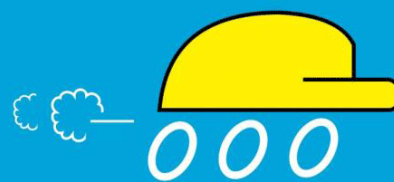


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Today's Teams

Slimbridge AFC

Lewis Adams	1
Finleigh Brown	2
Archie Brennan	3
Joe Noakes	4
Steven Jackson	5
Christien Turner	6
Dean Turner (C)	7
Myron Turner	8
Ewan Dunbar	9
Will Hawes	10
Dan King	11

Cirencester Town

Matuesz Wierczorek
Will Christopher
Louis Spalding
Alexandru Albert
Ellis Dunton
Adam Connolly
Tommy Anderson
Michael Pook
Alan Griffin (C)
Ben Whitehead
Jack Freeman

Ioan Richards	12	James Mortimer-Jones
	13	
Sam Mendes	14	Owen Windsor
Liam Smith	15	Aiden Bennett
Yeshaya Lomotey	16	Jordan Morris
Jamie Martin	17	Babacourr Jarra
Mark Magee	18	

Managers:

Lee Driver-Dickerson
Dave Strain

Charlie Griffin

Physios:

Rebecca Cox

Ryan Meredith

Referee:

Ollie Williams

Assistants:

Jamie Evans
Ryan Price

This Week's Fixtures

Fri 08 Feb 19

19:45 Winchester City v AFC Totton

Sat 09 Feb 19

15:00 Bideford v Street

15:00 Blackfield & Langley v Highworth Town

15:00 Cinderford Town v Melksham Town

15:00 Larkhall Athletic v Barnstaple Town

15:00 Mangotsfield United v Fleet Town

15:00 Paulton Rovers v Moneyfields

15:00 Slimbridge v Cirencester Town

15:00 Thatcham Town v Evesham United

15:00 Yate Town v Bristol Manor Farm

Our Visitors Today

Cirencester Town FC was formed in 1889 and played amateur football in the Cirencester & District League, Cheltenham League and eventually the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League.

In the late '60s Cirencester joined the Gloucester County League, moving from there up to the Hellenic League in 1969. During that time they had their first national cup run, reaching the 2nd round proper of the FA Amateur Cup. They won their first major piece of silverware, taking the Hellenic First Division Championship in 1973-74 to reach the Premier Division. Following a subsequent relegation the modern phase of development was slowly established, with their Smithsfield ground being improved.

Runners up to Cinderford Town in '90-'91 put the club back in the Hellenic Premier, and they also picked up the Hellenic League First Division Challenge Cup for the first time as well as the Gloucestershire Senior Amateur Cup (North). Premier Division Runners up '91 – 92 behind Shortwood United in the Premier Division, they also lost 2-1 to Shortwood United in the GFA Challenge Trophy Final, but bagged that season's Arthur Shipway Cup.

Season 1995-96 was the start of the new era. In partnership with Cirencester College, the club began the ground breaking Football Academy programme. Developing rapidly, first under Dave Hockaday and when he moved as Youth Team Manager to Watford FC, followed by Steve Lowndes, the Academy have been National College Champions in '97 and in '98, five times winners of the English Schools FA U19 Colleges Cup since 1998, and British Colleges Trophy Champions 4 times since '97. The youngsters have regularly reached the latter stages of the FA Youth Cup as the last remaining non-league club in that competition and in 2008-09 reached the third round proper before losing to Sunderland at the Stadium of Light. The success of the Academy has had the knock on effect of providing CTFC with new blood and developing talent.

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Off field, a long planning process led to the development of the Community Club phase led by Chairman Steve Abbley and implemented over 3 years by Business Manager Anna Kocherhan. In summer 2002 Brian Hughes succeeded Ray Baverstock as manager. At the same time the club, having invested the proceeds of the sale of Smithsfield in the Corinium Stadium at Kingshill, moved into their new facility and renamed as "The Centurions". This development was followed in November 2004 by the opening of The Arena, a state of the art full size indoor training facility. We have now been awarded the FA's "Charter Standard Community Club" status and this summer we received the 2006 Gloucestershire FA Award for "Charter Standard Community Club of the Year", which was presented to Steve Abbley by Sir Geoff Hurst.

The Junior section of the club, with its philosophy of "football for all" and which has in the region of 300 members, is of vital importance to the club and with a thriving Ladies team in addition to the Men's first team, the club really does provide a valuable service to the local community. With the Arena hosting approximately 70 teams in its 5-a-side and 6-a-side football leagues, and the Club being a thriving private and corporate event venue, the future of the Club is assured.

In 2003-04, Cirencester Town battled hard with Champions Redditch United and runners up Gloucester City to finish third in the Western Division and joined the newly restructured Southern Football League Premier Division, where, in their first season, they finished seventh, only one point away from the Play Off places.

In May 2006, after four highly successful years and having raised expectations at the club, Brian Hughes resigned as First Team Manager to be replaced by Neil Hards. Neil had taken a year out of football after his achievements at Winchester City where they gained "back to back" promotions and won the FA Vase in 2004. Unfortunately, despite some good early performances, the team lacked the necessary consistency, and a disastrous run of results after Christmas meant they finished in the relegation places. However the club was later reprieved from relegation after a number of changes were made to club allocations in the non-league structure due to club mergers and other decisions.

Our Visitors Today

In May 2007, former players, Adi Viveash and Paul Hunt, took over as Manager and Assistant Manager respectively, and the club was looking forward to making progress again under the new management team, as they set out on their new managerial careers. However things did not go according to plan and despite winning 4 out of 5 games over the festive period the club were relegated to the South and West Division.

Manager Adi Viveash left the Centurions to take up his role as Chelsea and Brian Hughes was again called upon to take up the hot seat as First Team manager. The 2009 – 10 season proved to be a very successful one with the Development squad winning the league in their first season and the first team gaining promotion via the play offs after 2 very good away wins both with late goals.

Manager Brian Hughes managed the clubs first season back in the Premier Division in 2010-2011 and the club finished 13th. Unfortunately 2011-12 saw the heartbreak of relegation and our first year back in the South & West division saw us finish a respectable 10th in the table

2013-2014 saw the club have its most successful season ever gaining automatic promotion back to the Southern League Premier by clinching the title on the last day of the season to beat Merthyr Town to the championship. Brian Hughes worked with a small squad which managed to overturn a 9 point deficit and clinched the title last term by winning the last 7 games of the season whilst everyone else dropped points on the way.

2016-2017 saw changes at the helm after a poor start Brian Hughes was relieved of the manager's job and Charlie Griffin was installed as his replacement. Despite a huge effort, we yet again suffered relegation, losing on the final day of the season to Kings Langley in a must win game to have any chance of survival and needing results elsewhere to go our way which unfortunately did not happen.

Our Visitors Today

2017-2018 A brand new state of the art 3G pitch was installed prior to the start of the new campaign at The Corinium Stadium. After a slow start The Centurions missed out on a playoff spot on goals difference. Charlie and the players finished the season 16 games unbeaten (13 wins & 3 draws) but disappointingly this wasn't enough to clinch the last playoff berth in an exciting end to the season.

Our Visitors Today

Playing Squad

Mateusz Wieczorek - Goalkeeper

Big and strong goalkeeper who commands his box and is quick off the line. Great shot stopper and starts his second season as the established number 1 at The Corinium despite lots of interest from other clubs over the summer.

Will Christopher – Defender

Last seasons ‘Young player of the year’ who has gone from strength to strength since his arrival last season. A pacey full back, who likes a tackle and rarely gives the ball away and is equally as good going forward providing brilliant deliveries from out wide.

Adam Connolly – Defender / Midfielder

Signed just after the start the new season of 2014, a classy midfielder with a Football League pedigree after playing with Cheltenham Town from 2004 to 2008, making 32 appearances in the league. A brief spell with Hednesford Town was followed with an immense spell at Bath City where he was the lynch-pin in their midfield for over 250 times and became one of the greatest players in their history. He had brief spell with neighbours Gloucester City before joining the Centurions, He is known for his canny passing ability and midfield tenacity.

Louis Spalding– Defender

Signed for the Centurions in the Summer having been surprisingly released by Swindon Town. Louis spent a period on loan last term at The Corinium Stadium and was one of Charlie’s first signings over the summer. Great on the ball, works tirelessly for the team and has great delivery from set pieces. A great addition to the squad

Ellis Dunton – Defender

A highly rated, sought after, versatile player who can play anywhere across the back line. A product of our youth system who has been at the club since he was 4 years old and has racked up over 250 appearance in red and black.

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Alexandru Albert – Defender

Big, strong and pacey centre back who re-joined the Centurions after missing the early part of the season and has settled back in as if he has never been away.

Baboucarr Jarra – Defender

Big, strong and pacey centre back who joined from Neighbours Swindon Supermarine. Won the FA Vase with Thatcham Town last season at Wembley. A great addition to the squad and a player with a great reputation within the non-league game.

Aidan Bennett – Attacking Midfielder

Aidan has also been at Cirencester since he was 6 years old and a great product of our youth system. Bags of pace and ability and likes to run at defenders. Hard working and unselfish, Aidan has represented the Centurions over 250 times and has played every position apart from goalkeeper and scores his fair share of goals finishing last term with 12 league goals

James Mortimer-Jones-Midfielder

Joined from Didcot Town in 2010 and has been an ever present at the heart of the Ciren midfield clocking up over 300 appearances to date. He is an intelligent player, good on the ball and has a wide range of passing and has the ability to score wonder goals. A club legend.

Michael Pook – Midfielder

Michael began his career with the Swindon Town Youth system. He went on to make 109 first team appearances for the club. He also played for Cheltenham Town (where he once scored a hat-trick in an amazing 6-5 win V Burton Albion), Oxford City, Maidenhead United and Chippenham Town. A classy, clever, precise midfielder who can unlock defences with a telling pass.

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Jack Freeman – Midfielder

Signed from Shortwood United having previously been at Forest Green Rovers. A skilful, tricky and pacy attacking midfielder that can go from box to box and scores his fair share of goals. Another big prospect at the football club following a great pre-season.

Owen Windsor –Midfielder

Only 16 years old, Owen has joined the 1st team squad and definitely is a player for the future having shown his talent in the pre-season.

Charlie had no hesitation in signing Owen and will be a good addition to the team.

Jordan Morris – Midfielder

Signed from Forest Green Rovers in the summer having spent time at Shortwood United on loan last season. A skilful, pacey winger who looks dangerous every time he goes forward and has pinpoint delivery on his crosses. Will create and score plenty of goals this season.

Ben Whitehead – Striker

Ben picked up every award possible last after scoring an astonishing 47 goals in the league to earn him the golden boot award in the Southern league. Unselfish and works tirelessly for the team but is a match winner scoring goals out of nothing. Despite lots of interest over the summer Ben remained at The Corinium looking to pick up where left of last season. Previous clubs include Swindon Town, Swindon Supermarine and Chippenham Town.

Alan Griffin – Striker

Club captain and a great leader for the Centurions. A big powerful striker who knows where the goal is. Leads the line well and creates chances for others. Great in the air and equally as good on the deck – will score his fair share of goals and despite having 3 months out injured last term Alan still chipped in with 11 league goals in only 25 appearances.

Our Visitors Today

Management Team

Charlie Griffin – Manager

Charlie is now in his second full season as a manager having taken over the managerial reign's mid-way through the 2016-2017 season. After missing out on a play off spot last term (on goal difference) Charlie is already looking to go one better this season and has strengthened his squad with several new additions whilst holding on to the majority of last season team.

Scott Rose – Goalkeeper Coach

Qualified goalkeeping coach who works closely with first team keeper Mateusz and puts him through his paces. Works closely with Charlie and valuable member of the coaching team.

Ryan Meredith – Physio

Ryan has joined the Centurions over the summer to replace Lisa Vicat and comes with a wealth of experience and is regarded highly by all the players in his excellent treatment and rehabilitation of all injured players.



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Sat 18 Aug 18	15:00	Blackfield & Langley	A	League	L	0-1
Wed 22 Aug 18	19:45	Highworth Town	H	League	D	0-0
Sat 25 Aug 18	15:00	Wantage Town	H	FAC Pr	D	1-1
Mon 27 Aug 18	15:00	Bristol Manor Farm	A	League	L	0-3
Sat 01 Sep 18	15:00	Bideford	H	League	W	3-2
Tue 04 Sep 18	19:45	Wantage Town	A	FAC Pr R	L	0-1
Wed 12 Sep 18	19:45	Evesham United	H	League	L	0-1
Sat 15 Sep 18	15:00	Larkhall Athletic	H	League	D	1-1
Sat 22 Sep 18	15:00	Barnstaple Town	A	League	W	2-1
Sat 29 Sep 18	15:00	Winchester City	H	FAT Ex Pr	D	1-1
Tue 02 Oct 18	15:00	Winchester City	H	FAT Ex Pr R	W	3-3
Sat 06 Oct 18	15:00	Paulton Rovers	A	League	L	1-2
Wed 10 Oct 18	19:45	Merthyr Town	H	Lge Cup 1	W	5-1
Sat 13 Oct 18	15:00	Melksham Town	H	FAT Pr	L	2-3
Sat 20 Oct 18	15:00	Fleet Town	H	League	L	1-3
Sat 03 Nov 18	15:00	Street	A	League	L	1-3
Tue 06 Nov 18	19:45	Melksham Town	H	Lge Cup 2	W	4-0
Sat 10 Nov 18	15:00	Paulton Rovers	H	League	W	1-0
Tue 13 Nov 18	19:45	Cirencester Town	A	League	D	3-3
Sat 17 Nov 18	15:00	Moneyfields	A	League	L	1-0
Sat 24 Nov 18	15:00	Winchester City	H	League	L	1-3
Sat 01 Dec 18	15:00	Melksham Town	A	League	L	0-1
Tue 04 Dec 18	19:45	Cinderford Town	A	Lge Cup 3	L	2-4
Sat 08 Dec 18	15:00	AFC Totton	A	League	L	1-2
Sat 15 Dec 18	15:00	Yate Town	H	League	L	1-4
Sat 22 Dec 18	15:00	Mangotsfield United	A	League	W	3-2
Wed 26 Dec 18	13:00	Bristol Manor Farm	H	League	D	3-3
Sat 29 Dec 18	15:00	Blackfield & Langley	H	League	L	0-4

Fixtures 2018-19

Evo-Stick League South, Division One South

Tue 01 Jan 19	15:00	Cinderford Town	A	League	L	0-1
Sat 05 Jan 19	15:00	Thatcham Town	H	League	W	1-0
Sat 12 Jan 19	15:00	Highworth Town	A	League	L	0-4
Sat 19 Jan 19	15:00	Larkhall Athletic	A	League	L	1-2
Tue 22 Jan 19	19:45	Cheltenham Town	A	County C	W	2-2
Sat 26 Jan 19	15:00	Barnstaple Town	H	League	D	1-1
Sat 02 Feb 19	15:00	Evesham United	A	League	L	0-2
Sat 09 Feb 19	15:00	Cirencester Town	H	League		
Sat 16 Feb 19	15:00	Fleet Town	A	League		
Sat 23 Feb 19	15:00	Street	H	League		
Sat 02 Mar 19	15:00	Yate Town	A	League		
Sat 09 Mar 19	15:00	AFC Totton	H	League		
Sat 16 Mar 19	15:00	Winchester City	A	League		
Sat 23 Mar 19	15:00	Melksham Town	H	League		
Sat 06 Apr 19	15:00	Moneyfields	H	League		
Sat 13 Apr 19	15:00	Mangotsfield United	H	League		
Sat 20 Apr 19	15:00	Bideford	A	League		
Mon 22 Apr 19	15:00	Cinderford Town	H	League		
Sat 27 Apr 19	15:00	Thatcham Town	A	League		

Fixtures 2018-19

Midland Floodlit Youth League (U18)

Thu 16 Aug 18	19:45	Pegasus Juniors	A	League	W	2-1
Thu 23 Aug 18	19:45	Bromyard Town	H	League	W	9-0
Thu 30 Aug 18	19:45	Redditch United	H	League	W	7-3
Mon 03 Sep 18	19:45	Stourport Swifts	A	League	W	4-0
Thu 13 Sep 18	19:45	Cheltenham Town	A	League	W	7-3
Thu 20 Sep 18	19:45	Tuffley Rovers	A	FA Y Cup	W	4-1
Tue 25 Sep 18	19:45	Malvern Town	H	League	W	3-0
Tue 03 Oct 18	19:00	Torquay United	A	FA Y Cup	L	0-1
Thu 25 Oct 18	19:45	Bishops Cleeve	H	League	D	2-2
Thu 01 Nov 18	19:45	Cheltenham Town	H	League	D	3-3
Thu 08 Nov 18	19:45	Dudley Town	A	Lge Cup	W	3-0
Thu 15 Nov 18	19:45	Pegasus Juniors	H	League	W	5-0
Sun 18 Nov 18	15:00	Tuffley Rovers	A	County Cup	W	3-0
Tue 27 Nov 18	19:45	Redditch United	A	League	W	6-4
Mon 3 Dec 18	19:45	Gloucester City	H	Lge Cup	L	2-5
Sun 6 Jan 19	14:00	Rodborough Hawkes	A	County Cup	W	3-0
Thu 17 Jan 19	19:30	Bishops Cleve	A	League	W	8-0
Mon 21 Jan 19	19:45	Tuffley Rovers	H	League	W	2-0
Mon 28 Jan 19	19:45	Malvern Town	A	League	D	2-2
Tue 5 Feb 19	19:30	Tytherington Rocks	A	County Cup	-	A-A
Mon 18 Feb 19	19:45	Tuffley Rovers	A	League		
Thu 28 Feb	19:45	Bromyard Town	A	League		

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Swans Pen Pics

Eric Edge

21 year old goalkeeper signed for the swans for the first time this season, played in the USA for FC Miami City, has plenty of experience behind him, an excellent signing for us.

Lewis Adams

An excellent young keeper who plays for our Under 18s, has a bright future ahead of him.

Jaden Maddock

Another exciting youngster who plays for our Under 18s, Jaden has impressed for our youth team and will be looking to cement a regular first team place.

Korey Pring

21 year old defender who had a very good season last year, reliable and very strong, Korey will be looking to push on for us this year.

Jack Dempsey

Jack's first season with us this year, looked very strong in pre-season, this 29 year old has previous experience at Southern league level, formerly with Oldland Abbotonians.

Christien Turner

This 24 year old defender could be the find of the season, signed from neighbours Brimscombe & Thrupp in the summer, Christien has already shown great potential.

Joe Noakes

A 21 year old signing from Bishops Cleeve in the summer, Joe will be looking to establish a regular first team place in this, his first season with us.

Dean Turner

Known as 'Deano' to everyone here at Thornhill Park, Dean is in his 9th season with the swans, a true clubman who will never lie down.

Swans Pen Pics

Sam Mendes

Another excellent signing by manager Lee Driver-Dickerson in the summer, Sam is well respected locally, formerly with Westfields FC, strong tackler and passes a ball well.

Ben Hands

Recruited from Bishops Cleeve pre-season, 21 year old Ben arrives at Thornhill Park with high hopes of establishing himself after we received very good reports about him.

Joe Wilton

Joe's second season with us, has good speed and can cause problems for opposing defences, hoping to see Joe progress further with us this season and establish a regular first team place.

Yeshaya Lomotey

23 year old previously with Shortwood Utd, a tricky midfielder/forward with plenty of pace.

Max Harper-Emerson

Another 21 year old with plenty of potential, Max is another player who is capable of opening up defences, expecting to see Max further improve with us this season.

Adam Bloomfield

Adam has been a scoring sensation for our Under 18s so has rightly been given his chance in the first team where hopefully he can progress.

Will Hawes

A great signing for the Swans in pre-season, Will played at Shortwood Utd last year, a strong, bustling forward who will be looking to get his name on the scoresheet regularly this season.

Swans Pen Pics

Jamie Martin

Long serving stalwart, Jamie is now classed as a senior Swan, always capable of making and scoring goals, a popular player here at Thornhill Park.

Ewen Dunbar

Transferred from Evesham Utd in August Ewen is a very quick forward, this 19 year old has a big season ahead of him.

Liam Smith

A strong midfielder in his second spell with the swans, played at Hartpury college, 23 years old.

Edji Mbunga

Signed for us last season after playing for Gloucester City and Redditch Utd, a quick forward player who has a good eye for goal.

Mark Magee

A mid-season signing from Westfields, a proven goal scorer at this level, mark will bring some much needed experience to the side.

Swans Pen Pics

Manager- Lee Driver-Dickerson

Lee was assistant to manager Freddy Ward last season and has been appointed in the hot seat after Freddy stood down pre-season, a great motivator and man manager.

Assistant manager- Dave Strain

Dave comes with great experience behind him, was assistant manager to John Brough at North Leigh last season and previous to that spent 16 years coaching at Cheltenham Town academy.

Sports therapist- Rebecca Cox

Newly appointed this season, Rebecca also doubles up as physio for our u/18s development team, Rebecca has settled in well with us here at Thornhill Park since her arrival.



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Match Reports

Slimbridge 2-2 Barnstaple Town

Saturday 26th January 2019

Swans surrender two goal lead to hang on to gain valuable point in relegation battle.

After Tuesday night's high flying performance against a strong Cheltenham Town side today's performance failed to live up to expectations. After going two goals up early in the second half the home side failed to close out the game allowing Barnstaple to get back into the game and return home to Devon happy with a point.

Slimbridge started brightly, Jamie Martin hitting the side netting after collecting a pass from Will Hawes inside the box. Archie Brennan returning to the Swans side having featured for parent club Cheltenham in midweek did well on the right feeding the ball to Hawes in turn passing to Martin only to have his shot deflected wide for a corner.

The visitors first shot on goal came after 20 minutes when Jack Jenkins attempt fell into the arms of Lewis Adams. Slimbridge were lucky not to find themselves a goal down a few minutes later when a Swans corner was cleared up field allowing Scott Sharp to break his shot was saved well by Adams and subsequent follow-up deflected wide for a corner.

Adams did well again on the half hour saving from Sharp after Liam Smith had given the ball away in the middle. Dan King having a quiet first half put in a decent cross from the left to Hawes but his shot was blocked at the near post.

The Swans took the lead on 43 minutes Finleigh Brown on the right laid the ball into the feet of Hawes with his back to the goal turned and shot, the ball clipping the inside of the post with visiting stopper Steve Oliver unlucky not to get his finger tips to the ball. In first half stoppage time Brodie Montague headed wide for Barnstaple from a corner.

Match Reports

Barnstaple Town made a change at half time bringing on substitute Jack Lethaby-Price and looked a different side knocking the ball around just outside the home side's box putting the Swans defence under pressure but failed to make any clear chances.

With 5 minutes of the second half gone Adams played the ball out to Brennan on the left who knocked the ball down the touchline to King who ran down the flank and into the box. The ball was pulled back to Hawes whose initial shot was blocked by Oliver but Hawes made no mistake second time around to give Slimbridge a two goal advantage.

King sprung to life again down the left passing his man and putting in a teasing cross through the box but failed to find a home player the ball going out for a throw-in on the other side. The Swans two goal lead only lasted 6 minutes when the ball was played across the Slimbridge goal area to Jenkins in space on the left allowing him time to fire home and reduce the arears with 56 minutes on the clock.

Montague was unlucky 5 minutes later seeing his long range shot sail just wide of the post. However a minute later the Swans were caught napping again this time Lethaby-Price on the right of the box broke free of the defence and shot across Adams goal and into the bottom left corner to bring the score level.

On 76 minutes Adams kept the home side in the game bravely claiming the ball from the feet of the lively Lethaby-Price who was causing the defence all sorts of problems. A few minutes later the Swans made a rare foray into the opposition half, Steve Jacksons cross from the left found Martin to nod down to Hawes but Hawes failed to find the target on this occasion.

Brennan and King linked up well on the left only for Kings cross to evade substitute Ewen Dunbar at the far post. Former Swan Tornado Bello a Barnstaple substitute almost gave his new club the points late on however his goal bound shot was deflected wide.

Match Reports

In the last minute of normal time Hawes played in Dunbar but his first touch was too heavy and allowed Oliver to gather inside his area.

Next up for the Swans is a visit to local rivals Evesham United next Saturday 2nd February.

Slimbridge: Adams, Brown, Brennann, Noakes, Jackson (Magee 85), C Turner, D Turner, Smith (M Turner 81), Martin (Dunbar 81), Hawes, King

Attendance: 102

Supporter's man of the match: Will Hawes

Match Reports

Evesham United 2-0 Slimbridge

Saturday 2nd February 2019

Slimbridge suffer defeat on the road

In one of only a handful of fixtures to beat the snowy weather Slimbridge fell to defeat from two second half goals created and scored by the Simpson brothers with home stopper Andy Hannah putting in a man of the match performance to keep out the Swans.

The first half was a fairly even affair with the Slimbridge midfield doing well to harass and breakdown a strong Evesham side containing six former players. Kye Simpson forced a save out of Lewis Adams in the first minute finding space on the left.

A break from the back for the Swans saw Will Hawes and Ewen Dunbar link up through the middle, the final ball to Dunbar in the box was too high and the Slimbridge striker was flagged for a high foot on the home keeper.

Kane Simpson burst into the box on the right taking the ball around Adams who spread himself well to put the striker off only to see his cross shot go out for a goal kick. On 10 minutes Hawes tried a speculative shot from 40 yards that sailed wide of the far post.

Swans captain Dean Turner saved his team from going behind on 14 minutes hooking the ball off the line from Kane Simpson after he collected a throw-in on the right from Liam Harding. Slimbridge managed to get a grasp of the game in midfield frustrating the home side and not allowing them to play their normal passing game.

Hawes and Dan King linked up in the middle Kings effort from 25 yards going over the bar. A few minutes later the visitors had another let off, Marley Thomas striking the left post with a shot the ball going back along the goal line and bouncing back into play off the post on the right.

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On the half hour Myron Turners strike from outside the box was well saved by Hannah. A few moments later King on the left played the ball to Archie Brennan whose cross found Dunbar at the far post his header finding Turner who fired just over the bar. As the half came to an end Steve Jackson's shot from Brennan's pass was saved by Hannah but the Swans could not get the ball into the net with the home defence blocking numerous attempts inside the box, when the ball did break clear to King, his effort on the left fell wide.

The home side started the second half strongly and were rewarded for their spell of pressure with a goal on 56 minutes. Kye Simpsons shot from 20 yards hitting the post and rebounding into the path of brother Kane Simpson to fire past Adams to give the home side the lead.

Less than five minutes later Slimbridge almost drew level Dunbar working himself to the edge of the box and firing over Hannah who pulled off a cracking save to tip the ball over the bar. Slimbridge continued to push for an equaliser but failing to make any headway in the final third of the field.

Substitute Mark Magee returning from injury looked lively around the edge of the box. With less than ten minutes remaining Magee collected a through ball from Myron Turner just inside the box before turning and firing at goal only to see Hannah tip the ball over the bar.

With 4 minutes left on the clock Joe Noakes ball from the back destined for Dunbar on the right wing was intercepted by Jacob Davidge who ran into the box squaring to Kane Simpson on the right duping Adams into going to ground early allowing him to tap the ball into an empty net to give the home side victory.

Slimbridge: Adams, Brown, Brennan, Noakes, Jackson, C Turner, D Turner (76 Smith), M Turner, Dunbar, Hawes (62 Magee), King (67 Martin)

Supporter's man of the match: Christien Turner

Player Appearances

		Started	Subs	Goals
C	Turner	30	2	0
D	Turner	29	2	1
K	Pring	29	0	2
E	Dunbar	23	11	9
D	King	23	1	1
W	Hawes	22	6	10
E	Edge	18	0	0
J	Noakes	18	3	1
L	Smith	17	10	0
L	Adams	17	0	0
E	Mbunga	16	3	1
M	Turner	16	3	1
Y	Lomotey	15	12	4
M	Harper-Emerson	14	1	3
B	Hands	11	5	0
S	Jackson	11	1	3
L	Payne	10	0	0
J	Maddock	10	2	0
J	Martin	8	11	4
M	Magee	7	2	3
I	Richards	7	1	0
S	Mendes	6	9	0
J	Dempsey	5	0	0
S	Bello	5	0	0
A	Brennan	5	0	0
J	Beadle	4	2	0
F	Brown	4	0	0
A	Bloomfield	2	3	0
M	Pulman	1	0	0
J	Wilton	1	3	1
J	Martin.	1	0	0
S	Bellow	0	2	0
F	Byrnes	0	1	0

Goal Scorers

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W	Hawes	22	6	10
E	Dunbar	23	11	9
Y	Lomotey	15	12	4
J	Martin	8	11	4
M	Harper-Emerson	14	1	3
S	Jackson	11	1	3
M	Magee	7	2	3
K	Pring	29	0	2
J	Noakes	18	3	1
D	Turner	29	2	1
E	Mbunga	16	3	1
D	King	23	1	1
J	Wilton	1	3	1
M	Turner	16	3	1



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League Table

Evo-Stik League South, Division One South 2018 - 2019

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Blackfield & Langley	25	17	3	5	46	23	23	54
2	Moneyfields	25	16	5	4	51	24	27	53
3	Yate Town	24	16	5	3	47	24	23	53
4	Evesham United	26	14	4	8	49	34	15	46
5	Cirencester Town	24	12	4	8	63	38	25	40
6	AFC Totton	24	12	4	8	46	32	14	40
7	Winchester City	24	11	6	7	44	35	9	39
8	Cinderford Town	25	11	5	9	38	31	7	38
9	Melksham Town	24	11	5	8	38	45	-7	38
10	Street	25	10	7	8	39	33	6	37
11	Bideford	24	11	4	9	49	46	3	37
12	Highworth Town	25	10	7	8	46	46	0	37
13	Larkhall Athletic	24	9	6	9	35	31	4	33
14	Thatcham Town	24	10	3	11	35	42	-7	33
15	Bristol Manor Farm	24	8	5	11	43	50	-7	29
16	Paulton Rovers	25	7	3	15	37	50	-13	24
17	Slimbridge	26	5	5	16	26	51	-25	20
18	Mangotsfield United	25	5	3	17	35	52	-17	18
19	Fleet Town	24	4	1	19	35	73	-38	13
20	Barnstaple Town	25	3	3	19	28	70	-42	12

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