



Isuzu FA Vase – 1st round qualifying

Sturminster Newton United

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Ash United

Saturday 23rd August 2025

Kick-Off – 3PM

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The Home of Sturminster Newton United FC

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Welcome from the Chairman

Welcome to Barnett's Field for this afternoon's Isuzu FA Vase 1st round qualifying fixture.

Last season we had a decent run in this competition, reaching the first round proper at our first attempt, beating Folland Sports and Infinity and eventually losing 1-0 to a very good Okehampton Argyle side in a very even game here at Barnett's Field.

This season, our league campaign has started well, so far with maximum points from our first four games putting us top of the Western League Division One.

Our opponents today have also gained maximum points from their first three games in the Wessex League Division One, although this is the first game away from Youngs Drive for them this season, so this ought to be a good encounter this afternoon, and come around five o'clock we should know who will progress to the next round. Let's hope for a good game.

Finally, thank you all for your continued support home and away. It really does make a difference! Also welcome to any new supporters who are joining us on our journey. I think you will enjoy the experience.

Thanks to you all

Lee

Lee Bright
Chairman



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Thanks to our sponsors

A huge thank you to all of our sponsors! We would struggle to do this without your contributions to the club. We will do a fuller report on our sponsors in a future programme, but supporters will notice the new sponsors signage on the back of the two stands today, as well as some new advertising boards around the ground.

Today's match is kindly sponsored by Nazareth Lodge. Thank you.



Since we were last here...

Having started the season well with wins over Welton Rovers, Bristol Telephones and Cheddar, last Saturday we welcomed newly promoted Almondsbury to Sturminster Newton. A 2-0 win giving us another three points, leaving us top of the table and the only team in the table with maximum points after four games. Still early days yet obviously, but a great start!

Saturday 16th August 2025

Sturminster Newton United 2 Almondsbury 0

Another hot afternoon at Barnett's Field for the first visit to Sturminster Newton for newly promoted Almondsbury.

The match started well for the home side when on five minutes they were awarded a penalty. George Coleman's penalty kick was well saved by the away keeper and repeated as the ball came back in followed by a good goal-line clearance to keep the home side out.

The Cherries continued to create chances and around 15 minutes after the penalty Ashley Clarke popped up to score the opening goal.

So the teams went in at half-time with the home side one goal ahead, but with the promise of more to come.

The spectators didn't have long to wait after the break for Ashley Clarke again to put away his and the team's second goal to take their advantage to 2-0. As the half wore on, Stur's better fitness seem to take its toll and they created several chances, but remarkably no further goals were forthcoming and the match ended with a convincing 2-0 win.

Worth mentioning a great performance too from today's referee on her first visit to Sturminster Newton and from her two assistants, all of whom hardly put a foot wrong all afternoon. Great job folks and hope to see you here again soon.



Man of the match for the home game against Almondsbury was Ashley Clarke. Presented by Steve Fowles Painting & Decorating.

Next up...

On Tuesday 26th August we are on the road travel to Devizes Town for our Jewson Western League Division One match – kick off at 7.45pm. We hope to see you there.

Sturminster Newton United FC – History

In 1874 the club, which was then known as the Panthers FC, became the first ever club from the West Country to participate in the FA Cup, reaching the second round on three occasions.

In 1877-78 they played the legendary Wanderers in the first round but lost 9-1. In the 1890's their name was changed to Sturminster St Mary's, with the current name adopted in 1945.

They were among the founding members of the Dorset Combination in 1957, having previously played in the Dorset League. After leaving the league due to financial difficulties in 1960, they played in the lower Dorset Senior League until they re-joined the Combination in 1972. They remained in that competition (since 2002 known as the Dorset Premier League) until 2011, when they were relegated to the Dorset Senior League. During this time, they won the Combination Cup twice, in 1981 and 1995.

They moved from a public recreation ground to their own stadium in Honeymead Lane in 1996.

In 2011-12 under Gary Head, in his first full season in charge, the club won the Dorset Senior Trophy with a 1-0 win over Parley Sports at Wimborne Town. In 2021-22 under the management of Nick Squires the club won its second Dorset Senior Trophy, beating Merley Cobham Sports 2-1 at The County Ground, Hamworthy. In 2022-23 the club continued their success adding the Dorset Premier League Cup to the trophy cabinet beating Sturminster Marshall 4-1 at Wimborne Town. The 2023-24 season has been the most successful in the clubs history as they have won the Dorset Premier League for the first time and have gained promotion to Step 6. A great season first time around in the Jewson Western League Division One saw them finish a very credible eighth under Nick Squires.

Dorset League Division One Winners 1971-72

Dorset Senior Trophy Winners – 2011-12 and 2021-22

Dorset Combination League Cup Winners – 1980-81 and 1995-96

Dorset Premier League Cup Winners – 2022-23 and 2023-24

Dorset Premier League Winners 2023-24

History of Ash United FC

Ash United FC was founded in 1911 and started playing matches at Ash Common. They soon became well established in the Surrey Intermediate League, winning every honour possible. After the Second World War Ash United restructured and the 1947/48 season was the most successful in their short history, winning the League Championship and four-cup competitions. They then had to wait until the 1966/67 season for their next successful campaign where they dominated the Surrey Intermediate Premier "A" League. The title was won with only two points dropped out of a possible fifty-two. This included a long unbeaten record with 121 goals for and only 19 against. The reserve team followed suit winning the Division "A" title scoring 137 goals in only 26 games. With the club having a strong squad of players, promotion to the Surrey Senior League was achieved in 1968. Finishing runners up in both the league and the cup in the first season their first spell in the Surrey Senior League came to an end in 1971 when being forced to change grounds. Ash United were re-admitted to the Surrey Senior League when a new permanent ground was found, which happens to be the current ground at Youngs Drive, The Smurfit Kappa stadium. The next successful season was 1977/78. They won the Charity Cup beating Dorking 2-1. The following season they were runners-up in both the newly named Combined Counties League and the Philips Football Floodlighting Cup Competition.

More Recently...

We integrated what was formerly known as junior shots to Ash United Youth FC with over 300 children from u5 to U16 playing across the Surrey youth, Hants & Berks leagues. We hope this cements a pathway for young players to progress into the first team. The appointment of our new first team manager – our Reserves & U18s are run by the coaching team (Alex Justin Josh & Paul) move to the Aldershot and District league – our u18 Playing in the Allied counties u18 midweek league – Our newly formed Ash United Women (Managed by Dan & Blaine) play in the women's southern combination league and we also have a new Vets team run.

Please contact us if you wish to get involved. 07711040033 OR ASHUTDYOUTHFC

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The Isuzu FA Challenge Vase

1st Round Qualifying

A few notes for spectators

In today's match, if the score at full time is drawn, the match will be decided by taking kicks from the penalty mark.

Substitutes – up to five may be used from five named

For the winner today, a home draw in the second round qualifying awaits against the winner of Pagham and Newport(IW).

Jewson Western League – Division One table as at 21/08/2025

POS		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Sturminster Newton United	4	4	0	0	15	12
2	Bristol Telephones	4	3	0	1	2	9
3	Longwell Green Sports	4	3	0	1	2	9
4	Devizes Town	4	2	2	0	8	8
5	Bitton	4	2	2	0	2	8
6	Avonmouth	3	2	1	0	4	7
7	Warminster Town	4	2	1	1	3	7
8	Mendip Broadwalk	4	2	1	1	1	7
9	AEK Boco	4	2	0	2	1	6
10	Wells City	4	2	0	2	1	6
11	Almondsbury	4	2	0	2	-2	6
12	Cadbury Heath	4	1	2	1	-2	5
13	Calne Town	4	1	1	2	0	4
14	Shirehampton	3	1	1	1	0	4
15	Odd Down (BATH)	4	0	2	2	-3	2
16	Cheddar	4	0	2	2	-8	2
17	Welton Rovers	4	0	2	2	-9	2
18	Hengrove Athletic	4	0	1	3	-4	1
19	Keynsham Town	4	0	1	3	-4	1
20	Radstock Town	4	0	1	3	-7	1

Velocity Wessex League – Division One table as at 21/08/2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Whitchurch United	4	4	0	0	16	3	13	12
2	Romsey Town	4	3	1	0	12	5	7	10
3	Folland Sports	3	3	0	0	9	1	8	9
4	Frimley Green	3	3	0	0	10	4	6	9
5	Ash United	3	3	0	0	7	3	4	9
6	Ringwood Town	4	3	0	1	11	8	3	9
7	Fleetlands	4	2	1	1	8	5	3	7
8	Alresford Town	4	2	1	1	8	6	2	7
9	Amesbury Town	5	2	1	2	8	8	0	7
10	Kintbury Rangers	5	1	3	1	9	8	1	6
11	Clanfield	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4
12	Blackfield & Langley	4	1	1	2	4	8	-4	4
13	Hamworthy United	4	1	0	3	5	7	-2	3
14	Colden Common	3	1	0	2	7	11	-4	3
15	United Services Portsmouth	3	1	0	2	5	12	-7	3
16	AFC Aldermaston	3	0	2	1	4	5	-1	2
17	Cove	3	0	2	1	4	6	-2	2
18	Lymington Town	2	0	1	1	3	5	-2	1
19	Yateley United	4	0	1	3	7	13	-6	1
20	Fawley AFC	4	0	1	3	2	9	-7	1
21	Totton & Eling	3	0	0	3	4	10	-6	0
22	Newport (IoW)	3	0	0	3	2	8	-6	0

Today's squads

STURMINSTER NEWTON UNITED

No.	Goals	Sub
	Theo Crane	
	Nick Hewlett	
	Jack Atkins	
	Buddy O'Shea	
	Elliot Bevis	
	Billy Bright	
	Ashley Clarke	
	George (GC) Coleman	
	Benjamin Cowley	
	Jamie Danoris	
	Ryan Schouten	
	William Guppy	
	Adam Hall	
	Harry Smith	
	Aaron Lane-Leney	
	Ewan Barkess	
	George (W) Coleman	
	Charlie Garrod	
	Matthew Jobbins	
	Ben Reed	
	Ben Knight	
	Jensen Doerr	
	Nick Squires	Manager
	Martin Silk	Asst Manager
	Joshua Mead	Head Coach
	Mark Deakin	Coach/Medic
	Annie Lammas	Physio

Kit: Red & Black shirts, Black shorts, Red & Black hooped socks

ASH UNITED

No.	Goals	Sub
	Aron Bufton	
	Reece Knight	
	Jack Conroy	
	George Tims	
	Chris Farmiloe	
	Ollie Lychett	
	Morris Musselwhite	
	Tommy Loveridge	
	Kurt Greenaway	
	Freddie Jones	
	Tom White	
	Joe Gibbins	
	Will Frazo	
	Luca Scannella	
	James Hughes	
	Toby Harris	
	Luke Halsey	
	Finn Aherne	
	Fraser Tricky	
	James Chivers	
	Taylor Brown	
	Louis Lindsey	
	Kieron Callan	
	Phil Ruggles	Manager
	Paul Hockley	Coach
	Gavin Collins	Coach
	Richard Lane	Physio

Kit: Yellow, Blue & White shirts, Blue shorts, Blue socks

Match Officials:

Referee: Steven Gilbert
 Assistant 1: Paul Kirby
 Assistant 2: George Thornton