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Camberley Town V
Alton

28th December 2024 1500 KO



Combined Counties Premier Division
South



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Coach : Billy Ludlow

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U18s Coach : Billy Ludlow

U18s Coach : Darren Jenkins

U18s Physio : Claire Benton

**Combined Counties
League**

**Premier Challenge Cup
winners 2008–09, 2014–15**

Surrey Senior League

**Champions 1930–31,
1931–32, 1932–33
Charity Cup winners
1937–38, 1951–52**

West Surrey League

Champions 1913–14

**Aldershot Senior
Civilian League**

Champions 1912–13

Ascot & District League

**Champions 1904–05,
1907–08, 1908–09,
1909–10**

Surrey Senior Cup

Winners 1978–79

Surrey Junior Cup

**Winners 1897–98,
1909–10**

**Southern
Combination
Challenge Cup**

Winners 1980–81

**Aldershot Senior
Cup**

**Winners 1996–97,
1997–98, 2006–07,
2014–15, 2015–16,
2018-19**

#TheKrooners

From the editor

I'd like to wish you all a warm welcome to Krooner Park for this afternoons match. I'd especially like to welcome the Players, Supporters, and officials from todays visitors Alton.

I Hope you all enjoyed Christmas and everyone at the club wishes you a fabulous new Year.

We are now 21 games into our league season, and we are sitting 16th. The league seems to be taking shape now with little groups emerging. Top 5 are pulling away from the rest then the 6th to 10th, then 11th to 18th, then the bottom 2 seem to be slowly drifting away. Long way to go still and you often see 1 team put in a run and 1 starts sinking but often the mid point table is not far off from what we see at the end. Lets hope it is us who puts the run in.

Been a mixed bag over the last few games a draw in the mud against Cobham which was probably a fair result, a brilliant victory over Tadley and a fair if a little frustrating draw away to Balham. Epsom on the 3rd was one of those results where things were against us the boys did what they could but the result wasn't going to come. Against Knaphill last Saturday probably the right result but the scoreline flattered them a bit.

As we go into the winter months now the pitches get heavy the weather gets colder I know coming to football may not be the first thing on peoples minds, this is when we need your support the most. Starting with the early kick off against Jersey next Saturday.

I'd like to mention our YouTube page where we are now putting highlights of our games. We can always do every match but Billy our Videographer does his best to get to as many as he can.

If you are able we are always looking for sponsors. We have a number of packages available, Ball sponsorship, Match day, players, Programme, hoardings. Social media. Be it individual or a company we will be able to find something that suits you. drop us an e-mail at info@camberleytownfc.co.uk

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Redevelopment

After lots a behind the scenes work we are pleased to show you pictures of plans for the future of Krooner Park. It's been a long time coming, and we are now in the hands of the council to give us the go ahead. More information is available on the Surrey Heath planning website (Search Krooner)

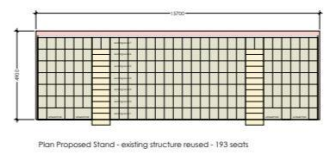
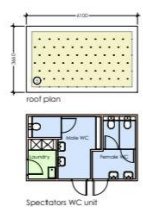
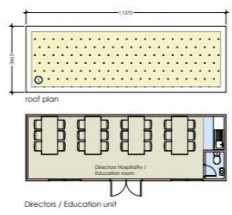
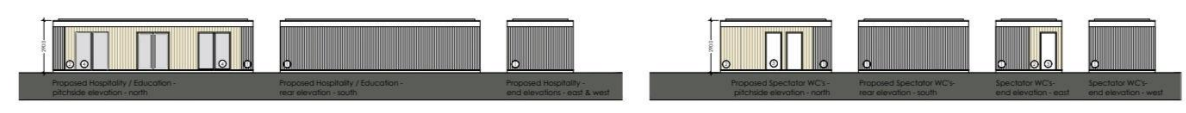
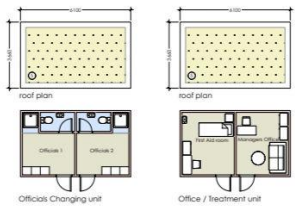
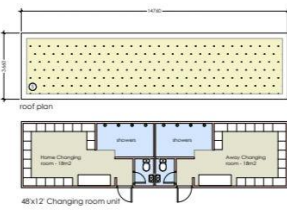
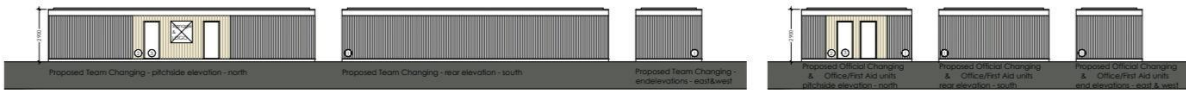
This is something the club wants and needs to secure the future we all want to see, it is also a great opportunity to show Camberley the town has something to be proud of.

It would be great if you feel able to go to the planning page of Surrey Heath council and show some support for this project (application24/0738/FFU) , this is something that will keep the club going for many years. We have been at Krooner park for 100 years and without something like this who knows what the future holds. Not to mention hundreds of children who could benefit from this facility.

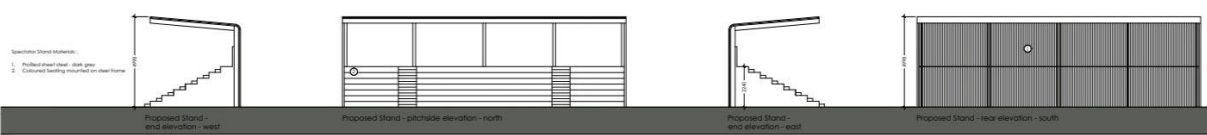
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- Cladding Cabin Materials:**
1. Concrete - painted steel sheet - steel gully
 2. Vertical timber cladding - steel framed cladding
 3. Aluminium cladding
 4. Polycarbonate canopy



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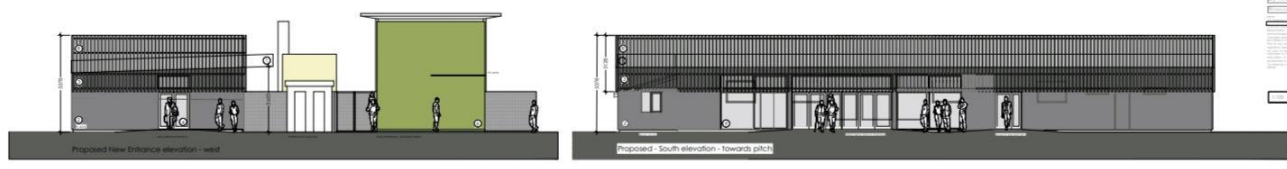
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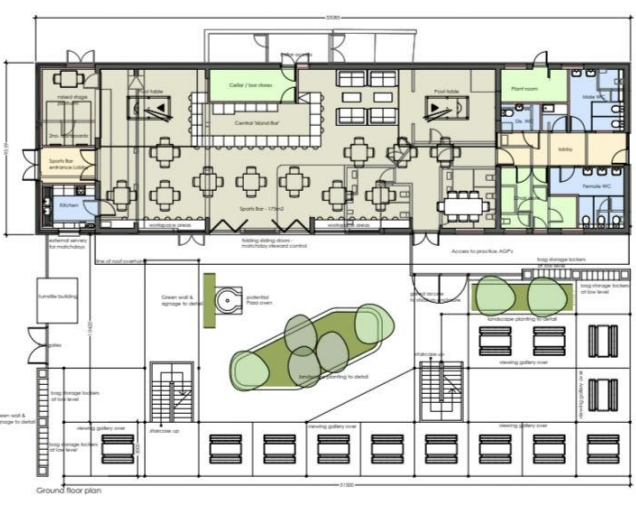
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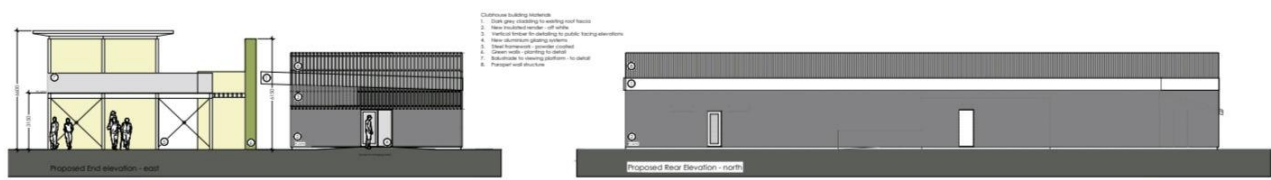
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- Clubhouse Building Structure:**
1. Steel plate cladding for existing roof facade
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THE ELITE CHOICE

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On this Day 28th December

1065 Westminster Abbey was consecrated. Its founder Edward the Confessor could not attend due to illness. He died on 5th January 1066 and was buried in a shrine before the High Altar in his new church.

1734 The death of Robert Roy MacGregor, usually known simply as Rob Roy, the famous Scottish folk hero and outlaw of the early 18th century

11879 The Tay railway bridge collapsed whilst the Edinburgh to Dundee train was crossing. The original crossing was the longest railway bridge in the world but during the storm the wind was said to have blown the iron girders in the central section away 'like matchwood. The engine and carriages plummeted into the icy river below killing 59 people.

1934 Dame Maggie Smith, British actress was born. She made her stage debut in 1952 and has won numerous awards for acting, both for the stage and for film, including five BAFTA Awards, plus the BAFTA Fellowship Award.

1950 The Peak District becomes the United Kingdom's 1st National Park



VENUE HIRE

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Our History



Founded | 1895

Nickname | 'The Krooners'

Home Colours | Red & White

Away Colours | Blue & White

Ground | Krooner Park

Capacity | 1,976

2023 - 2024 | 15th Combined Counties Premier South

The club was established in 1895 after a discussion at St Michael's church, and was originally named St Michael's Foot-ball Club, although they became known as St Michael's, Camberley.

The first match, a friendly, was played on 16 October against D Company from the Royal Military College in nearby Sandhurst, St Michael's won 4–2. In January 1896 they joined the Surrey County Football Association, entering and winning the Surrey Junior Cup in 1897–98; the club's first competitive game was played on 16 October 1897, a Junior Cup first round match against Farncombe which St Michael's won 5–2. After winning the cup, the club joined the East & West Surrey League for the 1898–99 season.

In January 1901 a public meeting was held, at which it was decided to establish a new club that would absorb both St Michael's and Camberley Magpies. The name Camberley & Yorktown was adopted and the club took St Michael's place in the East & West Surrey League. However, they dropped into the Aldershot Combination in 1902, before switching to the Ascot & District League in 1903. The club finished as runners-up in their first season and went on to win the league in 1904–05. They were runners-up again in 1905–06, before winning a hat-trick of successive titles in 1907–08, 1908–09 and 1909–10, remaining unbeaten throughout the third of the title-winning seasons. The season also saw them win the Surrey Junior Cup for a second time, beating Sutton United 2–0 in the final. In 1910 Camberley & Yorktown returned to the East & West Surrey League, which had been renamed the West

Surrey League. In 1912–13 the club also entered the three-club Aldershot Senior Civilian League, which they won. They went on to win the West Surrey League the following season.

In 1922 Camberley & Yorktown were founder members of the Surrey Senior League. They won three successive titles in 1930–31, 1931–32 and 1932–33 and were runners-up in 1938–39. After World War II the club was renamed Camberley, and were Surrey Senior League runners-up in 1946–47, before winning the league's Charity Cup in 1951–52 with a 4–3 win over Chertsey Town. The club were league runners-up again in 1961–62, and adopted their current name on 2 June 1967 after merging with former Parthenon League club

Camberley Wanderers. In 1973 they joined the Spartan League, but left to join Division Two of the Athenian League in 1975. In 1977 they switched to Division Two of the Isthmian League, and were promoted to Division One after finishing as Division Two runners-up in 1978–79. Two seasons later they were relegated, and after a single season back in Division Two, they rejoined the Athenian League, which now had a single division.

In 1983 Rick Wakeman became the club's chairman while he was living in Camberley. He remained in this post until 1986 when he was elected Vice-President, and left the club when he moved to the Isle of Man in 1988. In 1984 the Athenian League disbanded; Camberley rejoined the Isthmian League and were placed in Division Two South, where they remained until being placed in Division Three following league reorganisation in 1991. In 1998–99 the club reached the first round of the FA Cup for the first time. Drawn against away to Third Division Brentford, they lost 5–0. Division Three became Division Two in 2002, and Camberley remained members until the end of the 2005–06 season, when they dropped into the Premier Division of the Combined Counties League through the FA's re-structuring of non-league football. They were runners-up in the division in 2013–14 and 2014–15.

They came third in the 2015-16 season in the North division of the Combined counties league 2016-17 saw a sixth place finish and seventh the season after. 2018-19 saw a sixteenth place finish and with the 2019-20 season not finishing and the 2020-21 one not even starting due to covid, they started the 2021-22 season in the Combined Counties Premier Division South and Manager Luke Turkington oversaw a twelfth place finish on 44 points. 2022-23 Season was an improvement on the previous finishing tenth with 52 Points, with a fantastic run of 1 defeat in the last 14 league games of the season, that was at a time when games were coming thick and fast as the season had to be extended by 2 weeks to make up for the bad weather earlier in the campaign. 2023-24 was a disappointing season which was entered into with the hope to push on from the prior years and maybe see if we could get in the top 5 for the newly instigated playoffs.

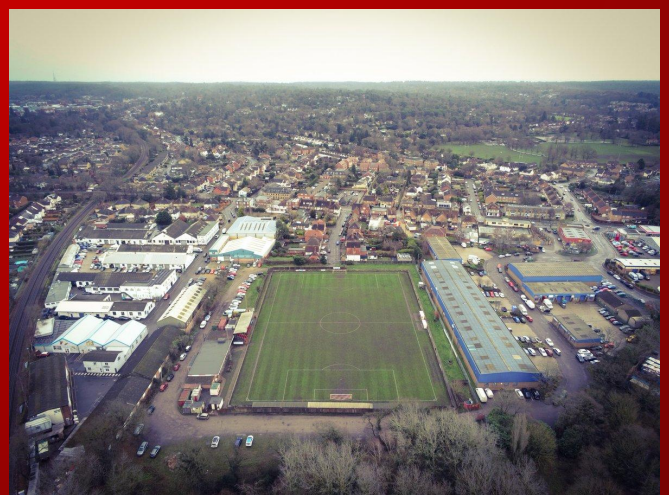
GROUND

In 1898 the club started playing at the new Recreation Ground on London Road, although they also used a pitch near Southwell Park Road when the Recreation Ground was unavailable and had moved there permanently by 1905. They played there until moving to Martin's Meadow in 1909. However, when the tenancy came to an end, the club returned to the Recreation Ground.

Since 1923 the club have played at Krooner Park on Wilton Road. The ground was paid for with the winnings of a horse named Krooner who won two races at Haydock Park Racecourse in 1920.

It was officially opened on 22 December 1923. Due to financial difficulties Krooner Park was sold back to the local council in 1939 with the council guaranteeing that the ground would be retained in perpetuity and that it would be rented to the football club, giving them priority whilst they remained in existence. In the mid-1960s the club asked the council to leave Krooner Park and build a new ground at South-cote Park Farm, but the request was rejected due to the amount of engineering that would be required.

Floodlights were installed at the ground in 1974, with the first floodlit match being a friendly against Crystal Palace on 14 October. The attendance at the match, which ended in a 1–1 draw, was around 3,100, a ground record. The highest confirmed attendance at Krooner Park was 2,066 when the newly-formed Aldershot Town visited for an Isthmian League Division Three match on 10 November 1992.



CAN YOU HELP?

As a local community football club we are in need of help and are asking for support from local business leaders to get through this challenging time for grassroots sport. Below are a number of sponsorship packages that we have drawn up, as we aim to raise funds to get us through the season. Can you help?



Match Sponsorship

As match sponsor the business will receive 4 complimentary tickets to the game and will receive Tea or Coffee in the hospitality area. Along with this; the businesses logo will be placed on all match day social media adverts and the company will receive a special shout out on our social media outlets directing all of our followers to their service. Finally the Sponsor will receive a full colour page advert in our E-Programme.

FA CUP / FA VASE - £150.00

1st Team - £100.00

U18 - £50.00

Match Ball Sponsorship

As match ball sponsor the business will receive 2 complimentary tickets to the game and will receive Tea or Coffee in the hospitality area. The company will receive a special shout out on our social media outlets directing all of our followers to their service. Finally the Sponsor will receive a half page colour advert in our E-Programme.

1st Team - £50.00

U18 - £25.00

Man of the Match

As the Man of the Match Sponsor, the company representatives will choose and present the Man of the Match award post match with the photos being used on our social media platforms. In addition the business will receive 2 complimentary tickets to the game and will receive Tea or Coffee in the hospitality area. The company will receive a special shout out on our social media outlets directing all of our followers to their service. Finally the Sponsor will receive a half page colour advert in our E-Programme.

1st Team - £50.00

U18 - £30.00

Player Sponsorship

Help the club provide all of the kit and equipment that it requires in the season by sponsoring a player. Have the players photo placed above the bar along with your company logo. Get a special media shoutout every time that your player makes a big in game contribution or wins an award. Meet your player at an arranged sponsors evening.

All Players - £50.00

Player of the Month Sponsorship

The company sponsoring the Player of the Month award will be provided the opportunity to present the award to both the U18 and 1st Team player. The sponsoring company will receive 2 free tickets to the game and will receive extensive social media shoutouts.

Season - £350.00

1 Month - £40.00

Email the club at info@camberleytownfc.co.uk to make the arrangements to fix your sponsorship.



2024 - 2025

AUGUST						
03/08/2024	Lydd Town	Home	1500	FA Cup Extra prelim R	Won	2-1 Babikir 6', Hamblin 71'
10/08/2024	Sheerwater	Away	1500	CCL	Lost	4-3 Hamblin 9', 54'p, Wensley 90+6'
13/08/2024	Alton	Away	1945	CCL	Lost	1-0
17/08/2024	Corinthian	Away	1500	FA Cup prelim Rd	Lost	3-1 J Ewing 30'
24/08/2024	AFC Whyteleafe	Away	1500	CCL	Lost	3-0
26/08/2024	Sandhurst Town	Home	1130	CCL	Won	2-1 Wheeler 33', Jones 45'
31/08/2024	Horley Town	Away	1500	CCL	Won	3-1 Hamblin 28', 85', Passfield 53'
SEPTEMBER						
07/09/2024	Epsom & Ewell	Home	1500	CCL	Lost	1-0
14/09/2024	Chipstead	Home	1500	CCL	Lost	4-3 Hamblin 38', Passfield 40', Vangrove 64'
21/09/2024	Horsham YMCA	Home	1500	FA Vase	Won	3-1 Wheeler 8', Jones 52', 60'
24/09/2024	Alton	Away	1945	CRPCC 1st Rd	Lost	2-0
28/09/2024	Tooting & Mitcham United	Away	1500	CCL	Lost	5-1 Hamblin 12'
OCTOBER						
01/10/2024	Tadley Calleva	Away	1945	CCL	Drew	2-2 Hamblin 1', 61'p
05/10/2024	Spelthorne Sports	Home	1500	CCL	Won	1-0 Hamblin 78'
12/10/2024	Abbey Rangers	Home	1500	CCL	Drew	0-0
19/10/2024	Hassocks	Home	1500	FA Vase 1st Round	Lost	2-0
22/10/2024	Frimley Green	Home	1945	SCC	Lost	3-1 Amijo 73'
26/10/2024	Guildford City	Away	1500	CCL	Won	4-2 Vangrove 19', J Ewing 39', 76'p, X Ewing 60'
29/10/2024	AFC Whyteleafe	Home	1945	CCL	Lost	1-0
NOVEMBER						
02/11/2024	Corinthian-Casuals	Home	1500	CCL	Won	1-0 Hamblin 55'
05/11/2024	Chertsey Town	Home	1945	SSCC	Lost	4-1 Hamblin 73'
13/11/2024	Army FA	Home	1945	ASC	Lost	2-2 (2-4p) Hamblin 13', 84'
16/11/2024	Redhill	Away	1500	CCL	Lost	2-0
23/11/2024	Cobham	Home	1500	CCL	Drew	2-2 Wesley 16', Passfield 32'
26/11/2024	Tadley Calleva	Home	1945	CCL	Won	4-0 Passfield 24', Vangrove 60', Jones 89', Bartlett 93'
30/11/2024	Balham	Away	1500	CCL	Drew	2-2 Passfield 22', Kenny 42'
DECEMBER						
03/12/2024	Epsom & Ewell	Away	1945	CCL	Lost	2-0
10/12/2024	Cobham	Away	1945	CCL	Lost	3-0
21/12/2024	Knaphill	Away	1500	CCL	Lost	3-1
28/12/2024	Alton	Home	1500	CCL		
JANUARY						
04/01/2025	Sandhurst Town	Away	1500	CCL		
11/01/2025	Tooting & Mitcham United	Home	1500	CCL		
18/01/2025	Corinthian-Casuals	Away	1500	CCL		
25/01/2025	Guildford City	Home	1500	CCL		
FEBRUARY						
01/02/2025	Fleet Town	Home	1500	CCL		
08/02/2025	Abbey Rangers	Away	1500	CCL		
15/02/2025	Sheerwater	Home	1500	CCL		
18/02/2025	Jersey Bulls	Home	1945	CCL		
22/02/2025	Spelthorne Sports	Away	1500	CCL		
25/02/2025	Chipstead	Away	1945	CCL		
MARCH						
01/03/2025	Balham	Home	1500	CCL		
04/03/2025	Fleet Town	Away	1945	CCL		
08/03/2025	Redhill	Home	1500	CCL		
15/03/2025	Jersey Bulls	Away	1500	CCL		
22/03/2025	Horley Town	Home	1500	CCL		
29/03/2025	Knaphill	Home	1500	CCL		



Alton FC

Formed : 2016 (current)

Home Ground : The Exclusive Networks Stadium

Last Season : 7th Combined counties Premier South



The current Alton FC was formed by the merger of Alton Town FC and Alton United Youth FC in 2016.

Previously the senior section (Alton Town FC) was formed in 1990 when Alton's two senior clubs, Alton Town and Bass Alton, amalgamated. Alton Town had been fantastically successful, winning everything in Hampshire in the period from 1947 to 1956 including Hampshire leagues Divisions 3, 2 & 1 (1948, 1949 & 1958), the Hampshire Intermediate Cup in 1949, the Russell Cotes Cup in 1949 and the Hampshire Senior Cup in 1958.

Alton Town first joined the Hampshire League in 1946 and won Division 3 East in their first season. However they were denied promotion due to a league reorganisation and the addition of extra teams to the Hampshire League. More success followed with the Division 2 title in 1948/49 and they also won the Russell Cotes Cup and Hampshire Intermediate Cup that year. Although they dropped to Division 2 for one season in 1954/55, they bounced back immediately and went on to win both the Division 1 championship and the Hampshire Senior Cup in 1957/58. They stayed in Division 1 until they left in 1973 to join the Athenian League Division 2 which they won in their first year. After an initial period of success in that league the Club found itself unable to compete and dropped down to the Combined Counties League before returning to the Hampshire League in 1984, starting at the bottom in Division 3. They found themselves in Division 2 in 1986/87 by dint of winning the Division 2 title for the third time.

Bass Alton started life as Courage & Company (Alton) FC and joined the Hampshire League in 1928/29. The following year they were in Division 2 and then won promotion to Division 1 where they stayed until being relegated to Division 2 in 1938/39, just before the club was disbanded for the War.

Courage rejoined the North Hants division briefly in 1954/55 before beginning their longest spell in the County League in 1972/73 when they entered Division 4. Promoted to Division 3 in 1975, they only lasted two years before dropping to Division 4 again. In 1979/80 the Club changed its name to Bass Alton FC and its fortunes changed with the name as they won promotion in successive years to Division 3 in 1979/80, to Division 2 in 1980/81 and to Division 1 as Division 2 runners-up and the end of the 1982/83 season after a 45-year absence.

Since the amalgamation, the Club has played in the Hampshire League and achieved promotion to the Wessex League by topping the Premier Division in 2002, moving to the Premier Division of the Cherry Red Records Combined Counties League from season 2013-14.

Season 2015-16 saw Alton Town moved back in the Sydenhams League (Wessex) after the FA re-organisation of step six. After a few years of indifferent performances, we went for a more local management team as we looked to encouraged the flow of players from the Youth set up through to the First Team.

Following the FA Restructure of the pyramid and two successful, albeit aborted seasons we have were promoted to step five and the Wessex Premier Division for season 2021-22. A middle table finish was followed by more lateral movement as the FA moved us back to the Combined Counties League Premier Division South, for season 2022-23 and this is where we remain today.

Last season saw us finish in our highest league position for a number of years and with continued support from main sponsors Coomers and Exclusive Networks the long-term future for the club after years of uncertainty looks bright.

PREMIER DIVISION SOUTH

Saturday 7th December 2024

Knaphill 0-1 Cobham
Sheerwater 1-2 Redhill

Tuesday 10th December 2024

Abbey Rangers 3-1 Sheerwater
Chipstead 1-8 Jersey Bulls
Corinthian-Casuals 1-2 Guildford City
Fleet Town 2-0 Tadley Calleva
Tooting & Mitcham 3-2 AFC Whyteleafe

Saturday 14th December 2024

AFC Whyteleafe 1-0 Cobham
Balham 1-2 Tadley Calleva
Corinthian-Casuals 0-0 Tooting & Mitcham
Horley Town 2-1 Guildford City
Sandhurst Town 2-2 Knaphill
Sheerwater 5-0 Alton Town

Tuesday 17th December 2024

Chipstead 3-2 Corinthian-Casuals
Epsom & Ewell 1-2 Sandhurst Town

Saturday 21st December 2024

Abbey Rangers 2-5 AFC Whyteleafe
Alton Town 2-2 Fleet Town
Corinthian-Casuals 3-3 Horley Town
Jersey Bulls 6-0 Spelthorne Sports
Redhill 4-0 Balham
Tadley Calleva 1-1 Chipstead
Tooting & Mitcham 1-2 Guildford City

Saturday 28th December 2024

AFC Whyteleafe v Corinthian-Casuals
Balham v Tooting & Mitcham
Chipstead v Knaphill
Epsom & Ewell v Redhill
Fleet Town v Jersey Bulls
Guildford City v Abbey Rangers
Spelthorne Sports v Cobham

League Table (2024-25)

		Home				Away				Total				Pts			
		P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L	P	W	D	L		F	A	+/-
	1 AFC Whyteleafe	14	9	2	3	11	10	0	1	25	19	2	4	66	27	+39	59
	2 Redhill	11	9	2	0	12	10	0	2	23	19	2	2	54	18	+36	59
	3 Jersey Bulls	9	8	1	0	11	8	3	0	20	16	4	0	60	11	+49	52
	4 Cobham	14	9	1	4	13	5	6	2	27	14	7	6	57	28	+29	49
	5 Fleet Town	11	9	2	0	9	4	4	1	20	13	6	1	40	17	+23	45
	6 Knaphill	13	7	2	4	11	3	4	4	24	10	6	8	38	41	-3	36
	7 Corinthian-Casuals	14	5	3	6	14	5	2	7	28	10	5	13	47	52	-5	35
	8 Tadley Calleva	10	4	4	2	10	6	0	4	20	10	4	6	35	31	+4	34
	9 Abbey Rangers	11	4	3	4	10	6	1	3	21	10	4	7	39	38	+1	34
	10 Tooting & Mitcham United	14	7	2	5	8	2	3	3	22	9	5	8	40	28	+12	32
	11 Chipstead	9	4	1	4	14	4	1	9	23	8	2	13	33	63	-30	26
	12 Horley Town	13	4	2	7	9	2	4	3	22	6	6	10	45	53	-8	24
	13 Sheerwater	12	4	5	3	14	2	0	12	26	6	5	15	41	55	-14	23
	14 Sandhurst Town	11	5	2	4	12	2	0	10	23	7	2	14	39	59	-20	23
	15 Guildford City	9	2	1	6	14	4	3	7	23	6	4	13	34	42	-8	22
	16 Camberley Town	9	4	2	3	12	2	2	8	21	6	4	11	29	39	-10	22
	17 Epsom & Ewell	11	2	2	7	10	4	2	4	21	6	4	11	27	43	-16	22
	18 Alton	11	2	3	6	11	2	4	5	22	4	7	11	22	39	-17	19
	19 Balham	11	1	4	6	12	1	2	9	23	2	6	15	24	54	-30	12
	20 Spelthorne Sports	10	1	1	8	10	0	4	6	20	1	5	14	12	44	-32	8

David in a Land of Goliaths

'The best ideas are made in pubs'. Or so goes the old Czech saying. So when, a few months after the conclusion of the Second World War, nine men met in U Kovore pub in a village deep in hops-growing country, 50 miles to the west of Prague, it's no surprise that the best idea they ever had was that they needed a football team to represent themselves and their neighbours. A whip round the residents raised the equivalent of £3000 for a blue and yellow kit, and so Blšany founded a football team, appropriately named Chmel; hops. Half a century later, with a population of less than 400, that tiny village very nearly upset the established European order.

The village team were happy playing in the lowest reaches of the Czech league system. With such a tiny local population, it would have been near-impossible for them to achieve any notable success. They developed players from the village, occasionally bringing in outsiders, and lived and died, like most non-league teams, on the efforts of their volunteers. The nearest town, Zatec, only has 19,000 residents, just enough to support their own team in the lower leagues. So when goalkeeper Frantisek Chvalovsky joined their youth team, it is fair to say nobody would guess how he would change the fortunes of Chmel. He graduated to the first team, and spent his two decade career with the club, making connections in the local and then national FA, whilst building a successful business career. He bought the club in the mid 1980s, and was appointed chairman of the Czech FA in 1991. He only hung up his gloves after achieving all that, in 1993.

During his time as his country's chief administrator he oversaw a golden period of Czech football, culminating in the side's defeat in the final of Euro 96. His business interests, meanwhile, were booming, bringing in €100m each year. He bought the club he had played for, ploughing money in with a serious ambition; reach the top flight, if only for one season. Remarkably, with his ambition and his money, it worked.

Chmel progressed up the leagues in the 1990s, settling in the second tier, until the arrival of Miroslav Beranek in 1996. The manager had lost his job at Czech giants Slavia Prague the previous season for failing to win the league, and Chvalovsky paid handsomely for his services. Alongside the owners generous investment, the club worked hard to develop young players and sell them on for significant profit. Following Beranek's arrival, Jan Simak became the first high profile player to join the club, from top flight Ceske Budejovice. By 1998, Chmel were winning promotion to the top flight.

Chvalovksy had initially intended for his club to spend 'at least one season' amongst the Czech elite, but exceptional recruitment meant they were destined for much greater heights. First up was goalkeeper Ales Chvalovsky; the owner's son. The media cried nepotism, but Ales had established himself as a regular in the U21 national side, losing the Euro U21 final in 2000 and 2001. He was first choice for Chmel's first season in the top flight, and spent seven years in that division before moving to Cyprus. Future Czech international Vaclav Drobny joined him, and Chmel surprised everyone by not only surviving relegation, but fighting their way into the European places. The 1999-2000 season would see the tiny village of 400 people represented in the Intertoto Cup.

A teenage Petr Cech was recruited for that European campaign, and unsurprisingly lifted the performances to a whole new level. The quiet rolling hills around Blšany were perfect for training retreats, so Chvalovsky invested €3.6m in a hotel complex, bringing in welcome additional revenue for the club. Everton, Marseille and Bayern were among the visitors. As the season started, other European sides made their way to the 4000 seater Mestsky Stadium. Belorussians Dnepr Mogilev were dispatched 8-2 over two legs before Kalamata made the trip from Greece to concede just as many, without scoring. Chmel found themselves in the semi-finals of the Intertoto Cup, but compatriots Sigma Olomouc proved too much for them.

The following season, Chmel once again got to the semi-finals but lost, in heartbreaking circumstances, to Brescia. But the good times were beginning to end. Petr Cech was sold to Sparta Prague for €750,000, and a further half a million when he moved to France. Drobny went direct to Strasbourg for €1m. Jan Simak moved to Germany for €1.25. And Chvalovsky, ever the maverick character, was arrested for fraud. Chmel held their ground in the top flight for a while, but once the decline came, it was fast and it was terminal.

The village team finally suffered relegation in 2006. It was the first of four relegations in four years as funding in the side collapsed. Despite attempts to revive their fortunes, in 2016, with no new funding and difficulty attracting players, Chmel announced their ultimate demise, and ceased to exist.

They were, for a time, the smallest settlement in Europe to host a top-flight team, and were a goal away from a European final in 2001. They proved that David can compete with a whole host of Goliaths, but when it goes wrong, Goliath exacts punishing revenge.

Enjoy the Game.

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On the road

4th January 2025 - Sandhurst



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4th January Away Sandhurst Town
11th January Home Tooting & Mitcham
18th January Away Corinthian-Casuals
25th January Home Guildford City
1st February Home Fleet Town

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Appearances 2024/25

	Starts	Sub On	Total	Goals	Yellow	2xY/R	Sin Bin	Straight Red
Tom Wensley	25	0	25	2	2	0	1	0
Luis Hamblin	23	2	25	14	5	0	0	0
Denny Roberts	23	1	24	0	3	0	0	0
Stan Jones	21	2	23	4	0	0	0	0
Josh Ewing	19	4	23	3	1	0	0	0
Jacob Wheeler	21	1	22	2	4	0	0	0
Luke Benton	16	6	22	0	2	0	0	0
Ben Grummitt	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0
Xander Ewing	13	7	20	1	0	0	0	0
Brandon Vangrove	19	0	19	3	5	0	0	0
Brad Passfield	19	0	19	5	6	0	0	0
Kayode Conteh	17	1	18	0	9	0	0	1
Ellis McLean	9	4	13	0	1	0	0	0
Louis Lindsay	5	8	13	0	3	0	0	0
Stan Pickup	7	5	12	0	1	0	0	0
Isaac Amujo	1	8	9	1	0	0	0	0
Regan Hitch	8	0	8	0	1	0	0	0
Callum Kenny	7	1	8	1	5	0	0	0
Sam Bartlett	6	1	7	1	1	0	0	0
Owen Crawford	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Gael Muyonge	2	4	6	0	1	0	0	0
Ben Jordan	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	0
Herschel Mukaro	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	0
Bobby Lawrence	3	2	5	0	0	0	0	0
Max Cunningham	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0
Hayden Stedman	1	4	5	0	0	0	0	0
Jack Lillie	4	0	4	0	1	0	0	0
Isaac Dinsdale	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
Archie Mills	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Macca Martin	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
Sam Smart	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0
James Wells	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
Camron Grant	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ollie Bennett	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Masimba Bare	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Matt Walton	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gianluca Botti	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Dom West	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Ryan Suckling	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sam Whitehead	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
MacKenzie Clayton	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Marcus Ball	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Erim Dinctop	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0

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Luis Hamblin
Stan Jones
Ben Jordan
Callum Kenny
Bobby Lawrence
Jack Lillie
Archie Mills
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Gael Muyonge
Brad Passfield
Shaun Pharo
Stan Pickup
Denny Roberts
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Hayden Stedman
Ryan Suckling
Jude Sullivan
Brandon Vangrove
James Wells
Tom Wensley
Dom West
Jacob Wheeler
Sam Whitehead

1 Theo Rust
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3 Toluwani Ajaye-Obe
4 George Bennett
5 Adam Poynter
6 Owen Tanner
7 Liam Marshall
8 Matt Benham
9 Darnell McDonald
10 Mal Thomas
11 Angel Zapata
12 Mihail Marinescu
13 Scott Sanderson
14 Siph Mdalolose
15 Jamie Hoppitt
16 Louis Russell
17 Mal Osei-Owusu
18 Tommy Whitby

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Asst Manager – Matt Evans
Coach – Steve Franks
Coach – Leigh Keddle
Physio – Bobbie Williams



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Assistant Referee :- Nick Pyne