

BetVictor Isthmian Football League



Uxbridge FC

V



Staines Town

Monday 26th August 2019

3.00pm

UXBRIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB

The legal name of the club, which is an unincorporated members' club, is Uxbridge Football Club

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Danny Edwards: Team Manager

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Daniel Neilson: Coach

Shaka Mughal – Goalkeeping Coach

Sean Dawson – Goalkeeping Coach

Mirko Vracar: Physio

Ki Turner - Videographer

FOOTBALL YOUTH TEAM

Steve Kennedy: Team Manager

Shaun Ryan: Assistant Manager/Coach

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UXBRIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB

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TEAM SELECTION

Uxbridge FC		Staines Town	
1	Paul McCarthy	1	Denzel Gerrar
2	Samad Kazi	2	Niran Butler
3	Mark Goodman	3	Joey Taylor
4	Calum Duffy	4	Stefan Wright
5	Alan Hedley	5	Rhys Paul
6	Mark McLeod	6	Aaron Ibe
7	Oliver Harris	7	Andrew Demby
8	Alex Paine	8	Ashley Lodge
9	Mark Bitmead	9	Jamie Philpot
10	Michael Kalu	10	Mahrez Bettache ©
11	Jack Beadle	11	Che Krabbendam
12	Dave Thomas	12	Louis Dixon
13	Tyler Tobin	13	Scott Walker
14	Adam Morris	14	Cory Hall
15	Jack Mullan	15	Malaki Coker
16	Adam Kirby	16	Klajdi Cani
		17	Dara Dada-Anite
		18	Isaac Thompson
		19	Dan Choules
		20	Isi Richard
		21	Emmanuel Osei-Asomah
		22	Aaron McCallum
		22	Calvin Barreto

Referee: Ivan Gelov
Assistant Referee: Abdul Olol & Benjamin Rathe

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Welcome to Honeycroft in BetVictor Isthmian Football League South Central Division, where we take on Staines Town, we would like to welcome Players, Staff and Officials, Referee Ivan Gelov, Assistant Referees Abdul Olol and Benjamin Rathe.

Forthcoming Home Fixtures @ Honeycroft August/September/October 2019

1 st Team	Youth Team	Hounslow WFC
August 2019		
26 th August @ 3.00pm v Staines Town		25 th August @ 2.00pm v Gillingham Cup
September 2019		
14 th September @ 3.00pm v FC Romania League	4 th September @ 7.45pm v Balham FA Cup	18 th September @ 7.45pm v Watford League
21 st September @ 3.00pm v Ware League		22 nd September @ 2.00pm v Plymouth League
October 2019		
8 th October @ 7.45pm v Bedfont Sports League Cup 12 th October @ 7.45pm v Northwood FA Trophy 19 th October @ 3.00pm v Ashford Town League 22 nd October @ 7.45pm v Ashford Town League Cup	7 th October @ 7.45pm v Staines Town	29 th September @ 2.00pm Keynsham Town

Enjoy the match. We hope you have a safe journey home and look forward to seeing you all for the next home match on **Saturday 14th September @ 3.00pm** when we take on **FC Romania** Thank you for all your support.



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Up to 26/8/19														
Team	PL	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
Chalfont St Peter	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	6	1	5	6
Hanwell Town	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	5	6
Westfield	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	5	6
Tooting & Mitcham United	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	4	1	3	6
Waltham Abbey	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	7	4	3	4
Chertsey Town	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	5	2	3	4
Ware	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	7	5	2	4
Marlow	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	5	3	2	4
FC Romania	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	7	6	1	3
Harlow Town	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	4	4	0	3
Bracknell Town	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	2	0	3
Chipstead	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	2	0	3
Staines Town	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	5	5	0	2
Uxbridge	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	4	-2	1
South Park	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	5	-3	1
Barking	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	3	7	-4	0
Hertford Town	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	6	-4	0
Northwood	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	7	-5	0
Bedfont Sports	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	6	-5	0
Ashford Town (Middx)	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	7	-6	0

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UXBRIDGE FC FIXTURES & RESULTS 2019/20						
DATE	OPPONENTS	COMP		RES	ATT	UXBRIDGE SCORERS
July 2019						
09/07/19	Binfield	Friendly	A	2-1 L	-	-
13/07/19	Kings Langley	Friendly	A	2-1 L	-	-
16/07/19	Hayes & Yeading Utd	Friendly	A	4-2 L	-	-
20/07/19	Harefield United	Friendly	A	1-9W	-	-
23/07/19	Holmer Green	Friendly	A	0-7W	-	-
27/07/19	AFC Hayes	Friendly	A	1-6W	-	-
30/07/19	Marlow United	Friendly	H	0-2L	-	-
August 2019						
03/08/19	Potters Bar	Friendly	H	2-2D	-	-
10/08/19	Thame United	Friendly	H	1-2L	-	-
17/08/19	Chertsey Town	League	H	2-2D	148	Mahlondo Martin Mark Bitmead
20/08/19	Bracknell Town	League	A	2-0L	352	
24/08/19	Sittingbourne FC	FA Cup	A	2-0L	159	
26/08/19	Staines Town	League	H			
31/08/19	Waltham Abbey	League	A			
September 2019						
14/09/19	FC Romania	League	H			
17/09/19	Marlow	League	A			
21/09/19	Ware	League	H			
24/09/19	Staines Town	League Cup	A			
October 2019						
05/10/19	Chipstead	League	A			
08/10/19	Bedfont Sports	League Cup	H			
12/10/19	Northwood FC	FA Trophy	H			
19/10/19	Ashford Town (Middx)	League	H			
22/10/19	Ashford Town	League Cup	H			
26/10/19	Northwood	League	A			
November 2019						
02/11/19	Chalfont St Peter	League	H			
05/11/19	Northwood FC	League Cup	A			
09/11/19	Hertford Town	League	A			
16/11/19	Bedfont Sports	League	H			
23/11/19	South Park	League	A			
30/11/19	Westfield	League	H			

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DATE	OPPONENTS	COMP		RES	ATT	UXBRIDGE SCORERS
December 2019						
07/12/19	Harlow Town	League	H			
14/12/19	Barking	League	A			
21/12/19	Hanwell Town	League	H			
January 2020						
01/01/20	Staines Town	League	A			
04/01/20	Waltham Abbey	League	H			
11/01/20	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	League	A			
18/01/20	Ashford Town (Middx)	League	A			
25/01/20	Chipstead	League	H			
February 2020						
01/02/20	Ware	League	A			
04/02/20	Marlow	League	H			
08/02/20	Harlow Town	League	A			
15/02/20	Barking	League	H			
22/02/20	Chalfont St Peter	League	A			
29/02/20	Northwood	League	H			
March 2020						
07/03/20	Bedfont Sports	League	A			
14/03/20	Hertford Town	League	H			
21/03/20	FC Romania	League	A			
28/03/20	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	League	H			
April 2020						
04/04/20	Chertsey Town	League	A			
11/04/20	Bracknell Town	League	H			
13/04/20	Hanwell Town	League	A			
18/04/20	South Park	League	H			
25/04/20	Westfield	League	A			

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Forthcoming

FIXTURES & RESULTS

South Central Division Fixtures	South Central Division Results
<p>Monday 26th August 2019 Ashford Town (Middx) v Westfield Bedfont Sports v Chertsey Town Chipstead v Tooting & Mitcham United Harlow Town v Waltham Abbey Hertford Town v Barking Marlow v Chalfont St Peter Northwood v Bracknell Town South Park v Hanwell Town Uxbridge v Staines Town</p>	<p>Wednesday 21st August 2019 FC Romania 4-2 Northwood</p>
<p>Tuesday 27th August 2019 Ware v FC Romania</p>	<p>Tuesday 20th August 2019 Bracknell Town 2-0 Uxbridge Chalfont St Peter 2-1 Bedfont Sports Chertsey Town 3-0 South Park Hanwell Town 1-0 Harlow Town Staines Town 2-2 Marlow Tooting & Mitcham Utd 3-1 Ashford Town (Middx) Waltham Abbey 5-2 Hertford Town Ware 4-2 Barking Westfield 2-0 Chipstead</p>
<p>Saturday 31st August 2019 Bedfont Sports v Barking Bracknell Town v Ashford Town (Middx) Chalfont St Peter v Chipstead Chertsey Town v Ware FC Romania v Marlow Hanwell Town v Hertford Town Staines Town v Harlow Town Tooting & Mitcham Utd v Northwood Walham Abbey v Uxbridge Westfield v South Park</p>	<p>Saturday 17th August 2019 Ashford Town (Middx) 0-4 Chalfont St Peter Bedfont Sports 0-4 Hanwell Town Chipstead 2-0 Bracknell Town Harlow Town 4-3 FC Romania Hertford Town 0-1 Tooting & Mitcham United Marlow 3-1 Barking Northwood 0-3 Westfield South Park 2-2 Waltham Abbey Uxbridge 2-2 Chertsey Town Ware 3-3 Staines Town</p>



STAINES TOWN

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COLOURS

	First Choice Kit	Second Choice Kit	Third Choice Kit
Shirts	Old Gold (blue trim)	Aquamarine	Blue (white trim)
Shorts	Navy Blue (old gold trim)	Blue	Blue (white trim)
Socks	White	Navy Blue	Blue
Goalkeeper	Turquoise	Red	Pink
Nicknames:	The team: <i>The Swans</i>	The fans: <i>The (Staines) Massive</i>	

FIRST TEAM BENCH STAFF

Manager – Anthony GALE

Assistant Manager – Justin SKINNER

Coaches – Mahrez BETTACHE (*player/coach*), Connor MITCHELL (*goalkeeping coach*), Rachael FITZWATER (*fitness & conditioning coach*)

Sports Rehabilitation Therapists – Sam CODLING, Zoë RUSH (assistant)

Kit Man – Stephen RYAN

HISTORY

LOCATION: Staines is the chief town of the borough of Spelthorne in Surrey, beside Heathrow Airport. The area has been inhabited since the earliest times: evidence of an iron-age settlement has been found on the Church Lammas at Yeoveney, and there was a wooden 'henge' at Stanwell. At the beginning of the last century it was regarded as something of a genteel resort town, on the banks of the Thames. For more than a century, the town was synonymous with the manufacture of linoleum, with other industries including car manufacture, milling, brewing and farming. For a while, Staines even had its own authentic banknotes. Nowadays, it is primarily residential, with a number of businesses related to the nearby airport. It was Britain's worst air accident that led to Staines hitting the headlines for tragic and unwanted reasons in 1972. More recently, the town has become best known in entertainment circles, through the rock band Hard-Fi, and the (fictional) Ali G. The Club was deeply saddened on the opening day of the 2011/12 season by the passing of Alan Boon, who had served as Chairman for most of the past 30 years.

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 with the same name as one in Staines. A **Staines FC** was 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.



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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. On 1 November 2011, the Club became a limited company.

The Club underwent a major series of changes during the summer of 2018, beginning with the standing down of Chairman Matt Boon, bringing to a close some 30 years of his family being at the helm, to be replaced by new owners Joe Dixon – initially with Paul Jaszynski as CEO. They appointed a new manager, who recruited a new squad to compete, for the first time, in the Southern League Premier South following the latest pyramid reorganisation. There was even a new “playing logo” launched to be used alongside the Club’s traditional crest. It proved a disastrous season, with a string of managerial changes and a revolving door of players, but the Club has taken steps to restore stability with Anthony Gale’s arrival, and a return to the Isthmian fold, albeit in a lower division.

GROUNDINGS: 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**, where Staines Ivydene FC had its home. 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 & Hersham’s **Stompond Lane** (2001/2) and Egham Town’s **Runnymede Stadium** (2002/3) before the return to **Wheatsheaf Park** 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 from 2011 to 2017 staged FA Women’s Super League and some FA Youth Cup games for Chelsea, including their first UEFA Women’s Champions’ League tie in October 2015. Much of the credit for these prestigious games goes to Graham Gould, who was FA Non-League Groundsman of the Year in 2015, but sadly passed away on the day of Chelsea’s final game at Staines at the end of May 2017.



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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 earned 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 by securing 6th place 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 controversially 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 campaign at that level, and can proudly reflect on elevating the club from the Isthmian 1 (South), and two glittering cup runs. His successor was 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 2½ years, and was succeeded by former Brentford boss Nicky Forster, who was unable to prevent a drop back into the **Isthmian League**. From February 2016 to April 2018, the team was managed by Johnson Hippolyte, but the following season the Club saw a succession of managers come and go before Anthony Gale's appointment in June 2019.

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 three 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 United, 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.



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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. Staines were the only Isthmian League club to make it through to the First-Round proper in 2015/16, losing at Leyton Orient. 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.

COUNTY CUPS: Staines FC and St Peter's Institute competed in the London and Surrey Cups in the 1880s, but the present Club has always played in the Middlesex competitions. The **Middlesex Junior Cup** was won in 1902 and 1904; and in 1910 Staines were **Middlesex Senior Cup** finalists, losing 4-0 to Shepherd's Bush. Another defeat came in 1933, this time in a replayed final v Barnet (1-1, 1-3), and it was not until 1974 that Staines reached the final again, this time defeating Hendon in a replay. Staines went on to make it three in a row, by beating Enfield and Hampton in '75 and '76. The next victories came in 1988, 1990, 1994, and in 1997, when Staines achieved the unique distinction of coupling both the Middlesex Senior and Youth Cups. After a 13-year wait, Staines regained the Senior Cup in 2010, defeating Uxbridge 2-0 at Wheatsheaf Park and retained it twelve months later following an exciting 'odd goal in five' win over Hayes & Yeading United at Harrow Borough. Marcus Gayle marked his first season in charge by taking the club to another Senior Cup victory in 2013, this time against Spelthorne rivals Ashford Town (Middlesex), and Johnson Hippolyte's side reached the final in 2017/18. There was also a county cup double in 1994, as Chris Wainwright's side lifted the **Middlesex Charity Cup** for the only time, beating Northwood 4-0. In the **London Senior Cup**, Staines were runners-up in both 1977 and 1981, the earlier final went to a replay v Wimbledon which *The Dons* won in their last match as a non-League club.

OTHER CUPS: One of the biggest matches in Staines' history was in 1975, against Italian Amateur Cup winners Banco di Roma for the **Barassi Cup**. A crowd of 70,000 saw Staines win in Rome's Olympic Stadium, and a record 2,500 saw *The Swans* complete the job 2-0 at home. With the aid of a late equaliser scored following England's last ever kick-in, Staines won the 1995 **Carlsberg (Isthmian Full Members') Cup** on penalties v Boreham Wood. Staines have lifted the **Southern Combination Challenge Cup** in 1965, '67, '95 (by default), and again in 2006, beating Molesey. Staines were the first winners of the **Merthyr-Middlesex Charity Shield** in 1990/1, but lost out when returning to Wales in 1994/5. Further "European" success was achieved with four wins over Spain's CD Mijas in the **Trofeo El Cañuelo**. The Club has also won the inaugural **Melksham Middlesex Charity Shield** (1998) and **Jim Lawford Memorial Cup** (1999).



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They shared, with Ashford Town (Mx), the first **Lord of Ashford Middlesex Charity Bowl** at the start of season 2001/2, and won it outright at the start of 2010/11, along with two other cups – the **Middlesex Super Cup (George Ruffell Shield)** and **Geoff Harvey Memorial Vase**. In pre-season 2013-14 they recaptured the **John Livey Memorial Trophy** after a 20-year wait, and the inaugural **Magna Carta** Trophy was won in 2015, the 800th anniversary of the famous document being signed near the town.

OTHER TEAMS: After long and successful terms in the **Suburban** and **Allied Counties Leagues**, the Reserve and Youth sides were revived in 2003 with new challenges in the **Capital** and **Southern Youth Leagues**. Season 2005/6 saw the Academy side win the Southern Youth League (East) and become runners-up in the ESFA National Colleges U18 Trophy, the Middlesex Senior Youth Cup, and the Surrey Colleges Cup, whilst – masquerading as the Reserve team – they won the Middlesex Premier Cup. In 2007/8 they joined the new **Isthmian Youth League**, finishing 2nd and then West Division champions in the first two seasons, and champions again (as well as *Lucas Fettes* Cup finalists) in 2011. In 2012 they made it a remarkable three League titles in 4 years, and added a fourth in 2013 when also winning *Lucas Fettes* Isthmian Youth Cup as well as the Isthmian Youth League Champions' Play-Off. Season 2015/16 saw the U18s again complete an Isthmian 'double', winning the Youth League West and the *Lucas Fettes* League Cup, and in 2016/17 they were league runners-up and Sportsmanship Trophy winners. The Reserves were runners-up in the Capital League (West) for the 3 successive seasons from 2007, and also reached the League's President's Cup Final in both 2007 and '08 before winning this trophy in 2011. In 2013/14, they achieved a clean sweep in the Capital League – champions, President's Cup, top scorer (Danny Bassett), and even (for a 3rd successive year) Programme of the Year! In 2014/15, the Reserves were joint champions in the two-team Capital League 'B' Division! Meanwhile, the Youths again reached the county cup final in 2014 and 2016. The Club has a good record in the **FA Youth Cup**, with several Football League scalps.

A former Youth, **Scott Taylor**, became the Club's record sale when he signed for Millwall, going on to play in the Premiership with Bolton and at Wembley for Tranmere. Following **James Younghusband** (Philippines), two more Staines players made full international appearances for Guyana in 2008 – brothers **Howard** and **Jake Newton**, followed by **Chris Bourne** and **Terence Vancooten**. The College side were **British Colleges National 5-a-side** champions in 2009 and 2011. The **Veterans XI** was an integral part of the social life at Wheatsheaf Lane for many years, and has now transformed itself into a golf society that won the Conference 'Classic' at Celtic Manor in 2011. In 2017, a new **Staines Town Strollers** side was formed. A flourishing **Junior Congress** ran up to 18 teams at all age groups with considerable success in local Sunday leagues, and won the **Middlesex Cups** in 2009 (u11) and 2019 (u14), before breaking away in 2019.



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A link-up with the **Kingston College** Men's Football Academy provided the club with U19 sides in the **National U19 Alliance** and **English Colleges' FA League**, winning the ECFA Reserve League in 2010, '11 and '13. A third U19 side in a local league was added in 2012/13. A **Futsal** team met with great success in its first season, 2015/16, finishing top of the National Colleges & Academies League South and the Surrey Colleges Championship. The Academy moved elsewhere after 16 years, but a new under 18 set-ups has taken shape in time for the 2019/20 season. **Mini-Soccer** was invented at Staines Town, and ran for 18 seasons, and there was a regular end of season **Festival of Football**. A Ladies' team operated from 2000-2, and was revived as **Staines Town FC Women** from 2005-8, two of whose players were selected for England youths (Georgie Giddings later also playing for England U19), while the side made a remarkable run to the 3rd Round Proper of the Women's FA Cup as well as winning the Greater London League Div 2, Middlesex Junior Cup and the Russell Cup.

This was followed in 2006/7 by a second successive promotion to the London & South East RWL Division 1 (as winners of GLWL Div 1), and victory in the inaugural Isthmian Women's Cup. Staines won the Conference (South)'s Programme of the Year award in 2010/11 and 2011/12.

CLUB CREST

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PROFILES

(1) TEAM MANAGEMENT

Anthony GALE – First Team Manager: Joined the Club in June 2019, and very quickly set about the enormous task of steadying last season's very leaky ship, completely overhauling the squad and bringing his blend of dynamism, hard work, and enthusiasm that had made him a popular and successful manager at Walton Casuals the previous four seasons. Promotion from the Isthmian Division 1 South Central to the Southern League Premier South saw *The Stags* enjoy their highest ever level of football, and his side also captured the club's first silverware in 20 years with the Southern Combination Cup, as well as Manager of the Month awards for Gale himself. Anthony trailed at a couple of pros' clubs at a young age, and went on to play over 400 games in senior non-League football, but it as a coach and manager that he has made his name. Gaining his UEFA Licence with Advance Youth Module 4, he worked for five years at Chelsea FC, coaching the boys and the ladies' academy, and then spent a similar period with Millwall FC, working with players of all ages from under 8s to under 21s and taking a great deal of satisfaction in helping footballers at the grass-roots level to develop into established senior players.

Justin SKINNER – Assistant Manager: Joined along with Anthony Gale from Walton Casuals, where he had been coaching both with the First Team and Academies. Although born in London, he grew up in Honduras, but was signed for Fulham at the age of 17, and went on to play over 150 games in their midfield. He transferred to Bristol Rovers for £130,000, and remained for seven seasons, clocking up 187 League games, interrupted by a short loan spell with Walsall. Followed this with seven seasons and 152 games in the Scottish League with Hibernian, Dunfermline Athletic, and Brechin City. He moved into coaching with the Academies at both Chelsea and Queens Park Rangers, and had two seasons as Reserve Team manager at QPR, followed by a spell as Assistant Manager with Lewes, winning the Conference South, and two years as Assistant Manager with Farnborough.

Sam CODLING – Sports Rehabilitator: A graduate of St Mary's University, Twickenham, Sam joined Staines Town in August 2018, having previously worked in a similar capacity at Crawley Town and with Old Priorians RUFC. His 13-year playing career was spent not in association football but in rugby union, joining Wimbledon RFC at a young age and working his way through to have four seasons in their senior side. From summer 2019, he will be assisted by **Zoë RUSH**.

Rachael FITZWATER – Strength & Conditioning Coach: Appointed in July 2019. Plays for Brighton University and Harefield United Ladies, and has coached at Wycombe Wanderers, but currently unavailable due to her continuing studies at Brighton.



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Connor MITCHELL – Goalkeeping Coach: Joined Staines Town in July 2018. Played as a goalkeeper with Dorking FC and Dorking Wanderers, as well as a 6-game loan spell at Coulsdon Town, but had to retire from serious competition due to injury. Moving into coaching, he was with Corinthian-Casuals alongside Adam Wicks, had six months with Dorking Wanderers, and also had a spell at the successful Metropolitan Police Academy side. Away from football, he works in the motorsport industry with Woking-based McLaren. Departed 6.10.2018.

Mahrez BETTACHE – Player / Coach: *Details below in the Players section.*

Steve RYAN – Kit Man: Added to the bench staff in March 2019 as an understudy to Kevin Rowell when he was on other duties, Steve was previously involved in Stewarding at Wheatsheaf Park. Played for KEA FC in his native Bicester, and was then picked up by Oxford United for trials. He also played for Cherrypickers FC, before starting a team at the Slough Shoppers' Paradise, which – under a variety of names such as Green Man, Lent Rise Royals, Green Rise Royals, and Centre FC – rose through all the divisions to reach the Thames Valley League Division 1. Husband of Staines Town's boardroom host, Mandy.

(2) PRESENTLY ACTIVE PLAYERS

(ages are quoted as at 31.8.2019)

Calvin BARRETO: Striker, 19. Born in Johannesburg and played there for Florida Albion when very young; then moved to Portugal, where he had associations with CD Maritimo and CD Nacional. Upon coming to England, he spent time at Chelsea, and Eton Wick, and was most recently at Windsor FC before joining the Staines Town / Kingston College Academy in July 2018. He is 5'9" tall and a Berkshire youth rep.

Jack BATTIE: Central or right sided Midfielder, 25. Jack was one of new manager Anthony Gale's first signings, recruiting him from their previous club Walton Casuals in June 2019 to begin what is technically his fourth spell at Staines. A junior with Links FC and Dover House Lions, he began his first some 9 years earlier, spending two seasons playing Academy and Reserve fixtures. He then had a succession of clubs, including Farnborough, Guildford City, Walton & Hersham, Godalming Town, and Eastbourne Town, plus two brief spells at Staines, before his latest return. Side-lined since the latter part of the 2018/19 season with a knee injury, but working hard to regain full fitness.

Mahrez BETTACHE: Central Midfielder, 25. A stylish player of Algerian/French extraction, who was quickly made Club Captain after joining Staines in June 2019. He did nine seasons as a junior with Fulham, and then played at Woking, Corinthian-Casuals, Hendon, St Albans City, Braintree Town (whom he helped to win the National League South Play-Offs in 2017/18) and Potters Bar, before first teaming up with Anthony Gale in the final months of season 2018/19. He is an Algeria Youth international, and head coach of Rising Ballers FC. Can play in either a defensive. Holding, or attacking role in the centre of the park.



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Niran BUTLER: Centre back, 19. A powerful defender who joined Staines from Flackwell Heath in June 2019, where he had been since leaving Barnet's youth set-up. Began playing with the London Football College in Islington.

Klajdi CANI: Striker, 21. An exciting forward who started out in his native Albania with KF Tirana, before moving to Billericay Town in December 2016. Since then he has played for Dulwich Hamlet and then Peckham Town, before joining Staines Town in July 2019.

Daniel CHOULES: Right back, 19. Dan is another June 2019 recruit, who was also a county; level cross-country runner. As a 17-year-old he made first team appearances for both Walton Casuals and East Grinstead Town, then moved onto Woking in 2017, initially playing in their Academy. Whilst with the *Cards*, he had dual registration periods with Burgess Hill Town and Walton & Hersham, and then last season with Westfield, before coming to Wheatsheaf Park.

Malaki COKER: Right winger, 19. Darnel, as he is formally known, had a long and successful time as a junior footballer with clubs such as Dulciwch Hamlet, Charlton Athletic, Fulham, Lond Lane, and Hillfielders of Forest Hill, before being side-lined through injury for two years. Rehabilitated with Meridian Valley Park FC, Metrogas, and most recently Tower Hamlets, before joining Staines Town in July 2019. An interesting background sees him qualified for now fewer than *five* nations – England, Jamaica, Barbados, Sierra Leone, and the Republic of Ireland.

Dara DADA-ANITÉ: Central midfielder, 20. An Anglo-Nigerian who joined Staines Town in June 2019, having played for Hertford Town and Berkhamsted in the past.

Andrew DEMBY: Central midfielder, 19. After starting at Chelsea at a very young age, Andrew went on to spend eight seasons with Crystal Palace, earning a number of accolades. Whilst still with Palace last term, he also made senior outings for Greenwich Borough and Walton & Hersham, before coming to Staines in the close season. Andrew is of Sierra Leonean, Zimbabwean, and English descent.

Louis DIXON: Goalkeeper, 27. Started his career with Hanworth Villa, followed by a spell at Knaphill, and then moved on to Corinthian-Casuals, where he completed a Suburban League and "Mike Bidmead" League Challenge Cup 'double' last season; has also appeared for Shire United. In May 2018 became one of the first recruits by new Staines Town manager Cristian Colás, and has developed into a fine 'keeper and last season's *Player of the Year*.

George FRY: Midfielder, 27. A former youth team player with Knaphill and Sutton Common Rovers, George then moved on to Corinthian-Casuals, although interrupting his time there with a spell at *Evo-Stik* Northern Premier League side Witton Albion in 2016/17. Joined Staines Town in June 2018, and had a brief period on loan (dual registration) with Hanworth Villa in November 2018.



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Denzel GERRAR: Goalkeeper, 24. A highly rated 6'1" stopper who impressed when appearing against *The Swans* last season for Walton Casuals, and was quick to follow Anthony Gale to Staines in June 2019. Started at Wycombe Wanderers, and subsequently played for VSI (Spain), Millwall, Histon, Sutton United, and Walton Casuals, winning National League South promotion with Sutton, two *Golden Gloves* awards, an Isthmian South Play-off, and a Southern Combination Cup with Casuals. Appointed as this season's Vice-Captain.

Cory HALL: Right back, 21. A close-season capture from Watford-based Evergreen FC, Cory has previously played for Maidenhead United, Aldershot Town, Brentford, and Hayes & Yeading United. He has roots in England, Northern Ireland, Trinidad & Tobago, and Jamaica

Aaron IBE: Defender / Midfielder. Remarkably, Aaron joins Staines from schools' football last season, where the 6'4" central defensive player was turning out for Royal Russell. He does, however, have some pedigree in the game, numbering Rotherham United, Millwall, Crystal Palace, and Fulham as his former clubs. Although unrelated to Swans legend Kexzie Ibe, he is a relative of Jordan Ibe, and is of English, Nigerian, Colombian, and Scottish background.

Che KRABBENDAM: Attacking midfielder, 19. Although born in the Netherlands, Che began playing football with a small Belgian club called Sint Genesies Rhodienne, from where he was snapped up by Anderlecht, spending eight seasons with the famous *Purple & Whites*. Came to England in 2017, and played for Dover Athletic and Burgess Hill Town. He is 6' tall, and is of Dutch and Guinean ancestry.

Ashley LODGE: Midfielder, 29. Staines were delighted in July 2019 to regain the services of a player who won no fewer than four Player of the Year awards at the Club in his previous spells, including the coveted *Dick Watmore* First Team award in 2014 when *The Swans* were in the Conference South. He began playing for Kew Association, before first joining the Club's Academy in March 2007, helping to lift the Isthmian Youth League, Baird Cup (twice), Capital League Cup, and Middlesex Super Cup, as well as having spells on dual registration with Staines Lammas and Walton Casuals. Moving on to Molesey and then Ashford Town (Middlesex) and Chipstead in search of more regular First Team football, he was brought back to Staines by Marcus Gayle in January 2013, and enjoyed three excellent years before switching to Hayes & Yeading United. A further spell with Molesey – interrupted by some months at Egham Town – preceded his return for a third period at Wheatsheaf Park. Brother of Guyana international and former Staines player Terence Vancooten.

Aaron McCALLUM: Striker, 22. An August 2019 signing for Staines Town, 6'1" tall Aaron had most recently been dual registered with Banstead Athletic and with neighbours Molesey, whom he joined after the sad demise of Thamesmead Town midway through last season. Played at Fulham and Charlton Athletic as a junior, and then moved on to AC London (where he helped them win the Combined Counties Division 1 Cup Final v Redhill in 2016/17) and Kent Football FC.



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Emmanuel OSEI-ASOMAH: Central midfielder, 20. After starting at Worthing United and getting some First Team experience at a tender age, Emmanuel switched to Lewes where he rose from the U18 side to the Senior Development Team. Also appeared for Malden & Tiptree, and was a Sussex U18 representative player. He is 5'8" tall and of Ghanaian / British nationality.

Rhys PAUL: Centre back, 25. A 6'1" tall and powerfully built defender who has gained experience at numerous clubs since starting his junior career with Millwall and Charlton Athletic. He has since passed through Salisbury City, Eastbourne Borough, Thurrock, Hitchin Town, Maidenhead United, Hendon, Enfield Town, AFC Hayes, Marlow, Walton Casuals, Molesey, Egham Town, Hanwell Town, and most recently Greenwich Borough, from where he joined Staines in July 2019.

James PHILPOT: Striker, 22. Another major capture for Anthony Gale in July 2019, Jamie's previous club was Barrow AFC, but he also appeared in the opposite corner of the country last season for Dartford, Maidstone United, and Bromley. He began his career at Millwall, spending 13 years at the club, rising from the juniors via the U21s to the Football League, and scoring on his First Team debut vs Wolverhampton Wanderers in 2015. The final year at The New Den saw him make National League appearances for three clubs, during loan spells with Bromley, Woking, and Welling United.

Isi RICHARD: Right back, 19. Of Dutch / Nigerian descent, Isioma grew up in the Netherlands, where he played for De Jonge Spartaan until 2017. He joined New Queens Park FC on moving to England, and from there signed up to Rising Ballers FC, where he was coached by Mahrez Bettache, as well as playing in the Queens Park Rangers FC colleges set-up last season. He is 5'10" tall and joined Staines Town in August 2019.

Joey TAYLOR: Left back, 22. Joey has played international football for Montserrat, as well as helping Horsham to promotion via the Isthmian South-East Division 1 play-offs last season. His previous clubs are Welling United, Burgess Hill Town, East Grinstead Town, Whyteleafe, and Hythe Town, and he joined Staines in June 2019. His brother Lyle Taylor is a former *Swans* player, who has gone on to appear for a number of English and Scottish pro' clubs (currently Charlton Athletic), and has a World Cup goal to his name for Montserrat.

Isaac THOMPSON: Right winger, 18. A July 2019 recruit from near neighbours Bedfont Sports, Isaac is a 6' tall winger who came up through the ranks of *Sports'* nursery club, Bedfont Eagles, as well as appearing in Queens Park Rangers' college programme teams. Has a Middlesex Senior Youth Cup finalists medal from last season with *Sports*.

Scott WALKER: Attacking midfield / striker, 18. Scott came to Staines Town from Hanworth Villa U18s in July 2019, having enjoyed a clean sweep of the Allied Counties League and cups in 2018/19, including the 'Golden Boot'. Before that, Scott had appeared in the Under 18s and reserves with Abbey Rangers, and as a Reading FC Academy player. He is 5'10" tall.



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Stefan WRIGHT: Midfielder, 25. This highly energetic box-to-box player switched to Staines in June 2016 after a season at Beckenham Town, where he was a Kent Senior Trophy finalist. Plenty of experience at this level has been gained from his times with Phoenix Sports, Greenwich Borough (Play-off semi-finalists), and Sittingbourne (almost 100 appearances including an Isthmian League Cup semi-final). Before that he was with Bromley's Academy and Reserves, reaching the Isthmian U21 Cup Final at just 17, winning a tournament in Amsterdam, gaining a trial with Crystal Palace, and registering on an emergency basis for Ramsgate. He is 5'8" tall, and one of the squad's "characters".

(3) PLAYERS NOT REGULARLY INVOLVED IN SENIOR FIXTURES AT PRESENT

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(5) CURRENTLY INACTIVE or LEFT

Gradi MILENGE: Central Defender, 22. Signed from Harlow Town of the Bostik League in late September 2018, 6'2" tall Gradi was an important acquisition to the back row. He spent last season with Maldon & Tiptree, and before that had seven years coming up through the ranks with Brentford, where he picked up a couple of age-group Player of the Year awards and experienced representative football. He had a loan spell with Farnborough (3 appearances in 2014/15) while still with *The Bees*, and has also appeared for Grays Athletic, Northwood (15 apps 2 goals), and Hendon (3 apps before injuring his knee in the February), in 2016/17, and Bedford Town (2 apps) and London Colney (3 apps) last season. He played in Harlow's opening 5 games of the current campaign. He lives in north London, and was born in Kinshasa in the DR Congo. Transferred to Walton Casuals on 2 February 2019.

Mack MISKIN: Midfield, 18. Mack was born in London and is of English and Bosnian-Herzegovinian descent. At a young age he spent time with the Chelsea Development Squad and had trials at the QPR Academy, and played for Westway and Actual Soccer in the junior leagues. Gained representative honours for the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea, including figuring in two tours to France. Started playing for Staines Town U18s in December 2016, helping them to be Middlesex Youth Cup runners-up, and collecting the *Derek Perrin Player of the Year* award the following season. He is 5'8" tall, and is the grandson of a famous international player and manager.

FA Cup Fixtures

The BetVictor Isthmian League teams Preliminary Round

Saturday 24th August 2019

AFC Sudbury	2-1	Felixstowe & Walton United
Basildon United	?	Framlingham Town
Basingstoke Town	0-2	Westfield
Beckenham Town	?	Ashford United
Bedfont Sports	3-2	Hanworth Villa
Bournemouth	0-5	Bracknell Town
Bowers & Pitsea	4-2	Barkingside
Bridon Ropes	2-7	Chichester City
Burgess Hill Town	0-3	Sevenoaks Town
Bury Town	1-2	Histon
Cambridge City	0-2	Barton Rovers
Chertsey Town	5-1	Erith & Belvedere
Cheshunt	1-0	Stow Market
Chipstead	0-0	Hassocks
Cockfosters	0-4	Coggeshall Town
Cray Valley PM	0-2	Whyteleafe
East Grinstead Town	0-1	Abbey Rangers
FC Clacton	1-1	Witham Town
Fairford Town	2-3	Hanwell Town
Grays Athletic	?	Heybridge Swifts
Harlow Town	1-1	Brentwood Town
Harwich & Parkeston	0-2	Romford
Hastings United	2-1	Broadbridge Heath
Haywards Heath Town	2-1	Tunbridge Wells
Herne Bay	2-2	AFC Croydon Athletic
Little Common	2-1	Three Bridges
Longlevens AFC	1-0	Northwood
Marlow	2-4	Cinderford Town
Phoenix Sports	0-6	Staines Town
Saffron Walden Town	1-2	Maldon & Tiptree
Shrivenham	0-2	Chalfont St Peter
Sittingbourne	2-0	Uxbridge
Sobham Town Rangers	2-0	Biggleswade Town
South Park	2-1	Canterbury City
Spalding United	2-4	Dereham Town
Steyning Town Community	1-4	Ramsgate
Stotfold	0-2	Canvey Island
Sutton Athletic	6-0	Ashford Town (Middx)
Tilbury	3-1	Stanway Rovers
Tooting & Mitcham United	1-0	Faversham Town
Tower Hamlets	1-6	Horsham
VCD Athletic	3-3	AFC Uckfield Town
Waltham Abbey	4-0	Woodbridge Town

Isthmian Youth League West

Team	PL	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
Aldershot Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bedfont Sports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bracknell Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Camberley Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hampton & Richmond Borough	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hayes & Yeading Utd	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uxbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wealdstone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Isthmian Youth League West Forthcoming

FIXTURES & RESULTS

West Division Fixtures	West Division Results
<p style="text-align: center;">AUGUST 2019</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 28th August 2019 Bracknell Town v Camberley Town Hampton & Richmond Borough v Uxbridge Hayes & Yeading United v Staines Town Wealdstone v Bedfont Sports</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 29th August 2019 Northwood V Aldershot Town</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">SEPTEMBER 2019</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday 23rd September 2019 Aldershot Town v Bedfont Sports Staines Town v Bracknell Town</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 25th September 2019 Hampton & Richmond Borough v Wealdstone Hayes & Yeading United v Northwood</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 26th September 2019 Camberley Town v Uxbridge</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">OCTOBER 2019</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday 7th October 2019 Aldershot Town v Hayes & Yeading United Bedfont Sports v Hampton & Richmond Borough Uxbridge v Staines Town</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 9th October 2019 Wealdstone v Camberley Town</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 10th October 2019 Northwood v Bracknell Town</p>	