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The Round-Up

- MID-WEEK ACTION -

Shepton Mallet created history on Tuesday evening, with their 3-2 win over Blackfield & Langley helping them progress to the second qualifying round of the FA Cup for the very first time.

Following a headline-grabbing goalless draw on Saturday afternoon, the side's met again in their replay, and Mallet made the worst possible start, falling behind inside three minutes.

They soon found their stride however, and after Conrad Peck headed them level, they then went ahead for the first time after 20 minutes thanks to a composed finish from Aaron Seviour.

Shepton continued to surge forward, getting their rewards soon after when Fin Haines stretched their lead further, and despite the away side getting a late consolation in the 90th minute, it was the Western League outfit who could celebrate a memorable victory.

Bridgwater United returned to winning ways in the Premier Division, beating a determined Welton Rovers 2-1 at Fairfax Park. After Jack Taylor fired the league leaders in front, they were soon pegged back when Joe Dali-Kemmery scored on his full debut for Welton two minutes before half-time.

A red card to Lewis Hunt just moments later made Welton's task much tougher after the break, and Bridgwater took full advantage with Jake Brown cutting inside before scything home the winner eight minutes into the second half.

There was also a victory for Clevedon Town, with Alex Camm's late penalty leading them to a 2-1 defeat of Bitton. Having fallen behind to Syd Camper's 30th minute opener, Bitton drew level right at the beginning of the second half through Joe Stradling.

With the game looking as though it was headed towards a draw, Mitch Osmond was tripped in the Bitton box, and Camm applied the finish from the penalty spot to register all three points for the away side.

The visitors were also successful in the other game that night, with Saltash coming out on top in a seven-goal thriller away at Torpoint. After both sides found the back of the net during a fiery opening 12 minutes, the Ashes then took command during the remainder of the first half, with Callum Merrin and Charlie Elkington putting them 3-1 up.

A long stretch then ensued without any goalscoring action, before the game suddenly came to life in the final few minutes from the moment Dave Barker's penalty put Saltash 4-1 ahead.

Torpoint then scored with their next two attacks on goal, with Gary Hird and Callum Thompson both firing home, but they were left with too little time to complete a meaningful comeback. 24 hours later, Falmouth and Helston battled out a goalless draw on a very wet night at Bickland Park.

The standout midweek performance in the First Division belonged to Brislington, who surged to a 5-1 win in Bath away at Odd Down.

A terrific first half from the visitors saw Lewis Dunn, Asa White and Joe McLennan all register goals, with George Jones then adding a fourth soon after the interval to confirm their dominance.

The hosts finally got on the scoresheet late in the piece, but it was Brislington who had the last word, with White firing home his second of the night from the penalty spot. The in-form Wells City continue to rack up wins, with Adam Wright

& Tom Ellis both firing home during their 4-0 win at home to Bishops Lydeard, while Ryan Sharpe was at the double for Tytherington in their 3-2 victory over Longwell Green Sports.

An own goal was the difference between the sides at Lakeview where Warminster defeated Bishop Sutton by a goal to nil, while in Somerset, Max Westlake helped Gillingham register a 1-1 draw away at Cheddar after Lewis Chappell had fired the hosts in front.

In Tuesday's other fixture, Portishead produced a dramatic late fightback to beat Hallen 2-1. Having fallen behind, Rob Latham levelled for Posset at the end of the first half, before Joe Fitzgerald scored with one of the game's final touches, striking in the 93rd minute to decide the destination of all three points.

On Wednesday night, there was also late drama, with Pete Sheppard grabbing a point for Hengrove in their 1-1 draw away at Shirehampton.

Following a weekend off, Western League football returned on a dramatic evening of action on Tuesday. In the Premier Division, Saltash and Mousehole shared the points following a six-point thriller in Cornwall. Mousehole twice took the lead during an entertaining first half thanks to close range finishes from Moussa Diallo and Andy Watkins, with Sam Hughes having levelled for the hosts after 24 minutes.

United then scored their second equaliser of the evening right at the beginning of the second half, with Dave Barker scoring from the spot following a foul on Alex Cairo less than

30 seconds after the restart. With 20 minutes remaining, Jake Miller put the home side in front for the first time, but they were unable to hold on for all three points, with a headed finish from Mark Goldsworthy two minutes into stoppage time giving Mousehole a share of the spoils.

The points were also shared at Helston, where the in-form Rubin Wilson thundered home 12 minutes from time to secure a 1-1 draw at home to Torpoint. Another late equaliser took place at Almondsbury, with Joe White sliding the ball home in injury time to help the hosts grab a 2-2 draw in their First Division clash with Hengrove.

The other fixture in that division saw Wincanton storm to a 4-1 win away at Radstock thanks to a hat-trick from Louis Irwin. Having taken the lead through Connor Williams, Irwin then added to their advantage before Radstock pulled one back on the stroke of half time.

Irwin was then teed up by debutant Jack Miluk to restore the two-goal lead 15 minutes from time, before he completed his terrific treble in the closing stages.

The following evening, Bridgwater and Shepton Mallet extended their unbeaten starts in the Premier Division after each picking up 2-0 wins away from home.

For Mallet, second half goals from Joe Morgan and Aaron Seviour helped them defeat Sherborne in a perfect tune up for their upcoming FA Cup clash. League leaders Bridgwater were victorious over Cadbury Heath, with Troy Simpson and Ollie Hebbard scoring either side of the interval thanks to a pair of

On the latest episode of the podcast, Helston boss Matt Cusack joins the show to talk about his sides historic FA Cup run, while also talking about how focussed he is on gaining promotion with the Cornish outfit. There is also a conversation with Wells City manager Shaun Potter who explains how their slow start to the season has spurred them on in recent weeks, and why there are no easy games in the First Division.

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assists from Man of the Match, George King.

The First Division leaders Oldland Abbotonians were also 2-0 winners on Wednesday evening, with Aaron Mansfield and Courtney Charles firing them to a home victory over Bristol Telephones.

At the opposite end of the table, Warminster's recent winning run was snapped, after they suffered a 3-0 defeat at home to FC Bristol.

Kinsly Murray, Elan Plummer and the ever-dependable Sacha Tong all got on the scoresheet for the visitors, who also kept their first clean sheet of the season in a strong all-round performance.

The game of the night took place at Hardwicke Field, where Tytherington and Shirehampton shared the points following an action-packed six-goal thriller. It was the away side who will be most disappointed in not ending up on the winning side, after goals from Steve Fitzpatrick, Jay Spicer and Rich Brightwell saw them lead 3-1 at the interval.

Ben Britton then saved a penalty midway through the second half to preserve their two-goal advantage, but soon after that, Rocks debutant Dillan Kerr scored his second of the night to pull his side within one.

As the game headed into the final minutes, Tytherington forward Kerr was afforded the chance to complete his hat-trick from the spot, and he made no mistake, capping a memorable first outing for his new side.

- FA CUP -

Helston will face a midweek replay if they are to book their spot in the next round after they were denied at the death by Bishops Cleeve on Saturday afternoon.

Steve Colwell gave the visitors a flying start, putting them in front after just five minutes, before Bishops Cleeve levelled just prior to half-time. The Blues then started to dominate during the early stages of the second half, and after the unstoppable Ruben Wilson made it 2-1, they then extended their lead further thanks to Tom Payne.

With progress looking likely, Helston afforded the home side some late hope, and that soon cost them, with Cleeve drawing level in the fifth minute of stoppage time to make it three-apiece as time expired.

Shepton Mallet gained a ton of credit despite falling to Weston-Super-Mare, with the higher-ranked outfit winning by one goal to nil thanks to a 19th minute effort from former Plymouth and Exeter forward Reuben Reid.

- PREMIER DIVISION -

Bridgwater's Jacob Brown stole the headlines in his side's big win over Millbrook, scoring four of United's goals in their comfortable 5-1 victory.

The league leaders were never really under threat against their Cornish visitors, with Brown scoring an early double to put the hosts in command early.

Then, with just 25 minutes on the clock, Bridgwater were awarded a penalty which Brown stroked home to complete his hat-trick before 3:30 on Saturday afternoon. Millbrook did grab a lifeline soon after Brown's third, but that was soon cancelled out with Troy Simpson firing home to put Bridgwater 4-1 up at the interval.

The second half was a quieter affair, but there was still enough time for Brown to add to his tally, with his 70th minute effort capping an outstanding individual performance for the three-figure crowd in attendance at Fairfax Park.

Another home winner to notch five goals were Barnstaple, but they were involved in a much tougher contest, eventually running out 5-3 winners over Clevedon.

In the game of the day, Barnstaple enjoyed much the better of the first half, and led 3-1 at the interval thanks to goals from Brodie Montague, Billy Tucker and Callum Laird. Clevedon weren't about to roll over however, and as the game reached the hour mark, the visitors had managed to pull level with Elliot Nicholson and Alex Camm each finding the back of the net.

It was then left to the in-form Stu Bowker to add his name to the scorers list, before Laird made it 5-3 15 minutes from time, when his attempted cross inadvertently ended up in the back of the net.

It was an impressive day all round for the top sides in the division, and that was no different at Marlborough Park where Saltash registered a 3-1 win away at Ilfracombe.

The visitors absolutely flew out of the blocks, and after Sam Farrant opened the scoring in the eighth minute, fellow Sam, Hughes, doubled their lead a couple of moments late thanks to a stinging strike.

Ilfracombe weren't to be outdone however, and they pulled a goal back after quarter of an hour, but that was as close as they got, with Mike Smith scoring the Ashes third goal five minutes before the interval.

In their first home fixture of the season, Wellington registered just their second win of the campaign, beating Welton Rovers by four goals to two.

An early header from Jake Quick set the hosts on their way, before an excellent strike from Sam Towler made it 2-0 midway through the first half. Towler then struck again to extend the lead further after 62 minutes, before Welton finally fired a punch, scoring 15 minutes from time through Cam Allen.

Quick joined Wellington teammate Towler in grabbing a goalscoring brace, making it 4-1 five minutes from time, with 17-year-old Jack Jenkin helping the visitors end the game on a high when he struck as the game headed towards the final whistle.

Buckland Athletic put a number of recent defeats behind them at Homers Heath, comfortably seeing off Cadbury Heath by three goals to nil thanks to a terrific hat-trick from Josh Webber.

Following a goalless opening half, Buckland surged ahead at the beginning of the second period with Webber's deflected free kick winding up in the back of the visitors net.

Webber then scored a more decisive second soon after to double Buckland's advantage, before completing his treble five minutes from time thanks to another effort which went in with the assistance of a visiting defender.

The Bucks had gone five games without a clean sheet previous to this game, and that was preserved in the final few minutes at Homers Heath with Andy Collings saving an 89th minute Heath penalty.

Mousehole were 2-0 victors over Sherborne thanks to a pair of late, late goals from Hayden Turner and Callam McOnie, with Falmouth also scoring in the closing stages to rescue a 1-1 draw away at Keynsham.

The K's put themselves in position to make it three wins on the bounce when Will Sage's looping header put them ahead 20 minutes from time, but they were unable to hang on, with Tim Nixon levelling as the game entered the final ten minutes.

- FIRST DIVISION -

Wells City moved to within a point of top spot following a dominant 5-0 win away at Bristol Telephones.

The two defeats Wells suffered to begin their season are very much now in the rear-view, with the Somerset side now riding a ten-match unbeaten streak thanks to another excellent performance on Saturday afternoon.

Two first half goals from Ali Sen, either side of a Harry Horton effort put them three up at the interval, with Jake Curtis then adding a second half brace of his own thanks to a pair of assists from Harvey Hadrill.

Another big winner was third-placed Brislington who stormed to a 6-1 triumph away at Bishops Lydeard. George Jones was the main beneficiary of a struggling home defence, with the Brislington frontman plundering a first-half hat trick.

Asa White also claimed a double for the visitors, with Danny Barwood's smart left-footed finish also part of a five-goal opening half. Harry

Scott claimed a late consolation for the Lyds who have now lost three of the spin.

Warminster's encouraging run of form continued at AEK Boco, with goals either side of the break from Corey Gardner and Max Wyatt helping them to complete a 2-0 victory.

Having opened their season without a win in their opening six league fixtures, Town have now won three of four to help move them away from the early strugglers and up into 15th spot.

Back towards the other end of the table, Wincanton capped an excellent week by beating Almondsbury 3-1 at Woodwater Lane.

After putting his side in front after 17 minutes, Dan Wise then doubled Town's advantage just after the hour mark when he tucked home a penalty.

Substitute Jack Miluk, who was felled for the earlier penalty, then grabbed a goal of his own 15 minutes from time, before Matt Paton scored an injury time penalty for the Almonds.

Sacha Tong's excellent scoring run continued, but it wasn't quite enough for FC Bristol who were held to a 2-2 draw at home to Odd Down. Tong twice put the home side ahead during a wild second half, but they were pegged back on each occasion, with the Bath outfit's second

equaliser coming in the 90th minute.

Portishead registered a 2-1 win away at Hengrove thanks to goals from Charlie Williams and James Wakefield, while the fixtures between Bishop Sutton and Cheddar, and also Hallen and Nailsea & Tickenham each finished goalless.

Radstock were denied their first victory of the campaign after letting a three-goal lead evaporate in their 3-3 draw with Longwell Green Sports.

A Kieran Cooper header was followed by goals either side of the interval from Aysa Corrick to put the away side into an unlikely 3-0 lead as the game reached the hour mark.

It then started to unravel, with Radstock reduced to ten men following Owen Bartley's dismissal, with Longwell Green scoring twice in the final five minutes to rescue the unlikeliest of points. It was a similar story for Gillingham Town, the other side yet to secure a victory, who conceded with the final kick of the game to draw 2-2 away at Tytherington.

Town took the lead in either half, but the Rocks had an answer each time, with Ethan McMahon levelling in injury time at the end of the first period, before a Max Wilding special helped them grab a late equaliser in the third minute of stoppage time to crush the Gills hopes.



Sam Towler tucks home a penalty during Wellington's 4-2 win in their home opener with Welton Rovers. Picture by Around Wellington Website.



The scene at Lakeview during the First Division tie between Bishop Sutton and Cheddar on Saturday.



Mousehole & Sherborne share a poignant moment prior to their meeting on Saturday afternoon

Latest Results & Fixtures

Latest Results

Tuesday 6th September

FA Cup First Qualifying Round Replay

Shepton Mallet 3-2 Blackfield & Langley

Premier Division

Bitton 1-2 Clevedon Town

Bridgwater United 2-1 Welton Rovers

Torpoint Athletic 3-4 Saltash United

First Division

Bishop Sutton 0-1 Warminster Town

Cheddar 1-1 Gillingham Town

Hallen 1-2 Portishead Town

Odd Down 1-5 Brislington

Tytherington Rocks 3-2 Longwell Green Sports

Wells City 4-0 Bishops Lydeard

Wednesday 7th September

Premier Division

Falmouth Town 0-0 Helston Athletic

First Division

Shirehampton 1-1 Hengrove Athletic

Tuesday 13th September

Premier Division

Helston Athletic 1-1 Torpoint Athletic

Saltash United 3-3 Mousehole

First Division

Almondsbury 2-2 Hengrove Athletic

Radstock Town 1-4 Wincanton Town

Wednesday 14th September

Premier Division

Cadbury Heath 0-2 Bridgwater United

Sherborne Town 0-2 Shepton Mallet

First Division

Bishops Lydeard A-A Bishop Sutton

Oldland Abbotonians 2-0 Bristol Telephones

Tytherington Rocks 3-3 Shirehampton

Warminster Town 0-3 FC Bristol

Saturday 17th September

FA Cup Second Qualifying Round

Bishops Cleeve 3-3 Helston Athletic

Weston-Super Mare 1-0 Shepton Mallet

Premier Division

Barnstaple Town 5-3 Clevedon Town

Bridgwater United 5-1 Millbrook

Buckland Athletic 3-0 Cadbury Heath

Ilfracombe Town 1-3 Saltash United

Keynsham Town 1-1 Falmouth Town

Mousehole 2-0 Sherborne Town

Wellington 4-2 Welton Rovers

First Division

AEK Boco 0-2 Warminster Town

Bishop Sutton 0-0 Cheddar

Bishops Lydeard 1-6 Brislington

Bristol Telephones 0-5 Wells City

FC Bristol 2-2 Odd Down

Hallen 0-0 Nailsea & Tickenham

Hengrove Athletic 1-2 Portishead Town

Longwell Green Sports 3-3 Radstock Town

Tytherington Rocks 2-2 Gillingham Town

Wincanton Town 3-1 Almondsbury

Upcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 20th September

FA Cup Second Qualifying Round Replay

Bishops Cleeve vs Helston Athletic - 19:45

Premier Division

Saltash United vs Buckland Athletic - 19:45

Welton Rovers vs Ashton & Backwell United - 19:45

First Division

Almondsbury vs Bristol Telephones - 19:45

Brislington vs Warminster Town - 19:30

Cheddar vs FC Bristol - 19:45

Hallen vs Longwell Green Sports - 19:30

Tytherington Rocks vs Nailsea & Tickenham - 19:45

Wells City vs Odd Down - 19:30

Wincanton Town vs AEK Boco - 19:30

Wednesday 21st September

Premier Division

Clevedon Town vs Shepton Mallet - 19:30

First Division

Oldland Abbotonians vs Hengrove Athletic - 19:45

Saturday 24th September (3pm kick-off unless noted)

FA Vase Second Qualifying Round

Ascot United vs AEK Boco

Ashton & Backwell United vs Camberley

Barnstaple Town vs Axminster

Bishops Lydeard vs Liskeard Athletic

Bitton vs Eversley & California FC

Bovey Tracey vs Welton Rovers

Brislington vs Corsham Town

Cadbury Heath vs Roman Glass St George

Cheltenham Saracens vs Hallen

Cribbs vs Portishead Town

Falmouth Town vs Launceston

Hengrove Athletic vs Lydney Town

Helston Athletic vs Saltash United

Millbrook vs Ivybridge

Odd Down vs Newton Abbot Spurs

Oldland Abbotonians vs Almondsbury

Shepton Mallet vs Mousehole

Torpoint Athletic vs Wendron United

Premier Division

Bridgwater United vs Ilfracombe Town

Keynsham Town vs Street

Sherborne Town vs Buckland Athletic

First Division

FC Bristol vs Bishop Sutton

Longwell Green Sports vs Cheddar

Nailsea & Tickenham vs Radstock Town

Shirehampton vs Gillingham Town

Warminster Town vs Tytherington Rocks

Wincanton Town vs Bristol Telephones

League Tables

Premier Division

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Bridgwater United	12	11	1	0	36	34
2	Saltash United	10	7	3	0	15	24
3	Barnstaple Town	9	6	1	2	14	19
4	Shepton Mallet	6	6	0	0	12	18
5	Mousehole	8	4	3	1	10	15
6	Buckland Athletic	9	5	0	4	2	15
7	Ashton & Backwell United	8	4	1	3	3	13
8	Helston Athletic	8	3	4	1	-1	13
9	Sherborne Town	9	3	1	5	1	10
10	Millbrook	9	3	1	5	-4	10
11	Clevedon Town	8	3	1	4	-5	10
12	Falmouth Town	9	2	3	4	1	9
13	Welton Rovers	10	2	3	5	-9	9
14	Ilfracombe Town	6	2	2	2	-2	8
15	Wellington	9	2	2	5	-6	8
16	Street	8	2	2	4	-14	8
17	Keynsham Town	10	2	2	6	-19	8
18	Cadbury Heath	8	1	2	5	-5	5
19	Torpoint Athletic	8	0	3	5	-11	3
20	Bitton	8	0	1	7	-18	1

First Division

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Oldland Abbotonians	11	9	2	0	19	29
2	Wells City	12	9	1	2	22	28
3	Brislington	10	7	1	2	16	22
4	Nailsea & Tickenham	10	6	1	3	16	19
5	Portishead Town	9	6	1	2	7	19
6	AEK Boco	10	6	0	4	3	18
7	Wincanton Town	7	5	1	1	13	16
8	FC Bristol	9	4	3	2	8	15
9	Hallen	10	4	3	3	3	15
10	Shirehampton	11	4	3	4	2	15
11	Odd Down	10	3	5	2	5	14
12	Bishop Sutton	10	3	3	4	2	12
13	Longwell Green Sports	10	3	3	4	0	12
14	Hengrove Athletic	12	3	3	6	-2	12
15	Warminster Town	10	3	2	5	-5	11
16	Tytherington Rocks	9	3	2	4	-6	11
17	Almondsbury	12	3	2	7	-30	11
18	Cheddar	11	2	4	5	-9	10
19	Bishops Lydeard	10	3	1	6	-13	10
20	Bristol Telephones	11	2	2	7	-14	8
21	Radstock Town	12	0	4	8	-17	4
22	Gillingham Town	10	0	3	7	-20	3



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