

WATERS

The official programme of Virginia Water FC



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Combined Counties Premier Division South

WVFC vs EPSOM & EWELL

Saturday 1st August 2026

Alwyns Lane, kick off 3pm



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ADULT TEAM SPONSORSHIP | 30 PLAYERS

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DIGITAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

- Quarter page advertisement £250 for a season
- Half Page advertisement £500 for a season
- Full Page advertisement £800 for a season

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JONES THE VOICE

Good afternoon, everyone and a very warm welcome to Alwyns Lane, our new home for the season. Whether you are a regular supporter, visiting for the first time, or travelling with our opponents (Epsom & Ewell) today, we are delighted to have you all with us.

Firstly, I would like to place on record our sincere thanks to everyone at Chertsey Town for allowing us to use their excellent facilities this season. We are extremely grateful for their support and cooperation, and I am sure you will agree that Alwyns Lane provides a fantastic venue for football. We look forward to building a strong relationship with the club and thank them for making us feel so welcome.

It only seems a short time ago that we were reflecting on the end of last season, but as always, the close season has flown by and preparations for the new campaign have been in full swing. While many of us have been enjoying a well-earned break, Macca has been hard at work behind the scenes. He has strengthened both the playing squad and management team with a number of new additions who we are delighted to welcome to the club. We are delighted to welcome Paul Mills as Assistant Manager, who brings much wanted experience in particular, following a long stay with Uxbridge FC and a stint with Macca at Ashford Town. Among those returning is a familiar face in Adam Sams, or "Samsy" as he is known throughout the club, who has rejoined us in a coaching role. It is fantastic to have him back involved and I know everyone associated with the club will join me in welcoming him, along with all of our new players and staff. Thank you to Dave Atkins and Ben Warren for their ongoing commitment, and to Elisha Timms (Physio) for continuing in her role. We wish them every success and look forward to seeing the impact they will make throughout the season.

Today's match is one of three home fixtures we have been assigned here at Alwyns Lane within the next week, and we hope as many of you as possible will continue to support the team. We look forward to seeing you again on Tuesday evening when we welcome Godalming Town, and then next Saturday for our exciting Emirates FA Cup tie against South Park.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated by everyone involved with the club.

Enjoy the game

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OUR HISTORY

Founded in the 1919–1920 season, Virginia Water Football Club proudly celebrated its centenary in 2020, marking 100 years of grassroots football excellence. The club's early years were supported by the Crown during the reigns of King Edward VIII and King George VI, who generously gifted the club its current ground—a legacy that still inspires today. Initially competing in the Woking & District League, the club transitioned to the Surrey Intermediate League and later the Spartan League. A landmark moment came in 1969, when the clubhouse at The Timbers was officially opened by Sir Stanley Rouse, CBE, then President of FIFA. Named in honour of founder Harry Timbers, the club was promoted to the Combined Counties League in 1970 and qualified for the FA Vase. The 1980s brought challenges, including relegation to the Surrey South Eastern Combination Intermediate League, but resilience prevailed. In the 1990/91 season, Waters lifted the Surrey Intermediate Cup and earned promotion to the Surrey Premier League and back to the Combined Counties League, though ground grading issues limited their stay.

The mid-90s were a golden era, with three consecutive Surrey County Premier Cup wins in 1995, 1996, and 1997—the latter part of a remarkable League and League Cup Treble. The club joined the Surrey Senior League in 2000, and after a brief stint, returned to the Surrey Intermediate League (Western), experiencing both relegation and immediate promotion. In 2010, Waters earned promotion to the Surrey Elite League, and despite cup successes, further promotion remained elusive. The appointment of Ceri Jones as manager in the 2015–16 season marked a turning point for the club, culminating in a strong fourth-place finish. He was joined by Richard Banks as Head Coach, who both led the team to back-to-back promotions—first into the Hellenic League Division One, then into the Premier Division—capping off the 2016–17 season with an impressive cup double.

After consolidating in the Hellenic Premier, the club moved to the Combined Counties Premier League (North) due to a National League System restructure. At the end of the 2021–22 season, Ceri Jones became Director of Football, appointing Adam and Jake Bessent as successors. The 2022/23 season saw the club reach the Senior County Cup Final and achieve its highest-ever league finish of 7th place. Early in the 2023/24 season, the Bessents stepped down, and Adam Sams was promoted to First Team Manager, assisted by Ben Warren. Together, they led the club to another 7th place finish and a Combined Counties Premier League Cup Final appearance, finishing as runners-up. For the 2024/25 season, the First Team entered a Ground Share Arrangement at Slough Town, finishing 9th in the league and reaching the First Qualifying Round of the FA Cup, where they were narrowly defeated by Isthmian Premier Division Champions, Horsham FC.

The 2023–24 season saw Adam Sams take over as First Team Manager, assisted by Ben Warren, leading the club to another 7th place finish and a League Cup Final appearance. In 2024–25, the team entered a ground share at Slough Town, finishing 9th and reaching the FA Cup First Qualifying Round, narrowly losing to Horsham FC. At the end of July, Adam Sams stepped down, and Dan Bailey was promoted to Player Manager, supported by Ben Warren, Chris Ellis, and Dave Atkins. On 21 October, Dan Bailey and Chris Ellis stepped down from their roles. The club was delighted to welcome Paul McCarthy and Ryan Parsons as the new management team, supported by Dave Atkins and Ben Warren. Their impact was immediate, leading a remarkable turnaround from the relegation zone with a nine-game unbeaten run, securing a credible 10th place finish for the 2025–26 season.

Due to changes in FA regulations regarding ground sharing, the club has made the decision to leave Slough Town FC. For the 2026–27 season, Virginia Water FC will groundshare at Chertsey Town FC, bringing the club back into the Runnymede Borough area and closer to its roots in Virginia Water. With the move to Chertsey, the club has also been laterally moved by the FA into the Combined Counties League South, where it looks forward to competing in a new and challenging environment for the 2026–27 season. Off the pitch, the club continues to grow. Planning approval is being sought for a new ground development back in Virginia Water, while the Youth Section is thriving, with 27 teams (20 boys and 7 girls) and over 300 players. On Saturdays, the club offers three joiner classes—Wildcats (girls), Squads (teenage girls), and Football Fanatics (boys)—welcoming 50 new players to begin their football journey.



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EPSOM & EWELL FOOTBALL CLUB

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Division Two champions 1977–78

LONDON LEAGUE

Premier Division champions 1927–28

SOUTHERN COMBINATION LEAGUE

Division One Runners Up & Play off Winners. 2022–23

CORINTHIAN LEAGUE

Memorial Shield winners 1959–60

COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE

Premier Challenge Cup winners 2012–13

SURREY SENIOR LEAGUE

Champions 1925–26, 1926–27, 1974–75

League Cup winners 1973–74, 1974–75

Charity Cup winners 1926–27

SOUTHERN SUBURBAN LEAGUE

Champions 1923–24

SUTTON AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

Premier Division champions 1922–23

SURREY SENIOR CUP

Winners 1980–81

SURREY SENIOR SHIELD

Winners 1932–33, 1954–55

SOUTHERN COMBINATION CHALLENGE CUP

Winners 1979–80 2024–25

RECORDS

BEST FA CUP PERFORMANCE

First round, 1933–34

BEST FA TROPHY PERFORMANCE

Second round (last 32) 1981–82

BEST FA VASE PERFORMANCE

Finalists, 1974–75

BIGGEST WIN

13–1 vs Reigate Priory FA Amateur Cup, 12 October 1935

HEAVIEST DEFEAT

14–0 vs Chelmsford City Reserves, London League, 14 February 1948

MOST APPEARANCES

Graham Morris, 658 (1990–2004)

MOST GOALS

Tommy Tuite, 391 (1973–1988)

MOST GOALS IN A SEASON

Reg Marlow, 65 (1926–27)



FROM THE GAFFER

Good afternoon, everyone. Firstly, welcome to our new home for the season at Alwyns Lane of Chertsey Town. We look forward to sharing the fantastic facilities that they have, including the great pitch for us to use.



Secondly, welcome to the players, fans and committee members of Epsom and Ewell FC. We hope you enjoy the game.

After an excellent end to last season, where we finished 10th from the position that we were in originally, it actually ended up being a great year, with us securing that comfortable mid-table finish.

This year however, in a new division, we face new challenges and one we're all looking forward to. You'll notice that some players have left, but at the same time, some new players have arrived and we wish them a warm welcome to the club.

As always, enjoy the game and here's to hopefully a successful season.

Up the Waters!

Macca



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COMPETITION INFO

RECENT RESULTS

FIXTURES TODAY

PDS Chipstead v Abbey Rangers
PDS Eversley & California v Balham
PDS Fleet Town v Corinthian Casuals
PDS Knaphill v Godalming Town
PDS Redhill v Alton
PDS Sheerwater v Yateley United
PDS Sutton Common Rovers v Badshot Lea
PDS Tadley Calleva v Metropolitan Police
PDS Tooting & Mitcham United v Camberley Town
PDS **Virginia Water** v Epsom & Ewell

LEAGUE TABLE

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Abbey Rangers	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Alton	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Badshot Lea	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Balham	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Camberley Town	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Chipstead	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Corinthian-Casuals	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Epsom & Ewell	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Eversley & California	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Fleet Town	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Godalming Town	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Knaphill	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Metropolitan Police	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Redhill	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	Sheerwater	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Sutton Common Rovers	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Tadley Calleva	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Tooting & Mitcham United	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Virginia Water	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	Yateley United	0	0	0	0	0	0

TOP SCORERS

THE TEAMS

VIRGINIA WATER FC

Maroon Shirts | Maroon Shorts & Socks | GK: Orange

Manager: Paul McCarthy | **Asst. Manager:** Paul Mills

Coaches: Dave Atkins, Adam Sams, Ben Warren | **Physio:** Elisha Timms

Squad:

Luke Appleton | Jack Beadle | Samuel Balogun | Ryan Blake | Kai Boylan | James Darvill | Jamie Di Giuseppe | Lewis Flatman | James Goodey | Alex Harden | Ash Hitchinson | Danyaal Iqbal | Matthew Jones | Harry Kidd | Harrison Marquez | Paul McCarthy | James McLeod | Connor McShane | Jack Mills | Stuart Mortimer | Billy Murphy | Albie Nolan-French | Aston Nunn | Jake Rangecroft | Jibril Shamarke | Jack Simmons | Turnell Sinclair | Ellis-Jay Skeete



EPSOM & EWELL FC

Blue/White Shirts | Blue Shorts & Socks | GK: Green

Manager: Max Johnson | **Player/Manager:** Craig Dundas

Coaches: Martin Dryden, Kevin Espinosa | **Physio:** Jodie Davis

Squad:

Harry Hare | Ben Grummitt | Stefan Aiwone | Callum Wilson | Aryan Kugathas | Toby Young | Kionte Gillfillian-Wual | Antonius Nazareth | Prince Aderogba | Zakariya Shabir | Tom Collins | Ore Allen | Craig Dundas | Niall Stillwell | Brendan Murphy-Mcvey © | Ryley Jude-Merrett | Karl Bailey | Tom Smith | Brandon Nkomo | Callum O'Keefe | Daniel Scanlan | Larrel Junior Walker | Daniel Conteh | Frankie Lynn | Djazton Mandica | Jason Bloor | Ali Fofahan | Obasanjo Akiinniranye | Joshua Arthur | Mohamed Bamba Diarra



MATCH OFFICIALS:

Referee: Radu Lungu

Assistant Referees: Lee Murphy, Ian Purvis

FA Observer: Peter Hitt