



Jewson Western League Division One

Sturminster Newton United

Vs

Cadbury Heath

Saturday 14th March 2026

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 Jewson Western League Division One fixture.

Keynsham Town were our last visitors to Barnett's Field. Keynsham played as if nobody had told them their league position and proved to be difficult to break down, earning themselves a vital and well deserved point towards their relegation survival. Also a good point for us with Devizes losing at Bristol Telephones.

A few days later we took a trip to Mendip Broadwalk and won 4-1 with Devizes suffering a third defeat, this time to Welton Rovers. This win saw us take the top spot for the first time since late August.

Further wins at Almondsbury and Bitton (both 4-0) have seen us strengthen our position at the top and we are currently two points clear of Devizes Town, who we are our visitors here next weekend.

Still nine games to go, with a run of three home games to come – Cadbury Heath today, Cheddar on Tuesday night and Devizes Town next Saturday. The club are on a massive run and we would welcome massive support from our spectators. It promises to be an exciting finish to the season!

Turning our attentions to today's opponents, we welcome back Cadbury Heath to Barnett's Field this afternoon. Back in August we came home empty handed from Cadbury Heath having conceded a very early goal and never recovered. Last season we fared rather better, taking maximum points from both fixtures. Let's hope we can do the same today!

As usual, 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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Since we were last here...

Since our last game at Barnett's field when we hosted Keynsham Town two weeks ago in the league we have played another three matches. The fixture against Keynsham Town yielded just one point in a tough 0-0 draw, but scoring four goals in each of our away matches at Mendip Broadwalk, Almondsbury, and Bitton has seen maximum points and put us top of the division, two points ahead of Devizes Town. Nine games to go!

Saturday 28th February 2026

Sturminster Newton United 0 Keynsham Town 0

For the first time this season since the end of August the Cherries failed to score, and is indeed our first nil-nil draw of the season so far in the league. Despite some sustained pressure from Stur, Keynsham had clearly come along with a game plan and had executed it well, looking a far better side than perhaps their league position indicated. Fair to say that both halves were dominated by the Cherries, but in the end a resolute performance from Keynsham denied Stur the three points and we had to settle for a point each. Meanwhile, news had filtered through that Devizes had been beaten 3-1 at Telephones, meaning that today's point could be viewed as a positive! On to Mendip Broadwalk.



Man of the match was awarded to George "GC" Coleman.

Tuesday 3rd March 2026

Mendip Broadwalk 1 Sturminster Newton United 4

A deft little flick from Buddy O'Shea left the home keeper stranded and opened the scoring for the Cherries on a tough pitch which seemed to be struggling to recover from the recent wet spell. An unfortunate own goal a few minutes later levelled up the scores, but then a strike from George "W" Coleman just fifteen minutes later restored Stur's lead at 2-1. Despite many other opportunities created the score remained that way at the interval. The second half continued in much the same way with goals from Nick Hewlett shortly after the break and Adam Hall just after the hour mark securing the final score line of 4-1 to the visitors. Meanwhile, news filtered through that Devizes had lost to Welton Rovers, meaning that the Cherries had returned to the top of the table for the first time since late August! Scenes!



Man of the match was awarded to Billy Bright.

Saturday 7th March 2026

Almondsbury 0 Sturminster Newton United 4

The coach trip home from the long trip to Almondsbury was made a whole lot sweeter with three more points on the board! An early strike from Laney set the scene, followed up on 20 minutes with a strike from Moss Jackson-Collis, his first for the club, to put the score at 2-0 which was carried in to the break. Second half again started well with George "GC" Coleman scoring just five minutes into the half and Ash Clarke sealing the win with just a couple of minutes of normal time on the clock. A good all round performance deserving the points, especially with Devizes getting back to winning ways!



Man of the match goes to Mossy!

Tuesday 10th March 2026

Bitton 0 Sturminster Newton United 4

First versus fifth was always going to be a challenging fixture, and it didn't disappoint. Early pressure from Stur seemed to be effective. Just six minutes in George GC Coleman picked up a yellow card for a virtual challenge, and just two minutes later Buddy O'Shea picked up a sin-bin for complaints to the referee. Change of tactics to hold on to the promising start for the next ten minutes, then Buddy came back on and within seconds was getting on the end of a George W Coleman cross to open the scoring. Ben Knight then bundled the ball over the line on the half hour to take the Cherries 2-0 up. Several more chances in the first half, including a spectacular volley from Moss which cannoned back off the crossbar. The half time interval left the reds fans (in green) wondering how good the second half might be.

Well, the second half started brilliantly, and then it didn't. A well deserved goal from Goerge W Coleman when the half was barely a minute old caused jubilation. Well done to the referee in allowing the advantage, however an incident in the build up led to a Bitton player being sent off (we think for kicking out at Adam Hall), and Jamie Danoris also shown a red card for "something that he shouldn't have said". Both teams reduced to ten men in the first few minutes after the interval led to a couple of substitutions to re-shape. Adam Hall only lasted a few more minutes and had to be substituted due to the earlier injury received. Finally on 82 minutes Laney stepped up to take a free kick from just outside the 18 yard box which he struck well and was well saved, and in the ensuing action he managed to strike the ball well past the home keeper to finish the scoring at 4-0.

Unfortunately with just a couple of minutes to go, Ash Clarke also saw red following a challenge seen by the referee to be serious foul play. Three points in the bag though, despite two suspensions picked up from the red cards. Still top of the pile by two points. Cadbury Heath next!



Man of the match well deserved by George W Coleman

Next first team fixtures

Jewson Western League – Division One

Tuesday 17th March – Cheddar (home)

Saturday 21st March – Devizes Town (home)

Saturday 28th March – Shirehampton (away)

Saturday 3rd April – Warminster Town (away)

Reserves fixtures for March

Dorset Football League – Division 2

21st March Poundbury (away)

28th March Swanage Town & Herston Reserves (home)

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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 Cadbury Heath FC

The Club was first established in 1894 by Cadbury Heath Adult School (later to be known as Cadbury Heath Primary School) when Cadbury Heath was just a little narrow, one-street village, way outside the boundaries of Bristol.

Our first pitch was situated at Mill Lane, changing in the Social Club and heating up water for tin baths. With a break for the War years, and the transferring to what is now Coronation Park, we progressed from the Bristol & District League to Division Two of the Bristol Premier Combination, and then to Division One in 1961, after winning the GFA Junior Cup in 1950. In the 60's the team (only a first team then) built their own baths at the Social Club. This period of success coincided with the renting of our present ground – Springfield – for £10 per annum from a local farmer and President Jim Warner. This was then an open pasture land with cows, a rope had to be put around the playing area. It had no Electricity Water or Drainage. The tea bar was a garden shed. The offer to purchase for £250 was short-sighted declined, as the field was later sold as part of major development land and only intense lobbying led by the then Chairman, Mike Packer persuaded the Council to allocate Springfield as part of Public Open Space leased to the Football Club for dual use. This has meant that we have not been entirely masters of our own destiny. Even so, Gloucestershire county League championship in 1971-72, 1972-73, 73 74 and runners up 74/75 at the same time winning the GFA Senior Amateur Cup in 1972/73 73/74 and 1974-75, under Ralph Miller's Management. The success pushed the club into joining the Midland Combination after being turned down by the Western League due to the dressing rooms being situated too far from the pitch (what is now the Social Club bottle store).

A stand was built for the requirement of the Midland Combination (with tea bar). After finishing fifth and reaching the quarter finals of the FA Vase with a crowd of 2,000 at Springfield, and more listening live on local Radio Bristol for the tie against Billericay Town from Essex, the Manager left after a disagreement with the committee, and took most of the players, to Cinderford Town. This shook the club to the core, we were relegated and had to drop two divisions to the Avon Premier Combination (we were founder members) there was no 'Pyramid System' in force. A slow recovery took place, half time rooms being built, then a terrapin to provide on-pitch dressing rooms, taking advantage of newly laid drains for the new houses, a water supply, and electricity for training floodlights. Elected back into the Gloucestershire County League in 1984 a reserve team was started in 1988 ran by John Clarke formed from CHYMCA the first team finished as runners-up in the County League in 1990. The Managers in this period were Bob Williams, Dave Pitman, Les Allan, John Harris, Andy Stone, Keith Cottrell, Brian Knighton, Mike Ratcliffe, and Chris Stone. We celebrated our Centenary by winning the League Championship for the fifth time in 1994, under the consistent managership of Brian Knighton, and we continued to dominate the league once again. Continued improvement on and off the field saw new dressing rooms built on the ground in 1997, a youth academy started under Malcolm Knowlson and a new terrapin replaced the one for the youth section formed from an amalgamation with local youth

football club, Grimsbury Rangers. After winning the Gloucestershire County League for a record sixth time, under the management of Andy Black, an application to join the Western League was again turned down due to the lack of a fence. Andy then left the club to join Bitton and Steve Plenty was appointed Manager along with Lee Knighton. After a public open meeting and a long battle with the Council, the fence was finally erected at a cost of £15,000 funded by Cadbury Heath Football Club. Steve and Lee's first season in charge got runners up spot, of which consequently secured our election to the Toolstation Western League at long last! After 2 seasons in charge, Steve Plenty stood down due to family commitments and Lee Knighton took over the hot seat for a season and then the reigns were handed over to his assistant, Glen Smart, who consolidated our position for four seasons.

Lee Knighton took over as First Team Manager for his second spell and appointed Andy Weeks as his assistant in season 2005/6, also that year Steve Plenty became Chairman when Dave Smart stood down. After five years of planning tribulations Floodlights were successfully installed at the end of season 2008/2009 this being Phase one of Heaths redevelopment plan, being largely due to the efforts of Chairman Steve Plenty. The Heath and The Social Club went their separate ways in season 2011/12. Andy Black joined the club for his third spell in season 2010/11 appointing Glenn Smart as his assistant culminating in the first division championship and promotion to the Premier Div. in season 2011/12. Then followed two good seasons in the premier division with the last two seasons being a period of trying to rebuild the side after most of the original players either retiring or moving on to higher level football. Phase two, is in the planning stage which is for a new dressing room facility incorporating a new clubhouse & new 100 seat stand with a covered area for a further 100. During season 2015-2016 Roger Coke joined the club as coach. Season 2016-2017 starts with a new first team coach Phillip Bater Ex Bristol Rovers and the introduction of a U18 side who will be playing in the Bristol & Glos U18 league. Mid season Rob Mallett joined the coaching staff to assist Andy Black. First team won the GFA Challenge Trophy beating Fairfield Town 4-3 On penalties. End of season Andy Black resigned as manager and became director of football.

Season 2017-2018, Rob Mallett was appointed first team manager. Season 2018-2019 Andy Black was appointed first team manager. 2019-2020 John Black has joined the management team. Season 2020-2021 Mitchell Hodge was appointed first team manager assisted by Aaron Day. Season 2021-2022 George Boon, David Doe & Matt Huxley were appointed joint managers.

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Jewson Western League

Division One table as at 12/03/2026

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Sturminster Newton United	29	21	3	5	55	66
2	Devizes Town	29	19	7	3	48	64
3	Wells City	29	20	1	8	48	61
4	Avonmouth	30	17	9	4	18	60
5	Bitton	30	16	9	5	13	57
6	Bristol Telephones	29	16	7	6	16	55
7	AEK Boco	30	13	7	10	15	46
8	Mendip Broadwalk	30	12	8	10	0	44
9	Longwell Green Sports	32	13	4	15	-4	43
10	Warminster Town	31	11	9	11	7	42
11	Almondsbury	26	11	6	9	-4	39
12	Calne Town	31	10	8	13	-1	38
13	Odd Down (BATH)	29	9	7	13	-7	34
14	Cadbury Heath	30	9	7	14	-22	34
15	Shirehampton	29	7	6	16	-25	27
16	Radstock Town	29	5	12	12	-17	26 *
17	Welton Rovers	29	7	4	18	-24	25
18	Keynsham Town	31	6	5	20	-39	23
19	Cheddar	30	3	10	17	-39	19
20	Hengrove Athletic	29	2	9	18	-38	15

* adjustment made

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Sturminster Newton United Football Club

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Today's squads

STURMINSTER NEWTON UNITED				CADBURY HEATH			
No.		Goals	Sub	No.		Goals	Sub
	Theo Crane				Kia Wilson		
	Nick Hewlett				Dan Reed		
	Jack Atkins				Dan Cardoso		
	Buddy O'Shea				Callum Ball		
	Elliot Bevis				Joe Durrant		
	Billy Bright				Tom Withers		
	Ashley Clarke				George Bishop		
	George (GC) Coleman				Drew Thomas		
	Benjamin Cowley				Kevin Zyberi		
	Jamie Danoris				Jacob Saunders		
	Ryan Schouten				Ollie Williams		
	William Guppy				Matt Huxley		
	Adam Hall				Riley Hobbs		
	Sean Hart				Matt Isaacs		
	Aaron Lane-Leney				Josh Williams		
	Jensen Doerr						
	George (W) Coleman						
	Ben Knight						
	Moss Jackson-Collis						
	Ben Reed						
	Elliot Pearce-Eavis						
	Nick Squires	Manager			Nick Wilson	Manager	
	Martin Silk	Asst Manager			Spencer Thomas	Asst Manager	
	Joshua Mead	Head Coach			Matt Huxley	Coach	
	Dan Stone	Coach			Andy Parry	Physio	
	Annie Lammas	Physio					
Kit: Red & Black shirts, Black shorts, Red & Black hooped socks				Kit: Yellow Shirts, Blue Shorts, & Blue Socks			

Match Officials:

Referee: Jack Jarman-Davis
 Assistant 1: Ashley Hallett
 Assistant 2: Benjamin Haskett