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**EGHAM TOWN welcome the players, supporters and club officials of our very near neighbours STAINES TOWN FC to the RUNNYMEDE STADIUM for this Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round tie.**

**We also welcome today’s match officials and we hope that all of our guests have a good afternoon in our company and a safe journey home.**

**TODAY’S GAME**

**… comes as we deal with the major upheaval that is introducing one team manager after the departure of another. Simon Lane and Egham Town Chairman Pat Bennett mutually agreed on a parting of the ways on Saturday after a 0-3 reverse at Chalfont St Peter last Saturday.**

**EGHAM TOWN WELCOME**

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**It is time therefore to welcome our new hot-seat incumbent, Ashley Smith. His football pedigree is pretty impressive and we look forward to great success with him at the helm – and what could be a sterner test of his management skills than making his debut at home against our local rivals in the FA Cup, with the added bonus of £6000 prize money on offer?**

**Ashley had a quick look at the squad on Tuesday in a hastily arranged friendly at Chesham United. Although we lost 1-2 there were encouraging signs in the second half after a shuffle of the team. Rhys Rabess scored our goal.**

**Our two clubs, for all that we are only a skip and jump apart, have not played each other in a competitive match for a while (2003-4) and it is three years since we lost in the one staging of the Magna Carta Cup.**

**In the event of a replay, Wheatsheaf Park,**

**TW18 2PD,**

**Tuesday 11 September**

**7:45pm.**

**Here is where I offer a massive thanks to Mr Steve Parsons, the lynchpin of Staines Town FC. His excellent record keeping has come to the rescue as it did three years ago, adding detail to what I had had passed to me by Mr Keith Thompson, who juggled variously the roles of treasurer, secretary and groundsman for a number of years, and also secretary of the Suburban League. I have no doubt he will be here today giving us his support. He handed me volumes of press clippings which cover the late 60s through to the 80s. These have been invaluable as reference points, particularly today. Steve has been kind enough to send a preview for the game, which is included further on, and aid me with many statistics including the fact that our Kezie Ibe scored against Egham in the second of two 2-1 wins we recorded here in 02-03 to 03-04. As I can’t remember it I can only assume it was not as good as that magnificent Paul de Luca’s 30 yard belter. It is probably not fair on the new boss that this old Sarnie is wittering on about the past but the key thing from both those home wins is that we were expected to lose but refused to do so. In the former season Staines were having their ground redeveloped so resided here temporarily, and won 5-0 in their “home” game and in the latter they had just won an award for defensive capabilities while we were not having the best of seasons. The guts and determination those players demonstrated are what we will need against our neighbours if we are to progress in the Emirates FA Cup.**

**Next Saturday we are at home again, this time in the Bostik South Central division against Hertford Town. That will be their first visit here since 2005-6 season. Both sides won 2-1 at home.**

**We follow that with our home tie in the Velocity Trophy First Round against Whyteleafe (18 September), against whom nothing ever comes easy. Doubtless that trend will continue.**

**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT – COME ON YOU SARNIES!!!**

**Mark**

**MEET THE NEW BOSS - ASHLEY SMITH**

**Former Clubs: Maidenhead, Chesham, Hampton & Richmond, Windsor, Burnham and Flackwell Heath.**

**Ashley has enjoyed a successful non-league playing career, highlights winning promotion to step 2 with Maidenhead, winning the title with Burnham at step 4 and enjoying many cups runs most recent with Chesham in 2015 reaching the FA Cup 2nd round playing Bradford and last season reaching the FA Vase 1/4 final with Windsor FC as player/assistant manager.**

**By day: Ashley has worked within the football industry full time for 18 years, formerly at Wycombe Wanderers and then starting his own Academy for 16-19 year olds in 2014.**

**Quote: 'I'm excited to take my first step into management and it's something I have been transitioning to do with my role at Windsor in the last 2 years. Can't wait to get started with the squad on Tuesday in preparation for the FA Cup on Saturday.'**

**Quote from Egham Town FC: ‘We are looking forward to a very good future with Ashley in charge - The Bennett Family'.**

**WINDSOR FC FA Vase run:**

**2017-18 1Q DEVIZES TOWN H 2-1**

**2Q WHITCHURCH UNITED H 8-0**

**1 FLACKWELL HEATH A 5-2**

**2 ERITH TOWN A 2-1**

**3 WALTON & HERSHAM A 2-1**

**4 EASTBOURNE TOWN A 3-1**

**5 HAMBLE CLUB H 2-0**

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**BOSTIK LEAGUE SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION**

**SATURDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2018**

**CHALFONT ST PETER 3 (1) EGHAM TOWN 0 (0)**



Simon Lane has left his post as Egham Town manager, by mutual agreement with Chairman Pat Bennett, after this heavy defeat at Chalfont St Peter. The Sarnies drop to 19th place, with three defeats in the opening four games. Lane took over in January after Chris Moore was dismissed with 19 league games left last season and recorded notable back-to-back victories over AFC Rushden & Diamonds and Hayes & Yeading United, while also suffering some heavy defeats. A reasonable pre-season prefaced two defeats in the newly constituted Bostik League South Central Division before winning at Combined Counties League Cobham in the FA Cup. Collecting three points at home to Westfield seemed to signify improvement but it was the nature of the loss at Chalfont St Peter as much as the size of the scoreline and Lane’s statistical record that forced Chairman Pat Bennett’s hand. Whether it was the thought of playing within themselves in readiness for facing neighbours Staines Town next Saturday in the Preliminary Round of the Cup or some other reason, this was a truly awful performance by those chosen to represent the club. Regardless of the dismissal of the manager this was going to be a critical match report from the 54th minute, when the second goal went in and any hope of picking up points vanished into thin air.

Chalfont had gone into this match with one point from nine, 17th to Egham’s 16th, so there was hope that the visitors would improve on the 0-3 reverse here at the fag end of last season. The task became difficult when, having already seen Alex Paine force a good block from keeper Xavi Comas Leon, the home side took the lead. A poorly delivered corner kick somehow was allowed to find Charlie Mitchell, whose shot took a deflection on the way into the Egham goal. Had Jermaine Osei had better fortune with his header from Kezie Ibe’s cut back than seeing the ball ping off Carl Dennison’s bar things might have been different. Egham, when they managed to retain possession, played some attractive football but the final ball was always missing and Dennison was another opposition goalie untroubled by shots on target. Dan Fleming’s fierce drive into the net nine minutes after the break did for the Sarnies, who hadn’t looked in the least bit capable of pulling one goal back, let alone two. Intricate passing moves which work in training, and/or on plastic don’t necessarily translate into dangerous moves on bobbly, sloping pitches. Time and again the wrong choices were made and when opportunities arose for at least a hopeful attempt on goal there always seemed to be either a fear of shooting or a desire to find yet another pass. One alternative then would be to try a longer game but when the passing is wayward and no-one in green wanted to risk getting hurt in forcing the home defence onto the back foot then it was no surprise when the winning of a corner was greeted by the travelling few supporters as light at the end of the tunnel. Adam Morris’ free kick, touched by Comas Leon onto his bar, came four minutes after the second goal and three before Mitchell was granted the freedom of the Egham area to rifle in a third. Substitutions either side of that goal enlivened Egham somewhat, but towards the end Mitchell was denied a hat-trick by Comas Leon, skipper Greg Haydon clearing up, and when Ibe nipped in on a back pass he was denied what some might have called a consolation as the ball drifted over Dennison but wide of the mark. A loose pass by Joe Pratley-Jones to Danny Julienne let Fleming in, his chip beating Comas Leon and bouncing off the bar. After a call for handball in CSP’s area after a 47th minute corner was ignored by the referee, the whistle went, and, amid fears of Staines having a field day in the Cup match, moments later so too did the managerial career at Egham Town of Mr Simon Lane.

In total, not including the FA Cup win, his record reads:

P23 W5 D3 L15 F23 A55 – Win percentage 21.7 – Points percentage 26.1.

EGHAM TOWN: Xavi Comas Leon, Greg Haydon (Captain), Joe Pratley-Jones, Danny Julienne, Lewis Hobbs, Tom Windsor, Ashley Lodge, Tayshan Hayden-Smith, Kezie Ibe, Jermaine Osei, Enock Soganile. Substitutes: Josh Andrew (Windsor, 59), Meshach Williams (Hayden-Smith, 61), Michael Kalu (Osei, 59), Paolo Giamettei, Jeremiah Debayo.





**BOSTIK FA CUP PREVIEW**

Saturday is FA Cup First Qualifying Round day, and- of course- the day when most of our Bostik Premier Division sides enter the competition for the first time. Here’s our preview.

AFC Hornchurch will put their unbeaten start to the season to the test, whilst hoping not to have another draw (they’ve drawn the last five) as they host former rivals Harrow Borough. Borough sit in eleventh place in Evo-Stik Southern Premier South, having won two, drawn two and lost two. They were held by Steve Claridge’s Salisbury last weekend.

AFC Sudbury host Royston Town, who are eleventh in Evo-Stik Southern Premier South Central, and last weekend came from behind to win at Barwell, whilst Marlow travel to Aylesbury United of Southern Division One Central. The Ducks play at Chesham United, so this match has been moved to SUNDAY to avoid a fixture clash with their hosts.

Basildon United are at home to Peterborough Sports, who currently sit top of Southern Division One Central, whilst Bowers & Pitsea are playing at Aveley for what they hope is the last time, as they host Takeley of the Essex Senior League. Takeley have won every match so far this season so will provide a stern test.

Brentwood Town face Haringey Borough, whilst we’ve another all Bostik tie at the Green Elephants Stadium as Burgess Hill Town, who won for the first time this season in midweek, take on Neil Cugley’s Folkestone Invicta.

Bury Town have yet to find any consistency this season, and have quite a long trip to Burnham, of Hellenic League Division One East, whilst Brightlingsea Regent have a far shorter journey, their trip being to Cambridge City, who these days are in mid table in Southern Division One Central and have won only once this season. City lost to Leiston in the League Cup in midweek.

Chalfont St Peter also entertain Southern Division One Central competition in Kempston Rovers, whilst Cheshunt say hello to Bostik League old boys- and Premier Division Playoff Semi-Finalists- Leiston. Glen Driver’s side sit third in their new division. Coggeshall Town’s reward for defeating local rivals Witham in this week’s replay is the visit of Berkhampstead, who sit one place below Cambridge City in their league.

Horsham travel to Corinthian of the SCEFL, who of course defeated Chipstead in the last round, whilst the other Corinthian-Casuals- renew their acquaintance with Whyteleafe; whilst Dorking Wanderers have what looks a tricky tie as they host Hartley Wintney, who currently sit in seventh place in the Southern Premier South.

Egham Town have a new manager and a Thames derby as they face our former Bostik Premier side Staines Town. The Swans have had a mixed start to their first season in the Southern League, but won 2-0 at Poole Town last time out. Enfield Town have, of course, had an unbeaten start to the campaign, and they entertain Bedford Town, seventh in Southern Division One Central, whilst FC Romania host Soham Town Rangers- but not at their usual home of Cheshunt, this match has been moved to Bedfont Sports.

The reward for Lewes’ 8-1 victory over Molesey in midweek is a trip to Farnborough, ninth in Southern South Premier but who defeated league leaders Weymouth last time out, whilst Worthing put their unbeaten start to the test with a trip to Faversham Town. Fleet Town, who were almost a Bostik League club this season, host East Grinstead Town with neither side having started the campaign all that well, indeed they have only one point between them. As Fleet have that, perhaps they start as favourites?

Great Wakering Rovers entertain Wisbech Town, who occupy thirteenth spot in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier Division One East and who most recently lost 5-2 at Morpeth Town, whilst Hanwell Town will be looking to dent the Scholars good start to the season as Potters Bar head around the M25. High flying Hastings United, with a one hundred per cent record and scoring for fun, host stuttering Kingstonian at the Pilot Field; whilst another side with shooting boots permanently at the ready, Hayes & Yeading United, entertain AFC Rushden and Diamonds, these days a fan-owned club in Southern League Premier Central.

Two familiar names face-off at Silver Jubilee Park, as Hendon host Harlow Town- and remember that if you’re off to the England match on Saturday evening you can get into this game at a reduced rate- whilst Heybridge Swifts are looking to have another magnificent cup run and dispatch Newmarket Town.   
Tooting & Mitcham United will need to take care not to slip up as they travel to Southern Combination side Horsham YMCA, who defeated Ashford United at Homelands in the last round, whilst we have a rip-roaring Kentish derby at Hythe Town, where Bostik Premier Division leaders Tonbridge Angels will put their unbeaten record to the test. Will Hythe have the Ansah to Angels mean defence (sorry, couldn’t resist)?

Leatherhead take on a Herne Bay side still looking for their first victory, but the Tanners are still misfiring so that could be closer than it looks, whilst Merstham will be letting NHS staff in for free as they entertain Cray Valley PM, conquerors of Ashford Town in the last round. Cray Wanderers reward for their penalty shootout victory over Rusthall on Wednesday is a trip to Imber Court to take on Met Police, who now sit in twelfth place in Evo-Stik Southern Premier South, whilst Thamesmead Town, 5-4 winners over Sittingbourne last weekend, head to Portsmouth to take on Moneyfields.

Northwood host Kings Langley of the Southern Premier South, their opponents having managed only one league victory so far this season, whilst Whitehawk, who used to sing about never ever going back to Bognor, are almost there as they face the Rocks Sussex coast neighbours Pagham, third in the SCFL Premier and unbeaten so far this season. Phoenix Sports entertain Lancing, also of the SCFL, and who as you will no doubt recall put seven past Greenwich Borough in the last round after knocking Haywards Heath Town out in the previous one, whilst we have an all South East Division tie between Ramsgate and Sevenoaks Town.

Romford play on SUNDAY, and they have a real test as they take on Kettering Town. Kettering are leaders of South Premier Division One Central, have won every match so far, and have scored 14 goals- conceding only three- in the process. Boro have had a good start to the campaign, however, and shouldn’t be overawed.

Sittingbourne face Gosport Borough, tenth in the Southern Premier South, whilst Bishop’s Stortford travel to St Neots Town of Southern Premier Central. Ware entertain our former Bostik Premier side Lowestoft Town, currently seventh in the Southern Premier Central, whilst the Rocks of Bognor put their unbeaten record to the test as they travel to Whitstable Town.

Finally, Wingate & Finchley take on Didcot Town, mid table in Southern Division One Central, and who defeated Cambridge City 2-1 in the League last weekend.



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Hendon v Harlow Town\*

Brentwood Town\* v Haringey Borough\*

AFC Hornchurch\* v Harrow Borough

Chalfont St Peter\* v Kempston Rovers

Great Wakering Rovers\* v Wisbech Town

Hayes & Yeading United\* v AFC Rushden & Diamonds

Northwood\* v Kings Langley

Coggeshall Town\* v Berkhamsted

Wingate & Finchley\* v Didcot Town

Cheshunt\* v Leiston

Bowers & Pitsea\* v Takeley – At Aveley FC

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Ramsgate\* v Sevenoaks Town\*

Hastings United\* v Kingstonian\*

Faversham Town\* v Worthing\*

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Burgess Hill Town\* v Folkestone Invicta\*

Dorking Wanderers\* v Hartley Wintney

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[King's Lynn Town](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/KingsLynnTown/2254/2018/2019/P) v [Histon FC](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/Histon/495/2018/2019/P)

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[Metropolitan Police](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/MetropolitanPolice/2307/2018/2019/P) v [Cray Wanderers](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/CrayWanderers/2501/2018/2019/P)

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[Swindon Supermarine](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/Supermarine/2311/2018/2019/P) v [Woodbridge Town](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/Woodbridge/2434/2018/2019/P)

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[Wimborne Town](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/WimborneTown/2314/2018/2019/P) v [Dorchester Town](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/Dorchester/510/2018/2019/P)

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[Romford](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/Romford/2435/2018/2019/P) v [Kettering Town](https://www.evostikleaguesouthern.co.uk/team/Kettering/528/2018/2019/P)

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| **BOSTIK SOUTH CENTRAL** | | **P** | **W** | **D** | **L** | **F** | **A** | **+/-** | **Pts** |
| 1 | Bracknell Town | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 1 | 11 | 12 |
| 2 | Hayes & Yeading United | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 5 | 11 | 10 |
| 3 | Waltham Abbey | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 9 |
| 4 | Hanwell Town | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| 5 | Uxbridge | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 8 |
| 6 | Marlow | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 8 |
| 7 | Northwood | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 10 | -2 | 6 |
| 8 | FC Romania | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 10 | -6 | 6 |
| 9 | Cheshunt | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 9 | 2 | 5 |
| 10 | Ashford Town (Middx) | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 5 |
| 11 | Hertford Town | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 5 |
| 12 | Chalfont St Peter | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| 13 | Westfield | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 8 | -1 | 4 |
| 14 | Tooting & Mitcham United | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 8 | -2 | 4 |
| 15 | Ware | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 10 | -4 | 4 |
| 16 | Chipstead | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 11 | -3 | 3 |
| 17 | South Park | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 7 | -4 | 3 |
| 18 | Bedfont Sports | 4 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 14 | -6 | 3 |
| **19** | **EGHAM TOWN** | **4** | **1** | **0** | **3** | **2** | **10** | **-8** | **3** |
| 20 | Molesey | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 | -5 | 1 |

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| **EGHAM TOWN FORTHCOMING FIXTURES – SEPTEMBER 2018** | |
| 15 | HERTFORD TOWN |
| 18 | **WHYTELEAFE Velocity Trophy 1** |
| 22 | Chipstead |
| 25 | Bracknell Town |
| **29** | **AFC Sudbury (FA Trophy Extra Prel** |

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| **SOUTHERN PREMIER SOUTH** | | **P** | **W** | **D** | **L** | **F** | **A** | **+/-** | **Pts** |
| 1 | Weymouth | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 8 | 11 | 13 |
| 2 | Tiverton Town | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 7 | 7 | 13 |
| 3 | Merthyr Town | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 8 | 6 | 13 |
| 4 | Taunton Town | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 7 | 6 | 11 |
| 5 | Basingstoke Town | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 8 | 4 | 11 |
| 6 | Hendon | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 12 | 9 | 3 | 11 |
| 7 | Farnborough | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 13 | 9 | 4 | 10 |
| 8 | Hartley Wintney | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 10 |
| 9 | Poole Town | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 2 | 10 |
| 10 | Gosport Borough | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 13 | 1 | 9 |
| 11 | Harrow Borough | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 16 | 15 | 1 | 8 |
| 12 | Metropolitan Police | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 12 | -3 | 8 |
| 13 | Frome Town | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 11 | -3 | 7 |
| 14 | Dorchester Town | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 14 | -6 | 7 |
| 15 | Salisbury | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 7 | 2 | 6 |
| **16** | **STAINES TOWN** | **6** | **2** | **0** | **4** | **6** | **11** | **-5** | **6** |
| 17 | Swindon Supermarine | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 5 |
| 18 | Beaconsfield Town | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | -2 | 5 |
| 19 | Kings Langley | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 12 | -4 | 4 |
| 20 | Wimborne Town | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 15 | -6 | 4 |
| 21 | Walton Casuals | 5 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 16 | -9 | 2 |
| 22 | Chesham United | 6 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 14 | -12 | 1 |

**ALL OUR YESTERDAYS – SARNIES v SWANS**

*BY STEVE PARSONS*

**These two towns share many a historic connection, for it was in Runnymede (which gives its name to the borough in which Egham is situated) that King John signed the Magna Carta in 1215, after many of the barons and bishops (and perhaps even the king himself) had spent the night at Staines.**

**Indeed the last time that the football clubs met was three years ago, to contest a special pre-season friendly for the Magna Carta Shield, celebrating the 800th anniversary of this world-changing event.**

**Less than a mile and a half separates the centre spots at Staines Town’s Wheatsheaf Park stadium and Egham Town’s Runnymede Stadium, yet the fact that they have rarely played in the same league, and the Thames separates them into different footballing counties means that these neighbours very rarely meet.**

**The meeting this September will be only the third time that the clubs have met in the FA Cup: Egham FC (as they were then known) defeated Staines Town 2-1 at Mill Mead in 1933.  RC Stephenson put the visitors ahead, and although Jack Hibbert levelled for Staines, G Prestoe scored an Egham winner early in the second half.  It was to be another forty years (all but a week) before they were drawn together again, Staines again hosting the match, this time at their present ground in Wheatsheaf Lane, and gaining revenge thanks to two unanswered goals by the legendary Hans Vandenberg.**

**Between the wars, there was a sequence of friendly matches between the two clubs – either at the start of the season or over Christmas – each helping the other out financially when hard times struck.**

**Between 1967 and 1971, Staines Town and Egham Town contested eight Spartan League fixtures and a League Cup tie, with Staines dominating the exchanges and losing only once.  After that, however, the only meetings over the next 11 years came in the above-mentioned FA Cup tie, and in three minor competition matches, but again Staines went unbeaten in them.**

**In 1982 they were drawn together in the “Hitachi” Isthmian League Cup.  The game should have been staged at Staines, but there was a problem with the drainage so it was switched to Egham, but was drawn after 120 minutes.  The replay was also of course held at the ground then known as Tempest Road, and this time the Swans emerged with a win.**

**There were no meetings other than a handful of friendlies for the next 20 years.  One of those friendlies was in fact a memorial game held at Egham for their former player Billy King – a planned second leg at Staines never took place.**

**The first meeting of any kind for 9 years, and indeed the first league game for 31 years, took place in 2002, when Staines triumphed 5-0 in a “Ryman” Isthmian League Division 1 South game, the first of four meetings before Staines achieved promotion at the end of the following campaign.  However, once again it was not staged at Wheatsheaf Park, as the Swans ground was being redeveloped, and they were at the time groundsharing … at Egham!  Those last four competitive meetings resulted in two wins apiece.**

**Apart from these matches, there are a host of links between the two clubs in terms of personnel – perhaps accounting for the sometimes strained relations between the two clubs.  Dozens of players have played for both teams (including current “Sarnies” favourites Ashley Lodge, Greg Haydon, Tom Windsor, Michael Kalu, and Kezie Ibe) all enjoyed spells with the “Swans”.  Manager Bruce Butler joined Egham in the 80s after being dismissed from Staines, taking a number of players with him, and the same thing happened in reverse with Chris Wainwright a decade later (although in his case he also served at another club in between).  And even Ken Williams, who retired as Staines’ Vice-Chairman in the summer, was a former Chairman at their rivals.**

**Meetings between Staines Town and Egham Town may be rare, but that alone will ensure that this most local of derbies is very keenly contested.**

**EGHAM AND STAINES**

**NEARLY 130 YEARS OF RIVALRY**

Our two clubs – and their various previous incarnations – although separated by only a few miles and the not inconsiderable barrier of the River Thames and its crossing at Staines Bridge – have met surprisingly few times in a long history of transfluvial rivalry. The fact that geography has placed us in different counties means that we never meet in senior cups, and are usually kept apart in the early stages of the national competitions, too. In addition, we’ve spent long periods in different leagues, and friendlies have been few and far between, especially in recent decades. Nevertheless, there is a rich history of encounters between us, and an even richer one of players and indeed officials switching from one club to the other – and often back again! Staines managers Steve Cordery, Bruce Butler, Chris Wainwright, and Mark Butler all spent time playing or managing on the other side of the river, and even a cursory glance at the goalscorers in the matches listed below will reveal many who have swapped allegiances. Even today, *The Sarnies* have in Koo Dumbuya a coach who spent time as a player in old gold and blue, whilst *The Swans*’ Vice Chairman Ken Williams was a predecessor of Pat Bennett in the chairman’s role at Tempest Road.

**The early years**

The earliest known footballing contact between the two towns was on 17 Nov 1888, when Staines FC 'B' team entertained Egham and secured a 4-0 win, which was followed two months later by a 2-0 win on Egham's ground.

In 1895, Staines FC played home and away friendlies against Egham FC Thursdays. The results are unknown.

As early as 1901/2, it is known that Egham's predecessor club, Runnymede Rovers (sometimes spelled Runnemede Rovers) were members of the houslow & District League, where they encountered three sides with links to the present Staines Town, namely Staines Albany (Reserves), Staines Ivydene, and St Peter's Institute (reformed). By 1911/12, it was Staines FC Reserves and Egham FC who were meeting regularly in this league, and that year Egham also hosted one of Staines' home games (v Ashford Ivydene) that the H&DL ordered to be replayed on neutral territory.

Staines FC Reserves beat Egham Hythe 5-3, probably in a friendly, at Easter 1909. Egham FC beat Staines Reserves 2-1 in a Boxing Day friendly in 1910.

Season 1913/14 saw Staines FC lose their Great Western Suburban League status, and the first team played in not one but two local leagues - the Hounslow & District and the West Middlesex. One match v Egham - played at Staines on 13 April - has been traced, but it is uncertain whether this was a friendly or was in one of these leagues. The result was a 3-3 draw. Meanwhile, Staines played a H&DL match against 19th Hussars Reserves *on the same day* - something that has happened very rarely in the Club's history, but occurred three times that month!

Staines Lagonda met Egham FC at least once during 1920/1, but no further details are known. It was however quite likely to have been a festive friendly, as these seem to have restarted - at first team matches - at about this time. Judging by the attendance reported for the 1922 game, these must have been quite lucrative affairs. On 13·9·1919, Staines Ivydene defeated Egham Town 'A' (probably their 3rd XI) 4-0 in what is believed to have been a friendly fixture at Staines - probably on Shortwood Common. Shaw, Barber, Filkins (pen) and Barkham were the scorers.

**Between the wars**

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| Date | Venue | Competition | Winner & Score | Scorers: Egham / Staines | Att |
| Egham v Staines Lagonda | | |  |  |  |
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| Sat 24 Dec 1921 | MM | friendly? | Egham 2-0 | ?? / - |  |
| Sat 02 Sep 1922 | MM | friendly? | Staines 4-2 | Doe 2 / J Hayes, Pash, Howard, Pond | 1400 |
| Sat 30 Aug 1924 | MaR | friendly | Staines 2-1 | ? / Brian, Howard |  |
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| Egham v Staines Town | |  |  |  |  |
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| Thu 05 May 1927 | MM | friendly? | Staines 3-1 | Pond / Burnham 2, Deacon |  |
| Sat 04 Feb 1928 | GL | friendly | drew 4-4 | ???? / Knott, Prestoe 2, J Hayes |  |
| Thu 03 May 1928 | GL | Staines Hosp Cup SF | Egham 4-0 | ???? / - |  |
| Sat 08 Sep 1928 | A | Spartan League | drew 1-1 | ? / ? |  |
| Sat 12 Jan 1929 | MM | Spartan League | drew 1-1 | Finch / Deacon |  |
| Sat 23 Mar 1929 | MM | Staines Hosp Cup R1 | Egham 6-1 | ?????? / Jacobs |  |
| Sat 31 Aug 1929 | MM | Spartan League | drew 0-0 | - / - |  |
| Sat 01 Feb 1930 | VR | Spartan League | Staines 2-1 | Collins / Martin, Ewers |  |
| Sat 12 Apr 1930 | VR | Staines Hosp Cup SF | Egham 2-0 | Yates, Hibbert / - |  |
| Sat 29 Aug 1931 | VR | friendly | ? |  |  |
| Mon 26 Dec 1932 | VR | Spartan League | drew 1-1 | Prestoe / Hibbert |  |
| Fri 14 Apr 1933 | MM | Spartan League | drew 1-1 | R Stevenson / Hibbert |  |
| Sat 29 Apr 1933 | VR | Staines Hosp Cup R1 | Staines 1-0 | - / Mansell |  |
| Sat 14 Oct 1933 | MM | FA Cup 2nd Qual Rd | Egham 2-1 | Stevenson, Prestoe / Hibbert |  |
| Thu 03 May 1934 | VR | friendly | Staines 2-1 | Howe / Hibbert 2 |  |

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| Venues:  MM The Mill Mead ground, Hammonds Farm, Staines  MaR Manorcroft Road, Egham  GL Green Lane, Egham  VR Vicarage Road, Egham |

**The modern era**

Staines Town moved to Wheatsheaf Lane in the early 1950s, and Egham Town FC took its present form some ten years later, ushering in a period of a sporadic, but no less intense, local rivalry:

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**STAINES TOWN PREVIOUS POST-WAR MATCHES AGAINST EGHAM TOWN**

**22 Aug 1967**    WL       SL         D 2-2      Tony Carroll, Derek Britnell / Stroud, Erikson .................................................................

**07 May 1968**   A           SL        W 4-1      Eddie Browning, Chris Wheeler 2 (*1p*), Peter Bending / Edginton ...................................

**16 Nov 1968**    WL       SL        W 4-2      Tony Carroll, Gordon Swaffield, Neville Warner, John Tizzard / Browning, Stroud ..........

**25 Jan 1969**      A        SLC1    W\*5-3      Neville Warner, Alan Cox, Micky Walsh 2 (*1p*), Gordon Swaffield / Stewart, Ericson 2 .....

**08 May 1969**   A           SL         D 1-1      John Tizzard / Stobbart ................................................................................................

**20 Dec 1969**     WL       SL        W 2-1      Micky Slater, Neville Warner / Croft .............................................................................

**18 Apr 1970**     A           SL          L 2-4      Gordon Swaffield, Jim Cooley *p* / Brown, Ron Butler 3 ..................................................

**19 Dec 1970**     A           SL        W 2-0      Neville Warner, Micky Borst / - .....................................................................................

**23 Jan 1971**      WL       SL          L 0-1      - / Stroud .....................................................................................................................

**14 Aug 1972**    A      ‡SCCsf   W 5-4      David Lay, Micky Walsh, Arthur Rowlands, Ray Monk, Jim Cooley / Bailey, Stroud 2 (1*p*), Hazlegrave

**25 Sep 1973**     ah   PMFL d   W 3-1      Tim Soutar 2, Chris Proctor / Farren ..............................................................................

**06 Oct 1973**     WL   FAC2q    W 2-0      Hans Vandenberg 2 / - .................................................................................................

**17 Feb 1974**     A     PMFL d    D 2-2      Hans Vandenberg, Colin Russell / **? ?** ............................................................................

**30 Aug 1982**    ha       HC1      D\*2-2      Declan Link, Chris Wheatley / Keith Bristow, Robert Good ..................  (*attendance 163*)

**07 Sep 1982**     A        HC1r     W 3-0      Chris Wheatley, Keith Seager 2 / - ........................................................................  (*217*)

**13 Aug 1985**    A           fr          D 1-1      Joe O'Shea *p* / Steve Cordery *p* ............................................................................  (*136*)

**05 Aug 1986**    A           fr         W 2-0      Simon Pentland 2 / - ............................................................................................  (*139*)

**09 Aug 1988**    A           fr           L 1-2      Simon Pentland / Carl Taylor, Steve Livey .............................................................  (*211*)

**08 Aug 1989**    A           fr         W 3-1      Mark Dawber, Andy Graham, Mark Underdown / Mark Green .............................  (*256*)

**07 Aug 1990**    A           fr          D 0-0      - / - .....................................................................................................................  (*233*)

**06 Aug 1991**    A           fr          D 3-3      Alan Gregory, Gerry Crawford, Graham Coles / Joe O’Shea, Mark Butler 2 (*1p*) .....  (*212*)

**06 Aug 1992**    A           fr           L 1-3      Paul Swannack / Justin Day 2, Dudley Stephenson ................................................  (*149*)

**16 Mar 1993**    A      BKMT¹    W 3-2      Clifton Soares, Gary Crawshaw 2 / Steven Hale 2 ....................................................  (*98*)

**12 Oct 2002**     ha      RL 1s     W 5-0      Paul Johnson 2, Nick Hooper 2, Mark Mercer / - ...................................................  (*265*)

**18 Jan 2003**      A        RL 1s        L 1-2      Richard Taylor / Tom Ellis, Matt Edwards ..............................................................  (*187*)

**11 Oct 2003**     A        RL 1s        L 1-2      Kezie Ibe / Paul De Luca 2 ....................................................................................  (*239*)

**17 Jan 2004**      WP    RL 1s     W 1-0      Craig Maskell / - ..................................................................................................  (*407*)

**01 Aug 2015**    A        MCT      W 4-0      Jack Hutchinson, Jeremy Boakye, Shamir Mullings, Callum McAllister / - ...............  (*200*)

The list is compiled from Staines Town’s point of view (so "W" is a Staines win, "L" is a Staines loss).    \* = after extra time    *p* = penalty

Some of the attendance figures may be estimates or unofficial.

Staines Town goalscorers shown in blue / Egham Town goalscorers shown in red.

**Competition notes**

Billy King Mem Tr. Billy King Memorial Trophy 1st Leg. The second leg of this engagement, arranged in honour of the former Egham Town player, was never played.

Hitachi Cup The league cup of the Isthmian League; although drawn to be played at Staines, both the first game and the replay were at Egham as Wheatsheaf Lane was closed for pitch repairs.

Prem Mwk FL Group fixtures in the Premier Midweek Floodlight League

The 1974 game was played on a Sunday morning because of the power crisis and floodlight ban, and so was neither 'midweek' nor 'floodlit'. I seriously doubt that it was very 'premier' either!

Ryman Lg Div 1 S Ryman [Isthmian] League Division One South.

Sthn Comb Cup SF Southern Combination Challenge Cup: this was the delayed Semi-Final of the previous season's competition.

The list is compiled from our point of view (so "W" is a Staines win, "L" is a Staines loss)

\* = after extra time

Some of the attendance figures are estimates or unofficial.

Unfortunately, I have been unable to find the Egham goalscorers from two of the games.  Also, in the 60s and 70s, I am lacking some of the Egham scorers’ forenames.  One of them, Browning (who scored in Nov 68) could – if this is the same player who was with Staines the previous season – be **Eddie** Browning.  I assume the player who scored the last Egham goals in Aug 67 and Jan 69 is the same player, but his name is spelled differently in the two reports (Erikson / Ericson).  I suspect that Farren (1973) is the ex Hampton player, whose name I believe was **Peter** Farren.

Venues:

WL = Wheatsheaf Lane

WP = Wheatsheaf Park (the same location, but we tend to use that title for "after" the reopening in 2003

A = at your ground - I haven't attempted to note its various name changes but I think over the years it was variously called Charta Road, then Tempest Road, and now the Runnymede Stadium.

ah = an Egham home fixture that was played at Wheatsheaf Lane

ha = a Staines home fixture that was played at Tempest Road

Competitions:

SL = Spartan League (Senior Division)

SLC1 = Spartan League Cup Round 1

SCCsf = Southern Combination Challenge Cup Semi-Final (the ‡ denotes that this match was held over from the previous season)

PMFL d = Premier Midweek Floodlight League, Section D

FAC2q = FA  Challenge Cup, 2nd Qualifying Round

HC1 = Hitachi Cup 1st Round / r = replay [this was the isthmian League cup]

BKMT¹ = Billy King Memorial Trophy, 1st Leg

RL 1s = Ryman [Isthmian] League, Division 1 South

MCT = Magna Carta Shield

fr = friendly

(There were also lots of pre-war games involving your predecessor club, Egham FC, but I'll hold those back in case I need to do a hasty replay edition!)

Owing to the industrial unrest / three-day-week / floodlight ban, the 1974 game was played on a Sunday morning.  It was thus neither "midweek" nor "floodlit".  I suspect it wasn't very "premier" either!

**BOOTS ACROSS THE WATER –**

**MEN WHO HAVE FEATURED FOR BOTH CLUBS**

Peter Bending

Barry Caton

Paul Allies

Steve Garrood

Derek Walters

Mark Butler

Carl Taylor

Paul Collier

Keith Bristow

John Stevens

Eamonn Manners

Richard Packman

Steve Jones

Steve Garrood

Jim Williams

John Exer

Richard Packman

Phil Holt

Dave Camis

Peter Bartlett

Paul Lucas

Derek Payne

Clayton Whittle

Byron Walton

Garry Stevens

John Hanson, who went on to be a long serving committee member at Staines

Steve Webb (never played for Staines but managed our Reserves for several years, assisted by Peter Lelliott and physio Alan Maynard)

 Steve Cordery (also never played for Staines, but was First Team Manager for 9 years)

Stephen and Paul Bennett both played for Staines Town Juniors

Mark Fabian (as well as playing for STFC, he has coached our U18s since 2003)

Gus Hurdle (never played for Staines, but was Assistant Manager early in the Marcus Gayle era)

Jack McKinlay (signed for Staines but never actually played)

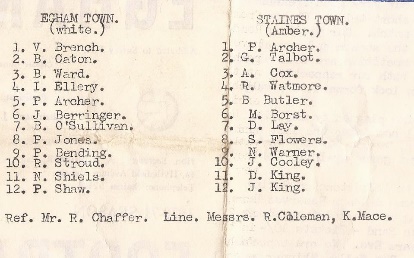
Troy Ferguson, Luke Neville, Danny Bassett, Michael Kalu, and Ashley Lodge were all with us. Danny Julienne in your current squad also played a couple of games for us, in a couple of friendlies (much like we trialled Georges Ehui this preseason).  Going back not so long, we could also add Bajram Pashaj, and in the 80s  we could name people like Chris Wheatley, Joe O’Shea, Steve Beeks, Steve Livey, among the many who crossed the river.  Wilson Gondwe also had a game or two in our colours, Iven Kumanda was a long-standing Academy player with us, and Koo Dumbuya also had a stint at Staines Town.

SEASON 1970-1971

SATURDAY 19 DECEMBER 1970

EGHAM TOWN 0 STAINES TOWN 2

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This pair of matches saw Egham Town, under the guidance of John Hourd, struggling to get back to decent early season form as they prepared for table-toppers Staines Town. Capable of thrashing Old Westminster Citizens 7-2 in the Surrey Senior Cup, there were also results like losing 1-4 at Hoddesdon Town to cope with. There was not much of a gap between the games, the return at Wheatsheaf Lane coming on 23 January 1970. The clippings show that in December they had lost the lead in a 1-1 with Chertsey Town, away, but the week before the Staines game had meekly surrendered an unbeaten home league record to the bottom side Crown & Manor, whose only other win at that stage had also been against Egham.

**REPORT**

The 0-2 scoreline was mirrored when Staines came a-calling. Egham were missing some key players and “lacked the necessary punch up front to penetrate a sound Staines defence.” Staines keeper Peter Archer was in top form, twice saving well from Shiels late on. The first goal came from Neville Warner, in the ninth minute as he “seized on a cross from the right and gave Brench no chance with a perfect shot.” Staines had Peter Archer; his brother Paul was an Egham stalwart at the time and your programme editor can remember seeing him play. Five minutes into the second half “Brench, left completely without cover, blocked shots from Warner and Cooley before Borst finally beat him with a drive. Egham kicked two off the line and Shiels was denied by an excellent save.

Egham Town: Brench, Caton, Ward, Ellery, Paul Archer, Berringer, Jones, O’Sullivan, Stroud, Bending, Shiels. Sub: Shaw.

Staines Town: Peter Archer, Talbot, Cox, J King, Butler, Borst, Lay Flowers, Warner, Cooley, D King. Sub: Tizzard.



Egham keeper Brench and full back Paul Archer are grounded as Staines forward Warner celebrates the second goal.

A week later and things started looking up. “The candle of hope which has been flickering dimly for Egham for the past few weeks is suddenly glowing strongly again following a spirited display that won Egham their first ever Spartan League point at Liberty Lane and saw two great goals”. [*Ed. Nice to see that my own hyperbolic reports are continuing a fine tradition!*] Pictures show the sort of wintry conditions which these days would have seen the game called off. Egham recovered from two down against a side containing Neil (?) Carey and Brian Hames, who both played for us later on. Alan Mitchell and Paul Archer were the Egham scorers. A goalless draw against Leighton Town at home followed before the return game at Wheatsheaf Lane.

**SATURDAY 23 JANUARY 1971**

**STAINES TOWN 0 EGHAM TOWN 1**

**Egham plan for revenge in Staines clash**

“Staines Town are hit by injuries and Egham Town have two new signings in their side when the Spartan League neighbours clash at Wheatsheaf Lane on Saturday. Staines have already won at Egham this season but, says Egham boss John Hourd: “We have no injuries now and I can select from my full squad. We are going to give them a much harder game this time.” Ex-Hampton man Julian Goodlace makes his debut along with Peter Searle, who be extra keen to help contribute to this old side’s second defeat this season, Staines having lost their first League match last weekend when fellow championship rivals Hoddesdon beat them 2-1 at Wheatsheaf Lane.

“Egham now look out of the title race, despite a great start to the season, and are now lying fifth with 23 points from 22 games. Staines are second, with three games in hand over leaders Hampton, with 30 points from 17 games, just two points adrift from the champions.”

Stan Lovell, injured on 24 October at Tring, returned to restore his defensive coolness to a back four that definitely missed him. In midfield the addition of Goodlace (Chelsea, QPR, Fulham) was a definite catch. For Staines Micky Borst was out, as were Bruce Butler and John King. “If these three are not selected with Dickie Whatmore coming back for King, with Steve Kemp stepping in for Butler, Borst would probably have been left out in preference to Dave Lay and John Tizzard in midfield.”

**REPORT**





Butler and Warner jump high to challenge Egham's defenders for a high cross

Staines defender George Talbot moves in to challenge Egham's Alan Mitchell

“Recovering from their first Spartan League defeat of the season, Staines ran into a determined Egham team determined to avenge their earlier home defeat. Fielding their full side for the first time since October, Egham set about their task in a workmanlike manner and full back Ian Ellery, aided by Paul Archer, Lovell and Shiels, formed a defiant back four.” Egham marshalled the Swans’ powerhouse strike force of Warner and Cooley. The new signings Goodlace and Searle bolstered midfield. “Staines’ finishing left much to be desired, for while they attacked quickly and strongly they failed to take advantage of their opportunities. D King hit wide of an open goal after Brench had failed to hold a cross from Talbot.” Five minutes into the second half, from the third of Beavis’ corners Bending outjumped the Staines defenders but hit the bar. The ball bounced down and Stroud sidefooted home. “Staines regained some of their composure after this and once more set about trying to break Egham’s defensive grip… Always there was an Egham defender on hand to intercept a dangerous pass… with a timely tackle. At long last Staines pierced the wall of blue shirts when Warner – for the first time – lost Ellery long enough to meet a cross from Flowers. But with Brench helpless on the ground he tried to bring the ball under control instead of knocking it into the empty net, and gave Shiels time to race across the goalmouth and dispossess him.

Staines Town: Peter Archer, Talbot, Cox, Watmore, Butler, Tizzard, D King, Flowers, Warner, Cooley, England. Sub: J King

Egham Town: Brench, Lovell, Shiels, Searle, Paul Archer, Ellery, Beavis, Bending, Stroud, Goodlace, Mitchell. Sub: Keefe.

WHEN WE LAST MET COMPETITIVELY –

SEASONS 2002-2003, 2003-2004

**SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER 2002**

**STAINES TOWN 5 EGHAM TOWN 0**

**(at Egham Town FC)**

The first season of the Millennium had seen both of our sides finish in comfortable mid-table obscurity, Staines Town in 13th in Ryman One, the Sarnies also 13th, two divisions lower. Then it was decided that there would be changes in the set-up but for Egham Town to take full advantage we would have to finish in the top six of Ryman Three. As can be seen on the excellent Football Web Pages site this top six stipulation was not adhered to, some clubs finding promotion their reward even though finishing below clubs “allocated” to the new, regionalised divisions under the Premier.

**RYMAN LEAGUE DIVISION THREE SEASON 2001 - 2002**

**1 Croydon Athletic 42 30 5 7 138 41 95**

**2 Hornchurch 42 25 11 6 96 46 86**

**3 Aveley 42 26 6 10 109 55 84**

**4 Bracknell Town 42 25 8 9 96 54 83**

**5 Epsom & Ewell 42 20 15 7 81 51 75**

**6 Egham Town 42 21 11 10 72 59 74**

**RYMAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SEASON 2001 - 2002**

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**17 Dulwich Hamlet 42 11 13 18 64 76 46**

**18 Wealdstone 42 11 12 19 60 82 45**

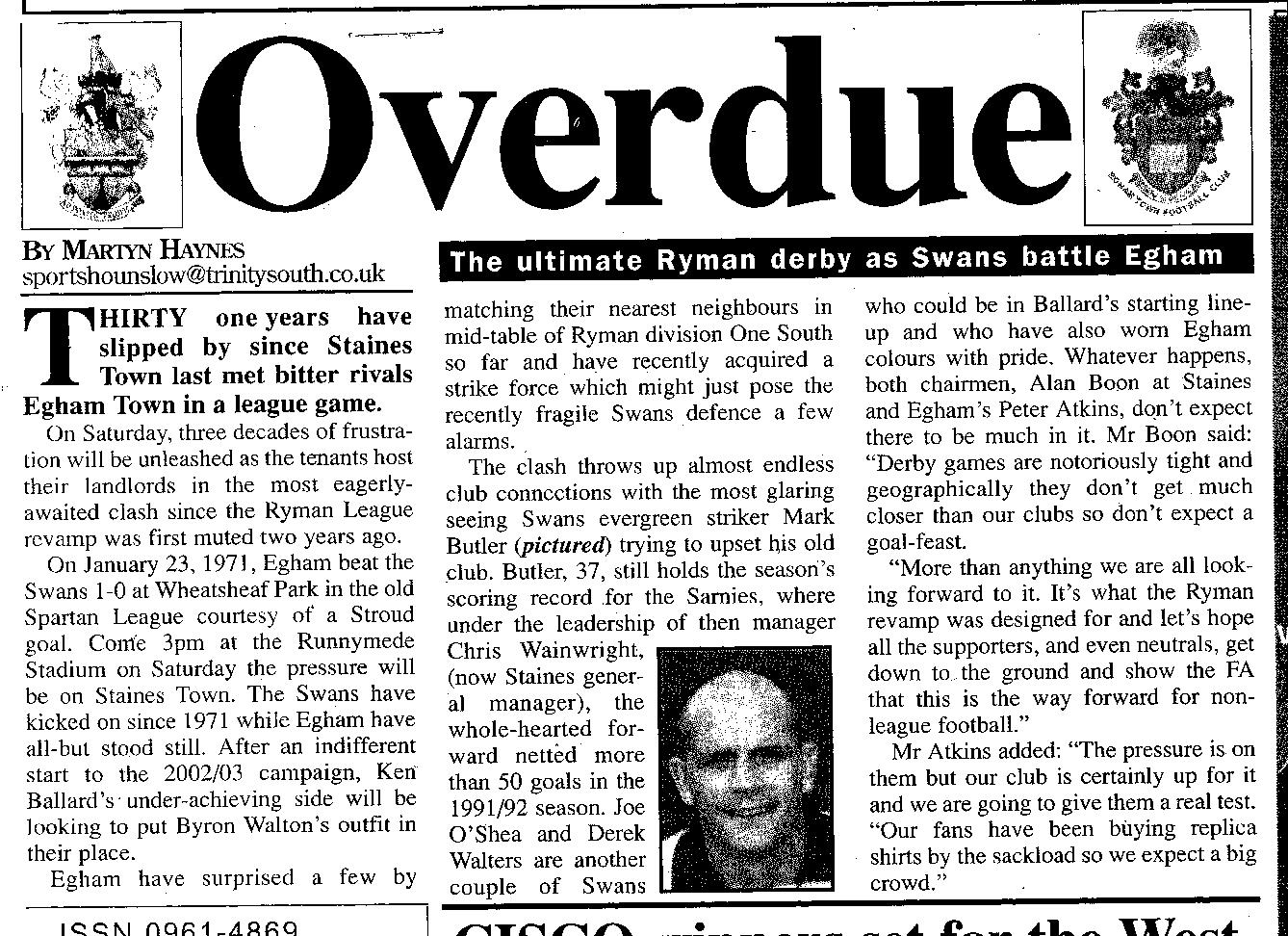
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**20 Whyteleafe 42 10 11 21 46 86 41**

**21 Barking & E Ham Utd 42 8 7 27 61 123 31**

**22 Windsor & Eton 42 7 5 30 53 93 26**

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Egham Town were therefore playing sides of the calibre of today’s visitors, Carshalton Athletic, Dulwich Hamlet, Bognor Regis and Bromley in League competition. It could have been daunting but we showed good enough form to sit in lower mid table before the much anticipated clash with Staines Town. The twin strike force of Paul de Luca and Matt Edwards proved throughout the season that they were well equipped to cope at this level, but Staines had a tight defensive unit for us to try to break down. They also had Mark Butler, who remains our leading marksman with 154 goals in three and a half seasons (in two stints) and was now wearing the colours of “the enemy”. We went into the match with our recent form showing a narrow loss at Whyteleafe, a win against Ashford and recoveries from 0-2 and 1-3 (I think) for a 3-3 draw against the other Swans, Walton & Hersham. Steve Willmore had just left for Ashford but the recent pairing up of our front two was an exciting prospect. Both were big, powerful forwards capable of scoring as easily from tap-ins as from distance, and it was a close range shot from Edwards that had earnt us a point at Croydon before the local derby. That it was being played as an away game on our own turf added a novelty aspect to it. (From the Staines Town website: “*Having lobbied Spelthorne Council on and off for 20 years, planning permission for a £6.5m Conference and health facility was granted in April 2000 and finalised a year later. During construction, Staines groundshared with Walton & Hersham and Egham Town before the return to Wheatsheaf Lane (now shared with the Thames Club) on 22 February 2003.”*

**REPORT**

Scorers: Paul Johnson (2), Nick Hooper (2), Mick Mercer

On the big day we froze, like rabbits in the headlights, for the crucial opening spell. In the Staines & Egham News edition following this match the incumbent Sports Editor Martin Haynes wrote a particularly prolix match report, under the headline “No derby snore as Swans chew the Sarnies”, in addition to having on the back page the headline “Ballard’s big boys just unstoppable”. Haynes added “Staines delivered the kind of performance their long-suffering fans had yearned for… the quality of football on show even had Egham followers singing their bitter rivals’ praises – and that takes some doing.” Not sure where he got that last bit from! Unfortunately for Egham the Swans took an early lead, two minutes in when Paul Johnson scored and our keeper Michael Bolger had to be at his not inconsiderable best to stop the “home” side running away with it. On 22 minutes Nick Hooper turned the ball in after a Craig Reilly shot was blocked. Egham forced decent saves from Staines keeper Matt Lovett early in the second half but went three down when Johnson shot home after a rebound from his own weak drive. In a frenetic atmosphere the only card went to Egham’s Derek Payne, who crunched David Everitt, who was then replaced by the talismanic Butler. Hooper and Butler combined for the fourth before De Luca and Edwards had shots saved by an increasingly busy Lovett. When the fifth went in, late on, Mick Mercer was lucky not to have been flagged offside, not that it mattered much by then. Afterwards:

Staines - 7th place: P11 W5 D4 L2 F20 A12 Pts 19.

Egham - 14th: P12 W4 D2 L6 F17 A28 Pts 14.

**SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2003**

**EGHAM TOWN 2 STAINES TOWN 1**

Come mid-January 2003 all the clubs in the area had suffered from horrible weather, the Staines & Egham News showing Wheatsheaf Lane (not yet “Park”) and Runnymede Stadium snowbound. Then it melted, leaving the pitch under water and the floodlights inoperable. That is why the headline for our home game against Staines Town announced:

Early kick-off for grudge game

“Derby clashes do not come more intense than an Egham Town v Staines Town encounter. (Martin Haynes could at times lose sight of perspective; think Manchester, Glasgow, Liverpool for starters.)

Saturday’s return encounter at the Runnymede Stadium offers Byron Walton’s Egham the perfect opportunity for revenge. The manager will be buoyed by Saturday’s stunning 2-1 win at second-placed Horsham, which saw leading scorer Matt Edwards net for the first time in six matches. [Staines Town have] the tightest back four in the league. Two goals conceded in six games earned the Swans the Endsleigh Sports Insurance Service Safe Hands Award for December.” Egham Town had a new keeper in former Plymouth Argyle man Leighton Bull, who had played in the last two games, including the Horsham win. Due to the inclement weather kick off was at 1 p.m.

Sarnie hero Paul de Luca and Swans' keeper Matt Lovett (inset)

**REPORT**

**Scorers: Tommy Ellis, Matt Edwards / Richard Taylor**

**Late Edwards strike sinks Swans in derby**

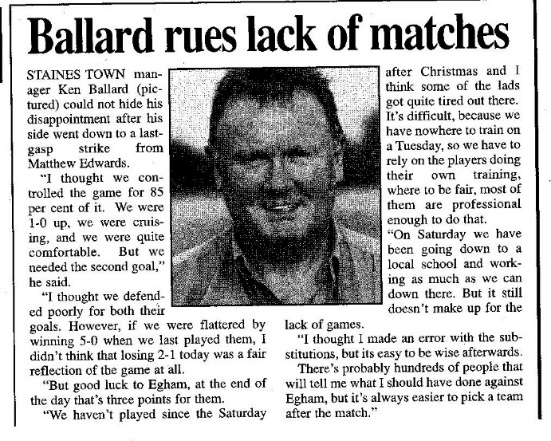
Staines & Egham News: “A late strike from Matt Edwards gave Egham a hard fought victory over their tenants and helped avenge the 5-0 drubbing by the Swans earlier in the season.”

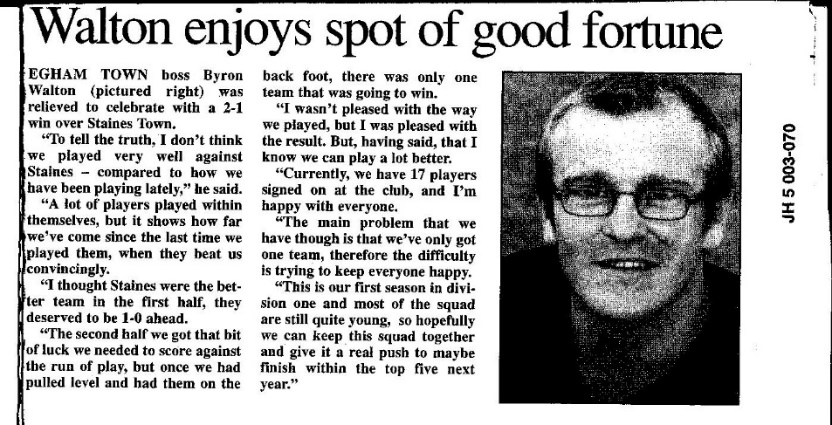
An understandably heavy pitch and another early goal for the Swans gave Egham a lot to do in this match that saw first ever goals for their respective clubs by Tommy Ellis (Egham) and Staines’ Richard Taylor. Bull saved from David Everitt and Barry McCoy chose to shoot when passing to Edwards might have had greater impact for the Sarnies. After 27 minutes Neil Selby’s corner found Steve Battams, whose header, flicked on by Craig Reilly, was blasted home by Taylor. Staines fans chanted “We want five” but after Nick Hooper hit the side netting Matt Lovett had to save well from Edwards. After 65 minutes Egham levelled. Edwards won a midfield tussle, McCoy fed the ball on to Ellis, and the little dynamo rammed the ball past Lovett. The winner came as the recently arrived Paul Reed guided a corner kick on to Edwards’ head, which did the rest. Staines boss Ken Ballard kept two former Sarnies (Mark Butler and Derek Walters) on the bench, and took another one off (Joe O’Shea, with 11 minutes left).

Egham Town; Leighton Bull, Michael Stewart, Gary Duffy, Jack McKinlay, Alan Jordan (Captain), Eddie Gray (Ellis, 52), Reece White (Grant Eaton, 72), Derek Payne (Andy Dugdale, 80), Barry McCoy, Matt Edwards, Paul Reed. Unused sub: Gary Stevens.

Staines Town: Matt Lovett, Joe O’Shea (Paul Sears, 79), Richard Taylor, Damien Smith, Steve Bantams, Danny Hayward, Nick Hooper, Craig O’Reilly, David Everitt, Neil Selby, Paul Johnson (Shaun Lee, 79). Unused subs: Mark Butler, Derek Walters, Gary Chessman.

**MANAGERIAL REACTION TO THE MATCH**





Then… Ken Ballard was sacked in April 2003, not long after Staines were humbled 0-7 at home by neighbours Walton & Hersham, on April Fools Day. Mark Butler was installed as caretaker manager.

**RYMAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SOUTH SEASON 2002 - 2003**

**1 Carshalton Athletic 46 28 8 10 73 44 91**

**2 Bognor Regis Town 46 26 10 10 92 34 88**

**3 Lewes 46 24 16 6 106 50 88**

**4 Dulwich Hamlet 46 23 12 11 73 49 81**

**5 Whyteleafe 46 21 13 12 74 51 76**

**6 Bromley 46 21 13 12 70 53 76**

**7 Walton & Hersham 46 20 13 13 87 63 73**

**8 Horsham 46 21 9 16 80 58 72**

**9 Epsom & Ewell 46 19 12 15 67 66 69**

**10 EGHAM TOWN 46 19 10 17 62 71 67**

**11 Tooting & Mitcham Utd 46 18 9 19 83 78 63**

**12 Worthing 46 17 12 17 78 75 63**

**13 Windsor & Eton 46 18 9 19 66 65 63**

**14 Leatherhead 46 16 13 17 71 66 61**

**15 STAINES TOWN 46 14 16 16 57 63 58**

**16 Banstead Athletic 46 14 15 17 58 59 57**

**17 Ashford Town Middx) 46 14 11 21 47 70 53**

**18 Croydon 46 15 8 23 56 87 53**

**19 Croydon Athletic 46 13 13 20 52 66 52**

**20 Bracknell Town 46 12 16 18 57 74 52**

**21 Corinthian Casuals 46 12 14 20 50 68 50**

**22 Molesey 46 13 9 24 52 79 48**

**23 Metropolitan Police 46 12 10 24 50 76 46**

**24 Chertsey Town 46 3 7 36 43 139 16**

11 OCTOBER 2003

EGHAM TOWN 2 **STAINES TOWN 1**

The following season was not good for the Sarnies. Early on Egham’s poor start to the season included a scandalous 1-8 home annihilation at the hands of Thame United in the FA Cup. A decent first half performance was followed by a second in which Jack McKinlay slammed in a ridiculous own goal before we let in the last five with such lack of giving-a-toss that we Sarnies stood down the Jungle End as the last goal went in, shouting “We want nine”. The disillusionment with Byron Walton’s tenure resulted in him having a chat with then Chairman Pete Atkins, who told him a change was being considered, so Walton left. His last game was a 4-2 win at home against Tilbury, with goals by Chris Geary, Steve Baker and two from Reece White, the second a penalty. Walton’s brother Stuart was in goal for Egham; he escaped a red card for a foul and saved the penalty. The managerial Walton said Egham “believe they can achieve much more than what they are capable of.” He was not far off; Atkins put Dickson Gill in for his second stint at the club, but apart from winning again at Bromley there was not a lot else to recall with any fondness. Walton’s last big result for us was another 2-1 win against Staines Town.

**REPORT**

****“The Runnymede Stadium was the place for a party on Saturday night as Egham Town got the better of local rivals Staines Town in this Ryman League Division 2 clash. In a game where defeat would have been hard to take for both sets of supporters, a double strike form Paul De Luca secured the points for the home side despite a late goal by Kezie Ibe. Staines boss Steve Cordery introduced another new signing to the team with former Aylesbury defender Richard Horner added to squad, but Cordery was without the injured Matt Flitter. For Egham, boss Byron Walton recalled keeper Dave McCartney and played three forwards in Mark Xavier, Youness Nabil and De Luca. Egham made the better start. [Staines keeper Matt Lovett] could do nothing about De Luca’s effort in the 31st minute which opened the scoring. He took a simple pass from Xavier, looked up, and struck a 30 yard ferocious drive past the keeper, the ball curling away into the left hand side of the goal to send the home fans wild.” Staines forced corner after corner as the half ended. In stoppage time Fouahde Belaid picked out Kezie Ibe, who was unlucky to see his shot beat keeper McCartney only to come back off the far post and yet still fall between the inrushing Danny Rouco and Jon Henry-Haydon. In the 68th minute Xavier’s run and shot was blocked as was Reece White’s follow up. Nabil posed a serious threat and off one of his runs Egham went 2-0 up. A selfless lay-off by Xavier allowed the De Luca (sic) time and space to measure his powerful drive low to Lovett’s right. [The Staines reply did not come until the 84th minute.] A Dean Pitcher corner was channelled out to McGrath and he drove low and hard, but it took a deflection of Ibe to divert it out of the reach of the off-balance McCartney.”

Andy Dugdale (left) tussles for the ball

*Egham Town striker Paul De Luca(arms raised) has just scored one of the most memorable goals in Sarnies’ history with a 30 yard pile-driving screamer into the top left corner of Staines keeper Matt Lovett’s net. Youness Nabil joins in the celebrations. Sarnies go understandably nuts.*

**17 JANUARY 2004**

**STAINES TOWN 1 EGHAM TOWN 0**

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| Mark Xavier (Egham T) and Jon McDonald (StainesT) | |
| “Craig Maskell’s late strike gave Staines local bragging rights and condemned Egham to their fourth defeat on the spin. The Swans assistant-boss netted from a rebound after James Mercer saved Paul Ellis’ spot kick, but the hosts were indebted to keeper Matt Lovett for a string of fine saves to Dickson Gill’s side at bay. Lovett admitted: ”We were not at our best. Egham put us under a lot of pressure. If they played like that every week they wouldn’t be where they are in the table.” Egham recovered from Staines’ strong start with Lovett smothering Xavier’s effort before flinging himself full length to deny Chris Geary on the stroke of half-time. Egham keeper Mercer denied Kezie Ibe and Gavin Tomlin; at other end Julian Sills crashed a header against the post. After Jeff Goulding and Xavier had shots saved by Lovett the game swung towards the hosts. Mercer brought Ibe down in the box, but after a fine save off Ellis’ kick it was former Southampton star Maskell who reacted first to steer the ball in the Egham net. Egham defenders Andy Dugdale and Paul Reed went close as Egham went all out for a leveller, and Matt Edwards, whose late arrival due to work commitments saw him start on the bench, came on towards the end. Edwards said: “I only just made it before kick-off so obviously I couldn’t start. We put them under a lot of pressure in the first half but the second was a bit more even. Overall I think a draw might have been a fairer result – if we can perform |  | |

like every week we shouldn’t have any problems.”

But we did have problems. One was Matt Edwards doing the dirty on us by joining Walton & Hersham, on the spurious grounds that it was closer for him to get to. A quick check on mileages did for that version of the truth. It was a shame; Edwards was a magnificent player whose speed, power and ability combined with the same qualities from Paul De Luca, gave us a cutting edge we had not seen since Mark Butler and Derek Traylen shone so brightly for us. De Luca left to run his restaurant business and Jeff Goulding went on to bigger things, playing league football for Cheltenham Town, but will be remembered by Sarnies stalwart Jimmy Hughes in particular for an outrageously dreadful non-performance at Metropolitan Police towards the end of what turned into a lost season.

**RYMAN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SOUTH SEASON 2003 - 2004**

**1 Lewes 46 29 7 10 113 61 94**

**2 Worthing 46 26 14 6 87 46 92**

**3 Windsor & Eton 46 26 13 7 75 39 91**

**4 Slough Town 46 28 6 12 103 63 90**

**5 Hampton & Richmond B. 46 26 11 9 82 45 89**

**6 STAINES TOWN 46 26 9 11 85 52 87**

**7 Dulwich Hamlet 46 23 15 8 77 57 84**

**8 Bromley 46 22 10 14 80 58 76**

**9 Walton & Hersham 46 20 14 12 76 55 74**

**10 Croydon Athletic 46 20 10 16 70 54 70**

**11 Tooting & Mitcham Utd 46 20 9 17 82 68 69**

**12 Ashford Town (Middx) 46 18 13 15 69 62 67**

**13 Leatherhead 46 19 9 18 83 88 66**

**14 Bracknell Town 46 19 6 21 81 87 63**

**15 Horsham 46 16 11 19 71 69 59**

**16 Marlow 46 16 11 19 50 64 59**

**17 Whyteleafe 46 17 4 25 66 93 55**

**18 Banstead Athletic 46 15 8 23 56 73 53**

**19 Molesey 46 12 6 28 45 84 42**

**20 Metropolitan Police 46 9 14 23 58 84 41**

**21 Croydon 46 10 10 26 57 88 40**

**22 EGHAM TOWN 46 8 8 30 55 92 32**

**23 Corinthian-Casuals 46 6 6 34 48 110 24**

**24 Epsom & Ewell 46 5 8 33 40 117 23**

Egham Town were moved after this season into the Southern League, a decision that gave us unprecedented travelling issues. Our first away game was at Taunton Town. It gave us a clue to what was to happen during a season that reaped just 22 points; we played quite well but were undone by a lack of a cutting edge, and some weak team selections. Players from Virginia Water were never going to make the step up. Pete Burdett had been installed as manager once Dickson Gill got the boot again, and did manage to sign David Groves, one of the best central defenders this club has ever seen. Some details are hazy for this campaign; I know we were hammered at home to Oxford City, who were the only side to put six past us, but once their money went so did their galaxy of former professionals, and we won the return 3-1. I missed that away win and the other one, at Paulton Rovers (2-1), in a game rearranged after a trip just before Xmas saw the match called off half an hour before an evening kick off.

During this period it was Pete Atkins who bore the title of Chairman of Egham Town FC. In my opinion this season set the club back three years. Certainly there would have been little expectation of us laying a proverbial glove on Staines Town had we met during this season.

**SOUTHERN LEAGUE DIVISION ONE WEST SEASON 2004 - 2005**

**1 Mangotsfield United 42 24 11 7 89 49 83**

**2 Yate Town 42 24 9 9 83 40 81**

**3 Evesham United 42 23 10 9 66 31 79**

**4 Clevedon Town 42 24 6 12 82 49 78**

**5 Bromsgrove Rovers 42 19 15 8 60 42 72**

**6 Ashford Town (Middx) 42 17 13 12 63 46 64**

**7 Brackley Town 42 18 10 14 69 53 64**

**8 Paulton Rovers 42 18 7 17 62 61 61**

**9 Burnham 42 17 7 18 64 64 58**

**10 Rothwell Town 42 16 10 16 57 57 58**

**11 Thame United 42 17 6 19 58 69 57**

**12 Corby Town 42 14 12 16 52 62 54**

**13 Marlow 42 13 14 15 58 67 53**

**14 Stourport Swifts 42 15 7 20 62 63 52**

**15 Bedworth United 42 15 7 20 51 60 52**

**16 Cinderford Town 42 13 12 17 50 64 51**

**17 Taunton Town 42 14 8 20 66 75 50**

**18 Sutton Coldfield Town 42 16 11 15 54 61 48 \***

**19 Swindon Supermarine 42 12 12 18 43 60 48**

**20 Bracknell Town 42 10 13 19 53 75 43**

**21 Oxford City 42 11 8 23 49 71 41**

**22 EGHAM TOWN 42 6 4 32 25 97 22**

I would like to extend grateful thanks to the Staines & Egham News for their coverage of these games, and, above all to Mr Keith Thompson not only for having the foresight to take these clippings and hold on to them, but also for the generous act of passing them on to me.

Mark Ferguson, Programme Editor



**OUR LAST MEETING**

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| **THE http://topnews.in/files/Magna-Carta.gifCUP**  **in aid of the white lodge centre**  **egham town versus staines town**  **saturday 1 august 2015** | | |
| **jamie norris** |  | **jack turner** |
| **wilson gondwe** |  | **erivaldo felix** |
| **mason welch-turner** |  | **jack bennett** |
| **troy ferguson (captain)** |  | **mitchal gough** |
| **yinka salami** |  | **darren purse (captain)** |
| **luke neville** |  | **joe o’cearuill** |
| **josh andrew** |  | **luke wanadio** |
| **jordan carter** |  | **jeremy boakye** |
| **brendan matthew** |  | **pat cox** |
| **danny bassett** |  | **ahmed abdulla** |
| **haluna masembe** |  | **david fallah** |
| **seb castello** |  | **ashley lodge** |
| **jamie cunningham (gk)** |  | **harry churchill (gk)** |
| **larry boateng** |  | **aaron okuleye** |
| **louis chandler-joseph** |  | **jack hutchinson** |
| **fulton chandler-joseph** |  | **michael kalu** |
| **tommy mcgarry** |  | **terence vancooten** |
| **darren caesar** |  | **callum mcallister** |
| **nadean fous** |  | **prince mbengui** |
| **tarome hemmings** |  | **phil clarke (gk)** |
| **elliott amadieu** |  | **billy oram** |
| **iven kumonde** |  | **chace o’neill** |
|  |  | **tommy brewer** |
| **trevor norris (mgr)**  **koo dumbuya, ahmet akdag (coaches)** |  | **nicky forster (mgr)**  **graham abercrombie (Asst mgr)**  **martyn spong (coach)**  **daniel bearfoot-fallon (Physio)** |



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**Bostik League South Central – 20 teams**

**Ashford Town (Middlesex) Bob Parker Stadium, Ashford, Middlesex TW19 7BH**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 12th (8.2 miles round trip from our ground)

**Bedfont Sports Bedfont Rec Ground, Hatton Road, Feltham, Middlesex TW14 8JA**

Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier – 2nd (10.2)

**Bracknell Town Larges Lane, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 9AT**

Uhlsport Hellenic League Premier – 2nd (22.6)

**Chalfont St Peter Mill Meadow, Gravel Hill, Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire SL9 9QX**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 9th (36.8)

**Cheshunt The Stadium, Theobalds Lane, Cheshunt, Waltham EN8 8RU**

Bostik Isthmian Division One North – 19th (88)

**Chipstead High Road, Chipstead, Coulsdon, Surrey CR5 3SF**

Bostik Isthmian Division One South – 20th (53.4)

**EGHAM TOWN**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 16th

**FC Romania** Playing at Cheshunt FC

Essex Senior League – 3rd (88)

**Hanwell Town The Powerday Stadium, Perivale Lane, Greenford, Middlesex UB6 8TL**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 18th (43.2)

**Hayes & Yeading United The SkyEx Community Stadium, Beaconsfield, Hayes, Middlesex UB4 0SL**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 3rd (25.6)

**Hertford Town Hertingfordbury Park, West Street, Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 8EZ**

Bostik Isthmian Division One North – 15th (85)

**Marlow Alfred Davis Ground, Oak Tree Road, Marlow, Buckinghamshire SL7 3ED**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 14th (51.2)

**Molesey 412 Walton Road, Molesey, West Molesey, Surrey KT8 2JG**

Bostik Isthmian Division One South – 23rd (22.4)

**Northwood Northwood Park, Chestnut Avenue, Northwood, Middlesex HA6 1HR**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 17th (42.2)

**South Park Whitehall Lane, Reigate, Surrey RH2 8LZ**

Bostik Isthmian Division One South – 13th (54)

**Tooting & Mitcham United Imperial Fields, Bishopsford Road, Morden, Surrey SM4 6BF**

Bostik Isthmian Premier Division – 24th (52.2)

**Uxbridge Horton Road, West Drayton, Middlesex UB7 8HX**

Evo-Stik Southern League East – 15th (19.6)

**Waltham Abbey Capershotts, Sewardstone Road, Waltham Abbey, Essex EN9 1NX**

Bostik Isthmian Division One North – 18th (96.6)

**Ware Wodson Park Leisure Centre, Wadesmill Road, Ware Hertfordshire SG12 0UQ**

Bostik Isthmian Division One North – 20th (107)

**Westfield Woking Park, Woking, Surrey, GU22 9BA**

Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier – CHAMPIONS (21.6)

**EGHAM TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB HISTORY**

**EGHAM TOWN**'s forerunners were a team called Runnymede Rovers who were established in 1877 and played in red and white - colours the present club have now adopted as their own. Rovers were reformed as Egham FC in 1905 and were founder members of the Surrey Senior League, claiming the inaugural Championship. The club had an unsuccessful six-year spell in the Spartan League between 1927-33 before returning to the Surrey Senior League, in which they played until disbanding upon the outbreak of World War II.

Unlike many clubs, Egham FC did not reform at the end of the War and it was not until a public meeting at the town's Literary Institute on December 9, 1963 that the present club came into being. The local council offered the use of part of a recreation ground for the new club to play on and this remains the club's home, although it is now an impressive ground for a club of Egham Town's stature. The former park has been developed into the Runnymede Stadium as it is known today. The ground has cover on all sides.

Having played in the Parthenon League in 1964-65 season, Town returned to the Surrey Senior League in 1965, and then moved back into the Spartan League, claiming the title in 1971-72. They were then elected into the Athenian League and captured the Second Division Championship at the first attempt in 1974-75 and finishing as First Division runners-up the following season. When the Isthmian League expanded in 1977, the Sarnies were duly elected but after finishing 6th in their first season success always eluded them. They have reached the fourth round of the FA Vase once in their history - the 1984-85 season. They narrowly missed promotion from the final season of the regionalised Division Two in 1990-91, when what was Divisions Two North and South was reorganised for the following season as Two and Three. Egham finished third in Division Two South with a tally of 87 points and 100 goals - both would have been good enough in almost any other season to secure one of the two promotion spots. In that season, they also had the best ever run in the FA Cup, reaching the 4th Qualifying Round before losing at Telford United. The 1991-92 season saw the Sarnies reach the Finals of the Surrey Senior Cup and Loctite Trophy but lose both. The club then went into a decline that culminated in relegation from Division Two of the Isthmian League in 1997-98.

For season 1991-92 the Club was promoted to Division One South of the Isthmian League as part of a re-organisation of non-league football and in 1997-98 were relegated to Isthmian Division 3. That started badly with a 0-9 defeat at Camberley Town. (Egham actually finished higher than Camberley, our goal difference was positive, Camberley’s not.) We were switched to the Southern League in 2004, which proved disastrous, as the travelling and a small budget virtually guaranteed the final finish of bottom, with 22 points.

With a final placing of sixth in season 2001-2 Egham were in one the allocated places for a move to Isthmian One South, that achievement helped largely by the goalscoring exploits of Clayton Whittle, who ended the season with a run of at least a goal a game for the last ten games, setting a club record. In the 2005-06 season they played in the Isthmian League Division Two but as a result of the restructuring of non-league football the club entered the Combined Counties League Premier Division. Season 2006-07 saw the appointment of first-time manager and former Egham Town defender Jack McKinlay, who resigned early into the following season as some heavy losses in the early part of the season prefaced a season long battle against relegation. They did however, enjoy a league cup run to the semi-finals, where they lost to Bedfont Green. Despite pre-season optimism, the club continued to struggle during 2008-2009 with the loss through injury of the previous season's top marksman, Jamie Thornby, hitting them hard. This led to another change in management, this time with former player Steve Baker taking the reins. He steadied the ship, and the campaign ended with four straight wins and a final league position of 13th place with 56 points. Baker's first full season saw the club finish 4th after a long unbeaten run, which success gave the club byes for the first two rounds of the FA Vase. However, even with some fine wins, John Pomroy (who had joined the club at the start of the season from neighbours and rivals Chertsey Town) scoring 26 goals, and, at one stage early in season 2010-2011 returning to 4th position, it was felt by the Chairman that change was needed.

With a new management trio of John Hamsher, who had a playing history at a very high level, former player Wayne Noad, and well-respected youth coach Colin Bartholomew an increased emphasis on blending youth with experience for season 2011-2012 certainly paid dividends. The first team, aided by 31 goals from Dale Marvell, were only pipped for a 3rd place finish on the last day of a season in which Egham registered, in an opening day 2-2 draw at Farnham Town, their 400th CCL Premier Division goal (from Marvell), and on the last day of the season, against the same opposition, their 500th, with a Marvell free kick. Just as eye-catching was the success of the brand new Under 18s, who were a revelation. with their capture of an historic debut season double of the Southern Youth League Central Section Championship and the League Cup, secured in a excellent match at Sutton United’s Gander Green Lane stadium with a 3-2 win over South Park. Under Bartholomew’s watchful gaze, and superbly assisted by John Cane, several Under 18s played for the first team, all demonstrating an ability to bridge the gap between the two levels. Chief among these was striker Brendan Matthew, with 8 goals for the Firsts and over 30 for the Youth.

Season 2012-13 started with the club expecting to progress under the same management but after ten games Hamsher and Noad jumped ship to join Ryman One South side Chipstead, taking half a dozen players with them. The vacant managerial slot was taken by Lee Pasmore, who rejoined the club last season after spending some of his earlier career with the Sarnies but was badly injured in the opening game of season 2012-13 at Sandhurst Town. He called on the services of former boss Jack McKinlay, who was joined in his return by another former player, Neerav Patel. Thereafter the season just got better and better, with some fantastic performances against Windsor, Cove, Badshot Lea and a memorable 3-1 home win against eventual runners-up Guernsey seeing the Sarnies creep up the table before taking up residence in first place. Appalling weather disrupted every club’s preparations, especially those of the Channel Islanders, but Egham were relentlessly picking up points and set a club record of 14 straight home wins before collapsing inexplicably by 1-6 to relegation threatened Hartley Wintney. That gave Guernsey hope. They had to finish the season with four games in as many days after season-long issues with their pitch, but even though they managed a 12 point haul, including an 8-1 win over the same Hartley Wintney side which had caught Egham cold, the Championship was won on 4 May 2013 with a 1-0 win (Luke Muldowney, 79th minute) against Bedfont Sports. Among the wild celebrations there was also time to reflect on the loss, early in the season, of Club President Brian Askew, who had been involved with the club since its reformation and had held several positions throughout his time with his beloved Sarnies.

Season 2013-14 saw a vibrant Egham Town looking forward to the challenge of football back in the Southern League, much better prepared than in 2004-05, aiming initially to better their previous mark in the Southern League, which was achieved fairly comfortably. Despite the clubhouse, the pitch and the surrounding area being badly flooded for weeks on end the club spirit held and in a very competitive division the final finish of 11th, and a run to the Semi Final of the Surrey Senior Cup, left the Sarnies in a confident mood to tackle season 2014 – 2015.

Egham Town were shaken on 4 October 2014 when Lee Passmore resigned his post as manager for personal reasons, Jack McKinlay and Neerav Patel following him. Continuing a club policy of trying wherever possible to promote from within the club the reins were handed to Luke Muldowney, the team captain, with the hugely experienced Richie Byrne assisting him. Unfortunately this only lasted 21 matches as after two heavy defeats and with the club sliding down the table a change was required.

Egham Town were next managed by Koo Dumbuya, a very well respected coach who used to play for the Sarnies. He was assisted by Trevor Norris, father of goalkeeper Jamie, and in his own right a manager and coach with a very impressive track record. The Sarnies progressed to the Semi-Finals of the Red Insure Cup. Slough Town were beaten 4-2 at the Runnymede Stadium, then Egham won 2-1 at Godalming Town and 5-4 on penalties at Burnham after coming from 0-2 and 1-3 to finish 3-3 at the end of normal time. Then we beat North Greenford United 2-1 at home before travelling to Premier Division leaders and Premier Division promotion challengers Poole Town. Mitchell Gutteridge gave us a half-time lead, the Dolphins levelled then Reis Stanislaus banged in a 35 yarder. We stretched Poole all the way and they only secured their 3-2 win with three minutes to go. Results were mixed thereafter and there was a novel switch as Dumbuya and Norris took each other’s role. It did not really work, and results into the start of season 2015-2016 led initially to Norris leaving then, with one match and one win (2-1 at home to Aylesbury United) with Dumbuya and recently installed coach Ahmet Akdag in charge, the appointment of exciting young manager Gary Meakin. The new man came to the club with experience as a player at Doncaster Rover, Telford, Hendon, Harrow Borough, Northwood and Hillingdon Borough. The nine operations he has had over this time eventually ended his playing career. His managerial experience started at Hillingdon Borough, before he went on to Northwood, then Wingate & Finchley. More recently two spells at Beaconsfield SYCOB sandwiched a stint in charge at Burnham. Highlights include saving Wingate & Finchley from relegation out of the Ryman Premier (2012 – 2013 season) and, after taking over at Beaconsfield SYCOB four days before the 2013-2014 season, leading the side to 8th place and the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup Final.

Two games in Meakin guided Egham to a club record away win as they walloped Uxbridge 7-0, then recorded the same score 11 days later at Arlesey Town. Egham recorded their first ever win on the road in the FA Trophy with a 1-0 success at Slimbridge, where earlier the Sarnies went out 2-3 aet in an FA Cup replay. In that replay Egham only had 11 players, and had to field leading scorer Brendan Matthew in goal! Egham reached half way in the 2015-2016 season in 3rd place after successive 1-0 wins against promotion rivals St Ives Town and AFC Rushden & Diamonds coming just before Christmas. The season included two 7-0 away wins at Uxbridge and Arlesey Town, and finished with the club going into the last day with everything on a knife edge. Egham were in third place when they travelled to Royston Town. Both sides were on 82 points, two behind leaders Kings Langley. When Egham took the lead the Sarnies were champions, for all of eleven minutes. Then a combination of Royston levelling and Kings Langley scoring the only goal of their game at Petersfield Town meant that the club finished third and faced St Ives Town in the play-offs. The Sarnies took the lead twice but with the score at 2-2 after extra time the visitors prevailed 4-2 in the penalty shoot-out. Finishing in third place was a superb end to a thoroughly entertaining season in which leading marksman Brendan Matthew scored a magnificent 37 times. The following season did not run quite as smoothly but an excellent late push moved the club into fifth place and a play-off at Farnborough. A 0-4 reverse was harsher than was deserved but the Sarnies were looking forward to another season under Gary Meakin and another promotion challenge. That didn’t happen as he and his management compadres jumped ship to helm the newly renamed Beaconsfield Town. Season 2017-2018 began with the experienced of Chris Moore and Wayne Carter in charge. Moore’s first managerial post saw him hang up his boots and use his contacts to bring in some decent players, and a five game winning run early on had Egham looking good in 3rd place. A club record FA Trophy win (7-1 at home to Shoreham) was followed by a drawn out saga with Bowers & Pitsea, who ended up being thrown out of the competition. Form dipped and after 36 games the pair were replaced with former Northwood boss Simon Lane. An exodus of players followed, mainly to Beaconsfield, who actively courted former Sarnies to boost their successful promotion run. Results were variable under the new manager, wins at home against AFC Rushden & Diamonds and Hayes & Yeading United played off against a home loss to doomed Arlesey Town. The final position of 16th was well short of early expectations.

Season 2018-2019 saw Egham Town re-discover what it was like to be an Isthmian League side after 12 years following the FA’s massive reorganisation of the non-league structure. Simon Lane was pleased to start the season with a good selection of the previous season’s squad but leading marksman Matthew’s signing for Beaconsfield Town was as inevitable as night following day. Lane left by mutual consent after five games, the season not having started as planned, and Ashley Smith took over, with a home FA Cup First Qualifying tie his baptism of fire. Smith had been involved at Maidenhead United, Chesham United, Burnham and Flackwell Heath, and in his role as assistant manager at Windsor helped steer the Berkshire club to a quarter final place in the FA Vase. We now look forward to a period of stability and development.

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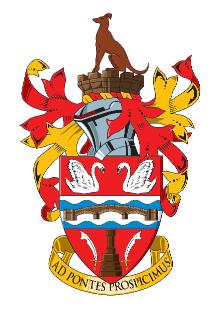
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# **STAINES TOWN FC HISTORY**

**FORMATIONS, MERGERS, & NAMES**: The origins and early history of the Club are very obscure. Football may have begun in Staines as far back as the 1870s: a team called St Peter’s Institute took part in the FA Cup in 1879 although it now seems more likely that this was a different, London-based club; a Staines FC were definitely in the Surrey Cup soon afterwards, but 1892 is the accepted date of formation of the present Staines Town club, possibly springing from the Staines Rovers FC of a decade earlier. In 1895, “Town” merged with St Peter’s Institute. Various local honours were won under the names of Staines FC and Staines Albany FC, but the Club was badly affected by WW1, with the town’s biggest factories switching to war work. Teams like Staines Projectile and Lagonda United kept Staines’ football alive, and it was as Staines Lagonda, sometimes called Lagonda (Staines), that the Club re-emerged once peace was restored. In 1925, in an attempt to gain popularity, the name was changed from that of the famous car-makers to Staines Town, but this proved to be the start of a 10 year decline which ended with a cessation of activities in 1935 after failing to arrange a merger with other local clubs. The Club revived towards the end of WW2, as Staines Vale, soon reverting to Staines Town. A Thames-side location gives rise to the “Swans” nickname.

**GROUNDS**: It is known that Staines Rovers began at Lord’s Field near the Crooked Billet, and St Peter’s Institute played at Edgell Road. At the turn of the century, Staines probably played at The Lammas, and then moved, possibly to Shortwood Common. In the heyday between the wars, they were based at Mill Mead (also called Hammonds’, Wicks’s, or Purser’s Farm). Despite sharing it with Staines Athletic for a time in the early ‘30s, the Club could not pay the rent after 1935, so they sold the stand and left the ground, completing the season by playing away. Staines Vale had temporary homes at Mott’s Field (Commercial Road), Staines Greyhound Stadium (Wraysbury Road), and The Broadway (Laleham, now the home of Staines Lammas FC), before the purchase of Wheatsheaf Lane in 1951. Chertsey Town’s Alwyns Lane was used in 1996-8 during abortive attempts to move; eventually Wheatsheaf Lane was improved in line with league requirements. Having lobbied Spelthorne Council on and off for 20 years, planning permission for a £6½M conference and health facility was granted in April 2000, and finalised a year later. During construction, Staines played at Walton’s Stompond Lane (2001/2) and Egham’s Runnymede Stadium (2002/3) before the return to Wheatsheaf Park (now shared with The Thames Club) on 22 February 2003. The new-look ground has staged a number of important matches, including three national cup finals (British Colleges U19s and FA Women’s Premier Reserve League), three Under 17 international matches, the Isthmian League Cup, and Middlesex Senior Cup, and an FA Women’s Cup Semi-Final. In 2009, it staged its first full international fixture, a Women’s match between Iceland and Denmark, and in 2011/12 began staging FA Women’s Super League and FA Youth Cup games for Chelsea.

**LEAGUES**: The Club played in – and won – several local leagues before joining the Great Western Suburban League in 1905. Two years later they moved into the Great Western Combination. The Projectile and Lagonda clubs competed in the London Works League and Munitions League during WW1, and in 1919 Staines Lagonda joined the Hounslow & District League. They reverted to the Great Western Suburban League after one season, and won the Middlesex Division 2 at the first attempt, to return to Division 1. Runners-up in 1924, they then moved up to the Spartan League Division 1, which became the Premier Division in 1929/30. The end of that season saw Staines relegated to Division 1, where they remained until resigning in 1935. In 1943, Staines Vale were admitted to the Middlesex Senior League, which became the Parthenon League in 1951. Two years later, the Club was a founder member of the Hellenic League, and were runners-up in 1956. Another switch came in 1958, when Spartan League membership was renewed, and the championship was lifted in 1960. After finishing 2nd in 1971, Staines Town advanced to the Athenian League, and won Division 2 with record points at the first attempt. A Division 2 runners-up spot in 1973 earnt a place in the Premier Division, but this was never accepted as the Club was elected to the new *Rothmans* Isthmian League Division 1 (called Division 2 up to 1977). At the second attempt, Staines were champions, gaining promotion to the top division. The best placing achieved was 4th, but in 1984 the Club was demoted on a ground grading technicality. However, in 1989, Division 1 was won again, only for Premier Division status to be lost in 1993 with a first relegation for 63 years. Third place ensured a return to the Premier in 1996, but this was to last only one season. With the reorganisation of Summer 2002, Staines played in Division 1 South, but their sixth-placed finish (secured on the last day of season 2003/4), they gained inclusion in the Premier Division for 2004/5. Season 2007/8 saw Staines achieve their best-ever Isthmian placing, finishing runners-up to Chelmsford City: they reached the Play-Off Final, in which a first half lead over AFC Wimbledon disappeared in the final 8 minutes. They were also top scorers in the division, and fielded Golden Boot winner Mark Nwokeji, who moved up to League Two club Dagenham & Redbridge in the close-season. However, completing the job in 2009, the Swans again finished as runners-up, this time comfortably so, and duly lifted the play-off trophy and with it, promotion to the Conference South. Manager Steve Cordery stood down hours after the end of Swans’ third *Blue Square Bet* (South) campaign, and can proudly reflect on elevating the club from the Ryman 1 (South), and two glittering cup runs. His successor is former Jamaican World Cup player Marcus Gayle, who in 2013/14 guided the Club to match its best ever finish in the Conference (South) with 8th spot. Marcus moved on after a poor first half of the following season, and was replaced by former Brentford boss Nicky Forster, but he was unable to prevent Staines from dropping back into the Ryman League.

**NATIONAL CUP COMPETITIONS**: Staines Town had to wait until 1984/5 before reaching the First Round Proper of the FA Cup, and were then unfortunately drawn in one of only 3 all non-League ties, losing 2-0 at Burton Albion in front of 4021 people. However, the club shattered all its records in 2007/8, reaching the 2nd Round Proper and bowing out to Peterborough, after defeating Stockport County in front of 2860 and live Sky cameras. After waiting so long, the *Swans* returned to the First Round Proper in 2009/10, and won their tie at Shrewsbury Town, before losing in a replay at Millwall in the Second Round. Reaching the 1st Round again in 2013/14, Staines were rewarded with a ‘plum’ tie at neighbours Brentford, but went down 5-0 in front of 5263 people at Griffin Park. In the FA Amateur Cup, “The Old Lagonda” reached Round 3 (last 16) in 1923/4 but a missed penalty cost them dear in a 2-1 defeat by Wycombe Wanderers at Mill Mead. Two late goals saw them lose at Barnet in Round 2 a year later. There have been three appearances in the last 32 (2nd Round Proper) of the FA Trophy, the most dramatic being in 1976/7 when losing to Morecambe in a 2nd replay. The 3rd Round (new style) was reached in 2000/1, when Staines came within a few minutes of defeating holders Kingstonian, before losing in a replay, and they reached the 4th Round in 2003/4, going out in a controversial replay against Halifax Town. Season 2013/14 brought another exciting tie - and a replay – with non-League giants Luton Town.

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