoyle allowed Ball to run in on goal and score his second and Paulton's fourth of the afternoon.

Next up over the festive period Slimbridge travel to Shortwood United on Boxing day for a 3pm kick-off before hosting Cinderford Town next Saturday 30th December with an early kick-off of 1pm.

Slimbridge: Hall, Turl (Harper-Emerson), Robinson, Hoskins, Hoyle, Turner, Payne, Birkett (Ward), Bryant, Twyman, Wilton (Dunbar)

Attendance: 105

Supporters man Of The Match: Mike Bryant

Goal Scorers

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Name	Team	Total
Benjamin Whitehead	Cirencester Town	18
Dean Stamp	Bristol Manor Farm	17
Oliver Bailey	Winchester City	16
Tobias Holmes	Wimborne Town	15
Joshua Grace-Parsons	Swindon Supermarine	14
Craig Feeney	AFC Totton	12
Felipe Barcelos	Didcot Town	12
Anaclet Odhiambo	Kidlington	11
Matthew Wright	Taunton Town	11
Joseph Tumelty	Larkhall Athletic	11
Stuart Green	Salisbury	10
Patrick Cox	Winchester City	10

Form Table

EvoStick League South, West - 2017 / 2018

Taunton Town	WWWWWD
AFC Totton	LWWWDW
Salisbury	WWWLWD
Wimborne Town	WWLWDW
Swindon Supermarine	LWWLWW
Winchester City	LWWWLW
Yate Town	WWWLLW
Cirencester Town	WLWWLD
Evesham United	WWLDLW
Bideford	DDLDWW
Bristol Manor Farm	WDLWDD
Didcot Town	DDWLWD
Larkhall Athletic	LWWLWL
Shortwood United	LLDDWW
Paulton Rovers	WLDLLW
Kidlington	DLLLWD
Cinderford Town	LLDDDD
Mangotsfield United	LLWDLL
North Leigh	LLWDLL
Barnstaple Town	DLLLLD
Bishops Cleeve	LLLLLL
Slimbridge	LLLLLL

This Week's Fixtures

Saturday 30 December 2017

- 15:00 Barnstaple Town v Mangotsfield United
- 15:00 Bristol Manor Farm v Paulton Rovers
- 15:00 Didcot Town v North Leigh
- 15:00 Kidlington v Bideford
- 13:00 Slimbridge v Cinderford Town

Monday 1 January 2018

- 15:00 Bishops Cleeve v Cirencester Town
- 15:00 Evesham United v Shortwood United
- 15:00 Salisbury v Wimborne Town
- 15:00 Swindon Supermarine v Kidlington
- 15:00 Taunton Town v Bideford
- 15:00 Winchester City v AFC Totton
- 15:00 Yate Town v Larkhall Athletic

Saturday 6 January 2018

- 15:00 AFC Totton v Taunton Town
- 15:00 Bideford v Bishops Cleeve
- 15:00 Cinderford Town v Yate Town
- 15:00 Cirencester Town v Salisbury
- 15:00 Kidlington v Barnstaple Town
- 15:00 Larkhall Athletic v Swindon Supermarine
- 15:00 Mangotsfield United v Bristol Manor Farm
- 15:00 North Leigh v Slimbridge
- 15:00 Paulton Rovers v Winchester City
- 15:00 Shortwood United v Didcot Town
- 15:00 Wimborne Town v Evesham United

League Table

EvoStick League South, West - 2017 / 2018

#	Team	Pl	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
1	Taunton Town	20	16	3	1	48	20	28	51
2	Salisbury	21	12	5	4	57	24	33	41
3	Wimborne Town	22	12	3	7	50	28	22	39
4	Bristol Manor Farm	22	11	6	5	51	37	14	39
5	Swindon Supermarine	20	12	2	6	37	27	10	38
6	AFC Totton	20	11	3	6	39	21	18	36
7	Winchester City	21	11	3	7	44	34	10	36
8	Bideford	20	10	5	5	37	26	11	35
9	Evesham United	21	10	5	6	34	28	6	35
10	Didcot Town	22	10	5	7	39	39	0	35
11	Yate Town	22	8	7	7	43	41	2	31
12	Kidlington	20	7	8	5	36	32	4	29
13	Larkhall Athletic	20	8	3	9	37	33	4	27
14	Cirencester Town	21	7	4	10	37	40	-3	25
15	North Leigh	20	7	3	10	29	33	-4	24
16	Paulton Rovers	21	6	4	11	29	38	-9	22
17	Cinderford Town	20	4	8	8	29	32	-3	20
18	Shortwood United	20	5	5	10	31	55	-24	20
19	Slimbridge	20	5	4	11	29	57	-28	19
20	Mangotsfield United	22	4	5	13	23	46	-23	17
21	Barnstaple Town	22	3	5	14	30	54	-24	14
22	Bishops Cleeve	21	1	2	18	17	61	-44	5

Programmes for the 2017-18 Season

The Evo-Stik Southern League has this season made the decision that programmes can either be made available by home clubs in the tradition printed format, or alternatively as an electronic download from the club website.

Therefore, we will not be selling printed programmes for all home games this season. Games where we feel there will be a low demand will only be available this season in their online version.

However, all programmes will be uploaded to our website (whether we physically print or not), and will be available 24 hours before the game from www.slimbridgeafc.co.uk



HANDING over ceremony: In a ceremony at the White Lion Hotel, Cambridge on Wednesday the secretary of Slimbridge AFC (right) Mr. W. G. Prior, received the deeds of the playing field which was bequeathed to the club under the will of Mr. E. W. H. Thornhill. Handing over the deeds is Mr. L. J. Hawkins of Messrs. Scott and Fowler, and also in the picture are members of the football club committee, and Mr. E. W. H. Thornhill, and Mr. A. Thornhill.

Handing Over Soccer Pitch

Slimbridge Bequest of Mr. E. Thornhill

Slimbridge Football Club, thanks to the generosity of its late president Mr. Evi Thornhill, now owns the playing field at The Cross Roads, Slimbridge.

Prior to his death Mr. Thornhill allowed the club to use the pitch, and bequeathed the ground to the club in 1957. Mr. Thornhill died on February 9, 1960, and the necessary legal work having been completed, the official "handing over" ceremony of the deeds took place at the club's headquarters, the White Lion Hotel, Cambridge, on Wednesday evening.

Secretary of the club, Mr. W. G. Prior, received the deeds from Mr. L. J. Hawkins of Messrs Scott and Fowler (Gloucester), the solicitors handling the estate. Mr. E. W. H. Thornhill, joint-president, and Mr. A. Thornhill, vice-president, sons of the late Mr. Evi Thornhill were also present at the ceremony, together with Mr. B. A. Snow, Mr. C. Webb, Mr. G. Weaver, Mr. M. G. Tudor, Mr. E. Pearce of the football club.

To commemorate the gift the club have affixed a plaque to the changing rooms on the ground.
