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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Firstly I'd like to welcome East Preston FC and all of their travelling supporters and club officials to The Nest.

Amazingly, this is our first match at home on a Saturday this season and it's a big one being an FA vase game which is exciting for all the home fans to see the nest in all its glory.

This season is a challenging and exciting one for the club as we build a new squad including new 1st team management Barks, Mike and Lamps.

We are 5 games in now and growing as a team game by game, but have to say on Tues night at Midhurst we played some great football and were very unlucky to leave as the losing side, however as Chairman I was very proud of our lads and I'm very excited for rest of the season.

Enough of me! Hope you enjoy your visit to the Nest!

Come on you Magpies ●●



Chairman
Mark Lacey

GAFFA'S NOTES

Good afternoon and welcome to East Preston FC and all of their travelling supporters and club officials.

It's an exciting day for the club as we complete our first Saturday at home this season. For this to be an FA vase game, a competition that we hold in the highest regard, makes it even more exciting. Indeed, myself and my assistant, Mike accepted the Loxwood job offer with a call from the Chairman while we were watching last year's FA Vase final.

It's been a very busy few months at Loxwood since our appointment. We have compiled a brand-new squad of players while attempting to create an identity and a culture that the supporters, the chairman and the committee can all be proud of. Like all long-term challenges, the journey is not always a straight path and we have many challenges in the way. However, we now feel that we have all the right people representing the club and a clear vision with all players and staff pulling in the right direction.

Today will be a tough test for the lads, against a well-established East Preston side. For all of Loxwood, we are hoping to make it through to the next round, and for this to act as a springboard as we head back to Midhurst on bank holiday Monday.

Thank you all for your support today, we hope you're in for an enjoyable afternoon, and a Loxwood victory!

Many thanks

Barks



1st Team Manager
Peter Barkley



Assistant Manager
Mike Lockhart

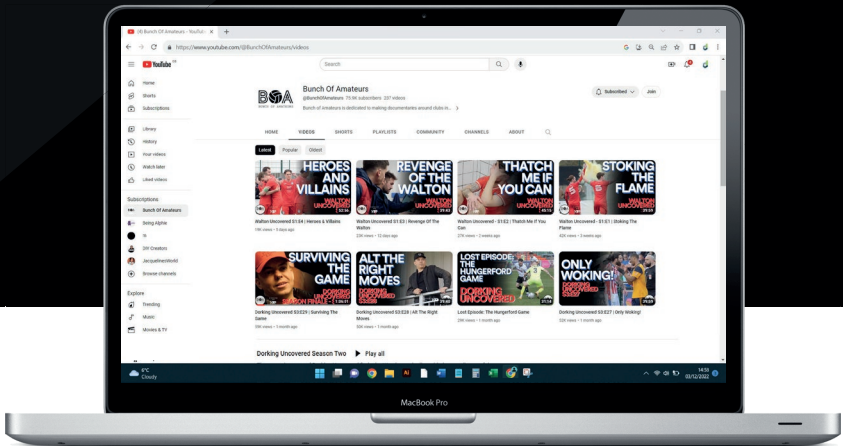
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East Preston FC was originally formed in 1947, but unfortunately within ten years the club had folded. However it was reformed, as the present club in 1966 when it was elected to the Worthing League.

East Preston then moved on to the West Sussex League for the start of the 1968/69 season before becoming founder members of the newly formed Sussex County League Division Three in 1983/84, having won a number of honours in the seasons leading up to that.

The club won Division Three at the first attempt but were unable to take their place in senior football as the ground and facilities were not up to the required standard. The club remained in Division Three until 1990/91 when they gained promotion once again, this time as runners up to Ifield. However this lasted just one season before being relegated back the following year. After a couple of near misses they finally achieved promotion again at the end of the 1994/95 season. In that promotion season they achieved a memorable treble, also winning the Division 3 Cup and the Sussex Intermediate Cup.

In 1997/98 promotion to Division One was achieved for the first time in the club's history. The club acquitted itself well for two seasons, finishing fourth in 1999/00 before a season of crisis saw them relegated in 2000/01. Recovery however, was swift and East Preston were immediately promoted back to the top flight.

THE OPPO

Following a season of consolidation, 2003/04 saw East Preston once again a leading force in the top division, finishing third behind Chichester City United, and just missing out on the runners-up spot on goal difference to Rye & Iden United.

2004/05 saw somewhat mixed fortunes, with the club managing only a mid-table finish. To some extent progress was hampered by disquiet behind the scenes, culminating in December by the failure of the 1st team squad to fulfil a fixture at Eastbourne Town, and the ultimate resignation of manager Vic Short.

To some extent this took the gloss off an excellent run in the FA Cup that saw the club eventually bow out at home to Billericay Town at the 3rd Qualifying Round stage (see photographs), whilst there was also no disgrace in losing at eventual winners Didcot Town in the 2nd Round of the FA Vase.

Given the previous seasons upheavals and the loss of many of the playing squad as a consequence, East Preston were widely tipped to struggle in 2005/06, and indeed eventually finished in 16th place. The following season saw an improvement as the club finished in a comfortable mid-table position that may serve as a springboard to a further revival.

After 2 good seasons under Chris White, he departed to Horsham YMCA and the club was eventually relegated to Division 2 under former reserve team manager Trevor Waller in 2009 where they failed to set the world alight, finishing mid-table 2 seasons running.

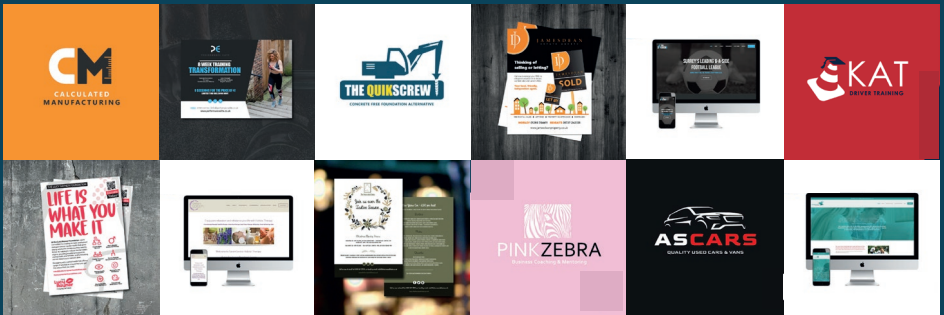
For the start of the 2011/12 season Dominic Di Paola was appointed manager, bringing with him his backroom staff of Ian Browne, Jan Miller and Adam Westwood from Worthing United where they had gained promotion from Division 2 the previous season. The 2011/12 season proved to be a very successful one as the club ran away with the Division 2 title, securing promotion before any other senior side in the country and also claiming the league and cup double, beating local rivals Littlehampton 5-1 in the Division 2 cup final.

In 2012/13 season East Preston finished 3rd in Div 1 and in 2013/14 won the Div 1 title by 17 pts but were denied entrance into the Rymans League due to not meeting the ground grading requirements.

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LATEST RESULTS

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	Score	Away Team
CC	22/08/23 19:30	Midhurst & Easebourne First 	2 - 1	Loxwood First 
PREM	15/08/23 19:45	Loxwood 	0 - 4 (HT 0-2)	Stejning Town Community 
PREM	12/08/23 15:00	Crowborough Athletic 	1 - 1 (HT 0-1)	Loxwood 
O	05/08/23 15:00	Spelthorne Sports 	2 - 1 (HT 1-1)	Loxwood 
PREM	01/08/23 19:45	Loxwood 	0 - 3 (HT 0-1)	Hassocks 
PREM	29/07/23 15:00	Peacehaven & Tels. 	2 - 0 (HT 0-0)	Loxwood 

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	VS	Away Team	Venue
O	26/08/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	East Preston 	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION
PREM	28/08/23 11:00	Midhurst & Easse. 	VS	Loxwood 	THE ROTHERFIELD
PREM	02/09/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	Pagham 	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION
PREM	05/09/23 19:30	Shoreham 	VS	Loxwood 	SHOREHAM FC
PREM	09/09/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	Newhaven 	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION
PREM	16/09/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	Eastbourne Town 	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION

LEAGUE TABLE



Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts	Form
1	Crowborough Athletic	4	3	1	0	11	3	8	10	■ ■ ■
2	Hassocks	4	3	1	0	10	3	7	10	■ ■ ■
3	Steyping Town	3	3	0	0	9	1	8	9	■ ■ ■
4	Little Common	3	3	0	0	5	2	3	9	■ ■ ■
5	Haywards Heath Town	4	2	2	0	13	4	9	8	■ ■ ■
6	Eastbourne Utd AFC	4	2	2	0	8	4	4	8	■ ■ ■
7	Peacehaven & Tels	3	2	1	0	5	2	3	7	■ ■ ■
8	AFC Uckfield Town	4	2	0	2	7	6	1	6	■ ■ ■
9	Newhaven	3	1	2	0	6	4	2	5	■ ■ ■
10	Horsham YMCA	4	1	2	1	4	6	-2	5	■ ■ ■
11	Midhurst & Easebourne	4	1	2	1	5	11	-6	5	■ ■ ■
12	Eastbourne Town	4	1	1	2	4	6	-2	4	■ ■ ■
13	AFC Vardeanians	5	1	1	3	6	10	-4	4	■ ■ ■
14	Pagham	4	1	0	3	4	5	-1	3	■ ■ ■
15	Lingfield	4	0	3	1	6	9	-3	3	■ ■ ■
16	Crawley Down Gatwick	4	1	0	3	5	8	-3	3	■ ■ ■
17	Saltdean United	4	1	0	3	4	7	-3	3	■ ■ ■
18	Shoreham	4	0	1	3	3	7	-4	1	■ ■ ■
19	Loxwood	4	0	1	3	1	10	-9	1	■ ■ ■
20	Bexhill United	3	0	0	3	2	10	-8	0	■ ■ ■

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EAST PRESTON

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