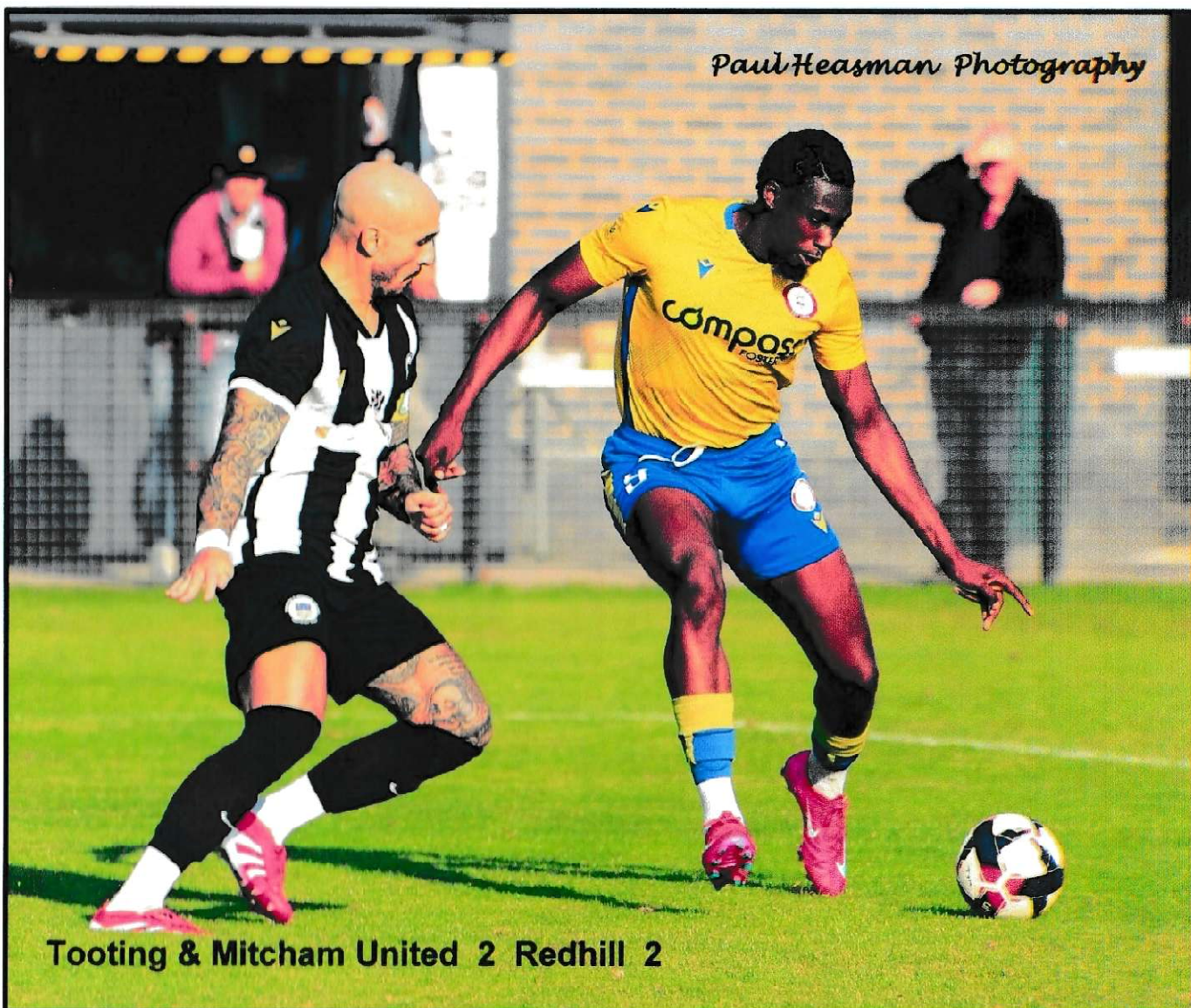


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# LOBSTERS

at Kiln Brow



**REDHILL FC**  
vs  
**EPSOM & EWELL FC**  
Cherry Red Records  
Combined Counties  
League Premier South  
Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> October 2025











## WELCOME TO KILN BROW "Home of the LOBSTERS!"



### COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION SOUTH

Welcome to Kiln Brow, the home of Redhill Football Club, for this afternoon's fixture in the Premier South. A special welcome, of course, to our visitors Epsom & Ewell. We hope you enjoy your stay with us and have a safe journey home afterwards. You don't have too far to go.

The Epsom "Salts" are having a reasonable season. They hold a mid-table position, just four points behind the Lobsters after last Saturday's matches, and are now playing their home fixtures at Chessington & Hook United's ground.

A few of us will remember watching Epsom play in front of big crowds at West Street. An FA Cup replay against Southall, with the kick-off in late afternoon, springs to mind when Southall's Alan Devonshire so impressed the West Ham scouts that they signed him!

In last season's matches we drew 2-2 here at the Brow in October, Nathan Hogan and Sean Swift netting our goals, and then won the return 4-2 at Corinthian Casuals' ground in late December with four different scorers.

What can we say about last Saturday's game at Tooting? After a frustrating 89 minutes, being 2-0 down, we somehow conjured up two goals to come away with a point. This Redhill side never gives up. We have two away fixtures in the Premier South coming up at Thatcham on Tuesday and table-topping Cobham next Saturday. Should be interesting!





# Epsom & Ewell F.C. Club History

We were founded in March 1918 as Epsom Juniors Cricket Club and played throughout the summer. In the autumn, Epsom Juniors F.C. came into being and played a handful of games from what is now known as Alexandra Recreation Ground. Competitive football followed as we entered the Surrey Junior League in 1919, and became founder members of the Sutton & District League in 1920.



A change of name in July 1922 to Epsom Town F.C. heralded the start of a very successful era. By now resident at the Horton Hospital Sports Ground, we were unfortunate to lose 2-1 after extra time at Dorking F.C.'s Pixham Lane ground to Caterham Mental Hospital in a replay of the Surrey Junior Cup Final. However, we won three other trophies that season, the Leatherhead Hospital Shield, the Sutton Hospital Cup, and the Epsom Hospital Cup. In addition, we also won the Sutton & District League, and under the forward-thinking of their visionary Chairman Hugh Bradley, took the step into Intermediate Football, where we won the Southern Suburban League without losing a match. Senior football was granted as we were unanimously accepted into the Surrey Senior League for 1924/25, where we finished third.

In September 1925, the club relocated to the old Ewell F.C. ground at West Street, which was purchased through the generosity of our future President Robert Bradshaw. In 1925/26 the Championship of the Surrey Senior League was attained, and the following season, we defeated Egham 1-0 at Egham in the League Charity Cup to complete a League and Cup "double". Election to the London League followed, and the title was claimed in the first attempt in 1927/28. Unfortunately, we were unable to repeat this, instead of finishing runners-up in 1931/32, 1932/33, 1934/35, 1936/37 and 1937/38. Cup Honours were limited, although in 1929 Redhill defeated us 3-2 in front of 4,600 at Guildford in our first Surrey Senior Cup Final, having seen off Wimbledon 4-1 in the semi-final!

The thirties were a very successful era, and we won the Surrey Charity (Senior) Shield in 1933 with an impressive 5-0 win over Woking at Kingfield. However, the proudest moment of our pre-war history was an appearance in the First Round Proper of the F.A.Cup in 1933/34. Woking (after a replay), Nunhead, Tooting & Mitcham, Beddington Corner, and Leytonstone were defeated, and a crowd of 9,485 at the Lea Bridge Speedway Stadium witnessed a 4-2 loss against the hosts Clapton Orient. At the end of that season, we changed our name to Epsom F.C.

In 1939 a newly formed team, Epsom Town (no connection to the earlier name) shared the ground with Epsom F.C. However, this arrangement was suspended when war was declared, and we folded for the duration. In the meantime, Club Chairman Charles Pettett threw in his lot with Epsom Town in an attempt to boost morale by keeping the football flag flying. It was successful, as that club competed continuously throughout the war years, winning the Surrey Combination in 1939/40, and reaching the Surrey Senior Cup Final in 1944, losing 3-1 to Tooting & Mitcham, at Sandy Lane. After the war, Epsom F.C. restarted, continuing in the London League and



reclaimed West Street. Temporary homes were found for Epsom Town while they competed for a season in the newly created Corinthian League, but disbanded in 1946. In 1949 we entered the Corinthian League ourselves, wherein in 1952 we reached the League Memorial Shield Final 1952, going down 2-1 to Champions Hounslow at Eastbourne after leading at half-time. Things improved further with the signing of the former English Amateur International Pat Lynch from Hendon, finishing third in 1952/53, while in 1954 we reached the Surrey Senior Cup Final for the second time in our history, losing unluckily 2-0 to Corinthian-Casuals in front of 6,159 at Selhurst Park. In 1955 we won the Surrey Senior Shield with a 1-0 win over Carshalton Athletic at West Street.

We appointed our first ever Manager, Kingstonian legend Doug Whitehead in 1955 and the Corinthian League double was almost achieved in 1956/57, but two losses in the final week, along with a 2-0 defeat in the Cup Final to Maidenhead United at Dorking ensured that we ended with neither, finishing fourth. However, in 1960, we finally raised the Shield with a 2-0 revenge win over Maidenhead at Vale Farm, home of Wembley F.C.

In 1960 we changed our name once again to Epsom & Ewell F.C. This was not because of any merger with Ewell & Stoneleigh as is often quoted, but was an attempt to increase support across the whole of the Borough. In 1963 the Corinthian League merged with the Athenian and Delphian Leagues, and we were placed in Division One of the new structure, but the sixties were full of poor results and we were relegated in 1965. Despite a string of managers, most notably ex-Leyton Orient winger Jimmy Smith, and Tony Williams, now famous for his creation of the F.A. Yearbooks, our fortunes did not improve significantly and further relegations were avoided in the early seventies by the benefit of re-election. However in 1973, despite "improving" to finish second from bottom, the Athenian League ran out of patience and cut us loose. This was unfortunate timing as we had just cleared all of our debts, and in addition to a virtually new Committee, former Fulham player Pat O'Connell had taken over as Manager.

The Surrey Senior League took us in at the last minute, and the new squad, including young striker Tommy Tuite, won the League Cup, and the following season, 1974/75 achieved a second Surrey Senior League "double". However, the season would always be remembered for reaching the Final of the inaugural F.A. Vase, where 9,500 saw the Blues edged out 2-1 by Hoddesdon Town at Wembley Stadium. The Athenian League welcomed us back, and promotion was achieved in that first season. In 1976/77 we reached the Athenian League Cup Final, losing 1-0 at Chalfont St Peter. By then, we knew that we had been invited to join the expanding Isthmian League for 1977/78, and were placed in the new Division Two. Our first match under floodlights took place against Met Police in August 1977, and the title was clinched the following April, securing a move to Division One. In 1979/80 we won the Southern Combination Cup 7-2 over Hampton on their pitch, where the opposition was blitzed by five goals from Tuite. The following season a new clubhouse opened at West Street, and we finally won the Surrey Senior Cup in 1981, defeating Woking 2-1 at Tooting & Mitcham, although we just missed out on promotion. O'Connell resigned in 1982, being replaced by Adrian Hill and in 1983/84 we clinched a spot in the Premier Division as



runners-up, although this time we missed out in the Surrey Senior Cup, defeated 4-0 by Sutton United in the Final at Imber Court.

We survived comfortably in our first season at the Isthmian Premier, but Hill's departure to Croydon in 1985 started a decline. Much of the squad left with Hill, and new Manager Alan Webb had too much to do. We were relegated in 1986, and also in 1987, by now under the Management of Ricky Kidd. Adrian Hill replaced Kidd for a second spell at the helm in 1990, but we were placed in the new Division Three in 1991 in league reorganisation following a finish one position below the required halfway mark.

In 1993 a large chapter in our history ended as we left West Street and moved in as tenants of Banstead Athletic. The decade was largely one of frustration, although we did reach the Final of the Associate Members Trophy in 1998, losing 2-0 to Bedford Town at Hendon's old Claremont Road ground.

In 2002 Adrian Hill took us back up to the newly created Division 1 South, where we topped the table for a month, eventually finishing 9th, but Hill's retirement at the end of the season led to relegation a year later and then in 2006 we were transferred into the Combined Counties League Premier Division. In October 2006 Lyndon Buckwell, a former player became our new Manager, and in his first full season (2007/08) we were back in the top ten. In 2008/09 we exceeded this achievement and finished in fourth place after heading the table for a few months. In 2009/10 the club recovered from a slow start to finish fifth and also reached the last 32 of the F.A.Vase for the first time in 21 years, bowing out 3-2 in Northamptonshire to Long Buckby. In April of 2010, we terminated our seventeen-year ground-sharing agreement with Banstead Athletic and spent two unspectacular seasons at Merstham F.C. before relocating to High Road, home of Chipstead F.C. for the 2012/13 season, where we would spend eight seasons.

The season brought significant playing success as a slow start was followed by a spectacular run of form, including a club record of 12 straight league wins, which put us at the top of the table for over a month, before a tricky run-in resulted in a final position of fifth. However, any disappointment there was tempered by the club's first silverware since 1981 when we defeated South Park 3-0 at Farnborough to win the Combined Counties League Cup. On a sadder note, 2012/13 also marked one thousand games since we left West Street.

We carried our form into 2013/14 and led the league with eight straight wins, but couldn't hold on and had to settle for third place, our highest league finish since 1984, but the following September Lyndon Buckwell departed and Glyn Mandeville and new Assistant Matt Smith steered the club to seventh place and improved this to fourth in 2015/16.

In the summer of 2016, our club visited France and played a friendly against our twin town Chantilly, which was where the England team had been based before their Euro 2016 campaign. The players were able to meet Roy Hodgson and Gary Neville and performed admirably as ambassadors for our town.

In 2016/17 we started the season with an incredible 9-2 win at newly-promoted Bedfont & despite trailing 2-0 at halftime and went on to repeat our fourth- place finish in the League. In addition, we reached the League Cup Final but were defeated 4-1 by



Westfield at Windsor FC. However, in the summer of 2017, we suffered a large player exodus with a substantial number joining local rivals Sutton Common Rovers. Glyn was unable to replace them with enough players of real quality and three-quarters of the season were spent at the foot of the table. His resignation in January 2018 led to the club promoting our Coach Neil Grant into the Manager's role and although he managed to get us off the foot of the table, relegation was always likely and was confirmed in mid-April; not a great way to celebrate our Centenary!

The attempts at bouncing straight back did not start particularly well and Grant departed in October. He was replaced by Simon Funnell, who stepped up from his Assistant role and took us to the Division One League Cup Final at Meadowbank. Unfortunately, the new season of 2019/20 started poorly and Funnell resigned at Christmas. His Assistant Sam Morgan was appointed to the role and with his new Assistant Tim Moffatt, they oversaw an undefeated league run that took us up to the abandonment of the season.

The 2020/21 season commenced with another ground move, this time to Leatherhead's Fetcham Grove ground, although another seasonal curtailment left us in seventh place and we remained at Step Six, being transferred to the Southern Combination for the new season. In August 2021, Sam Morgan was relieved of his duties after a slow start to the season. 2022/23 season saw a complete change at the top with Ex Horley Town manager Anthony Jupp coming in as joint manager alongside Ex Croydon manager Liam Giles along with Ex Horley Town Manager and coach Matt Chapman as coach. Giles left before Christmas and Jupp stepped down before the end of the season. Coach Matt Chapman took over and lead the Club to the Runners up spot. In the play off semi final we drew one one with Selsey before going through in a nail biting penalty shoot out. In the final in front of almost 400 fans in our last game at Leatherhead F.C. We won two one against Wick. We were promoted back to step five. We were also moved across the Non league Pyramid back into the Combined Counties League. 2023/24 Season The Club also started a new ground share agreement with Cobham F.C. on their brand new 3G pitch. The Club appointed James Scott as manager. James left in October when the Club was bottom of the league and with no wins. He was replaced with Steve Springett as Interim manager Steve left in January and Warren Burton took over as manager.

2024/25 season saw the Club move again this time to King Georges Fields the home of Corinthian Casuals F.C. Warren Burton continued as manager along side coach Glynn Berry. Warren left the Club after a terrible run of defeats towards the end of the season and Max Johnson and Criag Dundas took over as temporary joint manages. They went on a great run lifting us out of relegation and winning a cup when we defeated Abbey Rangers one nil in the final of The Southern Combination Challenge Cup.

25/26 Season saw the Club move back to Cobham FC and the joint managers were appointed full time. In October 2025 the Club moved again to Chessington & Hook United much near to Epsom and hopefully we can build more support at this ground.

Meanwhile, the search continues for a new ground back in the Borough.....



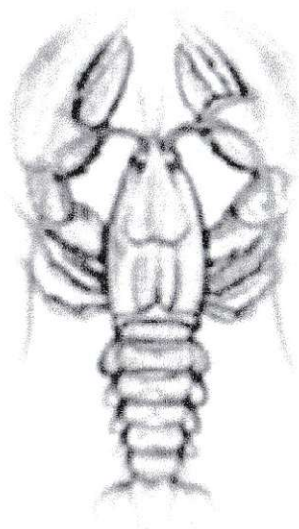


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Kit: Blue & White hoop shirts,  
 Blue shorts & Blue socks.  
 GK Green or orange.



# Tooting & Mitcham United 2

## Redhill 2

Saturday, 11th October 2025



Redhill were looking down the barrel when they were 2-0 down to Tooting & Mitcham United a minute from the end of normal time in Saturday's Premier South fixture at Imperial Fields. But the Lobsters produced a remarkable comeback to grab a point in a 2-2 draw.

Home supporters in a crowd of 263 saw the Tooting Terrors take control in the early minutes of a match played on an unexpectedly warm afternoon for the second week of October. They were ahead in six minutes, former Lobster Max Oldham sweeping home at the far post after the Redhill defence had failed to clear the ball from a throw-in on the right.

Jayden Smith set Ethan Ford up for a low shot that was almost deflected past Terrors 'keeper Toby McKimm on 22 minutes but it was really the only effort of note that the visitors managed in the first half. Tooting went in at the break 2-0 up, Conor Melody's hard cross in from the left in added time apparently being turned into the net by a Redhill defender.

The Lobsters upped their game in the second period but found chances difficult to come by, despite bringing on forward players Ade Onasanya and Troy Walters. A Tommy Smith header and Nick Inwugwu's shot from distance kept McKimm on his toes before Redhill finally got their reward right at the end.

Ben Jordan's free-kick landed at Walters' feet inside a crowded box and he poked the ball just inside the far post. In the fifth minute of stoppage time, with Redhill swarming forward, Timmy Obisanya just had enough room to drive a shot between the 'keeper and the right-hand post that had the "Lobster Army" behind the goal jumping for joy.



## **TODAY'S QUIZ**

**1. Who did England play in a World Cup Qualifier last Tuesday?**

*Was it Albania, Latvia or Serbia?*

**2. Who did Crystal Palace beat in last season's FA Cup Final? Was it Aston Villa, Liverpool or Manchester City?**

**3. Who were top of the Premier League going into the last international break?**

*Was it Arsenal, Liverpool or Newcastle?*

**4. What nationality is the manager of the England women's team?**

*Is it Dutch, German or Swedish?*

**5. Which "big club" did Sutton play at Gander Green Lane in last season's FA Cup?**

*Was it Birmingham, Huddersfield or Luton?*

**6. Which team led the EFL League One table after last Saturday's matches?**

*Was it Bradford City, Cardiff or Stevenage?*

**7. Which team were bottom of EFL League Two after last Saturday's matches?**

*Was it Cheltenham, Newport or Shrewsbury?*

**8. Which team has only won one National League match this season?**

*Is it Brackley, Morecambe or Sutton?*

**9. In which year did England first play in the men's World Cup Finals?**

*Was it 1938, 1950 or 1958?*

**10. In which year did England last play in an "Amateur International"?**

*Was it 1972, 1974 or 1976?*

**Answers on page 26**



## Sheerwater 3 Redhill 1

Tuesday, 7th October 2025



Redhill were back at the Eastwood Centre to play Sheerwater in the Surrey Senior Cup on Tuesday night just nine days after losing 3-2 to them there in a Premier South fixture. The Sheers were 3-1 winners this time, all the goals coming in the second half, and advanced to the Second Round of a competition that the Lobsters haven't won since the 1960s.

There was plenty of hustle and bustle in the first half with Redhill's Malachi Mullings having the only real chance when he was through on goal and forced Drew Churchwell to make a smart save. Nine minutes into the second period Sheerwater went ahead as a corner was only half cleared and that allowed centre-back and captain Mekhail McLaughlin to fire in off the far post.

The home side doubled their lead on 73 minutes, Kareem Foster dinking stand-in 'keeper Will Murphy after a long ball over the top had caught out Redhill's back line. Troy Walters, a substitute, did give the Lobsters some hope with a classy goal after a twisting, turning run a minute from the end of normal time but almost immediately Freddie Bailey slotted home a third for the Sheers.



Get behind Redhill and follow our recently launched fan social media pages for The Lobster Army. Follow us on X - @lobsterarmy1894, Instagram - lobsterarmy1894 or our facebook group - The Lobster Army. The Lobster Army needs you!!



## "Redhill!"

by Senior Lobster

You're watching a football match, not necessarily one involving Redhill, and a player tries a shot at goal. The ball goes high and wide and may even end up outside the ground. Someone in the crowd shouts "Redhill!" Why is that? There are at least two versions of how that remark originated, a mixture of good-natured derision and endearment. Before the First World War Redhill were playing away to "Guildford Pinks" and had built up a huge tally of goals. When the opposition threatened to come back into the game, the visitors resorted to kicking the ball high and out of the ground.

However, its more widespread use seems to have come after the Reds' FA Amateur Cup semi-final against Northern Nomads at Highbury. A depleted Redhill side lost 7-1 and at one point one of our under-pressure players apparently kicked the ball over the top of the main stand. Much later, in the 1960s, Reds boss Jack Shreeve was said to have encouraged his players to boot the ball out of the Sports Ground and into the timber yard on the other side of the London Road whenever a slender lead looked in danger.

It is reputed that several players achieved this dubious feat and on one occasion the ball landed in its intended target via the roof of the old grandstand. The term "Redhill!" lives on, with some people reporting having heard it at matches in the north of England and even in places as far away as Italy and Egypt! I have personally heard it since the '60s but not so much in recent years.



# Redhill 1 Fleet Town 1

Saturday, 20th September 2025



Redhill and Fleet, second and third in the table, served up a Premier South classic on a Saturday afternoon of sunshine and showers at Kiln Brow. A 1-1 draw kept the Lobsters in second place, a point behind new leaders Cobham.

There was an unusual occurrence after an even 18 minutes when both goalkeepers were simultaneously on the ground receiving treatment from their respective physios. Then Ethan Ford, now back at Redhill, went on a brave run that took him past two defenders near the edge of the box before he shot inches wide of the far post.

Two former Lobsters combined to give Fleet the lead on 35 minutes. Sean Swift, their captain, swung over a free-kick from the left and Tom Drinkwater forced the ball home in a scramble. Into the second half Sam Bartlett's 25-yarder just cleared the bar and the visitors continued to look dangerous from corners, most of which were directed towards the head of another ex-Redhill favourite in Joe Dyett.

The Lobsters deserved an equaliser for all the attacking moves they had put together and it arrived on the hour. Speedy right-winger Jayden Smith sprinted past two defenders and was tripped by the third for a clear penalty. Fleet 'keeper Louis Knight got both hands to Timmy Obisanya's spot-kick but dropped the ball as he hit the ground and it rolled into the net behind him.

Swift for Fleet and youngster Ryan Ferrar for Redhill came close to notching the winner but two good sides had to settle for a point.



## Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League Premier Division South 2025/26 Last 6 Games Form Guide

Abbey Rangers	LDWwWD	Alton	DIDLwW	Badshot Lea	DLdWIW
Balham	WdDILd	Camberley Town	DDwLld	Chipstead	LwWILW
Cobham	wWWwWd	Corinthian-Casuals	WdWWID	Epsom & Ewell	dIWIWL
Eversley & California	LDllwl	Fleet Town	WddWww	Guildford City	ILILIL
Horley Town	wLIWl	Knaphill	LlwWLd	Redhill	WdDIWd
Sheerwater	WIWIWD	Sutton Common Rovers	wwLwID	Tadley Calleva	DDdIWl
Thatcham Town	WILILI	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	WLWwDw		

### Premier Division South

**18/11/25**

Alton	v	Sutton Common Rovers
Camberley Town	v	Badshot Lea
Horley Town	v	Eversley & California
Knaphill	v	Guildford City
Redhill	v	Epsom & Ewell



## **APPEARANCES**

**2025 / 26**

James Dillon 14  
Jayden Smith 13  
Paddi Harland-Goddard 13  
Alex Laing 12  
Arlie Talboys 11  
Danny Dudley 10  
Malachi Mullings 10  
Timmy Obisanya 8  
Nick Inwugwu 7  
Leevi King-Bassett 6  
Billy Oram 6  
Luke Cunningham 6  
Joe O'Hara 6  
Thiago Andrade 5  
Ben Jordan 5  
Adeshola Onasanya 5  
Tommy Smith 5  
Ethan Ford 4  
Ed McCrea 4  
Troy Walters 3  
Ryan Ferrar 3  
Ta'shae Andall-Gibbons 3  
Blake Loyza 2  
Kevant Serbony 1  
Will Murphy 1  
Nabeel Ghannam 1

## **Subs Used**

Hamza Abukakari 5  
Adeshola Onasanya 5  
Troy Walters 5  
Leevi King-Bassett 4  
Nick Inwugwu 3  
Malachi Mullings 3  
Thiago Andrade 3  
Ed McCrea 3  
Arlie Talboys 2  
Jayden Smith 2  
Paddi Harland-Goddard 2  
Luke Cunningham 2  
Blake Loyza 2  
Malachi Morris 2  
Timmy Obisanya 2  
Joe O'Hara 2  
Ryan Ferrar 1  
Billy Oram 1  
Alex Laing 1  
Nabeel Ghannam 1  
Ben Jordan 1

Average Kiln Brow Gate 176

Average Away Gate 116



## **TOTAL GOALS**

Timmy Obisanya 6  
Troy Walters 4  
Jayden Smith 3  
Alex Laing 3  
Malachi Mullings 2  
Paddi Harland-Goddard 2  
Blake Loyza 1  
Thiago Andrade 1  
Arlie Talboys 1  
Adeshola Onasanya 1  
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Team = FA Vase  
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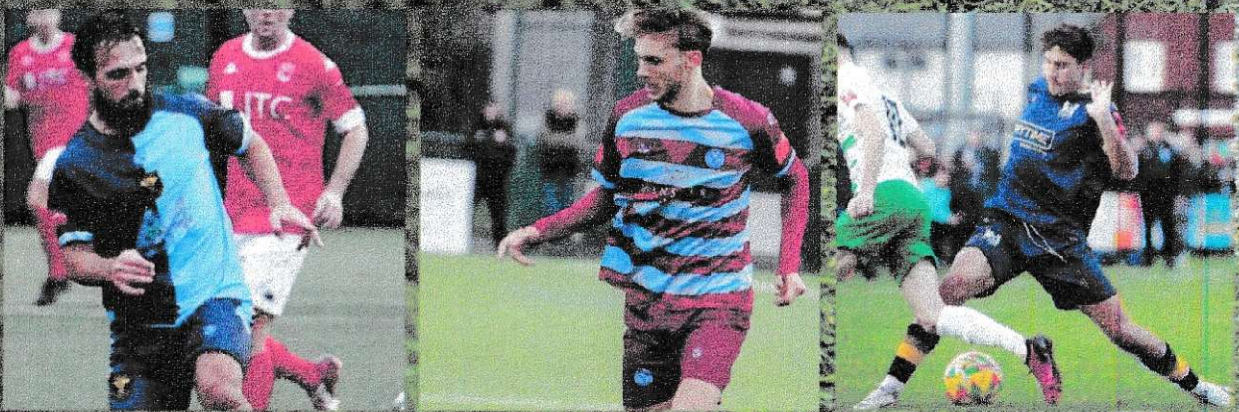
# Average Attendance

(League average: 142)



<b>1</b>	<b>Fleet Town</b>	<b>248</b>
2	Corinthian-Casuals	239
3	Tooting & Mitcham United	225
4	Alton	196
<b>5</b>	<b>Redhill</b>	<b>176</b>
6	Thatcham Town	173
7	Epsom & Ewell	147
8	Tadley Calleva	136
9	Balham	129
10	Camberley Town	129
11	Cobham	125
12	Badshot Lea	123
13	Abbey Rangers	122
14	Horley Town	120
15	Knaphill	110
16	Chipstead	102
17	Sutton Common Rovers	101
18	Guildford City	89
19	Sheerwater	85
20	Eversley & California	64





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		Overall						Home						Away							
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS		
1	Cobham	11	9	1	1	35	5	5	0	1	19	5	4	1	0	16	0	+30	28		
2	Fleet Town	13	7	3	3	27	12	4	0	1	14	4	3	3	2	13	8	+15	24		
3	Abbey Rangers	11	7	2	2	18	16	5	2	2	13	13	2	0	0	5	3	+2	23		
4	Tooting & Mitcham United	12	6	4	2	19	17	3	2	2	12	14	3	2	0	7	3	+2	22		
5	Badshot Lea	13	5	5	3	28	22	4	2	2	19	14	1	3	1	9	8	+6	20		
6	Sheerwater	12	6	2	4	26	20	3	1	2	13	11	3	1	2	13	9	+6	20		
7	Corinthian-Casuals	12	5	4	3	15	17	4	2	1	12	7	1	2	2	3	10	-2	19		
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9	Alton	10	4	3	3	21	20	2	3	1	12	8	2	0	2	9	12	+1	15		
10	Sutton Common Rovers	10	4	3	3	18	17	1	1	1	5	6	3	2	2	13	11	+1	15		
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15	Chipstead	12	4	2	6	22	29	3	1	3	14	13	1	1	3	8	16	-7	14		
16	Horley Town	12	4	0	8	21	24	3	0	4	12	11	1	0	4	9	13	-3	12		
17	Tadley Calleva	10	3	3	4	15	21	2	2	1	9	7	1	1	3	6	14	-6	12		
18	Thatcham Town	11	3	1	7	11	24	1	1	3	8	13	2	0	4	3	11	-13	10		
19	Eversley & California	12	2	3	7	13	24	0	3	2	3	5	2	0	5	10	19	-11	9		
20	Guildford City	14	1	1	12	14	44	0	0	6	6	21	1	1	6	8	23	-30	4		



# *Player of the month* *September*

## **Timmy Obisanya**



**Timmy has been voted "September Player of the Month" by the Lobster Army, he is also our leading goal scorer so far with a total of 6.**

**Well done TimmyStriker!**



## On the Road with the Lobsters

by David Barber

Last Saturday the Lobsters were away to Tooting & Mitcham United in a Premier South fixture. Tooting, of course, is practically in London but in the end it seemed like a long trip from Paddington.

It was possible to go all the way by tube. So Lancaster Gate to Tottenham Court Road on the Central line, from there to Kennington on the Northern line and from there to Morden on a different stretch of the Northern line.

All the trains were rammed, the passengers including some with Palestinian flags, and I noticed that most of the stations on that last part of the journey seemed to start with the word "Clapham". I had some lunch at a cafe round the corner from Morden station, where I found that the only other person eating there was actually the waitress, a young Pakistani lady. Not exactly busy then.

It's a bit of a walk to the ground, so I travelled most of the way on a No.45 bus that would end up at Camberwell Green.

Watching the game from the stand, there was a blinding sun and a temperature nudging 20 degrees which is surely unusual for the second week of October. I also had wasps and ladybirds constantly flying in my face which was quite annoying.

A few years ago I saw Tooting play at home to Eastbourne Borough in the FA Cup Fourth Round Qualifying. Tooting were winning 2-0 after 90 minutes but then conceded twice for a final scoreline of 2-2. Something similar happened last Saturday.





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# A brief history of REDHILL FC

Redhill football club is steeped in a rich history and prides itself on tradition.

It all started for the club back in 1894, after a meeting between prominent local businessmen in the Warwick Hotel and shortly after a friendly match was arranged against a Dorking side. That game ended in a two all draw and was played at the clubs original home at Wiggie. A ground lent to the club by their goalkeeper, Mr. H Trower.

Two years later, the club moved into its stadium of 88 years at the Memorial Park in the centre of Redhill at the time, the ground was an open swamp, until proper drainage was installed, which was accomplished under the auspices of a Sports Ground Association, an organisation that lasted until 1919.

For the first few years, the club only competed in friendly matches but that all changed in 1898 when Redhill Football Club entered the South Suburban League, followed by various other leagues, some have unfortunately have since folded. It didn't take long for the Red's to make an impact, the club were Champions of the East & West Surrey league in 1902/03 and two years later, lost in the Surrey Senior Cup final.

## The 'GLORY' years

In 1922, the club gained acceptance to join the prestigious London League, which acted as a stepping stone for the club, when they became members of the well respected Athenian League. Success came early in the Athenian League, finishing runners up in their first season, and becoming champions in 1924/25.

The following year the club enjoyed what was possibly it's best season ever, reaching two cup finals and the **semi-final of the FA Amateur Cup, losing 7-1 to Northern Nomads at Highbury in front of 17,000 people**, a possible contribution to the final result of that game was the fact that Redhill lost their goalkeeper very early on with a severe jaw injury. **Cries of 'REDHILL'** That game sparked off an unusual football tradition that can still be heard today. Without a 'keeper and down to 10 men, Redhill were reduced to kicking the ball out the ground every time the Nomads attacked and each time, a cry of "Redhill!" was screamed by the supporters of both sides. Over the years this spread around the entire country as both Redhill and the Nomads travelled the land, and when war broke out in 1939, the troops took it abroad. Next time you're at a game, anywhere in the world and the ball is booted out of the stadium, you might just hear someone shout "**Redhill!**"



In 1928/29, Redhill won the Surrey Senior Cup with a 3-2 over Epsom town (who later became Epsom & Ewell). The match was played at Josephs Road, Guildford in front of four and a half thousand people.

Redhill, despite being a non-league side, were once one of the most feared teams in the south of England, non-league football was a completely different game in years gone by and the gap between the amateurs and the professionals was much smaller than it is today.

In April 1948, Redhill faced Chelsea in a friendly match at the memorial sports ground and the Reds came away as 4-2 winners. Of course Chelsea weren't the force that they are now, but they did field an English International by the name of Len Goulden. When this match took place Redhill were bottom of the Athenian League.

A year later Redhill lost 1-0 against Arsenal. The match was friendly offered by the London side in return for Redhill providing the Gunners with two of their most talented players at the time; Colin Grimshaw and Bernard Sexton.

Further success was a long time coming, but it was well worth the wait, in 1957/58, the club reached the 1st round proper of the FA Challenge Cup. They defeated Tooting & Mitcham in the 4th qualifying round and were rewarded with a trip to Carrow Road against Football League side Norwich City. The Canaries came out as 6-1 winners, but many write-ups at the time gave Redhill lots of credit for the manner of their performance.

### **REDHILL STAR CALLED UP FOR ENGLAND**

In the 1960's, A very talented youngster by the name of Ray Hutchins played for Redhill. Not many people in football circles will know the name, but in 1963/64, he won 2 England youth caps whilst playing for Redhill. The other players in the squad were playing for top professional clubs and one of players was a certain H. Redknapp playing at the time for West Ham United.

### **THE END OF AN ERA**

As the Athenian League drew to a close in the early 80's so too did Redhill football clubs home. The 1983/84 season saw Redhill win the last ever Athenian League title, but the club were unable to take their place in the higher league as Redhill were asked to move out of the Memorial ground and move to a site two miles south, to Kiln Brow, where facilities were non existent.

The club took their place in the London Spartan league, but times at Kiln Brow were tough. Samples taken at the time have shown that the soil on the pitch was made up of more clay than actual soil. So much so, that even worms couldn't live in it. But the club battled on with ups and downs and over the years, the hard work of many individuals has kept the club alive.



## Fixtures

**21/10 Thatcham Town v Redhill 7:45pm**  
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**25/10 Cobham v Redhill 3pm**  
CCL Premier South

**01/11 Redhill v Corinthian-Casuals 3pm**  
CCL Premier South

**03/11 Sutton Common Rovers v Redhill**  
CCL Premier South **7:45pm**

**08/11 Redhill v Balham 3pm**  
CCL Premier South

**15/11 Redhill v Alton 3pm**  
CCL Premier South

**29/11 Redhill v Knaphill 3pm**  
CCL Premier South

## Quiz Answers:

1. Latvia,
2. Manchester City,
3. Arsenal,
4. Dutch,
5. Birmingham,
6. Stevenage,
7. Cheltenham,
8. Sutton,
9. 1950,
10. 1974



I would like to introduce you to Emma Bray, CEO of I Choose Freedom, one of the two charities that I am supporting as the Mayor of Reigate and Banstead. I'm doing this because Emma has written this important article and I wanted to share it with you all at the club. It's a most serious subject and deserves attention.

Rich Michalowski  
Mayor of the Borough of Reigate and Banstead  
Fan of The Lobsters



## **Football & Domestic Abuse**

At I Chose Freedom, we campaign around football for two reasons – it raises huge awareness with football audiences that helps many people, and as there is a link between reports of domestic abuse and big football games.

Violence against women is a massive issue in our society. The National Police Chiefs Council report (2024) disclosed an annual increase of 37% in violent crimes against women and girls, calling it an epidemic. In the UK, women are still killed by a partner, ex-partner or family member at a rate of two a week, police are called every two minutes about domestic abuse, research shows that female suicides related to domestic abuse are on the increase and the cost to the country is estimated at £78 billion. All this against a backdrop of diminishing funding for services helping women and children rebuild their lives after abuse.

Yet with major legislation in 2004 and 2021 following decades of campaigning, the subject of domestic abuse is now more talked about at a national and local level but cultural shifts are still needed. Survivors repeatedly tell us they want abusive men to change and they want inspirational male role models for their children, especially their sons, this is where footballers can make a significant positive impact.

Domestic abuse is widely understood to be a gendered phenomenon characterised by a pattern of controlling behaviour including physical and emotional abuse. It is experienced primarily, although not exclusively, by women and perpetrated mainly by men. This gendered understanding of domestic abuse is consistent with the UN definition of violence against women. Literature focusing on domestic abuse, masculinity,



violence, aggression, sport, sexism and alcohol, respectively, highlight the probability that the interaction of these factors may contribute to a correlation between domestic abuse and football.

The studies that exist mainly compare prevalence of domestic abuse (as recorded by police or other emergency services) on the days that football games take place against prevalence on non-match days. Significant data from World Cups and from local matches has been analysed with all of these studies, however limited in number, showing what appears to be a link between domestic abuse and football. The evidence consistently shows a correlation between the occurrence of certain football matches and increased reports of domestic abuse on match days. Percentage increases vary, depending on the study, with increases ranging from 28% to a shocking 139%.

More recent anecdotal evidence also supports the earlier studies. At I Choose Freedom we saw referrals almost double in the first two weeks of the Euros in 2024. Match results were also factored in with larger increases in domestic abuse recorded against a loss, however increases were also recorded when teams won, but no significant changes when teams drew. The research looks into the theory that fans watching their team play receive an emotional cue which influences their decision to engage or not in domestic abuse - for example, winning has been linked to an increase in self-confidence, assertiveness, patriotism and alcohol consumption. However, blaming alcohol, sport or a combination of the two, is not helpful, even if it is a catalyst. Ultimately, the only person to blame for the abuse is the perpetrator. Many people watch football and would never abuse their partner.

It is important to remember that football can also be an enormous force for good, so we are building our work with football clubs with Fulham FC to help as many survivors of abuse as possible, and to prevent the attitudes that underpin abusive behaviour.





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<b>BALHAM</b>	Bishopsford Road, Morden, SM4 6BF
<b>CAMBERLEY TOWN</b>	Wilton Road, Camberley, GU15 2QW
<b>CHIPSTEAD</b>	NRT Stadium, High Road, Chipstead, CR5 3SF
<b>COBHAM</b>	Downside Bridge Road, Cobham, KT11 1AA
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<b>HORLEY TOWN</b>	Anderson Way, off Court Lodge Road, RH6 8SP
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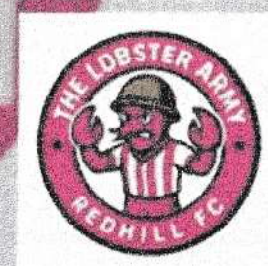
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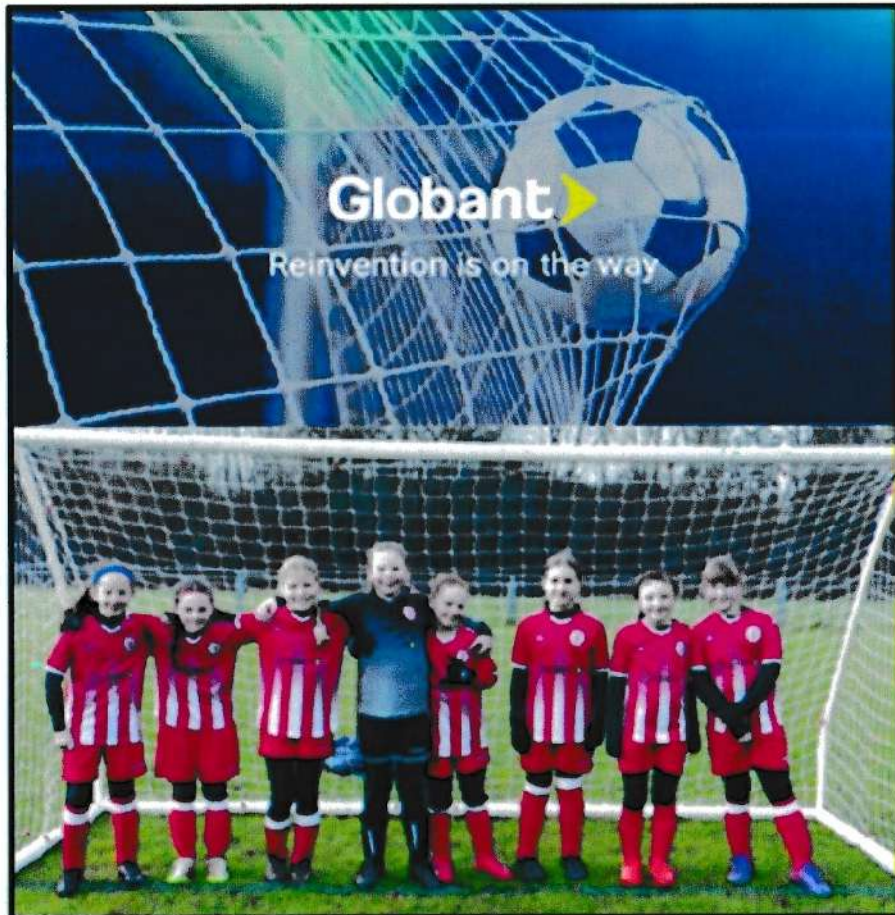


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