



Jewson Western League Division One

Sturminster Newton United

Vs

Bristol Telephones

Saturday 9th 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 our second season at step six, the Jewson Western League Division One. Last season, our first at this level, was a pretty incredible journey for the club, ending up in eighth position in the table. Not bad for our first attempt.

The season was a great success off the pitch too, with many ground improvements being carried out, and of course the installation of our new fifty seater stand, all of which made sure that we hit the ground grading requirements by the 31st March deadline, so that we could continue to play at this level.

This season started well for us. Our first match was at home to Welton Rovers and although we had a 2-0 lead at half time, there was always just a worry that if the opposition scored it could be a tricky game. As it turned out we were able to make the most of the many shots that we had and ended up 6-1 winners, a result which put us top of the division! Okay so that's a long way to go yet, but it's a nice place to be!

Now we turn our attentions to our second opponents and we welcome Bristol Telephones to Barnett's Field today. Last season we won both of our league games against Bristol Telephones (2-1 in both matches), but we shouldn't take that for granted today, as they also had a win on their opening day at home to Calne Town.

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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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 future programmes, 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.

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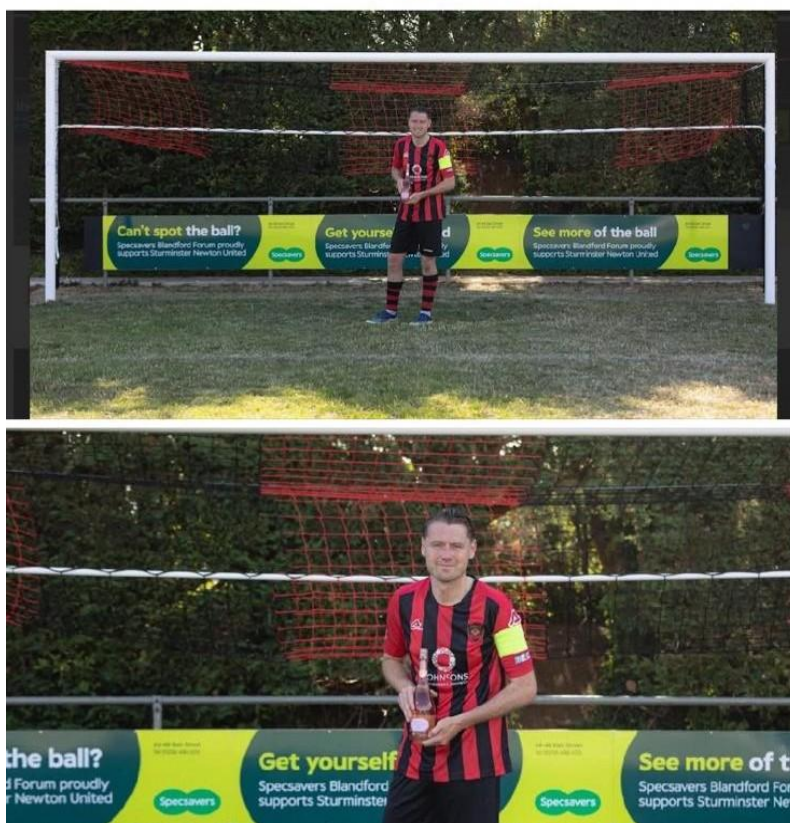


Since we were last here...

Following a great pre-season, which was a good test for the squad, trialling some new players and testing out some of the more familiar faces. All of them have worked hard, and the lads look ready, fitter, and leaner for the new season. Come on The Cherries!

The first league encounter last weekend was against newly relegated Welton Rovers. First goal of the season was scored by captain Nick Hewlett, followed by the second from Bevv. Half time 2-0 and a few nervous faces in the crowd as Welton threatened the home goal. However early second half goals from Adam Hall and George W Coleman gave us a 4-0 lead before Welton replied with a scrambled goal line shot which a few felt had an element of offside. The Assistant though was well placed and the goal stood. The final half hour though was mostly with Stur, with a few chances at the other end, but the game was finally put to bed by strikes from Laney and Buddy during the final ten minutes. 6-1 was the final score and we were top of the table (after one game!).

Club captain [Nick Hewlett](#) received a gift at yesterday's first league game for scoring the first goal of the season, in our brand new goals well done Hewlett let's hope it's one of many this season 🏆🍒





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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 Bristol Telephones FC

Formed in 1948, Bristol Telephones were originally known as Bristol Post Office Telephones Football Club, as they were then part of the Post Office.

Playing at Bristol Civil Service Club, they had to leave that pitch when BT was privatised under Maggie Thatcher.

They then played at various grounds, until the overall social club purchased their current ground in 1984. Various improvements were undertaken but in 1994 the clubhouse, which was mostly wooden construction, was destroyed by fire.

For the next season, Bristol Telephones, as we were now called, were able to borrow changing facilities from Cutters Friday, whose ground borders our own, until the current clubhouse was constructed.

In recent years this has seen substantial improvements such that it is now considered one of the best clubs in the area.

Telephones started life in the Bristol and Suburban League, being an ever present club in the 'Premier' Divisions since it's formation, until our promotion to the Gloucestershire County League

Telephones were promoted to the Gloucestershire County League in season 2013/14 and became champions in 2016/17, allowing them to be promoted to the Toolstation Western League.

This is our ninth season in the Toolstation Western League having finished at our highest position of ninth last season.

This season we know that John and his team are looking to build on that finish and are aiming to be pushing for promotion at the end of the season. Especially pleasing is the introduction of a number of our under 18 squad during last season and we are excited to see how they progress this term

In terms of trophies, Phones were Gloucestershire County League Champions in 2016/17, Suburban Premier League Champions three times, the Premier Div 2 winners twice, and Bosley Cup Winners four times.

We also won the Gloucester Junior Cup in 1975, and were Finalists in the Gloucestershire Senior Amateur Cup in 2012.

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League table as at 02/08/2025

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

BRISTOL TELEPHONES

No.	Goals	Sub
	Jordan Anstey	
	James Batchelor	
	Leon Britton	
	Nathan Curnock	
	Archie Dark	
	Lewis Ewins	
	Isaac Flynn	
	Zakary Giles	
	Nathan Gore	
	Jamie Gregory	
	Scott Gregory	
	Jacob Lanfear	
	Stefan Lee	
	Matthew Martin	
	Liam McCracken	
	Jamie Noble	
	Cameron Ricketts	
	Owen Ridler	
	George Rooke	
	Charlie Tiley	
	Aston Trott	
	Craig Wilson	
	Ellis Yeeles	
	John Allen	Joint Manager
	Russell Holt	Joint Manager
	Rich Williams	Physio

Kit: Yellow shirts, Blue shorts, Yellow socks

Match Officials:

Referee:	Roger Hughes
Assistant 1:	Nicholas Eke
Assistant 2:	Benjamin Haskett