

STURMINSTER NEWTON
UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB



MATCHDAY PROGRAMME



STURMINSTER
NEWTON UNITED FC

VS



EAST COWES VICTORIA
ATHLETIC FOOTBALL
CLUB

SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2026

KICK OFF: 3PM
WE HEAT SOUTH STADIUM

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WELCOME TO WE HEAT SOUTH STADIUM



THE HOME OF STURMINSTER NEWTON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

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President:	Richard Frear
Vice President:	Steve Clarke
Chairman:	Lee Bright
Vice Chairman:	Ian Myall
Club Secretary:	Taylor Mowlem
Football Secretary:	Phil Blakey
Treasurer:	John Cowley
Welfare Officer:	Adam Kellaway
Welfare Officer / Programme Editor:	Phoebe Warren
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Director of Operations:	Mark Deakin
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Committee Member:	Fred Douch
Committee Member:	Mark Rowland

WHERE YOU CAN FIND US



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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Good afternoon and a very warm welcome to everyone joining us today for our league fixture against East Cowes Victoria Athletic FC.

We extend a special welcome to the players, officials, committee and supporters of East Cowes Victoria. Thank you for making the journey to Sturminster Newton and we hope you enjoy your visit and have a safe journey home.

As the season continues, every league game becomes increasingly important; today is another opportunity for the players to put in a strong performance and build on the work they have done so far this season. There is still a long way to go, but we are continuing to learn, improve and compete in what has been an exciting month in our first season in our new league.

A huge thank you as always to all supporters, volunteers, players, managers and committee members involved in SNUFC. Enjoy the game!

Lee Bright
Chairman

MANAGER'S NOTES

A very good afternoon to everyone. Last weeked we rounded off our first month as a Step 5 team with a 1-0 League Cup victory at home to Division One side Lymington. It was a really pleasing way to finish what has been an emotional and intensive month for everyone involved with the club.

For nearly all of us, this is a completely new adventure and I firmly believe we are gradually beginning to understand the demands of Step 5, both on and off the pitch. We have worked incredibly hard and, in the league, have won three, drawn one and lost two - giving us valuable points and, more importantly, confidence in our ability to compete at this level.

Small, realistic targets are important, as is remembering the journey that has brought us two promotions in four seasons. That doesn't happen by luck. It shows what is possible when you believe, work hard and stay together.

Get behind the lads, be loud and be proud to be a part of our unique Cherry Family!

Nick Squires
First Team Manager

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Man of the Match



Eliot Bevis

Sturminster made their debut in the Industrial Boiler's Wessex League Cup, progressing through to the second round with a comfortable home win against a spirited Lymington side. Sturminster made several changes from the team that played in midweek, and it took a while for them to settle against their industrious opponents. Sturminster's best opportunity came from set pieces, with two headed efforts narrowly missing, so the match was a stalemate at half time.

A raft of changes on 55 minutes changed the complexion of the game and it was one of those changes, Eliot Bevis, who was on the end of a flowing move to rifle the ball home. He nearly repeated the trick a few minutes later, however shot wide. As the game meandered towards it's conclusion, Lymington applied some pressure but didn't really trouble the Sturminster goal as the home side progressed through to the second round.

TODAY'S VISITORS



EAST COWES VICTORIA ATHLETIC FC

Introduction

East Cowes Victoria Athletic FC, known as **The Vics**, was formed in 1885 and is based at Beatrice Avenue. The club has a proud Isle of Wight history and has competed in the Wessex League since 2003/04.

Current League Position

League: East Cowes Victoria Athletic are currently 9th in the Wessex League Premier Division.

Recent Form

W-W-L-D-D

Manager

The current Lyminster Town FC First Team manager is Alex Smith.

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History of East Cowes Vics



1885

East Cowes Victoria FC was founded

1898

The club became founder members of the Isle of Wight League

1952/53

Won Hampshire League Division Two

1987/88

Joined the Wessex League and won the Wessex League Cup in their first season

2023/24

Finished 6th in Wessex Division One

2024/25

Finished 4th and won the promotion play off final, returning to the Wessex Premier Division

2025/26

Finished 14th in their first Premier Division season back at Step 5

2026/27

Continue in the Wessex Premier Division under Alex Smith

History of Sturminster Newton United FC



1871

Club founded as Panthers FC in Blandford Forum

1874

Becomes the first football club from the West Country to compete in the FA Cup, reaching the second round of three occasions

1945

Adopts its current name, Sturminster Newton United Football Club

1972

Wins the Dorset League Division One title and rejoins the Dorset Combination

1981

Wins the Dorset Combination League Cup for the first time

1990s

Wins a second Dorset Combination League Cup and moves into current home at Honeymead Lane

2010s

Wins the Dorset Senior Trophy under manager Gary Head

2020s

Wins a second Dorset Senior Trophy under manager Nick Squires. Lifts the Dorset Premier League Cup. Promotion to Step 6 & 5.

TODAY'S SQUADS

SNUFC
Player Name
Theo Crane (GK)
Nick Hewlett
George Adair-Charlton
Jack Atkins
Elliot Bevis
Billy Bright
Thomas Budden
George W Coleman
George Coleman (GC)
Ben Cowley
Jamie Danoris
Jensen Doerr
Will Guppy
Adam Hall
Sean Hart
Ben Knight
Aaron Lane-Leney
Buddy O'Shea
Ben Reed
Luc Rukiza

COACHING STAFF
Manager: Nick Squires
Assistant Manager: Joshua Junior Mead
Coaches: Martin Silk, Daniel Stone & Ashley Clarke
Sports Therapist: Annie Lammas

VISITORS
Player Name
George Bridi (GK)
Scott Jones
Liam Newbold
Josh Neale
Will Bridi
Raff Boyd-Kerr
Gabriel Wall
Charlie Haward
Liam Triggs
Charlie Hart
Jordan Chapman
Connor Mooney
Harrison Yates
Elliot Wheeler
Macca Barnes
Toby Snow
Caleb Neale
Caleb Dyer
Dylan Wightwick
Ollie West

COACHING STAFF
Managers: Alex Smith & Elliot Wheeler
Assistant: Stuart Simmonds
Coach: Andy Rann
Physio: Keiron Wye

Match Officials: Referee: Daniel Eziukwu Assistant: Aaron Evans Assistant: Benjamin Haskett

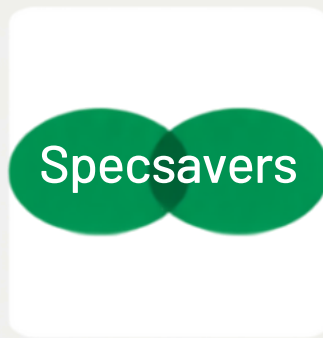
PLAYER PROFILE



Will Guppy

- 1. How did you first get into football?** – As soon as I could walk and kick a ball I was doing it!
- 2. What's the proudest moment of your football career?** – Playing with Ashley Clarke ;)
- 3. Is there a match you will never forget and why?** – I'll never forget when we won our first trophy as a group, what a night, then straight to Newcastle
- 4. What club do you support and why?** – I support Yeovil and I'm not quite sure why, it's painful
- 5. Hobbies away from football?** – I like playing darts, going to the gym and eating loads
- 6. Song always on your Spotify playlist before a match?** – I don't really listen to music before a game
- 7. Any pre-match rituals?** – Again no pre match rituals, just eat a good meal and chill out
- 8. Go to film?** – Any of the Hangover films
- 9. Personal goals for the season?** – Doing better than last season 😊

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Reserves

Upcoming Reserves Fixtures - September

Date	Opponent	Venue	Kick-off
12/09/26	Ringwood Town Development	We Heat South Stadium	15:00
19/09/26	Bournemouth Electric Reserves	Broadway Lane, Bournemouth,	15:00
26/09/26	Bere Regis First	Bere Regis Sports Club, North Street, Bere Regis	15:00

SNUFC Youth

U8s

Coach: Daniel Warren

U10s

Coach: Callum Frampton

U11s

Coach: Matt Benefer

U13s

Coach: Chris Fear

U14s

Coach: Stu Frear

U15s

Coach: Simon Goddard



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SNUFC Youth**



Wessex League Premier Division



About the Wessex League Premier Division

The Wessex League Premier Division is one of the leading regional football leagues in Southern England. It sits at Step 5 of the National League System and is administered by the Wessex Football League. Founded in 1986 and covering the regions of Hampshire, Dorset, Wiltshire, the Isle of Wight, Berkshire and surrounding areas. The league provides a competitive bridge between county football and the semi-professional national pyramid. Many clubs use it as a stepping stone towards the Southern League or Isthmian League. Each club plays every other club home and away. A standard season consists of 38 league matches per team. Teams receive: 3 points for a win; 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss. Premier Division clubs also compete in: Wessex League Cup; FA Cup from the Prelim Round and FA Vase. The Premier Division is regarded as a strong Step 5 competition, with many clubs: operating floodlit grounds. attracting crowds between 100 and 500 with bigger matches drawing more and developing young players who progress into higher levels of non-league football. The Wessex League Premier Division is one of England's most respected regional leagues. It combines community-based clubs, player development, local rivalries, and a realistic pathway into higher levels of the English football pyramid, making it an important part of non-league football in southern England.

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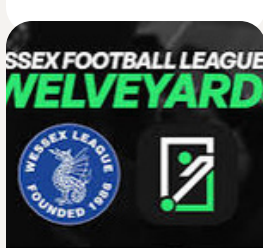
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Current Wessex League Premier Division Table

As of 4th September 2026

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Fareham Town	5	5	0	0	9	2	7	15
2	Downton	6	4	1	1	19	11	8	13
3	Sturminster Newton United	6	3	1	2	11	7	4	10
4	Fleetlands	4	3	1	0	9	5	4	10
5	Sherborne Town	8	2	4	2	9	9	0	10
6	Millbrook	4	3	0	1	8	3	5	9
7	Hamworthy Recreation	4	2	2	0	9	5	4	8
8	Andover New Street	5	2	2	1	6	4	2	8
9	East Cowes Victoria Athletic	6	2	2	2	9	9	0	8
10	Hamble Club	5	1	4	0	9	8	1	7
11	Petersfield Town	5	2	1	2	9	8	1	7
12	Cowes Sports	5	2	1	2	4	5	-1	7
13	Hordean	5	2	0	3	6	5	1	6
14	Brockenhurst	5	2	0	3	7	11	-4	6
15	Laverstock & Ford	5	1	2	2	8	8	0	5
16	Hythe & Dibden	8	1	2	5	6	12	-6	5
17	Baffins Milton Rovers	4	1	1	2	4	6	-2	4
18	Bemerton Heath Harlequins	4	1	1	2	7	14	-7	4
19	Bournemouth Poppies	6	1	1	4	4	12	-8	4
20	Bashley	3	1	0	2	4	5	-1	3
21	Christchurch	5	0	0	5	6	14	-8	0

First Team - September Fixtures

Wessex League Premier Division

SEPTEMBER						
Sat 5	15:00	Home	East Cowes Victoria Athletic	Wessex League - Premier Division	-	
Tue 8	19:45	Home	Bournemouth Poppies	Wessex League - Premier Division	-	
Tue 15	19:45	Away	Brockenhurst	Wessex League - Premier Division	-	
Sat 19	15:00	Away	Baffins Milton Rovers	Wessex League - Premier Division	-	
Sat 26	15:00	Home	Hamble Club	Wessex League - Premier Division	-	

**Next Match: Tuesday 8th September vs
Bournemouth Poppies at We Heat South
Stadium**

FA POLICIES

SNUFC OWNERSHIP STATEMENT

Sturminster Newton United Football Club is a private limited company by guarantee without share capital. (Use of 'Limited' exemption)

Company number: 05153583

FA EQUALITY POLICY - [the-fa-charter-standard-equality-policy](#)

The FA Equality Policy is committed to ensuring that football is open, inclusive, and accessible to everyone. It aims to eliminate discrimination, promote equality of opportunity and foster an environment where all participants are treated with dignity and respect. The policy promotes equal opportunities for everyone involved in football, regardless of background. It prohibits discrimination, harassment, bullying and victimisation. It protects people from unfair treatment based on the protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010. Encourages diversity and inclusion at all levels of the game, from grassroots to professional football. Requires clubs, leagues, coaches, referee, players, volunteers and staff to uphold equality standards. Provides procedures for reporting, investigation and dealing with discrimination or misconduct and supports education and training to promote inclusive behaviour and prevent discrimination.

FA SAFEGUARDING POLICY - <https://www.thefa.com/football-rules-governance/safeguarding/section-11-the-complete-downloads-directory>

The FA Safeguarding Policy is designed to protect children, young people and adults at risk involved in football. It ensures everyone can participate in the game in a safe, positive and supportive environment. It prioritises the welfare and safety of children and adults at risk. Promotes a culture where everyone has a responsibility to safeguard others. Requires all coaches, volunteers, officials and staff to follow safeguarding procedures and codes of conduct. Encourages concerns about abuse, neglect, bullying or poor practice to be reported immediately. Requires suitable recruitment checks, including DBS checks where appropriate, for those working with children or adults at risk. Provides safeguarding training and guidance to help recognise, prevent and respond to concerns.

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NEXT FIXTURE



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