



Latest Round-ups:

Midweek Action: On a busy Tuesday evening, **Falmouth's** late fightback at **Torpoint** helped them move within touching distance of the top two in the Premier Division. Due to their cup heroics, Town have accrued games in hand over many of their title rivals, and looked as though they were destined to drop points on their visit to The Mill. Having fallen behind in the 15th minute to Paul Heveran's opener, Falmouth hit back through Brad Leivers to make it one apiece. That was how the game stayed for much of the night before a late flourish from the visitors saw Rubin Wilson's header and an Oscar Massey penalty turn the tide in their favour to allow them to pick up maximum points. In the other game that night, Jared Ford's double helped **Nailsea & Tickenham** secure a 3-0 win at home to **Welton Rovers**. There was also a big result atop the First Division, with **Radstock** beating **Gillingham** 2-0 to maintain their title charge. Following a goalless opening half, Adey Harvey and Jacob Reader both found the back of the net during the second period to lead the Miners to victory at Southfields. **Bitton** moved back into the top five after Ash McGrane's 68th minute effort helped them see off ten-man **Boco** in Gloucestershire. **Wells City** racked up their fifth consecutive victory on home soil, with four different goalscorers helping them ease past **Warminster**. After both Joe Morgan and Harry Warwick had struck in back-to-back games to make it 2-0, a strong left-footed finish from Steve Murray stretched the lead out further before Tom Ovigne added the finishing touches. There was late drama at **Hallen**, with an injury time winner from Luke Banfield helping the home side defeat **Cheddar** 2-1. A stunning free-kick from Cory Thomas-Barker had given Hallen an early lead before they were pegged back on the hour following a debut goal from Cheddar's Joe Carter. The game then reached stoppage time with the game still level, before Banfield slotted home to snatch all three points for Hallen, helping to extend their winning run in the league to three matches. 2-1 was also the winning margin for **Hengrove**, with goals from Connor Kingdon & Pete Sheppard leading them to victory away at **Bishop Sutton**.

On the latest podcast, we hear from the Western Leagues new General Secretary, Jen Gregory who joins Ian for an in-depth conversation. Buckland Athletic boss, Dan Hart, also joins the show to explain why he is targeting a playoff place, and touches on why the Homers Heath faithful can be so important to his sides big finish. The First Division interview this week is with Odd Down manager, Jason Maggs, who reflects on their difficult campaign, but looks ahead to a better future, making the case for why the Bath outfit should be looking up, and not Down.

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Weekend Action: The weather was a huge deterrent again on Friday heading into Saturday, leaving a heavily reduced schedule which saw just five games take place. The lone Premier Division contest was a top-half meeting between **Shepton Mallet** and **Barnstaple**, with the Devon side taking home the points following a 1-0 win. Town were afforded a golden opportunity to go ahead in first half stoppage time when they earned a penalty, but home keeper Sam Jepson was able to save the spot kick to keep the game goalless. The visitors weren't deterred by that miss however, and 12 minutes after the interval they scored what turned out to be the decisive goal, with Jamie Hearsey scoring from just inside the area. It was a busier afternoon of action in the First Division where **Radstock** have moved into top spot following a slender 1-0 win at home to **Hengrove**. The Miners have haven't tasted defeat since late November, and that run has seen them rise to the league's summit, with a first half strike from Jacob Reader handing them their latest three-point haul. Another side who have been winning more often than not recently are **Wincanton**, and they left it late again before beating **Shirehampton** 2-1 on Saturday afternoon. After going ahead in the 11th minute through Jakob Seviour, Town were pegged back shortly after when Louis Snailham headed the visitors level. Having beaten Portishead in stoppage time recently, Wincanton repeated the trick with Matt Garner's towering header securing maximum points at the death. The biggest risers of the day were **Bristol Telephones** who now sit ninth in the table following an impressive 1-0 win at home to **Bradford Town**. It was Craig Wilson who was the Phones matchwinner in Whitchurch, with his first half strike making it three wins on the spin in all competitions for the home side. In Bath, hosts **Odd Down** battled back to grab a point in their home clash with **Bitton** to extend their short unbeaten run. Having seen Bitton leading scorer Joe Beardwell break the deadlock on the half hour, the home side secured a share of the spoils courtesy of an impressive strike from Abdoulaye Ndiaye.

Latest Results

Tuesday 20th February 2024

Premier Division

Nailsea & Tickenham	3-0	Welton Rovers	48
Torpoint Athletic	1-3	Falmouth Town	163

First Division

Bishop Sutton	1-2	Hengrove Athletic	71
Bitton	1-0	AEK Boco	123
Hallen	2-1	Cheddar	54
Radstock Town	2-0	Gillingham Town	72
Wells City	4-0	Warminster Town	54

Saturday 24th February 2024

Premier Division

Shepton Mallet	0-1	Barnstaple Town	220
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First Division

Bristol Telephones	1-0	Bradford Town	60
Odd Down	1-1	Bitton	46
Radstock Town	1-0	Hengrove Athletic	87
Wincanton Town	2-1	Shirehampton	144

Upcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 27th February 2024

Premier Division

Falmouth Town	vs	Buckland Athletic	19:45KO
Saltash United	vs	Millbrook	19:30KO

First Division

AEK Boco	vs	Bradford Town	19:30KO
Cadbury Heath	vs	Hallen	19:30KO
Cheddar	vs	Bitton	19:45KO
Gillingham Town	vs	Wincanton Town	19:30KO
Hengrove Athletic	vs	Cribbs Reserves	19:30KO
Radstock Town	vs	Brislington	19:45KO

Wednesday 28th February 2024

Premier Division

Street	vs	Wellington	19:30KO
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First Division

Shirehampton	vs	Portishead Town	19:30KO
Warminster Town	vs	Wells City	19:45KO

Friday 1st March 2024

First Division

Cadbury Heath	vs	AEK Boco	19:30KO
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Saturday 2nd March 2024 (3pm kick-off unless noted)

Premier Division

Brixham	vs	Bridgwater United
Oldland Abbotonians	vs	Millbrook
St Blazey	vs	Torpoint Athletic
Street	vs	Falmouth Town
Wellington	vs	Saltash United
Welton Rovers	vs	Ilfracombe Town

First Division

Bishop Sutton	vs	Bitton
Bradford Town	vs	Gillingham Town
Hallen	vs	Radstock Town
Hengrove Athletic	vs	Portishead Town
Keynsham Town	vs	Wincanton Town
Warminster Town	vs	Cheddar
Wells City	vs	Bristol Telephones

Les Phillips Cup Semi Finals

Barnstaple Town	vs	Helston Athletic
Shepton Mallet	vs	Shirehampton

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

Premier Division

Jared Lewington (Buckland) – 27
 Jack Thorne (Bridgwater) – 20
 Phil Ormrod (Street) - 17
 Ryan Richards (Torpoint) – 16
 Rikki Sheppard (Helston) – 16
 Sam Beresford (Clevedon) – 15
 Rubin Wilson (Falmouth) – 15
 Oscar Massey (Falmouth) - 15

All Competitions

Ethan Feltham (Portishead) – 42
 Jared Lewington (Buckland) – 32
 Matt Garner (Wincanton) – 28
 Jack Thorne (Bridgwater) – 26
 Louis Snailham (Shirehampton) – 22
 Liam Clayton (Cribbs Reserves) - 21
 Liam Winter (Middlezoy) – 21
 Harry Warwick (Wells) – 21

First Division

Ethan Feltham (Portishead) – 39
 Matt Garner (Wincanton) – 26
 Liam Winter (Middlezoy) - 21
 Liam Clayton (Cribbs Reserves) – 18
 Louis Snailham (Shirehampton) – 18
 Milo Murgatroyd (Odd Down) – 16
 Harry Warwick (Wells) – 16

League Tables

PREMIER DIVISION		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Helston Athletic	23	18	2	3	62	56
2	Clevedon Town	25	17	4	4	37	55
3	Falmouth Town	22	15	3	4	34	48
4	Buckland Athletic	26	14	5	7	33	47
5	Bridgwater United	22	15	1	6	35	46
6	Barnstaple Town	21	12	7	2	27	43
7	Shepton Mallet	25	12	6	7	10	42
8	Brixham AFC	23	9	8	6	22	35
9	Street	25	9	7	9	2	34
10	Torpoint Athletic	25	10	4	11	-4	34
11	St Blazey	25	9	5	11	-5	32
12	Nailsea & Tickenham	24	10	1	13	3	31
13	Ilfracombe Town	22	6	7	9	-5	25
14	Saltash United	23	4	3	16	-22	15
15	Oldland Abbotonians	21	5	0	16	-39	15
16	Welton Rovers	22	3	5	14	-35	14
17	Wellington	24	2	8	14	-42	14
18	Millbrook	22	2	0	20	-113	6

FIRST DIVISION		Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Radstock Town	31	22	4	5	43	70
2	Portishead Town	29	21	5	3	57	68
3	Cribbs Reserves	30	20	4	6	37	64
4	Wincanton Town	31	20	4	7	21	64
5	Bitton	31	17	8	6	28	59
6	Brislington	27	18	3	6	61	57
7	Wells City	28	17	2	9	21	53
8	AEK Boco	29	15	5	9	21	50
9	Bristol Telephones	30	15	4	11	-9	49
10	Middlezoy Rovers	32	15	2	15	2	47
11	Longwell Green Sports	33	14	5	14	-4	47
12	Bradford Town	31	13	7	11	18	46
13	Cadbury Heath	30	13	3	14	8	42
14	Hallen	29	11	7	11	1	40
15	Odd Down	32	11	5	16	-30	38
16	Shirehampton	30	8	6	16	-12	30
17	Keynsham Town	31	9	2	20	-26	29
18	Warminster Town	29	7	6	16	-21	27
19	Gillingham Town	29	8	2	19	-27	26
20	Hengrove Athletic	30	7	5	18	-30	26
21	Cheddar	28	4	1	23	-35	13
22	Bishop Sutton	32	0	2	30	-124	2