



Latest Round-ups:

Midweek Action: In the big game of the week in the First Division, **Brislington** secured an impressive 4-1 win away at **Bitton**. Last season's champions have been finding the net with regularity during their recent run of results, and that didn't slow up at Bitton, with Jordan Williams and Dean Griffiths putting them 2-0 up after 22 minutes. A third goal from Josh Egan put Brislington out of sight, with Danny Dodimead completing the scoring shortly after. There was also a big away win for **Gillingham Town**, with James Boyland scoring twice in their 5-1 defeat of **Bishop Sutton**. In a battle between the bottom-two, Gillingham brought an end to their eight-match losing run, with Jordon Clapp, Jack Male and Sam Hodges joining Boyland on the scoresheet at Lakeview. Ben Millett's four-goal performance propelled **Odd Down** to a comfortable 5-0 win at home to **Bristol Telephones**. Having suffered late heartbreak in their previous match, the Bath side started strongly under the lights and led 2-0 after 25 minutes thanks to goals from Abdou Mbaye and star-man Millett. The home forward then struck again at the end of the first half to put his side in complete command, before completing his hat-trick two minutes after the interval, and he was then on hand to bring the curtain down on an electric performance by adding his fourth, and Odd Down's fifth as the game ticked over to the 90th minute. Elsewhere on Tuesday, goals from Kyle Thomas, Corey Rawlings and Matt Curnock helped **Radstock** rack up another 3-0 win, this time over **Wincanton**, while league leaders **Portishead** were held to a goalless draw at **Hallen**. Wednesday's double included strong showings from a couple of sides who backed up impressive weekend performances to claim back-to-back victories. **Cadbury Heath** followed up their ten-goal triumph on Saturday with a 4-0 win away at **Shirehampton**. Tom Withers 29th minute goal was all that separated the sides for much of the evening, but then the Heath dominated the final quarter-hour with Zac Cheetham, Josh Haynes, and Withers again adding some real gloss to the scoreline. **Cribbs Reserves** are another side full of confidence at the minute, and they overturned a half-time deficit to beat **Middlezoy Rovers** 4-1. After Noah Brown had put the visitors in front during the first half, Cribbs responded well, drawing level five minutes after the interval through Ollie Dunleavy. The game really turned in the home side's favour around the hour mark thanks to a quickfire double from Liam Clayton before Tom Headford added Cribbs' fourth deep into stoppage time. There was one solitary Premier Division fixture during the midweek period, with Phil Ormrod scoring at the death to hand **Street** a 1-0 victory away at **Welton**.

In this week's Les Phillips Cup tie, **Barnstaple** secured their passage through to the second round after winning 4-2 away at **Cheddar**. A single goal from Tor Swann put the visitors ahead at the break, but they soon added to their lead, scoring twice in the early stages of the second half through Brodie Montague and Tommy Rogers. The Cheesemen attempted a late fightback, led by goals from Elliot Keen and Craig Njini, but it was the Devonians who progressed thanks to a late fourth from substitute Jamie Harsey.

Premier Division: Top beat bottom at Jenkins Park, where **Helston** followed up their big win last weekend with an 8-0 defeat of fellow Cornish outfit **Millbrook**. A first half double from Curtis Damerell got the ball rolling for the away side, adding to an eighth minute effort from Aaron Bentley. Sam Carter's header put Helston four goals clear at the end of the first half, with Baga Mariko then scoring a minute later to notch his first for the club. Rubin Wilson then struck twice during the second half, becoming the third player to complete goalscoring doubles following another goal from Bentley. Second spot now belongs to an ascendant **Brixham** side who have won five on the spin thanks to a 2-0 victory away at **Street**. Coming off the back of a title-winning season last time out, the Fishermen were always likely to a confident outfit, and



their fifth consecutive clean sheet helped spearhead their last victory. Ben Aldous opened the scoring inside the opening ten minutes, with Scott Robinson then also scoring prior to half time as Brixham ran out victors. Another side to secure all three points away from home were **Ilfracombe Town**, with Dan Wilson's treble leading them to a come-from-behind victory at **Wellington** (pictured, left). Having seen Ryan Brereton drive the Somerset side into a 15th minute, Ilfracombe hit

back on the half hour thanks to a simple finish from Wilson. The same man then stroked home a penalty in the 44th minute to complete the turnaround, with his hat-trick goal then coming at the beginning of the second half to help round out the 3-1 win. The same scoreline was also enjoyed by the visiting **Shepton Mallet** side who handed **Falmouth** just their second league defeat of the campaign. Charlie Bateson handed the visitors a dream start, maintaining his strong goalscoring form with a third minute effort. After an own goal had double Mallet's advantage, Jacob Sloggett tucked home a penalty five minutes before half time to make it 3-0. The hosts saw their opportunity of hitting back instantly denied by a Tom Robers penalty save, and despite scoring through Jacob Grange late on they fell to a rare defeat. The most dramatic clash of the afternoon saw **Buckland** come out on top at home to **Saltash**, winning 4-3 at the end of a topsy-turvy battle. Having fallen behind to Kieran O'Melia's third minute opener, Buckland hit back to lead at the break thanks to Cieran Bridger who added to an earlier own goal. Ben Carter's penalty midway through the second half looked to have put the game to bed, but the Ashes seemed to have other ideas and halved the deficit courtesy of a Jordan Ewing header. Then, with their next attack on goal, United were awarded a spot kick of their own which was converted by Ewing to set up a dramatic finale. Fortunately for the home side, it was they who scored the decisive seventh goal of the afternoon, with Josh Grant finding the back of the net three minutes from time to land all three points. Elsewhere, goals from Henry Westlake, Freddie King and Alex Camm led **Clevedon** to a 3-0 win at home to **Oldland**, while **Welton** and **St Blazey** battled out a goalless draw at West Clewes. Barnstaple's scheduled visit to Torpoint was postponed due to a bereavement at the Devon club, and the thoughts and prayers of everyone remains with them at this moment in time.

First Division: On Friday evening, **Radstock Town** moved into ownership of top spot following a 3-1 win away at **Keynsham**. Riding a ten-game unbeaten run, the Miners look to be full of confidence, and they shot out of the blocks under the lights at the AJN Stadium, going two goals clear inside 11 minutes courtesy of an early Jacob Reader double. A penalty in first half stoppage time from the ever-reliable Ian Jeffery put Radstock three goals to the good, and despite losing their clean sheet late on, the destination of the points was never in doubt.

Portishead Town then leapfrogged the Miners back up into first place after beating Bishop **Sutton** 6-0. Having topped the same opponent by four goals to nil less than a month ago, a solitary header from Calum Townsend was all that separated the sides at half-time this time around. Debutant Ben Griffith was then on hand to double Portishead's lead early in the second half, with another Townsend effort finally putting some distance between the sides. Jack Harper (2) and Alex O'Keeffe rounded out the scoring for Town in the closing stages on a momentous afternoon which saw Portishead smash their record crowd numbers with 461 in attendance to watch the table-toppers. Another set of fans who will have gone home happy are **Brislington**, where they equalled Portishead's six-goal haul in a comfortable win over **Middlezoy**. The hero of the afternoon was Danny Dodimead, who after scoring twice in the opening 15 minutes, then completed his hat-trick in first half stoppage time. Further goals came via a Dean Griffiths header, Jordan Scadding thunderbolt and a Jack Fillingham lob, with Brislington now riding a five-match winning streak. Equally impressive over recent weeks have been **Odd Down**, and the Bath side have now prevailed in six of their last seven following a 3-1 win away at **Cheddar** (*pictured, right*). The visitors made a breakneck start to the game in Somerset, going two-up inside the opening 12 minutes thanks to goals from usual suspects



Milo Murgatroyd and Ben Millett. A strong response from Cheddar saw Mike Busby pull a goal back for the home side, but it was Odd Down who ran out winners with Millett scoring for the second time to take his personal tally to six goals in four days. Another strong showing from **Bitton** helped them grab their 11th league win this season, firing back to beat **Warminster** 2-1. George Lloyd had put the away side in front after only ten minutes, before they were pegged back by their hosts midway through the second half. That didn't deter Bitton however, and no sooner had Warminster equalised, they then pushed back down the other end and scored what turned out to be the winning goal through Scott Gregory. The only other home side to prevail on Saturday were **AEK Boco**, with a trio of second half goals giving them a 3-0 win over **Bristol Telephones**. A goalless first half was followed up by a dominant second from the hosts, with Jack Sheppard-Cozens breaking the deadlock two minutes after the restart with a guided header. Shortly after that, Seb Scott rifled home to make it 2-0, with Sheppard-Cozens then extending the advantage to three on the hour mark.

A thrilling encounter at Trowbridge Road saw hosts **Bradford** score twice in the final 15 minutes to salvage a 3-3 draw with **Wincanton**. Having gone ahead in the sixth minute via Jack Witcombe's deflected strike, the Bobcats were pegged back during the first half by a flicked header from Matt Garner. The Wasps had Garner to thank for their turnaround, with the frontman making it 2-1 early in the second half, before the same man fired home again in the 66th minute to complete his hat-trick. Bradford had plenty of time to gain something from the contest, and they did just that, with Jordan Pinder's penalty followed moments later by a Sammy Jordan leveller as the top-half rivals ended up sharing the spoils. The game also ended all-square at Springfield, where Pete Sheppard's double helped **Hengrove** claw back a 2-2 draw against **Cadbury Heath**, for whom Harry Goldspink and Josh Haynes were on target. Elsewhere,



(pictured, above, courtesy of Mark Gourlay).

a pair of goals inside the opening 25 minutes from Bailey Croome and Ollie Dunleavy proved to be enough for **Cribbs Reserves** as they held on to beat **Hallen** 2-1, while James Bayliss scored early in the second half to lead **Wells** to a 1-0 win at **Shirehampton**. **Gillingham Town** made it back-to-back wins for the first time this term, beating **Longwell Green Sports** 4-0 to jump up into 19th spot

The podcast this week includes an interview with Shepton Mallet boss, Aaron Seviour, who touches on their season of transition, before explaining how he is looking to develop a whole club ethos, building through the youth setup into the first team. Ian then touches base with new Hallen manager, Karl Baggaley, who talks up the potential that attracted him to the club. There is also a special interview with Mind in Somerset, helping to mark Tuesday's World Mental Health Day.

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Latest Results

Tuesday 10th October 2023

Premier Division

Welton Rovers	0-1	Street	110
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First Division

Bishop Sutton	1-5	Gillingham Town	48
Bitton	1-4	Brislington	172
Hallen	0-0	Portishead Town	64
Odd Down	5-0	Bristol Telephones	50
Radstock Town	3-0	Wincanton Town	113

Les Phillips Cup

Cheddar	2-4	Barnstaple Town	88
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Wednesday 11th October 2023

First Division

Cribbs Reserves	4-1	Middlezoy Rovers	30
Shirehampton	0-4	Cadbury Heath	53

Friday 13th October 2023

First Division

Keynsham Town	1-3	Radstock Town	157
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Saturday 14th October 2023

Premier Division

Buckland Athletic	4-3	Saltash United	245
Clevedon Town	3-0	Oldland Abbotonians	165
Falmouth Town	1-3	Shepton Mallet	396
Millbrook	0-8	Helston Athletic	
Street	0-2	Brixham AFC	
Torpoint Athletic	P-P	Barnstaple Town	
Wellington	1-3	Ilfracombe Town	106
Welton Rovers	0-0	St Blazey	115

First Division

AEK Boco	3-0	Bristol Telephones	109
Bradford Town	3-3	Wincanton Town	122
Brislington	6-0	Middlezoy Rovers	116
Cadbury Heath	2-2	Hengrove Athletic	52
Cheddar	1-3	Odd Down	78
Gillingham Town	4-0	Longwell Green Sports	47
Hallen	1-2	Cribbs Reserves	68
Portishead Town	6-0	Bishop Sutton	461
Shirehampton	0-1	Wells City	63
Warminster Town	1-2	Bitton	155

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Upcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 17th October 2023

Premier Division

Bridgwater Town vs Nailsea & Tickenham

First Division

Hengrove Athletic	vs	Hallen	19:30KO
Longwell Green Sports	vs	Bishop Sutton	19:30KO
Middlezoy Rovers	vs	Cheddar	19:30KO

Wednesday 18th October 2023

First Division

Cadbury Heath	vs	Cribbs Reserves	19:30KO
Warminster Town	vs	Brislington	19:45KO

Saturday 21st October 2023 (3pm kick-off unless noted)

FA Vase First Round

Barnstaple Town	vs	Okehampton Argyle
Fareham Town	vs	Falmouth Town
Helston Athletic	vs	Longlevens
Laverstock & Ford	vs	Wells City
Longwell Green Sports	vs	Dobwalls AFC
Nailsea & Tickenham	vs	Mangotsfield United
Saltash United	vs	Portishead Town
Torpoint Athletic	vs	Portland United

Les Phillips Cup

Millbrook vs Brixham AFC

Premier Division

Clevedon Town	vs	Wellington
Shepton Mallet	vs	Buckland Athletic
St Blazey	vs	Bridgwater United

First Division

AEK Boco	vs	Hengrove Athletic
Bishop Sutton	vs	Warminster Town
Cribbs Reserves	vs	Shirehampton
Gillingham Town	vs	Keynsham Town
Hallen	vs	Odd Down
Middlezoy Rovers	vs	Bitton
Radstock Town	vs	Cheddar
Wincanton Town	vs	Cadbury Heath

League Tables

PREMIER DIVISION		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Helston Athletic	11	8	1	2	34	25
2	Brixham AFC	13	7	3	3	20	24
3	Clevedon Town	10	7	3	0	15	24
4	Falmouth Town	11	7	2	2	16	23
5	Bridgwater United	9	7	1	1	20	22
6	Buckland Athletic	12	6	2	4	12	20
7	Barnstaple Town	9	5	4	0	16	19
8	Shepton Mallet	11	5	3	3	1	18
9	Torpoint Athletic	12	5	3	4	1	18
10	Street	11	5	3	3	-1	18
11	Nailsea & Tickenham	10	5	0	5	4	15
12	Ilfracombe Town	12	4	3	5	-1	15
13	St Blazey	12	2	4	6	-4	10
14	Welton Rovers	12	2	3	7	-8	9
15	Saltash United	12	2	2	8	-14	8
16	Oldland Abbotonians	12	2	0	10	-25	6
17	Wellington	11	1	3	7	-25	6
18	Millbrook	10	0	0	10	-61	0

FIRST DIVISION		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Portishead Town	18	14	3	1	44	45
2	Radstock Town	18	14	1	3	29	43
3	Brislington	17	12	2	3	41	38
4	Bitton	17	11	3	3	15	36
5	Wincanton Town	18	10	4	4	9	34
6	Cribbs Reserves	17	10	3	4	15	33
7	Bradford Town	18	9	5	4	17	32
8	Wells City	15	8	2	5	8	26
9	Bristol Telephones	18	8	2	8	-10	26
10	Cadbury Heath	16	8	1	7	11	25
11	Odd Down	18	7	2	9	-15	23
12	AEK Boco	16	6	4	6	3	22
13	Shirehampton	17	6	2	9	-3	20
14	Longwell Green Sports	16	6	2	8	-4	20
15	Middlezoy Rovers	17	6	2	9	-10	20
16	Hallen	16	5	3	8	-4	18
17	Hengrove Athletic	16	4	3	9	-11	15
18	Warminster Town	15	4	2	9	-11	15
19	Gillingham Town	17	4	1	12	-23	13
20	Keynsham Town	13	3	1	9	-18	10
21	Cheddar	16	3	1	12	-22	10
22	Bishop Sutton	17	0	1	16	-61	1