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**Season 2022/23**

**FA Vase:** It was a mixed bag results wise for the Western League sides in Vase action, with a trio of Premier Division sides moving through to the next round following resounding wins. **Clevedon Town** were one of those to progress after they flew out of the blocks in their 4-0 victory at home to **Mangotsfield**. After Mitch Osmond’s long ranger put the Seasiders ahead within two minutes of the game kicking off, they then moved two clear soon after thanks to Ethan Feltham. Archie Ferris then curled home a third in the 13th minute to add to Clevedon’s dream start, with Alex Camm’s second half penalty then completing the scoring. Things went equally well for **Bridgwater** who scored four unanswered goals of their own in a win away at **Elburton Villa**. A 16th minute penalty from Jack Taylor sent the ball rolling, with an effort early in the second half from David Thorne then giving them a slightly more comfortable buffer. Top scorer Jake Brown increased the lead to three with Bridgwater’s next attack, before the influential Tom Llewellyn then added a late fourth. The other Toolstation side to move on to the next round were **Buckland**, with Ryan Bush helping spearhead a come-from-behind win at home to **Cullompton Rangers**. Having fallen behind to a counter-attacking goal after half an hour, the Bucks regrouped at the interval, with Bush stroking them level five minutes after the restart. Bush then struck again on the hour mark to turn the game in the home side’s favour, with Cieran Badger pushing the lead out to two with a curled finish. Buckland then scored twice more in stoppage time to add some gloss to the victory, with Rob Farkins and Owen Stockton adding their names to the scoresheet. **Wellington** (pictured, left)were unfortunate not to add their name to the list of Western League success stories, after they were defeated on penalties by **Royal Wootton Bassett Town.** Having fallen behind in the opening stages, Wellington responded extremely well, and went 2-1 up in added time at the end of the first half thanks to a pair of goals from Henry Woodward and Jake Quick. The Royal visitors kept pushing however, and were rewarded ten minutes from time following Landon Golding’s equaliser, before then prevailing on spot kicks. A pair of Cornish sides were also came unstuck on Saturday afternoon, with **Mousehole** losing 2-1 against **Hartpury College**, and **Falmouth** suffering defeat by the same scoreline away at **Laverstock & Ford**.

**Premier Division: Saltash United** took full advantage of Bridgwater being in cup action, with a 2-0 win away at **Sherborne** helping them jump up into top spot. The Ashes showed no signs that they were feeling the pressure during the opening passages, taking a ninth minute lead through Mike Smith after he did well to convert Alex Cairo’s pin-point cross. Smith’s goal was all that stood between the sides for much of the afternoon, but then with just three minutes remaining, Harrison Davis fired home a set-piece to confirm Saltash’s ascension to the head of the division. It was a day of tight matches up and down the division, with a trio of 1-0 victories helping some of the other top half clubs gather three points. One such victor were **Shepton Mallet**, who battled back after a tough week to beat **Ashton & Backwell** thanks to Josh Jenkins’ 25-yarder in first half stoppage time. Tommy Rogers was the difference maker for **Barnstaple,** scoring on his first start for the club in their 1-0 win over **Torpoint**, while Toby Davey struck deep into stoppage time to help lead **Street** to a dramatic victory over **Keynsham** at the Tannery Ground. Things were equally tight between **Millbrook** and **Ilfracombe,** with the visitors levelling early in the second half to grab a 1-1 draw, and at Kellaway Park, **Helston** moved up to 7th after a first-half double from Tom Payne helped them defeat **Cadbury Heath** by two goals to nil.

**Action from Barnstaple’s Premier Division clash with Torpoint, courtesy of Nathan Bennett.**

**First Division:** Home teams were thoroughly on top during Saturday’s slate of First Division contests, suffering just one defeat between them. Among the home victors were **Brislington** who excelled after the interval in their 4-1 defeat of **Bishops Lydeard**. After Danny Dodimead put them ahead in the 27th minute, Jordan Ricketts then turned home a corner to give Bris the perfect start to the second half. The Lyds did manage to trim the deficit, but their high-flying hosts ran out comfortable victors thanks to a couple of smart finishes from Oaklan Buck and James Dunn. **Shirehampton** continue to impress, and remain unbeaten since early September following a 5-0 victory at home to **Bristol Telephones**. Scott Bamford was the star man for Shirehampton, and after scoring the only first half goal, he then added a quickfire double in the closing stages to round out the victory. At the opposite end of the table, **Radstock Town**’s recent improvements finally paid off as they captured their first league win of the campaign. A couple of recent draws had seen the Miners start to increase their point tally, and they added three more after goals from Jack Farion and Kieran Cooper led them to a 2-1 triumph over **Longwell Green Sports**. Table-toppers **Wells City** survived a late penalty attempt to defeat **Hallen** in an entertaining affair at the Athletic Ground. A frantic start to the contest saw Wells go 2-1 up inside the opening quarter, with Cory Thomas-Barker then drawing the visitors level 15 minutes from time. City converted their second penalty of the game to move back ahead less than three minutes later, and then with the final kick of the game, Hallen’s Adnan Hiroli missed the chance to grab a share of the spoils after failing to score from the spot himself.

The individual performance of the day belonged to **Hengrove**’s Jack Jones, with his four goals leading them to a 5-2 defeat of **Warminster**. It was Alfie Hemmings who struck first for the Grove, before an own goal levelled affairs soon after. Jones then took over the contests, striking twice at the end of the half to put Hengrove 3-1 up at the interval. Warminster battled their way back into the contest once again through Spencer Dymond, but Jones wouldn’t allow them to get any closer, with his two goals in the final 20 minutes completing Hengrove’s victory. The other side to grab five were **Wincanton**, with the lone away victors on Saturday gaining revenge over an **AEK Boco** outfit they suffered defeat to earlier in the campaign. Second-placed **Nailsea & Tickenham** maintained their own winning run, with Jack Thorne’s double helping lead them to a 3-1 victory over **Tytherington** *(pictured, left)* while in the day’s early kick-off, Josh Honey curled home ten from time to help **Portishead** sneak past **Almondsbury** 1-0. There was a surprising goalless draw at Lakeview between **Bishop Sutton** and the free-scoring **Gillingham Town**, with the points also shared in Bath where **Odd Down** drew one apiece with **Oldland Abbotonians**.



**On the latest episode of the podcast, Bridgwater United boss, Dave Pearse, reflects on where his side are at the halfway stage of their season. There is also a conversation with Ray Johnston, who explains why there’s plenty of positivity at Radstock despite the fact that the Miners haven’t won a league game yet this season!**

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**Recent Results**

**Saturday 12th November**

**FA Vase**

**Buckland Athletic** 5-1 Cullompton Rangers

**Clevedon Town** 4-0 Mangotsfield United

Elburton Villa 0-4 **Bridgwater United**

Laverstock & Ford 2-1 **Falmouth Town**

**Mousehole** 1-2 Hartpury College

**Wellington** 2-2 (4-5 pens) Royal Wootton Basset Town

**Premier Division**

Ashton & Backwell United 0-1 Shepton Mallet

Barnstaple Town 1-0 Torpoint Athletic

Helston Athletic 2-0 Cadbury Heath

Millbrook 1-1 Ilfracombe Town

Sherborne Town 0-2 Saltash United

Street 1-0 Keynsham Town

**First Division**

AEK Boco 1-5 Wincanton Town

Bishop Sutton 0-0 Gillingham Town

Brislington 4-1 Bishops Lydeard

Hengrove Athletic 5-2 Warminster Town

Nailsea & Tickenham 3-1 Tytherington Rocks

Odd Down 1-1 Oldland Abbotonians

Portishead Town 1-0 Almondsbury

Radstock Town 2-1 Longwell Green Sports

Shirehampton 5-0 Bristol Telephones

Wells City 3-2 Hallen

**Leading Goalscorers** (***Stats courtesy of FA Fulltime Website***)

**Premier Division**

**Jacob Brown (Bridgwater) – 16**

**Harry Foster (Street) – 13**

**Curtis Damerell (Torpoint) - 12**

**Josh Webber (Buckland) - 10**

**Harry Stevens (Ilfracombe) – 10**

**All Competitions**

**Sacha Tong (FC Bristol) – 21**

**Jack Thorne (Nailsea/Tickenham) – 21**

**Scott Bamford (Shirehampton) – 20**

**Luke Bryan (Odd Down) – 20**

**Adam Wright (Wells) – 18**

**Curtis Damerell (Torpoint) – 17**

**Jacob Brown (Bridgwater) – 17**

**Harry Foster (Street) – 15**

**Joe Berry (Nailsea/Tickenham) – 15**

**Craig Wilson (Bishop Sutton) – 15**

**Hayden Turner (Mousehole) - 13**

**First Division**

**Sacha Tong (FC Bristol) – 21**

**Jack Thorne (Nailsea/Tickenham) – 21**

**Luke Bryan (Odd Down) – 20**

**Scott Bamford (Shirehampton) – 17**

**Adam Wright (Wells) – 16**

**Joe Berry (Nailsea/Tickenham) – 15**

**Craig Wilson (Bishop Sutton) - 15**

**Upcoming Fixtures**

**Tuesday 15th November**

**Les Phillips Cup**

Bridgwater United vs Wellington 19:45KO

Gillingham Town vs Sherborne Town 19:30KO

Longwell Green Sports vs Cadbury Heath 19:30KO

Millbrook vs Helston Athletic 19:45KO

Mousehole vs Buckland Athletic 19:45KO

Odd Down vs Portishead Town 19:45KO

Saltash United vs Torpoint Athletic 19:30KO

**Wednesday 16th November**

**Les Phillips Cup**

Almondsbury vs Shirehampton 19:45KO

Clevedon Town vs Radstock Town 19:30KO

Falmouth Town vs Barnstaple Town 19:45KO

FC Bristol vs Wincanton Town 19:30KO

Warminster Town vs Wells City 19:45KO

**Friday 18th November**

**First Division**

Hallen vs Bristol Telephones

**Saturday 19th November (3pm kick-off unless noted)**

**Premier Division**

Barnstaple Town vs Bridgwater United 14:00KO

Buckland Athletic vs Street

Cadbury Heath vs Ilfracombe Town

Clevedon Town vs Torpoint Athletic

Falmouth Town vs Ashton & Backwell United

Helston Athletic vs Welton Rovers

Keynsham Town vs Millbrook

Sherborne Town vs Mousehole

Wellington vs Saltash United 14:00KO

**First Division**

Almondsbury vs Nailsea & Tickenham 14:00KO

Bishop Sutton vs Brislington

Cheddar vs Radstock Town

Hengrove Athletic vs Wells City

Longwell Green Sports vs Gillingham Town

Oldland Abbotonians vs Shirehampton

Portishead Town vs Bishops Lydeard 14:00KO

Tytherington Rocks vs Odd Down 14:00KO

Warminster Town vs AEK Boco 14:00KO

Wincanton Town vs FC Bristol

**League Tables**

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|  | PREMIER DIVISION | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | GD | Points |
| 1 | **Saltash United** | 19 | 15 | 3 | 1 | 33 | **48** |
| 2 | **Bridgwater United** | 18 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 41 | **45** |
| 3 | **Shepton Mallet** | 16 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 13 | **32** |
| 4 | **Mousehole** | 15 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 20 | **30** |
| 5 | **Buckland Athletic** | 17 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 3 | **28** |
| 6 | **Barnstaple Town** | 12 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 7 | **23** |
| 7 | **Helston Athletic** | 14 | 6 | 4 | 4 | -1 | **22** |
| 8 | **Street** | 15 | 7 | 1 | 7 | -6 | **22** |
| 9 | **Millbrook** | 17 | 6 | 3 | 8 | -10 | **21** |
| 10 | **Ashton & Backwell United** | 14 | 6 | 2 | 6 | 1 | **20** |
| 11 | **Clevedon Town** | 15 | 5 | 3 | 7 | -4 | **18** |
| 12 | **Ilfracombe Town** | 14 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 2 | **16** |
| 13 | **Welton Rovers** | 18 | 4 | 4 | 10 | -27 | **16** |
| 14 | **Falmouth Town** | 13 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 0 | **14** |
| 15 | **Sherborne Town** | 16 | 4 | 2 | 10 | -5 | **14** |
| 16 | **Cadbury Heath** | 17 | 3 | 5 | 9 | -12 | **14** |
| 17 | **Wellington** | 14 | 3 | 3 | 8 | -5 | **12** |
| 18 | **Torpoint Athletic** | 16 | 3 | 3 | 10 | -16 | **12** |
| 19 | **Keynsham Town** | 18 | 2 | 3 | 13 | -34 | **9** |

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|  | FIRST DIVISION | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | GD | Points |
| 1 | **Wells City** | 21 | 18 | 1 | 2 | 41 | **55** |
| 2 | **Nailsea & Tickenham** | 22 | 17 | 2 | 3 | 50 | **53** |
| 3 | **Brislington** | 20 | 15 | 2 | 3 | 31 | **47** |
| 4 | **Oldland Abbotonians** | 19 | 12 | 3 | 4 | 15 | **39** |
| 5 | **Shirehampton** | 19 | 11 | 4 | 4 | 20 | **37** |
| 6 | **FC Bristol** | 19 | 11 | 3 | 5 | 14 | **36** |
| 7 | **Bishop Sutton** | 20 | 9 | 4 | 7 | 6 | **31** |
| 8 | **Portishead Town** | 17 | 9 | 2 | 6 | 5 | **29** |
| 9 | **Odd Down** | 20 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 18 | **28** |
| 10 | **Wincanton Town** | 17 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 10 | **27** |
| 11 | **Hallen** | 19 | 7 | 4 | 8 | -2 | **25** |
| 12 | **Warminster Town** | 18 | 7 | 4 | 7 | -3 | **25** |
| 13 | **Hengrove Athletic** | 22 | 7 | 4 | 11 | -4 | **25** |
| 14 | **AEK Boco** | 20 | 7 | 2 | 11 | -16 | **23** |
| 15 | **Gillingham Town** | 18 | 5 | 4 | 9 | -8 | **19** |
| 16 | **Longwell Green Sports** | 19 | 5 | 4 | 10 | -20 | **19** |
| 17 | **Tytherington Rocks** | 20 | 4 | 5 | 11 | -27 | **17** |
| 18 | **Almondsbury** | 22 | 4 | 5 | 13 | -40 | **17** |
| 19 | **Cheddar** | 21 | 4 | 4 | 13 | -19 | **16** |
| 20 | **Bristol Telephones** | 20 | 3 | 4 | 13 | -25 | **13** |
| 21 | **Bishops Lydeard** | 17 | 3 | 3 | 11 | -23 | **12** |
| 22 | **Radstock Town** | 20 | 1 | 8 | 11 | -23 | **11** |