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The Round-Up

- PREMIER DIVISION -

Tavistock will enjoy a ten-point lead for Christmas after they romped to a 6-0 win at home to Keynsham on Saturday afternoon.

The hosts took no time at all to move ahead, with Ben Cross firing them in front after just two minutes against a Town side who were enduring their fourth consecutive away fixture in a variety of competitions.

The Western League's top scorer then took control of the game, with Liam Prynn making it 2-0 prior to half-time, before the same man added another goal in the opening stages of the second half thanks to a bullet header.

It soon became the Prynn show, and after he struck twice more during another standout performance, he was given an early bath, with substitute C.J Pritchard then entering the fray to complete the scoring during the final ten minutes.

Another side to hit six were Mousehole, with the Cornish outfit now up in third spot thanks to their big win away at Street. The visitors quickly built a two-goal advantage at the Tannery Ground, with Hayden Turner's penalty doubling their advantage after Callam McOnie had broken the deadlock.

A cheeky back-heeled finish from McOnie stretched the lead to three at the beginning of the second half, with Kyle Fraser then adding a fourth soon after.

Harry Foster struck twice to add some respect to the scoreline, but it was Mousehole's Turner who took home much of the plaudits, after he scored twice in the final ten minutes to complete his hat-trick.

A couple more players also grabbed goalscoring trebles in the same game, with

both Tom Payne and Rikki Sheppard striking three times in Millbrook's 12-1 annihilation of Bridport.

The visitors scored five in the first half, and seven in the second, showing no mercy to the league's bottom side, with Josh Toulson adding a brace of his own during the romp.

It wasn't all easy going for the top sides in the division, with fourth-placed Helston among those to drop points against teams in the bottom half.

Despite forging ahead through Craig Veal after just 13 minutes, Helston suffered a 3-1 loss at the hands of Shepton Mallet who scored three unanswered goals during the final hour of the contest.

Having drawn level through Joe Morgan, Mallet then moved ahead five minutes before the interval thanks to a goal from Finn Haines. Another strike early in the second half from Aaron Seviour extended Mallet's advantage, and they didn't look back, handing out revenge for the 1-0 loss they suffered to the same opponent less than 30 days ago.

Ilfracombe Town were fortunate to come away with a point against Ashton & Backwell, scoring a late equaliser in their 1-1 draw at the Lancer Scott Stadium.

The home side came close to securing just a third league win of the campaign after going ahead early in the second half, but Town managed to salvage a share of the spoils, when Harry Stevens levelled affairs with just under 20 minutes left on the clock.

Buckland and Brislington shared the points for the second time this season, after the home side capitalised on a red card to claim a 1-1 draw.

It was Brislington who led after 30 minutes





Action from Wellington v Saltash United - Pictures courtesy of the Around Wellington website



Action from Street v Mousehole - Picture by Richard Palette



Action from Welton Rovers and Wincanton Town - Picture by Mark Pile



thanks to a deflected effort from Jordan Scadding, but once Asa White was dismissed they succumbed to their hosts who levelled affairs soon after thanks to a well-taken goal from Jake Evans.

Saltash United claimed their tenth league win of the campaign after coming from behind to defeat Wellington 2-1.

Having trailed to Nathan Byrne's 16th minute opener, the Ashes drew level through Sam Hughes, before an impressive finish from 20 yards out by Sam Leary with 12 minutes remaining helped them capture all three points.

There was also an away win for Exmouth Town, with two goals in the space of ten second half minutes from Ben Steer and Jordan Harris leading them to a 2-0 win over Bridgwater United.

- First Division -

In the eagerly anticipated clash at the top, Wincanton Town continued their incredible form, toppling Welton Rovers by three goals to nil at West Clewes.

Having enjoyed a long unbeaten run, Welton have now suffered two defeats in recent weeks, failing to lay a glove on their visitors who have now won seven on the spin thanks to goals from Jamie Thompson, Dan Quirke and Cameron Allen.

Another side who are surging as the new year closes in are Sherborne, and they now sit in second after thumping Cheddar 4-1.

The Zebras went ahead in spectacular fashion, with Henry Lawrence-Napier lobbing the ball expertly into an empty net from midway inside the opposition half after just 15 minutes.

Another goal just prior to half-time from Josh Williams put Sherborne in command, with late goals on the counter attack from Ash Guppy and Alex Murphy rounding out the comprehensive victory.

Odd Down have now won three games in a row, holding off a late surge from Wells City to run out 5-3 victors in Bath.

Goals towards the end of the first half from Shaq Perkins and Raphael Waugh made it 2-0 to the hosts, with Francois Allen then extending their advantage five minutes after the interval.

Perkins struck again either side of a couple of goals from the visitors, with Wells then sending a huge fright to their hosts when they cut the deficit to one in the 88th minute.

Fortunately for Odd Down, they had a little more in the tank, and they closed out an important victory when Waugh completed his double in injury time.

Radstock returned to action with a bang, coming from behind to win 2-1 away at AEK Boco.

Having had three weeks on inactivity, Radstock came out a little bit undercooked and fell behind in the 28th minute, but after drawing level on the stroke of half-time through Ali Sen, they then claimed all three points when Rico Sobers scored on the counter-attack 15 minutes into the second half.

Goals from Mike Johnson and Laurence Lefevre handed Tytherington a 2-1 win away at Gillingham Town, while Longwell Green Sports ended a seven-match winless run by beating Bishops Lydeard 3-0.

The victory was Longwell Green's first since returning to their revamped Shellards Road ground, and it came thanks to three second half goals, with Liam Oswin, Zac Cheetham and Ben Mitchell all scoring in the much-needed triumph.

Bishop Sutton were another of the big winners on Saturday afternoon, and have now moved up into eighth spot after beating Almondsbury 5-1 at Lakeview.

It was actually the visitors who made the perfect start, leading after just five minutes through Isaac Flynn, but it was all downhill from then on, with Oaklan Buck beating the offside trap to level after quarter of an hour.

A couple of set pieces saw both Craig Wilson and Brad Hardidge score with free headers to make it 3-1 after 32 minutes, and Sutton continued to push on during the second half with Jacob Bird and then the prolific Buck rounding out an impressive victory.

From the moment Calum Townsend scored a pair of quickfire goals after half an hour,

Portishead had little trouble in seeing off Devizes.

Following a quiet start to the contest, Townsend scored twice to put Posset in command, with further goals after the interval from Josh Honey and Sam Munton capping the 4-0 win.



Wincanton Town celebrate one of their three goals away at Welton Rovers - Picture by Mark Pile

On this week's Podcast, we hear from Bridgwater United manager, Dave Pearse, who explains the reasons behind his side's strong home form. Colin Goodland also joins the show to discuss how he put together the history of Sherborne Town, and what the club have in common with West Ham United.

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Latest League Tables

Premier Division

		Р	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Tavistock	22	15	4	3	36	49
2	Bitton	21	12	3	6	14	39
3	Mousehole	18	12	2	4	23	38
4	Helston Athletic	19	10	7	2	19	37
5	Ilfracombe Town	20	11	4	5	12	37
6	Bridgwater United	20	11	3	6	21	36
7	Exmouth Town	19	10	5	4	29	35
8	Saltash United	19	10	3	6	15	33
9	Buckland Athletic	20	9	5	6	15	32
10	Millbrook	21	9	4	8	15	31
11	Keynsham Town	21	8	7	6	4	31
12	Shepton Mallet	21	8	6	7	20	30
13	Clevedon Town	20	5	8	7	4	23
14	Wellington	19	6	4	9	-10	22
15	Brislington	20	6	3	11	-38	21
16	Cadbury Heath	23	5	2	16	-30	17
17	Street	18	5	1	12	-18	16
18	Ashton & Backwell United	20	2	3	15	-27	9
19	Bridport	23	1	0	22	-104	3

First Division

		Р	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Welton Rovers	23	16	5	2	30	53
2	Sherborne Town	22	13	6	3	36	45
3	Warminster Town	22	13	5	4	19	44
4	Wincanton Town	21	11	4	6	29	37
5	Cheddar	23	11	4	8	5	37
6	Odd Down	24	11	4	9	3	37
7	Radstock Town	21	10	6	5	10	36
8	Bishop Sutton	23	9	5	9	4	32
9	Oldland Abbotonians	21	10	2	9	0	32
10	Lebeq United	23	8	6	9	-1	30
11	AEK Boco	22	8	6	8	-5	30
12	Gillingham Town	26	7	8	11	-2	29
13	Tytherington Rocks	23	7	7	9	-9	28
14	Longwell Green Sports	22	7	5	10	-5	26
15	Wells City	20	6	7	7	-5	25
16	Almondsbury	21	8	1	12	-12	25
17	Hengrove Athletic	24	6	7	11	-16	25
18	Portishead Town	22	8	3	11	-1	24
19	Bristol Telephones	18	5	2	11	-13	17
20	Bishops Lydeard	20	4	5	11	-14	17
21	Devizes Town	23	4	2	17	-53	14

Latest Results & Fixtures

Saturday 18th December 2021 Premier Division

Ashton & Backwell Utd 1-1 Ilfracombe T - 80 Bridgwater United 0-2 Exmouth Town - 439 Bridport 1-12 Millbrook - 106 Buckland Athletic 1-1 Brislington - 166 Shepton Mallet 3-1 Helston Athletic - 133 Street 2-6 Mousehole - 150 Tavistock 6-0 Keynsham Town Wellington 1-2 Saltash United - 101

First Division

AEK Boco 1-2 Radstock Town - 167
Bishop Sutton 5-1 Almondsbury - 39
Gillingham Town 1-2 Tytherington Rocks - 38
Longwell Green S 3-0 Bishops Lydeard - 140
Odd Down 5-3 Wells City - 30
Portishead Town 4-0 Devizes Town - 52
Sherborne Town 4-1 Cheddar - 78
Welton Rovers 0-3 Wincanton Town - 120

Upcoming Fixtures Sunday 26th December 2021 Premier Division

Exmouth Town vs Bridport - 12:30

Helston Athletic vs Mousehole - 12:00 Saltash United vs Millbrook - 11:00 Shepton Mallet vs Bridgwater United - 15:00 Tavistock vs Buckland Athletic - 12:00

First Division

Cheddar vs Bishops Lydeard - 13:00 Portishead Town vs Lebeq United - 13:00 Radstock Town vs Welton Rovers - 13:00 Sherborne Town vs Gillingham Town - 13:00 Wells City vs Wincanton Town - 13:00

Monday 27th December 2021 (3pm Kick off unless noted)

Premier Division

Brislington vs Ashton & Backwell Utd - 13:00
Cadbury Heath vs Bitton - 13:00
Clevedon Town vs Street - 13:00
Wellington vs Ilfracombe Town - 13:00

First Division

Almondsbury vs Tytherington Rocks
Bishop Sutton vs Hengrove Athletic
Bristol Telephones vs AEK Boco
Devizes Town vs Warminster Town
Longwell Green S vs Oldland Abbot's - 13:00

- Leading Goalscorers -

Premier Division

Liam Prynn (Tavistock) – 27 Dean Griffiths (Bitton) – 24 Jack Taylor (Bridgwater) – 20 Jordan Harris (Exmouth) – 18

First Division

Luke Bryan (Odd Down) - 22 Oaklan Buck (Bishop Sutton) - 22 Bailey Croome (Tytherington) - 18 Cameron Brown (Lebeq) - 17 Jake Slocombe (Welton) - 16

All Competitions

Liam Prynn (Tavistock) – 30 Dean Griffiths (Bitton) – 26 Luke Bryan (Odd Down) – 22 Oaklan Buck (Bishop Sutton) – 22 Jack Taylor (Bridgwater) - 21

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