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**Season 2023/24**

**Midweek Action: Cribbs Reserves** made a big move in the First Division title race on Wednesday evening, beating **Odd Down**2-0 to cut the gap at the top. Goals from Jack Guthrie and Andrew Forward proved to be enough for the Bristol side who capitalised on **Radstock’s** slip-up the night before, with the Miners dropping two points in their 1-1 draw with **Warminster**. Having taken the lead through Jacob Reader, Radstock were pegged back just prior to half-time by Reece Collyer and were then unable to find a further breakthrough during the second half. In Tuesday’s other fixture, **Hallen**secured a tight 1-0 victory over**Hengrove**, with Luke Banfield’s 26th minute strike separating the sides.

The Premier Division action on Wednesday saw a pair of away wins, with **Brixham**finishing strongly to prevail by three goals to one at **St Blazey**. In a clash between the two South West Peninsula Champions from last season, it was the West Division winners Brixham who went ahead in the early stages thanks to Charlie Johansen. The East champs managed to get back on level terms right at the beginning of the second half courtesy of Luke Cloke, but things then derailed for hosts after they were reduced to ten men, with Josh Parry and Tom Mortimore scoring in the final 20 minutes to help Brixham take home all three points from Blaise Park. The other away victors were **Nailsea & Tickenham**, with a pair of goals late in the first half from Lucas Vowles and Hamish Hurst leading them to a 2-0 win over **Oldland Abbotonians**.

**Premier Division: Helston** overcame a tough trip to **Street**, prevailing by three goals to nil to maintain their slender lead atop the league table. A tight opening half saw the game remain goalless for 43 minutes, until the away side were awarded a penalty which was duly converted by Jordan Copp. Helston then added to their advantage early in the second period through Tom Payne, before Copp struck again in the closing stages to complete the victory. Second-placed **Clevedon** mirrored Helston’s 3-0 victory, scoring twice in the final ten minutes to see off **Barnstaple** at the Hand Stadium. Goals in either half from Freddie King proved pivotal for the hosts, with Harley Vozza also getting on the scoresheet with a smart finish during the final ten minutes. Another player to score twice on Saturday afternoon was **Buckland**’s Jared Lewington, with the division’s leading marksman helping fire his side to a 3-1 win over **Nailsea & Tickenham.** A close range strike from Lewington got the ball rolling for the Bucks early on, with Josh Grant then making it 2-0 inside 15 minutes. Lewington managed to strike again at the end of the first half to all-but end the contest, with Nailsea’s Luke Osgood reducing the deficit slightly after the interval. 3-1 was a very popular scoreline all afternoon, with both **Shepton Mallet** and **Brixham** grabbing victories by the same margin. For Brixham, three goals in the space of ten second half minutes from Scott Robinson, Tom Mortimore and Charlie Johansen did all the damage in their away win over **Oldland Abbotonians**.

In Somerset, Shepton followed up their Les Phillips semi-final triumph with another impressive home victory over **St Blazey**. First half efforts from Charlie Bateson and Joel Sisson put Mallet in position to push for victory, with Paul Braithwaite extending the lead out further prior to a late consolation for the Cornish outfit courtesy of George Newton. **Bridgwater** were the afternoon’s other winners, with goals either side of the interval from Ben Griffith and Jack Taylor helping them defeat **Welton** by two goals to nil. Elsewhere, **Falmouth’s** epic run in the FA Vase was ended in Essex, with a pair of second half goals from Harry Talbot leading **Great Wakering Rovers** to a 2-0 win.

A group of men playing football

Description automatically generated**First Division:** It was another huge day in the title race, with most of the top sides securing maximum points on Saturday afternoon. The only team to end the day in the top ten who didn’t win this weekend were **Cribbs Reserves** who suffered a chastening 4-0 defeat at home to **Wells City.** There was only one goal separating the sides at half-time, with a Joe Morgan header in the tenth minute putting Wells in front. Morgan then struck again midway through the second half to extend Wells’ advantage, before a couple of powerful finishes in the closing stages from Fin Wilkinson and Tom Ovigne completed the one-sided victory. Top beat bottom at the Southfields Rec, where a hat-trick from Martin Johnson and a cross-come-shot from Jack Farion saw **Radstock** ease to a 4-0 victory over **Bishop Sutton**. Second-placed **Portishead** did their goal difference no harm whatsoever on their trip to Bath, putting nine past a mismatched **Odd Down** side. Ethan Feltham’s prolific campaign shows no signs of slowing down, and he grabbed yet another hat-trick during the demolition job, with new signing Ben Bament making an instant impact thanks to an early brace. Another debutant, Jack Ball also struck twice for Town, with Callum Eastwood and Toby Lawrence each scoring during the second half. **Wincanton** remain very much ensconced in the title race, beating **Hengrove** 2-0 courtesy of goals from Jamie Irwin and Matt Garner, while **Brislington** ran out 4-0 winners over **Bradford Town** to maintain their chances of catching the top four. With the game deadlocked at the break, Bris came out firing in the second period with Jack Fillingham putting them one-up within two minutes of the restart. Another goal from Jay Malpas shortly after edged Brislington into a two-goal advantage which was doubled during the final minutes thanks to Neikell Plummer and Ali Sen. The late drama came at **Bitton,** where star-man Joe Beardwell struck at the death to help the home side beat **Keynsham** 2-1. Earlier in the contest, Beardwell had converted an early penalty to make it 1-0, only for Jack Weaver to draw the K’s level from with a smart finish from outside the area. Elliot Gardner scored a double of his own, grabbing two second half goals in **Hallen’s** 2-1 come-from-behind victory over **Cadbury Heath.** Elsewhere, a Sam Thomas header in the 20th minute saw **Boco** beat **Cheddar** 1-0 *(pictured, right),* while **Middlezoy** reached the 50-point mark thanks to a 3-1 win at home to **Warminster**. The other two matches both ended in away wins, with Kris Hastings scoring the only goal in **Gillingham’s** defeat of **Shirehampton,** and **Longwell Green** romping to a 4-1 victory at **Bristol Telephones** where Matt Brown scored in either half.

**Latest Results**

**Tuesday 5th March 2024**

Hallen 1-0 Hengrove Athletic

Radstock Town 1-1 Warminster Town 74

**Wednesday 6th March 2024**

**Premier Division**

Oldland Abbotonians 0-2 Nailsea & Tickenham 80

St Blazey 1-3 Brixham AFC 102

**First Division**

Cribbs Reserves 2-0 Odd Down 31

**Saturday 9th March 2024**

**FA Vase Quarter-Final**

Great Wakering Rovers 2-0 **Falmouth Town**

**Premier Division**

Buckland Athletic 3-1 Nailsea & Tickenham 263

Clevedon Town 3-0 Barnstaple Town

Millbrook A-A Ilfracombe Town

Oldland Abbotonians 1-3 Brixham

Shepton Mallet 3-1 St Blazey 177

Street 0-3 Helston Athletic 80

Torpoint Athletic P-P Saltash United

Welton Rovers 0-2 Bridgwater United 92

**First Division**

AEK Boco 1-0 Cheddar

Bitton 2-1 Keynsham Town 77

Brislington 4-0 Bradford Town 109

Bristol Telephones 1-4 Longwell Green Sports 53

Cribbs Reserves 0-4 Wells City 30

Hallen 2-1 Cadbury Heath 52

Middlezoy Rovers 3-1 Warminster Town 200

Odd Down 0-9 Portishead Town

Radstock Town 4-0 Bishop Sutton 72

Shirehampton 0-1 Gillingham Town 41

Wincanton Town 2-0 Hengrove Athletic 72

**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**

**Rubin Wilson (Falmouth) – 16**

**Oscar Massey (Falmouth) – 16**

**Sam Beresford (Clevedon) – 15**

**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**

**Joe Beardwell (Bitton) - 16**

**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**

**Upcoming Fixtures**

**Tuesday 12th March 2024**

**Premier Division**

Barnstaple Town vs Helston Athletic 19:45KO

**First Division**

Bitton vs Wincanton Town 19:30KO

Bristol Telephones vs Keynsham Town 19:45KO

Odd Down vs Hengrove Athletic 19:45KO

Wells City vs Portishead Town 19:30KO

**Wednesday 13th March 2024**

**Premier Division**

Millbrook vs St Blazey 19:30KO

Oldland Abbotonians vs Shepton Mallet 19:45KO

**First Division**

Cadbury Heath vs Warminster Town 19:30KO

Cribbs Reserves vs AEK Boco 19:30KO

Shirehampton vs Brislington 19:30KO

**Saturday 16th March 2024 (3pm kick-off unless noted)**

**Premier Division**

Barnstaple Town vs Oldland Abbotonians

Bridgwater United vs Falmouth Town

Clevedon Town vs Welton Rovers

Helston Athletic vs Brixham

Ilfracombe Town vs Buckland Athletic

Nailsea & Tickenham vs St Blazey

Saltash United vs Shepton Mallet

Torpoint Athletic vs Street

Wellington vs Millbrook

**First Division**

AEK Boco vs Middlezoy Rovers

Cadbury Heath vs Bradford Town

Cheddar vs Hallen

Gillingham Town vs Bitton

Hengrove Athletic vs Keynsham Town

Longwell Green Sports vs Cribbs Reserves

Portishead Town vs Brislington

Radstock Town vs Bristol Telephones

Warminster Town vs Shirehampton

Wells City vs Odd Down

Wincanton Town vs Bishop Sutton

**League Tables**

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|  | PREMIER DIVISION | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | GD | Points |
| 1 | **Helston Athletic** | 24 | 19 | 2 | 3 | 65 | **59** |
| 2 | **Clevedon Town** | 26 | 18 | 4 | 4 | 40 | **58** |
| 3 | **Bridgwater United** | 24 | 17 | 1 | 6 | 38 | **52** |
| 4 | **Falmouth Town** | 23 | 16 | 3 | 4 | 36 | **51** |
| 5 | **Buckland Athletic** | 28 | 15 | 5 | 8 | 33 | **50** |
| 6 | **Shepton Mallet** | 26 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 12 | **45** |
| 7 | **Barnstaple Town** | 22 | 12 | 7 | 3 | 24 | **43** |
| 8 | **Brixham AFC** | 26 | 11 | 8 | 7 | 25 | **41** |
| 9 | **Nailsea & Tickenham** | 26 | 11 | 1 | 14 | 3 | **34** |
| 10 | **Street** | 26 | 9 | 7 | 19 | -1 | **34** |
| 11 | **Torpoint Athletic** | 25 | 10 | 4 | 11 | -4 | **34** |
| 12 | **St Blazey** | 27 | 9 | 5 | 13 | -9 | **32** |
| 13 | **Ilfracombe Town** | 22 | 6 | 7 | 9 | -5 | **25** |
| 14 | **Saltash United** | 24 | 5 | 3 | 16 | -19 | **18** |
| 15 | **Oldland Abbotonians** | 23 | 5 | 0 | 18 | -43 | **15** |
| 16 | **Welton Rovers** | 23 | 3 | 5 | 15 | -37 | **14** |
| 17 | **Wellington** | 24 | 2 | 8 | 14 | -42 | **14** |
| 18 | **Millbrook** | 23 | 2 | 0 | 21 | -116 | **6** |

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|  | FIRST DIVISION | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | GD | Points |
| 1 | **Radstock Town** | 33 | 23 | 5 | 5 | 47 | **74** |
| 2 | **Portishead Town** | 30 | 22 | 5 | 3 | 66 | **71** |
| 3 | **Cribbs Reserves** | 33 | 21 | 5 | 7 | 35 | **68** |
| 4 | **Wincanton Town** | 32 | 21 | 4 | 7 | 23 | **67** |
| 5 | **Bitton** | 32 | 18 | 8 | 6 | 29 | **62** |
| 6 | **Brislington** | 28 | 19 | 3 | 6 | 65 | **60** |
| 7 | **Wells City** | 29 | 18 | 2 | 9 | 25 | **56** |
| 8 | **AEK Boco** | 31 | 16 | 6 | 9 | 22 | **54** |
| 9 | **Middlezoy Rovers** | 33 | 16 | 2 | 15 | 4 | **50** |
| 10 | **Longwell Green Sports** | 34 | 15 | 5 | 14 | -1 | **50** |
| 11 | **Bristol Telephones** | 31 | 15 | 4 | 12 | -12 | **49** |
| 12 | **Bradford Town** | 33 | 13 | 8 | 12 | 14 | **47** |
| 13 | **Hallen** | 32 | 13 | 7 | 12 | 0 | **46** |
| 14 | **Cadbury Heath** | 32 | 14 | 3 | 15 | 10 | **45** |
| 15 | **Odd Down** | 34 | 11 | 5 | 18 | -41 | **38** |
| 16 | **Shirehampton** | 31 | 8 | 6 | 17 | -13 | **30** |
| 17 | **Gillingham Town** | 30 | 9 | 2 | 19 | -26 | **29** |
| 18 | **Keynsham Town** | 32 | 9 | 2 | 21 | -27 | **29** |
| 19 | **Warminster Town** | 31 | 7 | 7 | 17 | -23 | **28** |
| 20 | **Hengrove Athletic** | 33 | 7 | 6 | 20 | -33 | **27** |
| 21 | **Cheddar** | 29 | 4 | 1 | 24 | -36 | **13** |
| 22 | **Bishop Sutton** | 33 | 0 | 2 | 31 | -128 | **2** |