

LOXWOOD FC OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME - SEASON 2023/24

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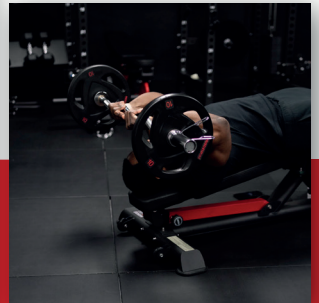
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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Firstly, I'd like to welcome all players, club officials and travelling supporters from Little Common and Clint's Garden Care our match day sponsor to The Nest.

Its been well over two weeks since we last played at home and not having a match last weekend either. Obviously last out we lost 1-0 away to AFC Varndeanians in the last 5 mins of the match - but the lads did themselves proud, especially with being down to 10 men for 80mins.

Our management team continue to work hard along with the players over last two weeks you will see some new faces this Saturday and some familiar faces that have returned to The Nest, including Tim Bennett and Harvey Enticknap who both played for in our U18/U21 sides.

So for me today please enjoy the atmosphere and the match and cheer the lads onto Victory!

Come on you Magpies ●●

Lace



Chairman
Mark Lacey

GAFFA'S NOTES

Good afternoon everyone and a warm welcome to Loxwood FC. Today we host Little Common FC, I'd like to extend our welcome to all players, management, and committee travelling with them today.

So I guess I should start with an introduction now we've been here a few weeks, I myself came here as coach at the start of the season and following a month or so away from the club came back as first team manager bringing Lee with me as joint manager. We've worked together in the past, have been good mates for over 20 years and when the opportunity arose to come back in Lee was my first phone call. Bringing with us Jack Stevens as coach and keeping on Alex Harris who was already working with the first team when our management team was formed.

As expected, the games in the first few weeks came thick and fast, despite the results not going our way in the first few games and annoyingly bowing out of a couple of cups it was always going to take us some time to shape the team how we wanted and make some additions to strengthen the squad. We then followed that up with a worthy point away at Uckfield and a fantastic three points at home to Haywards Heath. We've made 5 or 6 signings that bring more experience to a young side and kept on those that want to be part of what myself and Lee are trying to achieve.

Despite a mixed bag of results in the last month we've certainly made good progress with this squad which has some fantastic talent in it. We will continue to work hard both on and off the pitch to make sure this great club is where we believe it should be operating in the league.

Both myself and lee would like to place on record our thanks to the committee for giving us this opportunity this season.

That only leaves me to wish you all well and hope everyone enjoys their afternoon at the Nest.

Andy & Lee

1st Team Managers



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Lee Spickett
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Little Common Football Club formed originally as Albion United in 1966, when Ken Cherry had a vision for youth football in the area. Initially two youth teams were formed one at Under 16 level and one at Under 14 level. However, the two teams grew like topsy and today the club runs sixteen youth and four senior teams.

Albion United started life in the Hastings League and was very soon running two sides instead of the planned one and they moved to the East Sussex league. That league held no bounds for the highly successful United sides and after the double winning success of the 1977/78 season the club successfully applied to join the Sussex County League Division Two.

In 1974 the club committee decided to provide the club with its own club house and changing rooms, to include showers and a bar after spending eight years on grounds which did not have such facilities. The club obtained two prefabricated houses which were built in Fulham at the end of the Second World War. They cost £250 each and the necessary planning permissions were given. The club erected these two buildings, joined together, to make one large building; half was changing rooms, showers and toilets and the other half lounge and bar.

This became the clubs home on entry to the Sussex County League and their first season saw them finish in the top five and they reached the Division 2 Cup Final only to be beaten by Crowborough Athletic. Subsequent seasons saw the club occupy a mid to lower position in the table, actually finishing bottom in 1980/81 and 1981/82 (Division Three was not formed until 1983). Albion enjoyed their best placing since entering the League when they finished 6th in 1985/86 and changed their name to Little Common Albion at the end of that season.

The newly named club again finished in 6th place the next two seasons, before their fortunes began to slump once again. In 1993/94 they were relegated after finishing bottom; and left the League altogether after finishing 15th of 16 in Division Three the following season.

THE OPPO



The 1990s proved a difficult period for the club and they re-joined the East Sussex League. A third consecutive relegation was a huge blow for the club and in the space of just three seasons they had gone from playing senior football to junior football.

The club committee decided that in order for the club to progress further new facilities were required in order to attract and retain players. Buoyed on by a thriving youth policy the club began its rebuilding process. The club joined together with the local council and cricket club in order to develop a project to build a new sports pavilion. After many years of hard work by all involved the project finally began to get moving and in 1999 a £262,000 Sport England Lottery Grant was awarded for the project. Building finally began in 2001 and the club moved into its new home in November 2002.

On the pitch the clubs fortunes continued to fluctuate, a successful 1998/99 season saw Common just miss out on promotion to Seaford before being relegated the following season. A rise followed with an instant return to the Premier Division and after avoiding relegation on the final day of the 2003/04 season the club committee decided to make a concerted effort the following season to realize its ambition of a return to the Sussex County League.

After spending ten seasons in the East Sussex League, the club were successfully crowned Premier Division champions in the 2004/05 season and applied for a return to the County League. After carrying out the essential work to their ground to achieve promotion the club was successful in its application. After spending four seasons in Division 3 the club was promoted to Division 2 at the end of the 2008/09 season after clinching the second promotion spot on the final day of the season against Bosham. The club went on to record a 4th place finish in the 2009/10 season before a mid-table finish in 2010/11. The 2011/12 season saw a change in management after a disappointing start to the campaign, Russell Eldridge returned to the club and a win on the final weekend of the season saw Common finish outside of the relegation zone. The 2012/13 season saw the club finish 3rd but ground grading regulations prevented the club from being promoted. At the beginning of 2016 the club lost its founder and chairman, Ken Cherry, fifty years after forming the club. The 2016/17 season saw Common finish runners-up to Saltdean United and their highest ever league placing, once again ground grading regulations prevented them from being promoted to the Premier Division and a ground share agreement was secured with Eastbourne United for the 2017/18 season. The Commoners went on to claim the Division One League and Cup double in the 2017/18 season to seal a place in the Premier Division for first time in the club's history. Despite a tough season the Commoners enjoyed a good end to the 2018/19 season to finish outside of the relegation places and secure another season in the premier division. The following two seasons saw the Commoners comfortably placed when the league season was curtailed due to the Covid pandemic, during the 2020/21 season, Common's all-time leading goal scorer, Lewis Hole, scored his 350th goal for the club. In September 2020, the club finally received planning permission to enclose their ground and make the necessary improvements for Step 5 football and in January 2022 the club finally returned to its home at Little Common Recreation Ground. The club went on to record its highest ever league finish in the 2021/23 season followed by its biggest points tally in 2022/23.

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LATEST RESULTS

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	Away Team
PREM	14/10/23 15:00	AFC Vardeanians 	1 - 0 (HT 0-0)  Loxwood
PREM	10/10/23 19:45	Loxwood 	4 - 3 (HT 1-2)  Haywards Heath Town
PREM	07/10/23 15:00	AFC Uckfield Town 	2 - 2 (HT 1-0)  Loxwood
O	03/10/23 19:30	Horsham YMCA 	3 - 0 (HT 1-0)  Loxwood
PREM	30/09/23 15:00	Lingfield 	3 - 0 (HT 1-0)  Loxwood
Cup	26/09/23 19:45	Loxwood 	3 - 4 (HT 0-3)  Midhurst & Ease.

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	VS	Away Team	Venue	Competition	Status / Notes
PREM	28/10/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	 Little Common	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION	Premier	
PREM	04/11/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	 Bexhill United	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION	Premier	
PREM	11/11/23 15:00	Saltdean United 	VS	 Loxwood	HILL PARK	Premier	
PREM	18/11/23 15:00	Loxwood 	VS	 Peacehaven & Tels.	LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION	Premier	
PREM	25/11/23 15:00	Eastbourne United Association 	VS	 Loxwood	PRINCES PARK (THE OVAL)	Premier	

LEAGUE TABLE



POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Crowborough Athletic	13	10	2	1	31	13	18	32
2	Steyning Town Community	11	9	2	0	35	8	27	29
3	Newhaven	13	8	4	1	36	17	19	28
4	Peacehaven & Tels.	13	9	1	3	25	11	14	28
5	Eastbourne Town	13	9	1	3	21	11	10	28
6	Hassocks	12	8	3	1	27	10	17	27
7	Haywards Heath Town	13	7	2	4	34	19	15	23
8	Eastbourne United Association	12	6	3	3	20	17	3	21
9	Little Common	15	6	2	7	19	34	-15	20
10	Midhurst & Ease.	13	5	4	4	25	26	-1	19
11	Lingfield	13	4	5	4	23	25	-2	17
12	Pagham	13	4	3	6	22	20	2	15
13	Horsham YMCA	12	3	4	5	13	21	-8	13
14	Crawley Down Gatwick	12	4	0	8	25	22	3	12
15	AFC Vardeanians	14	3	1	10	12	37	-25	10
16	Saltdean United	14	2	3	9	17	28	-11	9
17	AFC Uckfield Town	14	2	3	9	15	28	-13	9
18	Loxwood	13	2	3	8	17	34	-17	9
19	Bexhill United	13	2	2	9	21	33	-12	8
20	Shoreham	12	1	2	9	14	38	-24	5



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Saturday 4th November 3:00pm

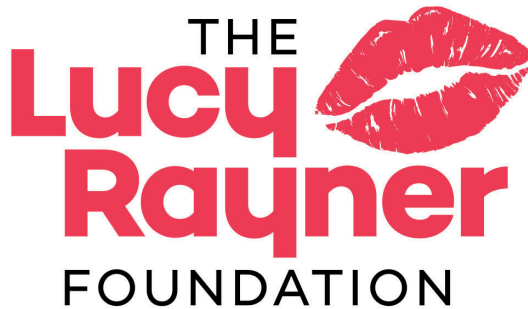
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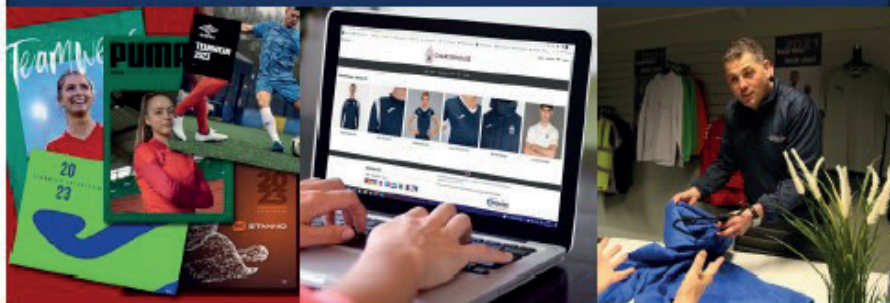
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