



Latest Round-ups:

Midweek Action: Despite the wet and windy conditions, 11 of the scheduled Les Phillips Cup ties took place during the week, with holders **Helston Athletic** among those to progress to the third round. Facing a trip to a **Falmouth** side who had produced some knockout heroics of their own three days previously, Helston secured a 2-0 victory with Aaron Bentley adding to an earlier own goal. Elsewhere on Tuesday, **Bridgwater** toppled First Division standouts **Portishead** during a lively second half. Following 45 goalless minutes, United took the lead early in the second period thanks to an effort from George King. Portishead then got back on level terms thanks to Callum Eastwood, but the higher-ranked side eventually secured their passage through to the next round thanks to further goals from Adam Wright and Jay Murray. The biggest winners of the night were **Wincanton**, with Connor Williams scoring twice in their 6-0 win over **Hallen**. Matt Garner, Dan Dix, Sam Fisher and Gary Chapman also got on the scoresheet for the Wasps who have now already beaten Hallen three times this season. In another tie involving First Division sides, Raphy Waugh bagged a hat-trick to help Bath side **Odd Down** topple **Longwell Green** by three goals to one. Joining them in the next round will be **Bradford Town**, with first half goals from Jack Witcombe and Josh Roddy helping them see off **Oldland Abbotonians**, while a 76th minute winner from Dylan Gould saw **Shepton Mallet** sneak past **Hengrove** by two goals to one. **Barnstaple** carried their impressive league form into their second round tie at **Nailsea & Tickenham**, storming to a 4-0 win. Town had four different goal scorers in their one-sided away victory, with Archie Heywood, Jamie Hearsey, Stu Bowker and Tor Swann all finding the back of the net. The other two games that evening were both decided on penalties, with three saves during the shootout from Tyler Coombes proving to be crucial for **Buckland**. The Cornish side battled out a goalless draw with visitors **Torpoint** before Coombes denied three takers from the home side to secure a spot in the next round. **Wells City** have suddenly turned into penalty specialists, prevailing on spot kicks for the second time in four days to knock out local rivals **Street**. Having fallen behind to Phil Ormrod's first half opener, City managed to grab an equaliser through Ali Sen to send the game to penalties. Having progressed through the FA Vase in the same manor over the weekend, Wells were then successful during their shootout again to knock out the Cobblers at the end of an entertaining night of action.

24 hours later, **Saltash** continued to show signs of improvement by winning 5-1 away at **St Blazey**. Aaron Goulty played a starring role for the Ashes, scoring his first two goals for the club either side of a missed penalty by the home side. That miss proved very costly, with Saltash running out big winners thanks to a second half double from Jordan Ewing after Joe Preece had made it 3-0 on the hour mark. **Ilfracombe** also came through an away tie on Wednesday, overturning a two-goal deficit to beat **Wellington** 3-2. Lewis Jennings and Doug Camilo scored either side of the interval to put the hosts in command at two-up, but the Bluebirds battled back through goals from Jack Magarotto, Tyler Evans-Loude and Dan Wilson.

Premier Division: Clevedon Town's terrific start to the season continued away at Torpoint where they came out on top in an eight-goal thriller to maintain their two-point lead atop the division. Early in the second half, it looked as though the Seasiders would stroll to victory after a pair of deflected efforts from Freddie King and Alex Camm put them two goals clear. Dylan Jones then pulled a goal back for Torpoint, and the game suddenly came to life, with Joe Teall restoring Town's two-goal advantage as the game headed into the final quarter. A penalty from Ryan Richards brought the home side back within one, and it was then soon a level affair with Jones scoring for the second time.



Having been pegged back, Clevedon showed excellent perseverance, eventually securing maximum points thanks to a Syd Camper header and a late Camm penalty. **Barnstaple** also remain undefeated after battling out a goalless draw with fifth-placed **Falmouth**, while **Nailsea & Tickenham** defeated **Saltash** 1-0 thanks an early goal from recent addition Joe Banks. Second place now belongs to **Bridgwater United** after they defeated **Shepton Mallet** 4-1 at Fairfax Park. A powerful header from Ross Edwards was all that separated the sides at the interval, with Jack Thorne then striking at the beginning of the second half to put United two goals to the good. Shepton threatened a fightback thanks to a fortunate goal from Josh Jenkins, but it was Bridgwater who took home the victory thanks to a second from Thorne, and then a long ranger in the closing stages from George King. At the opposite end of the table, **Millbrook** remain winless after suffering late heartbreak at home to **Welton**. An equaliser on the hour mark looked to have enabled the home side to register their first point of the campaign, but Welton had other ideas, showing no mercy in the final minutes to run out 4-1 winners. Louie Gurner scored the crucial goal to put Rovers 2-1 up in the 90th minute, and they then added some gloss to the scoreline with debutant Josiah McKayle and then Logan Cassidy striking during the long stoppage time period. Another side to win by a large margin away from home were **Brixham**, with the in-form outfit putting five past **Wellington**. Incredibly, the opening goalscorer of the afternoon was Aaron Wellington, with the visiting striker scoring against the side he shares a name with to give Brixham a dream start. Danny Gaze then made it 2-0 after just 18 minutes, with the Devonians going three-up just before half-time when Wellington completed his brace. It was then left to the team named Wellington to break their duck for the afternoon, pulling a goal back through Ryan Brereton, but that was as close as they got, with Ewan Howarth and Reece Somers completing the 5-1 win. The points were shared at the Tannery, where visitors **St Blazey** struck five minutes from time to deny **Street** a comeback victory. Having gone ahead just before half-time through Isaac McCue, the away side were pegged back courtesy of Merson Ham, with the Cobblers then going ahead midway through the second half thanks to leading scorer Phil Ormrod. Blazey had one last push, and were able to get the ball over the line with five minutes left on the clock, with Luke Cloke smashing home to grab a share of the spoils. **Oldland Abbotonians** were the other side to take home three points, ending a poor recent spell to beat **Ifracombe** 2-1. Goals from birthday boy Will Cains and Harrison Kyte put the Abbots two goals clear, but Town made sure to set up a tense finale after halving the deficit through Dan Wilson. Kyte then had the opportunity to restore their advantage, only to see his spot kick saved, but it mattered little as Oldland held on to rebound well from a trio of recent losses.

First Division: The action got underway in Bath on Friday evening, with **Odd Down** returning to winning ways at home to **Keynsham** (pictured, below). After falling behind inside the opening ten minutes, skipper Milo Murgatroyd got Odd Down back on level terms just prior to half-



time. Murgatroyd was then on target again at the beginning of the second period, with a late goal from Raphy Waugh wrapping up the victory. The pick of games on Saturday took place at Springfield, where **Cadbury Heath** fought off the challenge of **Brislington** to prevail by three goals to two. The home side flew out of the blocks, and after Callum Whooley broke the deadlock in the third minute, they then

added a second goal shortly after thanks to an incredible long range effort from Miles Scott. A series of corners at the end of the first half finally ended with Brislington halving the deficit, but the Heath reasserted themselves after the break and moved two goals clear once again through goal machine Matt Huxley. Brislington had been starting to threaten their title-winning form over the past couple of weeks, but despite pulling another goal back 11 minutes from time, they fell short and suffered their first league defeat since early September. For **Cribbs Reserves**, their winning run shows no signs of letting up after they handed **Wincanton** a 4-2 defeat in their highly anticipated clash. After Kieran Clayton had seen his shot from outside the area deflected into the back of the net, Tom Headford then struck shortly after to give Cribbs a two-goal buffer. That was soon dented courtesy of a Matt Garner effort, with the Wasps then drawing level 18 minutes from time thanks to Tom Jarvis. That goal seemed to kickstart a second wave from Cribbs, and in a repeat of the first half, they scored twice in quick succession through Headford and Dan Monk, however this time they kept the door shut at the other end and leapfrogged their opponents thanks to that vital win. Top spot changed hands again on Saturday afternoon, with **Portishead** claiming a highly dramatic 1-0 win away at **Bradford Town** to move back to the summit. After **Radstock's** clash away at **Bitton** was abandoned due to an unplayable pitch, Portishead moved two points clear at the top when substitute Luke Attwell popped up in the eighth minute of stoppage time to claim an unlikely victory at Trowbridge Road. **Bishop Sutton** remain rooted to the bottom after Ali Sen struck in their half of **Wells City's** 3-0 victory, with **Warminster** defeating 18th placed **Hengrove** by the same scoreline. New **Bristol Telephones** boss Josh Bruton had an instant impact with his new side, leading them to a 2-1 win away at **Middlezoy**, while **AEK Boco** secure a late point at home to **Hallen** thanks to a Seb Scott's 80th minute equaliser. **Shirehampton** bounced back excellently from their heavy defeat last weekend, scoring five unanswered goals in their big win over **Longwell Green**. A Louis Snailham double put the home side in command before Ryan Radford extended the lead to three in the lead up to half-time. Scott Bamford then added his name to the scoresheet midway through the second half to make it 4-0, with Will Baldwin completing the scoring in stoppage time.

Latest Results

Tuesday 24th October 2023

Les Phillips Cup

Bradford Town	2-0	Oldland Abbotonians
Buckland Athletic	0-0 (4-3 pens)	Torpoint Athletic
Falmouth Town	0-2	Helston Athletic
Hengrove Athletic	1-2	Shepton Mallet
Nailsea & Tickenham	0-4	Barnstaple Town
Odd Down	3-1	Longwell Green Sports
Portishead Town	1-3	Bridgwater United
Wells City	1-1 (4-3 pens)	Street
Wincanton Town	6-0	Hallen

Wednesday 25th October 2023

Les Phillips Cup

St Blazey	1-5	Saltash United
Wellington	2-3	Ilfracombe Town

Friday 27th October 2023

First Division

Odd Down	3-1	Keynsham Town	96
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Saturday 28th October 2023

Premier Division

Barnstaple Town	0-0	Falmouth Town	211
Bridgwater United	4-1	Shepton Mallet	
Buckland Athletic	P-P	Helston Athletic	
Millbrook	1-4	Welton Rovers	
Nailsea & Tickenham	1-0	Saltash United	70
Oldland Abbotonians	2-1	Ilfracombe Town	
Street	2-2	St Blazey	
Torpoint Athletic	3-5	Clevedon Town	166
Wellington	1-5	Brixham AFC	89

First Division

AEK Boco	1-1	Hallen	
Bitton	A-A	Radstock Town	
Bradford Town	0-1	Portishead Town	143
Cadbury Heath	3-2	Brislington	52
Cribbs Reserves	4-2	Wincanton Town	51
Gillingham Town	P-P	Cheddar	
Middlezoy Rovers	1-2	Bristol Telephones	
Shirehampton	5-0	Longwell Green Sports	48
Warminster Town	3-0	Hengrove Athletic	
Wells City	3-0	Bishop Sutton	

Upcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 31st October 2023

First Division

Hengrove Athletic	vs	Cheddar	19:30KO
Longwell Green Sports	vs	Bradford Town	19:30KO

Les Phillips Cup

Gillingham Town	vs	Bitton	19:30KO
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Wednesday 1st November 2023

First Division

Warminster Town	vs	Wells City	19:45KO
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Les Phillips Cup

AEK Boco	vs	Cribbs Reserves	19:30KO
Shirehampton	vs	Keynsham Town	19:30KO

Friday 3rd November 2023

First Division

Bishop Sutton	vs	Middlezoy Rovers	19:30KO
Bristol Telephones	vs	Bitton	19:45KO

Saturday 4th November 2023 (3pm kick-off unless noted)

Premier Division

Barnstaple Town	vs	Clevedon Town	
Brixham AFC	vs	Torpoint Athletic	
Falmouth Town	vs	Welton Rovers	
Helston Athletic	vs	Nailsea & Tickenham	
Ilfracombe Town	vs	Shepton Mallet	
Saltash United	vs	Bridgwater United	14:00KO
St Blazey	vs	Oldland Abbotonians	
Street	vs	Millbrook	
Wellington	vs	Buckland Athletic	

First Division

Bradford Town	vs	Wells City	
Cheddar	vs	Shirehampton	
Hallen	vs	Gillingham Town	
Hengrove Athletic	vs	Longwell Green Sports	
Keynsham Town	vs	Cribbs Reserves	
Odd Down	vs	Cadbury Heath	
Portishead Town	vs	AEK Boco	
Radstock Town	vs	Warminster Town	

On this weeks podcast, Clevedon Town boss, Alex White, reflects on his sides fantastic start to the season despite the Seaside's having faced a difficult summer. Ian also catches up with Chris Always, the manager of Longwell Green, to recap their excellent victory in the Vase last weekend. Chris then looks ahead to a bright future for his young side, and explains why he believes up to 14 teams could be in the play-off shake up in the First Division this season.

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Podcast

League Tables

	PREMIER DIVISION	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Clevedon Town	12	9	3	0	22	30
2	Bridgwater United	12	9	1	2	27	28
3	Brixham AFC	14	8	3	3	24	27
4	Helston Athletic	11	8	1	2	34	25
5	Falmouth Town	12	7	3	2	16	24
6	Buckland Athletic	13	6	3	4	12	21
7	Barnstaple Town	10	5	5	0	16	20
8	Street	12	5	4	3	-1	19
9	Shepton Mallet	13	5	4	4	-2	19
10	Nailsea & Tickenham	12	6	0	6	0	18
11	Torpoint Athletic	13	5	3	5	-1	18
12	Ilfracombe Town	13	4	3	6	-2	15
13	St Blazey	14	3	5	6	-3	14
14	Welton Rovers	13	3	3	7	-5	12
15	Oldland Abbotonians	13	3	0	10	-24	9
16	Saltash United	13	2	2	9	-15	8
17	Wellington	13	1	3	9	-34	6
18	Millbrook	11	0	0	11	-64	0

	FIRST DIVISION	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Portishead Town	19	15	3	1	45	48
2	Radstock Town	19	15	1	3	30	46
3	Brislington	19	13	2	4	44	41
4	Cribbs Reserves	19	12	3	4	22	39
5	Wincanton Town	20	11	4	5	8	37
6	Bitton	18	11	3	4	13	36
7	Bradford Town	19	9	5	5	16	32
8	Wells City	16	9	2	5	11	29
9	Bristol Telephones	19	9	2	8	-9	29
10	Cadbury Heath	18	9	1	8	11	28
11	AEK Boco	18	7	5	6	7	26
12	Middlezoy Rovers	20	8	2	10	-7	26
13	Odd Down	20	8	2	10	-16	26
14	Hallen	19	6	5	8	-1	23
15	Shirehampton	19	7	2	10	-3	23
16	Longwell Green Sports	18	6	3	9	-9	21
17	Warminster Town	18	6	2	10	-7	20
18	Hengrove Athletic	19	4	4	11	-18	16
19	Gillingham Town	18	5	1	12	-18	16
20	Cheddar	18	3	1	14	-25	10
21	Keynsham Town	15	3	1	11	-25	10
22	Bishop Sutton	20	0	2	18	-69	2



The Toolstation Western league is currently seeking applications for the new position of

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