

# **LEA SPORTS PSG**

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### **PIRTON · SHILLINGTON · GRAVENHURST**

## **2024-2025 SEASON**

Welcome to this season's Magazine (better late than never!), Here are the details of each of our teams' efforts this season, plus some overall stats for the Club, at the end of its fifty-first season.

The contents are listed below, so you can just browse through, or go straight to the secion you want.

## Congrats to Jake Murray.

Congratulations to Lea Sports PSG old-boy Jake Murray, who has been called up to the England Under 16 squad as a goalkeeper.

Jake joined the Club in September 2016, playing for the Under 7 Leopards. In those days, he was a top striker, scoring 86 goals in 34 appearances in his first season and another 44 in 21 appearances in the 2017-18 season.

We wish Jake all the best for his future career.



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## **CLUB PERFORMANCE 2024-2025**

	Р.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
11-A-SIDE							
Sunday First XI	23	6*	2	15	54	93	30.4
Saturday First XI	31	18	6	<i>7</i> ⁺	102	60	67.7
Veterans XI	20	9	0	11	64	35	45.0
Under 17 Lions	29	24*	0	<i>5</i> <sup>×</sup>	119	44	82.8
Under 15 Cougars Blacks	21	11	0	10	73	60	52.4
Under 15 Cougars Reds	21	5*	2	14	42	97	28.6
Under 15 Cougars Whites	26	20	2	4⁺	147	63	80.8
Under 13 Jaguars	24	14	1	9	60	66	60.4
Total 11-a-side:	195	107	13	75	660	517	58.2
9-A-SIDE							
Under 11 Sabres	29	15	3	11	87	80	56.9
Total 9-a-side:	29	15	3	11	87	80	56.9
7-A-SIDE							
Under 10 Tigers Blacks	25	12	5	8	88	71	58.0
Under 10 Tigers Reds	26	16	4	6	86	64	69.2
Under 9 Panthers	19	9	1	9	87	84	50.0
Total 7-a-side:	70	37	10	23	261	219	60.0
5-A-SIDE							
Under 8 Leopards	18	6	1	11	60	98	36.1
Total 5-a-side:	18	6	1	11	60	98	36.1
Total Mini-Soccer:	117	58	14	45	408	397	68.4
TOTAL:	312	165	27	120	1,068	914	57.2

<sup>\*</sup>Includes victory on penalties. 

\*Includes defeat on penalties. 

\*Includes 2 defeats on penalties

## President's Report

2024-2025 will go down as a very successful season: we reached four Cup Finals, and were leading in three, before winning just the one – congratulations to the Saturday XI for winning the East Beds Charity Cup with a dominant 2-0 win over Gamlingay United. The Saturday XI were also just a whisker away from winning Division Two South of the Beds County League. Needing to win their last league match, against Harlington Reserves, to take the title, they were leading 1-0 at hlf-time, before tired legs – mainly due to having to play the game the day immediately after their Cup Final win – took over and they had to settle for the runners-up spot after a 3-1 defeat.

The Under 17 Lions and Under 15 Cougars Whites both had excellent seasons, both winning their respective divisions.

The Lions' win was all the more remarkable given that last season they found scoring very difficult, only managing more than 2 goals in a game on 2 occasions (and even then they only scored 3 times). This year they powered their way to the title in the Crow Under 18 Division Two with a nine-game winning streak (plus 2 walkovers) between 9<sup>th</sup> March and 19<sup>th</sup> May. Apart from their last fixture, when the title was already secure and most players were 'on the beach', they only lost twice in the league – the latter of those against the unruly Manuden team, who also beat us in the League Cup semi-final on penalties. We had the last laugh, however, winning the decisive away fixture in Manuden (somewhere in Essex!) 4-1, with 2 opposition players getting red cards.

The Under 15 Cougars Whites dominated the Crow Division One, smashing most teams out of the park and scoring 147 goals in a total of 26 fixtures. In their decisive fixture, away to second-placed Sandy Reds, they ran out 7-1 winners. It helped that striker Rupert Larner scored an amazing 73 goals in all competitions. This was just one goal short of Matt Kenneford's record for the Under 13s in 2001-02 – a feat which saw the start of the Golden Boot award for the highest scorer in an 11-a-side team. Matt Morton did score 75 goals in 2016-17, also at Under 13, but he was playing on Saturdays for the Cougars and on Sundays for the Panthers! Well done to the Whites also for winning the Royston Crow Respect League.

Overall, the Club played 312 matches in 2024-25 across 13 teams; the fourth highest total in the Club's history. We scored 1,068 goals – also the fourth highest total, after a run of 3 seasons between 2016-17 (1320) and 2018-19 (1073). Our overall win rate in 2024-25 was 57.2%.

This compares pretty well with the best-ever season 1994-95, exactly 30 years ago, when the win ratio was an impressive 65%. That was also the last season the team played in Luton before moving to Pirton. Of course, in those days there was no mini-football. But we still managed to field nine teams, including 4 on Sunday mornings, plus Saturdays, Veterans and a Ladies team (for the only ever time), plus youth teams at Under 17 and Under 15. The two greatest goalscorers in the Club, Phil Thompson ans Phil Clarke, with over 1,000 goals between the pair of them, finished as top scorers for the First XI and Third XI respectively. We did manage 3 Championships that year - The Sunday Reserves (Lawrence Freed's 'Invincibles', who also reached the Final of the Beds Centenary Cup, losing on sudden-death penalties); the Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> XI, who won the Luton Su nday Division 2 and the Under 17s, who won the Beds Colts Division 1. Of the 4 other teams, 3 finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and the Sunday Firsts finished fifth in the North Home Counties Division 2.

Steve Smith

## The 200 Club – Players with 200 Appearances or More

Apps.	Player	Début	Apps.	Player	Début
674	Phil Thompson	21.11.82 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	270	Rob Hennem	23.08.14 (Sat 1st XI)
645	Archie Conway	11.10.81 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	266	Colin Bradley	10.04.88 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
605	Bobby McGrath	15.09.91 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	263	Scott Morgan	30.07.00 (Sat 1st XI)
592	Kelvin Callow	1973 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)	262	Steve Baggett	08.09.91 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
572	Rick Vipers	26.10.80 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	262	Steve Close	10.12.89 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
528	Phil Clarke	1974 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)	261	Ben Alderton	28.08.05 (Sun 1st XI)
439	Paul Gatherr	11.09.88 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	260	Simon Jackson	09.08.00 (Sat 1st XI)
432	Keith Lee	27.08.78 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	259	Gavin Campbel	13.08.91 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
430	Dave Blake	16.09.79 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	258	Adam Bartley	08.01.17 (Under 7)
429	Jamie Richards	26.01.97 (Under 14)	257	Steve Moorhouse	22.11.81 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
416	Andy Shiers	15.09.91 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	256	Pete Mather	30.11.86 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
413	Richard Randall	11.01.04 (Sun 1st XI)	255	Geoff Richardson	04.09.77 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
407	Al Mayman	17.10.82 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	254	Dave Newman	06.11.83 (Sun 1st XI)
403	Alan Dawson	14.09.80 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	243	Bruce Bonfield	1973 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)
393	Jonathan Whitehead	02.09.01 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	249	Joe Hennem	09.04.14 (Sat 1st XI)
389	Matt Day	01.09.04 (Under 13)	249	Marek Diduszko	10.08.08 (Sun 1st XI)
381	Richard Knock	13.04.97 (Under 11)	241	Chris Castle	1973 (Sun 1st XI)
378	Neil Hebron	02.10.88 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	241	Steve Moreton	04.09.77 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)
365	Andy Thompson	1973 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)	240	Oliver Scott	11.09.10 (Under 7)
358	Matthew Morton	11.09.10 (Under 7)	240	Russell Sheppard	15.11.87 (Sun 1st XI)
351	Trevor Taylor	23.10.83 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	240	Mark Williams	25.04.99 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
350	Dave Pymont	1973 Sun (1st XI)	236	Kevin Connolly	15.10.89 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
345	Greg Whelan	02.03.03 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	236	Mark Turner	23.09.84 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
341	Alistair Hearn	1977 (Sun 1st XI)	235	Ashley Burgess	13.08.92 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)
332	Charlie McNerney	04.12.77 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	231	Sean Dixon	16.08.14 (Sat 1st XI)
328	Ben Thomson	16.09.01 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	231	Jim Gahagan	18.09.77 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
318	Ed Thomson	27.08.00 (Sun 1st XI)	230	Steve Goldsmith	23.09.90 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
317	Tony Riley	1975 (Sun 1st XI)	229	Andy Bownes	07.04.88 (Sun 1st XI)
306	Mick Marsh	01.02.81 (Sun 1st XI)	228	Chris Gathern	25.10.92 (Under 13)
299	Dan Little	17.10.12 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	227	Bill Hind	16.10.77 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)
298	Gavin Bidgood	31.08.95 (Under 18)	226	Teddie Rowe-Trelford	11.09.10 (Under 7)
298	John Darley	18.09.77 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	225	Graham Carter	04.11.90 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)
296	Felix Folbigg	08.01.17 (Under 7)	220	George Speed	10.09.16 (Under 7)
295	Phil Hudspeth	1973 (Sun 1st XI)	219	Liam Brooks	11.09.10 (Under 7)
293	Ryan Darby	24.07.10 (Sat 1st XI)	218	Henry Huxley	08.10.11 (Under 8)
293	Alan Palmer	25.11.84 (Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI)	217	Ben Bayley	11.09.10 (Under 7)
291	Mark Booth	13.10.96 (Veterans)	217	Oliver Palmer	07.09.08 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)
289	Jack Baggett	05.09.02 (Under 12)	216	Max Winfield	17.09.16 (Under 7)
284	Paul Maclennan	21.12.03 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	216	Thomas Blackford	14.09.14 (Under 7)
282	Elijah Bean	10.09.16 (Under 7)	215	Jake Cardy	14.09.14 (Under 7)
277	Tom Newland	29.08.08 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)	213	Phil Holmes	1973 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)
276	John Temple	13.08.92 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)	211	Steve Bingham	13.08.91 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)

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Apps.

,	Apps. Player	Début			
210	Steve Goodman	24.08.14 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)			
207	Darren O'Brien	25.08.11 (Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI)			
207	Sam Tonge	11.09.10 (Under 7)			
207	Sam Robbins	17.09.16 (Under 7)			
206	Brian Langley	11.04.76 (Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> XI)			
204	Callum Jones	24.07.10 (Sat 1st XI)			

203	Rhys Cadger	23.07.16 (Sat 1st XI
201	Lewis Manning	11.09.10 (Under 7)
200	Rory Williams	10.06.17 (Under 7)
200	Simon Mayes	14.10.07 (Sun 2 <sup>nc</sup> XI)

Début

Player

In the 2024-25 season, ten players joined the 200 Club: Thomas Blackford (Under 17 Lions), Rhys Cadger (Saturday XI), Jake Cardy (Under 17 Lions), Steve Goodman (Sunday XI), Callum Jones (Saturday XI), Darren O'Brien (Sunday XI), Sam Robbins (Under 15 Cougars), George Speed (Under 15 Cougars), Rory Williams (Under 15 Cougars), Max Winfield (Under 15 Cougars).

The current player with the most appearances is Richard Randall (Veterans) with 413, followed by Matt Day (Sunday XI) on 389 and Matt Morton (Saturday XI) on 358.

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11-A-SIDE TOP GOALSCORERS														
		début		1	L S						T0741	l	0	
Phil Thompson	date 21.11.82	team Sun.3rd	1st XI 347	<b>2nd XI</b> 140	3rd XI 165	4th XI	Sat.XI	<b>Sat 2</b>	Youth 0	Vets.	TOTAL 688	Matches 674	Strike rate 102.1%	
Phil Clarke	1974	Sun.1st	168	124	110	11	0	0	0	14	427	528	80.9%	
Tom Newland	28.09.08	Sun.2nd	128	117	0	0	0	0	0	0	245	277	88.4%	
Matthew Kenneford	30.08.98	U.10	0	0	0	0	0	0	226	0	226	137	165.0%	
Dave Pymont	1973	Sun.1st	108	84	25	0	0	0	0	0	217	350	62.0%	
Joe Hennem	09.08.14	Sat.1st	0	0	0	0	208	1	0	0	209	249	83.9%	
Jamie Richards	26.01.97	U.14	74	69	24	3	0	0	14	2	186	429	43.4%	
Alan Dawson John Temple	14.09.80 13.08.92	Sun.3rd Sun.1st	109 85	30	34 0	0 12	0 67	0	0	2 0	175 167	403 276	43.4% 60.5%	
Robert O'Dell	13.00.92	U.13	17	8	0	0	0	0	135	0	160	137	116.8%	ta
Alan Palmer	25.11.84	Sun.3rd	27	36	31	42	1	0	0	0	137	293	46.8%	<b>-</b>
Ben L'Honoré	26.04.98	U.12	0	0	0	0	0	0	135	0	135	92	146.7%	A-
Steve Bingham	13.08.91	Sun.2nd	22	69	26	5	3	0	0	0	125	211	59.2%	K
Paul Gathern	11.09.88	Sun.2nd	20	53	41	4	0	0	0	4	122	439	27.8%	
Russell Sheppard	15.11.87	Sun.1st	55	10	11	3	40	0	0	0	119	240	49.6%	Щ
Jonathan Whitehead	02.09.01	Sun.2nd	35	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	119	393	30.3%	
Mark Williams Steve Close	25.04.99 10.12.89	Sun.3rd Sun.2nd	76 33	24 38	9	4	0 31	1	0	3 0	112 109	240 262	46.7% 41.6%	M
Alastair Mayman	17.10.82	Sun.2nd	33	43	22	6	0	0	0	4	108	407	26.5%	K
Matthew Morton	11.09.10	U.7	0	0	0	0	13	4	87	0	104	126	82.5%	
Warren Bell	11.03.07	U.12	0	0	0	0	22	30	51	0	103	183	56.3%	0
Oliver Pitts	25.09.11	U.14B	0	0	0	0	0	0	101	0	101	110	91.8%	
Greg Whelan	02.03.03	Sun.2nd	57	31	0	0	3	0	0	10	101	345	29.3%	U
Callum Smith	05.09.02	U.12	0	0	0	0	0	0	99	0	99	94	105.3%	J
Connor Smith	12.09.04	U.11	0	0	0	0	0	0	97	0	97	52	186.5%	40
Ben Thomson	16.09.01	Sun.2nd	19	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	97	328	29.6%	S
Richard Knock Lee Brown	13.04.97 Tour '94	U.11	54 33	1 22	0 41	0	2	0	40 0	0	97 96	381 147	25.5% 65.3%	
Jonny Day	16.11.14	Sun.1st Sun.2nd	89	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	96	139	67.6%	
Craig Brooke	17.09.95	Sun.4th	0	0	0	91	0	0	0	0	91	93	97.8%	7
Gary Raymond	08.08.10	Sun.1st	78	3	0	0	0	0	0	8	89	112	79.5%	
Alistair Hearn	1977	Sun.1st	32	40	12	0	0	0	0	3	87	341	25.5%	₹
Geoff Richardson	04.09.77	Sun.2nd	0	4	76	0	0	0	0	5	85	255	33.3%	`
Sean Dixon	16.08.14	Sat.1st	0	0	0	0	82	1	0	0	83	231	35.9%	0
Kevin Boxall	01.09.85	Sun.2nd	47	23	8	3	0	0	0	0	81	193	42.0%	
Mark Doyle	02.09.84	Sun.2nd	72	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	80	92.5%	()
Bobby McGrath Rupert Larner	15.09.91 28.08.24	Sun.3rd U.15	9	15 0	28	10	9	0	73	3	74 73	605 25	12.2% 292.0%	U
Jack Baggett	05.09.02	U.12	10	29	0	0	0	0	34	0	73	288	25.3%	
Mark Booth	13.10.96	Vets.	40	18	0	4	9	0	0	2	73	290	25.2%	
Danny Duggan	13.04.97	U.11	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	0	72	128	56.3%	
Simon Mayes	14.10.07	Sun.2nd	24	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	200	34.0%	
Max Burrows	25.09.11	U.14B	0	0	0	0	0	0	67	0	67	89	75.3%	
Keith Bannister	11.09.83	Sun.3rd	1	0	65	0	0	0	0	0	66	63	104.8%	0
Ryan Darby	24.07.10	Sat.1st	0	0	0	0	63	3	0	0	66	293	22.5%	
Aaron Valentine	23.07.03	U.12	0	0	0	0	0	0	63	0	63	62	101.6%	
Ben Morris Danny Butler	06.09.09 03.09.05	U.16 U.11	3 0	0	0	0	0	0	57 63	0	63 63	81 90	77.8% 70.0%	
Milton Tomlinson-Dennis	10.08.19	Sat.1st	0	0	0	0	55	8	0	0	63	103	61.2%	
Trevor England	01.08.93	Sun.2nd	9	50	1	2	0	0	0	0	62	150	41.3%	
Charlie McNerney	04.12.77	Sun.2nd	15	38	4	0	0	0	0	4	61	332	18.4%	m
Chris Littlejohn	25.11.07	Sun.1st	42	0	0	0	10	2	0	6	60	122	49.2%	7
Nathaniel Boston	23.07.03	U.12	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	59	97	60.8%	
Steve Baggett	08.09.91	Sun.3rd	3	2	49	3	2	0	0	0	59	262	22.5%	7
Rick Vipers	26.10.80	Sun.3rd	3	41	13	1	0	0	0	0	58	572	10.1%	
Alfie Welch	23.08.20 29.11.87	U.13 Sun.3rd	0	3	0 49	0 5	0	0	57 0	0	57 57	95 108	60.0% 52.8%	
Tony Ingram Liam Brooks	02.09.12	U.18	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	56	39	143.6%	
Willy O'Leary	23.08.87	Sun.1st	23	9	22	2	0	0	0	0	56	54	103.7%	61
Scott Dixon	30.08.98	U.10	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	55	51	103.7 %	7
James Hirst	31.08.08	U.12	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	55	72	76.4%	
Sam Tompkins	31.08.05	U.14	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	0	54	84	64.3%	
Lewis Smith	07.09.97	U.12	1	45	0	0	2	0	6	0	54	109	49.5%	
Adam Nunn	03.09.05	U.11	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	0	54	113	47.8%	
Ken Souster	10.03.85	Sun.3rd	0	1	52	0	0	0	0	0	53	44	120.5%	
John Kina			0	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	52	45	115.6%	
John King	28.02.93	U.15	_	-		0	2	4	0	0		65	80.0%	
Shiblu Miah	28.02.93 08.09.01	Sat.2nd	0	0	46						52			
Shiblu Miah Ritchie Bevan	28.02.93 08.09.01 22.10.06	Sat.2nd Sun.1st	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	114	45.6%	
Shiblu Miah Ritchie Bevan Jamie Waller	28.02.93 08.09.01 22.10.06 30.08.98	Sat.2nd Sun.1st U.10	52 0	0	0	0	0	0	0 52	0	52 52	114 142	45.6% 36.6%	
Shiblu Miah Ritchie Bevan Jamie Waller Ashley Burgess	28.02.93 08.09.01 22.10.06	Sat.2nd Sun.1st	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	114	45.6%	
Shiblu Miah Ritchie Bevan Jamie Waller	28.02.93 08.09.01 22.10.06 30.08.98 13.08.92	Sat.2nd Sun.1st U.10 Sun.1st	52 0 5	0 0 28	0 0 5	0 0 4	0 0 10	0 0 0	0 52 0	0 0 0	52 52 52	114 142 235	45.6% 36.6% 22.1%	

			MINI-S	OCCE	R TOP	GOA	SCOF	RERS					
	Club dé	ébut			GOA	L S					_		
	date	team	Under 12	Under 11	Under 10	Under 9	Under 8	Under 7	Under 6	TOTAL	Matches	Strike rate	
Rory Williams	10.09.16	U7	19	42	28	58	37	80		264	149	177.2%	
Derick Ezeka	10.09.17	U8	53	45	37	18	28			181	105	172.4%	
Benjamin Bayley	11.09.10	U7	17	30	28	24	28	38		165	192	85.9%	
Zac Wright	23.09.17	U7		34	44	13	37	24		152	124	122.6%	
Jamie Williams	14.09.14	U7		19	13	24	38	38		132	102	129.4%	
Jake Murray	10.09.16 12.09.15	U7	_		15	20	44	86 27		130	55 110	236.4%	
Harri Flinn		U7 U7	5	6	15	20 29	54	48	1	127 122	110	115.5%	_
Samuel Bayley	09.09.12 08.01.17	U7	17	2 37	11 20	29 25	31 15	46 6	1	122	76 195	160.5% 61.5%	S
Felix Folbigg Finley Ford	24.10.15	U7	11	37 17	17	23	47	1		116	110	105.5%	_
Frank Jennings	05.09.15	U7	- 11	17	10	26	50	28		114	84	135.7%	K
Max Winfield	17.09.16	U7	10	16	17	12	32	24		111	154	72.1%	_
Matthew Morton	11.09.10	U7	40	16	22	10	12	11		111	232	47.8%	W
Alex Woodward	28.01.23	U7	40	10	22	32	30	45		107	54	198.1%	
Noah Kirkham	14.09.14	U7		24	19	14	17	23		97	105	92.4%	K
Sam Robinson	10.09.16	U8	10	14	30	31	11			96	95	101.1%	
Nathan Morton	12.09.15	U7	2	3	9	12	43	27		96	116	82.8%	0
Louis Lomas	16.08.08	U8		3	38	29	28	۷.		95	61	155.7%	J
Frank Stout	09.09.18	U7	7	8	19	23	17	20		94	131	71.8%	U
Sam Robbins	17.09.16	U7	2	7	4	8	21	52		94	132	71.0%	J
Thomas Flinn	09.09.17	U7	8	16	8	4	8	42		86	126	68.3%	fa
Ethan Smith	10.09.16	U7	8	10	15	13	22	25		83	108	76.9%	S
Mason McCulloch	17.09.16	U7			10	17	45	20		82	101	81.2%	
Jacob Mayes	09.09.18	U7	7	9	18	22	11	15		82	113	72.6%	
Toby Easterbrook	17.09.16	U7	9	12	5	7	14	34		81	122	66.4%	Q
Austin Wilshere	17.09.16	U7	, ,	1	6	11	21	41		80	85	94.1%	
Ralph Cracknell	17.09.10	U8		'	32	41	6	71		79	68	116.2%	0
Adam Kitchiner	12.09.15	U7	1	1	6	21	39	4		72	92	78.3%	
George Major	09.09.18	U7	5	13	19	18	6	11		72	116	62.1%	
Jim Wiseman	05.09.15	U7	3	14	7	19	17	10		70	124	56.5%	
George Henry	09.09.18	U7	18	8	21	7	7	7		68	120	56.7%	
Jake Cardy	14.09.14	U7	2	10	7	10	18	19		66	117	56.4%	K
Solomon Burgess	09.09.18	U7	10	6	7	7	26	9		65	139	46.8%	
Joseph Tyler	13.02.22	U8	0	29	20	14	1	Ū		64	79	81.0%	Ш
Thomas Brown	12.09.10	U8	6	17	10	16	15			64	117	54.7%	-
Matthew Blake	07.09.13	U10		17	45					62	83	74.7%	U
Naresh Patel	10.09.16	U8	6	10	18	23	4			61	93	65.6%	•
Ethan Whybrow	13.09.20	U7					28	32		60	37	162.2%	U
Kian Stimpson	09.09.17	U9	6	15	20	18				59	73	80.8%	<b>U</b>
Samuel Boggon	14.09.08	U9			22	36				58	44	131.8%	
Cameron Hone	05.09.15	U7	2	8	12	23	13			58	129	45.0%	0
Thomas Underwood	24.10.15	U7			33	22	2			57	83	68.7%	60
Dan Wiseman	09.09.17	U7	4	8	10	8	11	16		57	137	41.6%	S
Henry Huxley	08.10.11	U8	6	11	24	6	9			56	182	30.8%	
Archie McNish	05.09.15	U7	5	6	14	10	10	10		55	124	44.4%	
Oliver Rowe-Trelford	09.09.12	U7	3	13	7	9	11	11		54	110	49.1%	
Charlie Kewell	26.02.22	U7	0	0	21	9	19	3		52	69	75.4%	>
Luke Woodward	19.03.11	U6	9	1	20	11	10			51	80	63.8%	
Jude Wright	25.09.21	U7						50		50	27	185.2%	
Elijah John	17.09.16	U7		7	3	4	5	31		50	101	49.5%	
Teddy Rowe-Trelford	11.09.10	U7	5	15	8	7	9	6		50	174	28.7%	2
Jasper Goodwin	16.09.17	U9	5	10	7	27				49	65	75.4%	
Solomon Chin	08.09.18	U9	15	18	8	8				49	94	52.1%	
Charlie Moore	24.10.15	U7		3	10	16	9	9		47	117	40.2%	
Alex Matsukatov	19.03.11	U6				24	20			44	44	100.0%	
Jacob John	14.09.14	U7	4	6	4	9	11	10		44	95	46.3%	
Hector Stout	13.09.20	U7		1	8	11	5	18		43	108	39.8%	
Mason Carr	25.09.21	U7						41		41	28	146.4%	
Henry Brown	13.09.09	U8		3	17	2	19			41	80	51.3%	
Jake Ramsey	09.09.17	U7		4	3	5	16	13		41	127	32.3%	
Dylan Thompson	17.09.22	U11	18	22						40	40	100.0%	
,					Only goals	in mini-s	occer gan	nes are co	ounted.		-		



## Saturday First XI 2024 - 2025

## **Bedfordshire County League Division Two South**

Manager:	Cameron Davies
Colours	Shirts: Red and Black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Player	Ryan Darby
Players' Player	Josh Slack
Top Goalscorer	Harrison Sheaf (18)
Clubman	Callum Giles
'Administrator of the Year'	Nathan Moorhouse

The team had a successful second season in Division 2 South, although at the end, it was fixture pressure which once again saw them miss out on the final day in the chase for the Championship. A bizarre end to the season saw the Club lose its semi-final in the Peter Dean cup on penalties, before being reinstated after Wootton were found to have used an ineligible player, and then winning the Final. Then, just 17 hours later, they played their final match at home to Harlington Juniors. Harlington had beaten us about a week before in the away fixture, but this result too was reversed after Harlington also fielded an ineligible player.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
League Division 2 South	22	13	5	4*	69	37	70.5
Herts. Junior Cup	2	1	0	1	9	3	50.0
East Beds. Charity Cup	3	2	0	1*	10	7	66.7
Jubilee Cup	1	0	0	1	3	6	0.0
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	11	7	83.3
	31	18	6	7	102	60	67.7

<sup>\*</sup> Includes a reversed result

	League Division 2S	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	GD	Pts.
1.	LU Donz	22	15	3	4	80	38	42	48
2.	Lea Sports PSG	22	14	5	3	68*	35*	33	47
3.	Harlington Juniors Res.	22	16	1	5	86	27	59	44**
4.	Bletchley Scot	22	12	4	6	67	56	11	40
5.	New Bradwell St.Peter Dev.	22	13	2	7	42	32	10	40**
6.	Caddington	22	11	4	7	56	43	13	37
7.	Stotfold Juniors	22	9	3	10	53	48	5	30
8.	Luton Panthers	22	8	3	11	59	58	1	26**
9.	AFC Kempston T. Hammers	22	7	3	12	38	69	-31	24
10.	Flitwick Town Res.	22	5	2	15	45	79	-34	17
11.	Caldecote A	22	2	4	16	23	87	-64	9**
12.	Brache Phoenix	22	2	2	18	30	75	-45	-1**

<sup>\*</sup> Goals adjusted \*\* Points adjusted

	This S	eason	Club Total			
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals		
Maximum	31	102				
lan Bromham	3	0	58 (4)	0		
Rhys Cadger	19 (2)	4	187 (16)	30		
Niall Cahill	1 (3)	0	36 (24)	2		
Cain Campion	0 (4)	0	0 (4)	0		
Joe Campion	15 (4)	13	21 (5)	17		
Ethan Cawdell	4 (8)	0	4 (10)	0		
Ultan Coonan	2 (1)	1	2 (1)	1		
Ernie Daly	0 (1)	0	0 (1)	0		
Ryan Darby	23 (1)	1	274 (19)	66		
Cameron Davies	6 (6)	0	95 (25)	15		
Max Davies	0 (6)	0	0 (6)	0		
Taylor Davies	11 (1)	2	59 (5)	9		
Kian Devers	3 (6)	1	38 (21)	18		
Sean Dixon	22 (2)	13	166 (65)	83		
Liam Doyle	17 (4)	5	36 (4)	10		
Ryan Durrant	0 (1)	0	75 (22)	33		
Callum Giles	18 (6)	3	131 (15)	7		
Rocco Goss	0 (2)	0	0 (8)	1		
Jamie Gray	1 (2)	0	5 (4)	1		
Owen Hearty	10 (3)	3	10 (3)	3		
Joe Hennem	13 (3)	8	243 (6)	209		
Rob Hennem	15 (1)	1	251 (19)	32		
Matt Hodge	2 (2)	0	2 (2)	0		
Callum Jones	11 (8)	1	177 (27)	29		
Ronan Maher	21	2	43	2		
Ethan McEvoy	15 (8)	4	25 (28)	8		
Danny McGovern	0 (2)	0	0 (2)	0		
Sean Morrison	13	1	45 (7)	2		
Matt Morton	4 (8)	5	329 (29)	215		
Conor Napper	9 (11)	1	124 (68)	10		
Jimmy O'Donnell	4 (7)	5	4 (7)	5		
Ellis Ralevic	1 (2)	0	1 (2)	0		
Harrison Sheaf	12 (3)	18	12 (3)	18		
Lewis Sheaf	5 (3)	1	5 (4)	1		
Josh Slack	21 (3)	2	52 (5)	4		
Jack Stevens	6 (3)	2	8 (4)	2		
Josh Straker	24	2	62 (2)	7		
Eamon Sweeney	9 (11)	3	9 (11)	3		
Will Tyler	0 (3)	0	111 (47)	36		
Ethan Wilson	1	0	58	1		
(40 Players)						

Appearances as substitute in brackets.

## Saturday XI 2024-2025 - End of Season Report

Through ups and downs, we set out to achieve a goal and bring home some silverware this year! Thanks to the help of some much needed admin from Nathan Moorehouse.

Thankfully we managed to achieve a cup final win although I think all the lads would agree we would have loved to have won the league instead!

The lads have worked tremendously hard through pre season and had an electric start which saw us shoot ahead in the table but we did waiver slightly heading into the winter break and Christmas probably came at the right time. After a well and truly deserved Christmas break we started well but everytime we tried to pick up momentum we just stuttered. Eventually though coming into the business end of the season we managed to really hit some form and if we had an extra days rest could have even been double winners.

#### **Cameron Davies**

## Saturday XI 2024-2025 – Beds County League Division 2 South Runners-Up



#### Top left to right,

Lewis Sheaf, Harrison Sheaf, Taylor Davies, Joe Hennem, Ryan Darby, Rhys Cadger, Josh Straker, Joe Campion, Callum Jones, Cameron Davies.

#### Bottom left to right,

Conor Napper, Ethan Mcevoy, Callum Giles, Josh Slack, Jimmy O'Donnell, Eamon Sweeney

## Peter Dean Memorial Cup (East Beds Charity Cup) Winners 25th April 2025



#### Top left to right

Owen Hearty, Ronan Maher, Lewis Sheaf, Jack Stevens, Taylor Davies, Callum Jones, Sean Dixon, Cameron Davies, Jack Scott.

#### **Bottom left to right**

Liam Doyle, Josh Slack, Rhys Cadger, Joe Hennem, Ryan Darby, Eamon Sweeney, Callum Giles, Conor Napper, Rob Hennem, Josh Straker, Ethan Mcevoy



Su	2024 - 2025				
Hitchin Sunday League Division 3					
Manager:	Paul Maclennan				
Colours	Shirts: Red and black	stripes. Shorts: black.			
Home Ground	The Recreation Grou	nd, Pirton.			
Manager's Player	yer Alex Bishop				
Players' Player Tom Trenchard					
Top Goalscorer Jonny Day (16)					

#### Hitchin Sunday League Division Three Cup Finalists

The First Team had a disappointing season in the Hitchin Sunday League Division 3, finishing in second-to-bottom place. However, they did manage to reach a Cup Final for the third year in succession. In the Final of the Division 3 Cup, they faced the divisional champions for the second year in a row. Champions BOCA had scored heavily against us in the 2 previous encounters this season, but the Final was a more evenly-matched game, with the Sunday XI still in the match after 70 minutes, before two late goals sealed a 4-0 win for BOCA.

	Р.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
League Division 3	14	2	2	10	34	59	21.4
Herts. Junior Cup	1	0	0	1	0	5	0.0
Division 3 Cup	3	2*	0	1	8	10	66.7
HSL Challenge Cup	1	0	0	1	2	4	0.0
George John Memorial Trophy	2	1	0	1	8	12	50.0
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	2	3	50.0
	23	6*	2	15	54	93	30.4

<sup>\*</sup>Includes victory on penalties 4-3

	League Division 3	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
1.	BOCA	16	13	2	1	84	23	41
2.	Buffs	16	11	3	2	66	19	36
3.	AFC Squirrel	16	9	1	6	55	29	28
4.	LadsSpeak Out	16	8	1	7	42	37	25
5.	Ashwell	16	7	3	6	39	39	24
6.	VFC Rovers	16	6	5	5	50	46	23
7.	Rovers '49	16	6	1	9	31	55	19
8.	Lea Sports PSG	16	2	2	12*	34	59	8
9.	All Saints Utd.	16	1	0	15	8	102	3

<sup>\*</sup>Includes 2 matches conceded

## Sunday XI Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	This Season		Club	Γotal	
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals	
Maximum	23	54			
Alex Bishop	20	0	94 (2)	0	
Ryan Bolton	10 (8)	1	10 (8)	1	
Nathaniel Burke	1	0	1	0	
Freddie Canham-Painter	4	0	4	0	
Jonathan Copeland	0 (2)	0	8 (17)	2	
Gene Cordt	13 (2)	1	13 (2)	1	
Tom Cowan	5	5	23 (14)	8	
Matt Cox	12 (4)	0	17 (7)	0	
Steven Cox	14	3	70 (15)	22	
Jonny Day	19 (1)	16	131 (8)	94	
Matt Day	2 (2)	0	349 (40)	19	
Alfie Golder	6 (12)	1	6 (12)	1	
Steve Goodman	17 (1)	4	167 (43)	32	
Dylan Gregg	6	0	6	0	
Jack Hague	5 (1)	1	5 (1)	0	
Declan Lamont	0 (9)	0	0 (9)	0	
Dan Little	1	0	291 (17)	2	
Paul Maclennan	1	0	169 (115)	13	
Liam Martin	4	0	7 (1)	0	
Luke Narroway	1	0	86 (1)	4	
Tom Newland	12 (1)	12	266 (11)	245	
Darren O'Brien	19 (2)	0	184 (23)	8	
Charley-Sean Perry	2 (6)	0	2 (6)	0	
Asher Rivenell	1	0	25 (24)	3	
James Roberts	3 (2)	1	3 (2)	1	
Ezequiel Robledo	9 (4)	0	9 (4)	0	
George Salihu	5	0	5	0	
Aba Santa	2 (2)	0	2 (2)	0	
Shadrack Simbasa	5	1	5	1	
Ben Sloan	4	1	4	1	
Tom Trenchard	19	0	97 (3)	0	
Andrew Van Hoof	2	0	24 (15)	8	
Chris Ward	14 (4)	3	14 (4)	3	
Toby Warner	12	3	27 (4)	4	
Own Goals		1			
(34 Players)					

Appearances as substitute in brackets

#### Sunday XI Manager's Report - 2024-25

A new season, and a new season to build a new look side due to 13 players moving on and reforming Boca FC. Unfortunately Boca were also placed in Division 3, which as the season went on, was evident they were in the wrong Division.

On a positive side, 9 new payers were signed on for the start of the season and also bringing the overall age down, as all but 1 were under the age of 25. Chris Ward, Gene Cordt, Dylan Gregg, Alfie Golder, Charley Sean-Perry, Ryan Bolton, Shadrack Sibasa, Ezequiel Pablo Robledo and Declan Lamont.

3 Friendlies took place before the start of the season, winning 1 and losing 2. All games being close encounters. The season started with a home game against All Saints and we came away with a convincing 11-1 win with Tom Newland and Jonny Day both scoring Hat tricks. The 2nd week took us away in the county cup, which we played a decent team Bricket Wood. Unfortunately we couldn't build on the previous week's result and bowed out in the first round.

The next 4 games saw us lose 3 league games and 1 cup game (against a Division 1 side). This game against Fairlands and the league game against AFC Squirrel were closely contested games, with us losing to a goal in the last couple of minutes against AFC Squirrel. A trend that would happen on a few other games later in the season. The next 2 games saw us play All Saints again - 1 game in the league and 1 in the Divisional cup. Came away with 2 convincing wins: 6-0 and 7-3. Jonny Day helping himself to 5 more goals to add to his hat-trick earlier in the season. Tom Cowan also contributing 5 goals over the 3 games and Tom Newland grabbing another 2 in one game.

Nine league games and three cup games followed with us losing all of the league games, some again fiercely contested and a few again with goals in the last couple of minutes sending us to defeats in games which we were well placed to win. The three cups games: One in the challenge cup saw us lose to the eventual League winners Boca and 2 games which were in the division 3 cup, saw us come away with 2 very good wins against AFC Squirrel 3 - 2 and VRC Rovers 4-3 on penalties after a 1-1 draw after 90 mins. Boca awaits in the final. Another tough game awaits.

On a positive side also, as well as reaching our third final in 3 years, we signed on another 4 players at the beginning of March, Ben Sloan, Jamie Roberts, Freddy Canham -Painter and George Salihu.

So, on to the final, our last game of the season at Arlesey Town FC against Boca who were favourites to win in most peoples' eyes, as they had run away with the league title. The game kicked off at 3pm on a glorious sunny day. We started the game on the front foot and contested everything and were on top or matched Boca in all areas of the pitch, limiting them to minimal efforts on goal, mostly from outside the box. We should have taken the lead on 30 minutes, with a goal line scramble saw us have 3 attempts at goal within the 6 yard box. All efforts being saved or cleared off the line. Boca realised they were now in a game, and with 5 minutes before half time we conceded to a well worked goal down the right and resulting in a great finish. So 1-0 down at half time, but still well in the game.

The 2nd half started in the same vein with us matching them for everything and limiting them to a few efforts on goal. Half way through the 2nd half, Boca scored again, coming from a mistake. Didn't deserve that at all, but we still battled on with everyone giving 100% to get back in the game.

The last 10 minutes saw us concede 2 more goals due to us pushing on and supporting the front players and leaving us short in Midfield / Defence and fatigue after the efforts of the first 80 mins. Alex Bishop kept the score respectable, pulling off a number of world class saves (World Class in Sunday league anyway) before and after the last 2 goals. Overall, a great game. although we lost, but couldn't complain about the effort from all players involved in the Final.

Thanks to everyone involved with Lea Sports PSG Sunday, the new players who have fitted ir well, the established players for all your efforts this season. Special thanks to Steve Smith for everything he does for the club (too much to mention), the Executive Committee for pushing the club forward and all the other Lea Sports PSG teams that have competed and won trophies this season.

#### Macca



Back Row: Gene Cordt, Tom Newland, George Salihu, Steven Cox, Alex Bishop, Toby Warner, Chris Ward, Steve Goodman, Alfie Golder, Charley-Sean Perry

Front Row: Jamie Roberts, Freddie Canham-Painter, Darren O'Brien, Paul Maclennan (Manager), Jonny Day, Matt Cox, Shadrack Simbasa, Tom Trenchard, Ryan Bolton



Veterans XI	2024 - 2025
Herts Veterans Super League Premier Divi	ision

Manager:	Kevin Cole
Colours	Shirts: Red and Black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Whitwell
Manager's Player	Dan Oakes
Players' Player	Renan Ramos
Top Goalscorer	Renan Ramos (13)

Herts Veterans Championship Cup Finalists

The Veterans consolidated their place in the Premier Division and gave a good account of themselves in most games, with no heavy defeats through the campaign. They were especially unlucky in the Championship Cup Final vs. Caddington, when they led 2-1 at half-time. In the second half a penalty for Caddington made the scores level (even though the forward later admitted he dived!) and a bizarre free kick awarded against the goalkeeper far handball outside his box gave the game to Caddington, 3-2.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Herts VSL Premier Division	12	4	0	8	42	23	33.3
Championship Cup Group 2	3	2	0	1	13	4	66.7
Championship Cup K/O stages	3	2	0	1	6	5	66.7
Challenge Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3	50.0
	20	9	0	11	64	35	45.0

	Premier Division	P.	W.	D.	L.	GD	Pts.
1.	Welwyn Village Yellow	12	10	1	1	33	31
2.	Sandridge Rovers	12	8	0	4	20	24
3.	Royston Town	12	8	0	4	8	24
4.	Welwyn Sports	12	7	1	4	21	22
5.	Lea Sports PSG	12	4	0	8	19	12
6.	Hatfield United	12	4	0	8	-9	12
7.	Old Salvatorians	12	0	0	12	-92	0

## **Veterans Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-2025**

	This S	eason	Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	20	64		
Mark Bartlett	4 (3)	1	6 (6)	3
Nash Bennett	6	9	6	9
Kieryon Bonnard	15	3	100 (8)	13
Matt Bonnick	1	0	1	0
David Byrne	0 (2)	0	11 (6)	0
Barry Clarke	6 (1)	4	25 (2)	16
Kev Cole	5 (4)	1	38 (12)	1
Vinnie Dunn	1	0	12	2
Scott Ellis	11 (3)	0	26 (15)	0
Andrew Godman	2 (7)	0	4 (14)	0
Andre Juraszek	5 (7)	4	53 (13)	40
Matt Le Dell	14 (1)	4	16 (2)	4
Aaron Lewis	5 (2)	2	37 (5)	30
Dayton Littlewood	5 (9)	1	24 (10)	1
Haydon Littlewood	16	0	60	0
Lee McCulloch	13	3	65	10
Michael McMaugh	12 (1)	0	141 (24)	0
Karl Nugent	3 (2)	0	34 (7)	0
Dan Oakley	19	2	24	2
Martin Powell	1	0	23 (2)	4
Damien Provencal	9 (2)	2	37 (4)	7
Renan Ramos	19	13	69 (1)	32
Richard Randall	12 (1)	2	336 (77)	32
Gary Scott	3 (4)	1	49 (12)	13
Gavin Smith	14 (3)	9	14 (3)	9
Richard Smith	1 (5)	0	1 (5)	0
Kris Stoten	1 (4)	1	32 (9)	4
Richard Thornton	16	1	71	5
Andrew Van Hoof	1 (2)	0	24 (15)	8
Own Goals		1		
(29 Players)				

Appearances as substitute are in brackets



Under	2024-2025						
Royston Crow Youth League							
Manager:	er: Alex Cardy						
Colours	Shirts: Red & black strip	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.					
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground	, Pirton					
Manager's Player	Olly Boyd						
Players' Player	Freddie Dollimore						
Top Goalscorer	Lewis Price (19)						
'Pride of the Lions'	Craig Pluck	Craig Pluck					

The Lions had a magnificent season in the Crow Under 18 Division 2. 19 wins from 22 matches saw them sweep to the title with a game to spare. Defeats in the County Cup and League Cup were both in penalty shoot-outs. Lewis Price took the honours as top scorer, but Finn Brooks and Jake Cardy were hot on his heels.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
League Division 2	22	19	0	3	78	24	86.4
Herts FA Trophy	4	3*	0	1**	24	14	75.0
League Cup	2	1	0	1**	7	6	0.0
Void Match	1	1	0	0	10	0	100.0
	29	24	0	5	119	44	82.8

<sup>\*</sup>Includes win on penalties \*\*Includes defeat on penalties

	Under 18 Division 2	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
1.	Lea Sports PSG Lions	24	21*	0	3	63
2.	Manuden Junior Stripes	24	20	0	4	60
3.	LGCE Aqua	24	17	1	6	52
4.	Wymondley Park U18	23	15	1	7	46
5.	FC Biggleswade Youth	24	12	5	7	41
6.	Ashwell Academicals	23	9	3	11	30
7.	Eaton Socon Colts	24	9	3	12	30
8.	Blunham Youth U18	24	9	2	13	29
9.	Stotfold Junior U18 Blacks	24	9	0	15	27
10.	Potton United U18	24	8	3	13	27
11.	Bedwell Rangers Jaguars	24	7	1	16	22
12.	Wymondley Park Harriers	24	5	2	17	17
13.	Sandy Tigers	24	3	1	20	10

<sup>\*</sup>Includes two walkovers

## Under 17 Lions Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	This S	eason	Club	Γotal
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	29	119		
Stanley Ayres	18 (7)	7	60 (16)	17
Thomas Blackford	16 (10)	4	203 (13)	19
Olly Boyd	22 (3)	0	109 (10)	7
Finnley Brooks	12 (12)	17	12 (12)	17
Jake Cardy	27 (1)	16	213 (2)	115
Freddie Dollimore	22 (6)	9	22 (6)	9
Will Gelling	21 (5)	2	145 (7)	8
Adam Greening	25	0	144	3
Charlie Harrington	16 (10)	9	60 (10)	25
Josh Horne	22 (4)	1	191 (7)	13
Craig Pluck	25 (3)	1	66 (5)	3
Lewis Price	13 (7)	19	13 (7)	19
Ty Rochester-Stewart	11 (12)	8	23 (18)	9
Louie Schad	5 (1)	1	43 (16)	11
Ben Simkins	24 (2)	0	68 (2)	2
Carrick Stimpson	12 (14)	2	24 (21)	3
Alfie Welch	16 (9)	12	80 (15)	57
Jamie Williams	12 (13)	9	114 (13)	141
Own Goals		2		
(18 Players)				

#### Under 17 Lions Season's Report - 2024-2025

The Lions started the season with an amended management group, welcoming Joe Blackford to the team replacing his father Simon who decided he wanted to enjoy his weekends after over a decade of management himself! We also welcomed back some familiar faces with the return of Jamie Williams and Charlie Harrington to the club. We also welcomed Fin Brooks, Lewis Price and Freddie Dollimore to the fold bringing a much-needed refresh of the squad.

The first game of the season was away at Stotfold Town with the Lions bagging six goals – Jake Cardy scoring a brace and Louie Shad collecting a Player of The Match performance. Then came a heated local derby away at Letchworth with mary of the lads' friends coming down to watch. The Lions left with all three points, with Lewis Price coming off the bench to secure his first goals for the club by scoring a hat-trick: the first of three this season! Next was a home fixture against Blunham with the Lions securing a narrow 2-1 win with Alfie Welch and Fin Brooks grabbing a goal each. Then away at Potton where Freddie "Dollars" Dollimore lived up to his massive transfer fee by demonstrating his ability to score free kicks from 30 yards and the lads managec to come away 4-2 winners.

October started with a cup game against Knebworth – the boys eased into the next round with braces from Jake Cardy and Fin Brookes securing an eight - two win. Then it was on to an away fixture against Wymondley U18's where the boys made hard work of winning 3-1 with Adam Greening pulling out a string of world-class saves to turn the game in our favour. Then we were away to Biggleswade – where very surprisingly the boys lost 2-1. Josh Horne's resolute defending was not enough to keep out our rivals and we lost our 100% record as a result. The boys were back to our winning ways back at home against Eaton Socon with Charlie Harrington treating us to a brilliant hat trick and a POTM performance in a four - one win!

Then away to St Albans City Youth U18's for the next round of the cup – Charlie Harrington continued his scoring run with him and Jake Cardy scoring a brace each. Jamie Williams resumed his impressive scoring record for the club by scoring two and picking up POTM as the won Lions seven – three. We returned to Pirton mid-November for a home game against Stevenage Borough – seven different scorers put 10 past Stevenage for no reply with Alfie Welch leading the line and grabbing a couple for himself. Another home game against Wymondley U17's saw many of the lads playing their good friends in the opposition. Whilst they maintained excellent sportsmanship they still were ruthless enough to win 3-0, with Adam Greening showing his class between the sticks.

The cup run continued with a nerve biting win via a 4-1 penalty shootout against Everett Rovers, after drawing 3-3 in normal time. The new year started with an away game against Ashwell — thankfully the boys hadn't eaten too much Turkey over the Christmas period and secured a 3-1 win with Tom Blackford picking up POTM with two fantastic assists. Unfortunately, the County Cup run ended with a penalty shootout loss at home to St Albans City Youth U18's — Olly Boyd valiantly covering every blade of grass but it wasn't enough.

In February the lads got revenge on Biggleswade Town with a 4-2 win away – Ty Rochester Stewart collected two assists and a POTM performance. Then it was onto Eaton Socon where Lewis Price picked up another hat-trick proving he had fully recovered from a nasty ankle injury picked up earlier on in the season. We returned to Pirton with the news that Adam Greening was unavailable due to a nasty head injury picked up playing for a Saturday team – 9 stitches were required in Adam's forehead! Bravely he returned to Pirton the next day to see the team beat Sandy Tigers with Jake and Fin keeping a clean sheet in the process!

Then Manuden came to visit, where the lads battled valiantly to a 2-1 loss – Jake and Fin doing a half each in goal and 'Dollars' scoring down the other end. A Manuden player sadly picked up a red card for stamping on our goal scorer! The lads returned to winning ways with a 3-2 win over Bedwell with Thomas Blackford scoring a cracker and some assured defending from Craig Pluck who picked up POTM.

Another ridiculously long journey saw us make another trip to Manuden for the League Cup semi-final. Adam Greening bravely returned to the sticks after his injury, only to be harshly sent off 10 minutes into the game for handling the ball outside the area. The Lions certainly had no luck in this remotest part of Essex! Stanley Ayres deputised in goal and the boys battled back from 1-0 down courtesy of another Tom Blackford goal. They fought resiliently with 10 men all the way though extra time to get to penalties. Jake Cardy swapped tops and valiantly saved two of the Manuden spot-kicks but unfortunately, we didn't score enough and Manuden progressed to the final. An absolutely pivotal performance from the lads – this would provide us with the steel and impetus to re-focus on our push for the league title!

Adam served his one-match suspension, but the lads came up trumps with another clean sheet and nine goals down the other end at home to Biggleswade – another three goals for Lewis Price, POTM for Jake Cardy and a surprising yellow card for Josh Horne – his first in 10 seasons at the club! Then in the first weekend of April we drove all the way to Manuden (again) – this time to return with some good news. The boys exorcised the ghosts of the past by putting four goals away - Jamie Williams capping the performance with a thunderbolt in the dying minutes. The 'news' didn't go down too well as Manuden's heads went and they had two players sent off. This result cemented the belief that we had what it took to win the league.

We returned to Pirton the following week with three more points – the Big Man Alfie Welch bagging two and a POTM performance. Then away to Ashwell in the beautiful spring sunshine – Carrick Stimpson with a hat-trick of assists and Stanley Ayres with a crisp finish at the back post to see the boys score five after going two goals behind. On returning to Pirton at the end of April the lads put four past local rivals Letchworth – Lewis Price picking up POTM with a goal and two assists. This put Letchworth out of the league title running – but they would come back to help us out later on in May!

The start of a busy month of May saw Fin Brookes notch a hat-trick against Bedwell - Will Gelling piling through defenders at the end to score a tidy finish for his first goal of the season! A midweek game saw us grind out a 1-0 win against Wymondley – Jake Cardy scoring a sumptuous chip to seal it as well as some classy defending by Ben Simkins to keep the clean sheet. The following week we had a weekend off as Sandy were unable to field a team. The penultimate game of the season was at home to Potton – Fin Brooks scoring a classy finish in the second half and Jake Cardy prodding home another gave us the two – one win.

Letchworth did us a favour beating Manuden, which secured us the league title with one game to play. This proved to be lucky as our final performance at Stotfold was not the best, losing 3-2 – Jamie Williams bagging both goals.

Whilst the last game was a bit of an anti-climax, it should take nothing away from this season's performance - winning an Under 18's league with a team made up of 16 and 17-year-olds is a fantastic achievement. It's been an utter privilege watching these boys grow up and support each other – looking forward to doing it all again next season!

#### Alex Cardy



Under Fifteen Cougars Blacks	2024 - 2025
Beds Youth Saturday League	

# Manager:Adrian SpeedColoursShirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.Home GroundThe Recreation Ground, PirtonManager's PlayerHarry Ford

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Manager's Player Harry Ford

Players' Player Oliver Cree

Top Goalscorer Jack Bryant (16)

Most Improved Player Joshua Drury

Supporters' Player Oliver Cree

The Under 15 Cougars Blacks played their third season of eleven-a-side football in the Beds Youth Saturday League, winning just over half of their matches and finishing in the top half of the table. Their form towards the end of the season was brilliant, winning 5 of their last 6 matches, including a 9-0 thumping of Barton Rovers. Jack Bryant top-scored again, with one more goal than last year.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
League Division 3	20	11	0	9	71	54	55.0
League Shield	1	0	0	1	2	6	0.0
	21	11	0	10	73	60	52.4

	Division 3	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
1.	Shefford Saints Blues	22	20	1	1	61
2.	Luton United	22	17	0	_ 5	51
3.	Toddington Rovers Dragons	22	16	1	_ 5	49
4.	Luton Sporting Club Phoenix	22	15	1	6	46
5.	Lea Sports PSG Cougars Blacks	22	13*	0	9	39
6.	AFC Oakley Ravens	22	12	1	9	37
7.	Ampthill Town Athletic	22	11	1	_10	34
8.	Barton Rovers	22	10	2	10	32
9.	Luton Allstars Dragons	22	5	1	16	16
10.	Shefford Saints Greens	22	3	0	19	9
11.	Stopsley Sharks Megalodon	22	3	0	19	9
12.	Leighton Corinthian Sharks	22	2	2	18	8

<sup>\*</sup>Includes 2 walkovers

Under 15 Cougars Blacks Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	Blacks Th	is Season	Club 1	Γotal
	Apps.	Goals		
Maximum	21	73		
Hayden Barnes	18 (2)	0	136 (3)	2
Adam Bartley	0 (3)	1	240 (18)	17
Jack Bryant	20 (1)	16	40 (2)	31
Oliver Cree	20	3	125 (7)	3
Joshua Drury	7 (10)	0	7 (10)	0
Jake Fletcher	0 (3)	0	60 (24)	0
Harry Ford	17 (2)	2	120 (14)	19
Connor Francis	5 (1)	1	102 (11)	1
Milo Goodwin	6	8	34 (4)	22
Ashley Gordon	0 (1)	0	0 (1)	0
Joey Irons	8 (2)	5	8 (2)	5
Luca Jessop	9	2	68 (2)	3
Nathan Maisiri	1 (1)	0	1 (1)	0
Ollie Morris	3 (11)	0	104 (20)	42
Luke Prime	14 (1)	3	69 (5)	5
Archie Smith	12 (7)	0	47 (18)	1
Ethan Smith	10	1	154 (12)	88
George Speed	19 (2)	8	209 (11)	52
Pavel Stognev	17	0	171 (6)	19
Leo Surridge	16 (3)	5	55 (8)	12
Mackenzie Taylor	8 (1)	10	40 (10)	27
Dan Whiting	11	0	133 (9)	2
Joseph Willans	10 (8)	8	17 (12)	12
Own Goals		0		
(23 Players)				

(Appearances as substitute in brackets)

#### **Under 15 Cougars Blacks End of Season Report 2024-2025**

A change in approach this year for the Cougar Blacks!

After many years of hard work, improving fitness and calling upon the embedded life skills of resilience, passion, desire and team spirit, results have started to fall our way. This season, undoubtedly, has been the best season yet for the team. Finishing 5<sup>th</sup> in the BYSL 3<sup>rd</sup> Division is a huge achievement for the team, for which each and every player/parent attached to the team should be very proud.

We won 13 of our 22 matches (including 2 walkovers) – came very close in five other games with the biggest success of the season, beating the undefeated league leaders 4-3 at home, coming from 3-1 behind at half time. The team are more than capable of beating any team in our league, something we have never been able to report until now!!

We have welcomed new signings to the team and continue to be well supported by Greg Bartley and the Cougar Whites this year. That has contributed towards our improved performance and success on the pitch on a Saturday morning. Having a consistent goalkeeper week in week out has also helped us settle as a team, as has a change of formation, fresh ideas from the coaching team and greater input from the players themselves on how best to play each match. Turn out at training has also beer very strong, with 16 lads turning out week in week out has been a great help, demonstrating commitment and working with Carl has reaped its reward. Our only real challenge has been fielding the same squad each week – we typically make 5 / 6 changes each week – something we, the coaching team, are keen to rectify next season.

Next season bodes well – we have 3 new signings to boost the squad to ensure we can take 14-16 each weekend and start to reduce the number of changes made each week. The coaching team are very excited at the prospect of building on this year's success. All being well, end of July we will be back working on fitness and preparing the team to re-form in readiness for another great season ahead.

Finally, none of the above would be possible without the continued unwavering commitment of both players and the support from parents – we look forward to doing it all again next season – thank you all and welcome to all new joiners and their families.

#### **Adrian Speed**



Under Fifteen Cougars Reds	2024 - 2025

## **Bedfordshire Youth Saturday League**

Managers:	Matt Robbins, Colin Weatherall-Morris
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Player	Felix Folbigg
Players' Player	Elijah Bean
Supporters' Player	Elijah Bean
Top Goalscorer	William Weatherall-Morris (11)

The Cougars Reds moved from Sundays to Saturdays with the Beds Youth Saturday League to try to establish a more settled squad, but injuries and other commitments meant that they had the same problems with getting the strongest XI onto the pitch. When they did, they were competitive, but all too often they found it hard to match opponents for the whole game. After 2 good County Cup wins (on Sundays) they had to concede their third round tie because of a shortage of players.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
League Division 1	17	3	1	13	27	78	20.6
Herts. FA Trophy	2	2*	0	0	14	9	100.0
League Cup	1	0	0	1	0	9	0.0
Friendly	1	0	1	0	1	1	50.0
	21	5	2	14	42	97	28.6

\*Includes win on penalties (5-4) Withdrew from Herts FA Trophy

	Division 1	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
1.	Stotfold Junior Golds	13	10	1	2	31
2.	Flitwick Eagles Whites	13	9	0	4	27
3.	Crawley Green Rangers	15	8	4	3	28
4.	Henlow Hurricanes	13	7	2	4	23
5.	Dunstable Town Lions	16	4	2	10	14
6.	Maulden Magpies	14	3	4	7	13
7.	Lea Sports PSG Cougars Reds	18*	3	1	14*	10

\*Includes 1 game conceded

Under 15 Cougars Reds Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	Reds Thi	s Season	Club	Γotal
	Apps.	Goals	Apps	Goals
Maximum	21	42		
Cameron Akram	11 (3)	1	21 (12)	7
Elijah Bean	19 (2)	10	272 (10)	38
Solomon Chin	7 (1)	1	162 (10)	100
Oli Cree	1	0	125 (7)	3
Finlay Davies	15 (3)	3	67 (12)	9
Toby Easterbrook	16 (3)	1	172 (12)	89
Alfie Eddon	13	1	179	34
Felix Folbigg	11 (4)	2	281 (15)	150
Cameron Gregg	11 (1)	6	11 (1)	6
Archie Haynes	16 (1)	0	108 (9)	17
Joshua James	13 (2)	6	13 (2)	6
Callum Philbey	15	0	15	0
George Pinfold	17 (2)	0	49 (8)	0
Sam Robbins	15 (3)	0	196 (11)	94
Sam Stone	0 (2)	0	10 (10)	1
William Weatherall-Morris	15 (4)	11	57 (10)	37
Logan Westbrook-Clyne	10	4	94	31
Marcus White	9 (6)	0	151 (18)	30
Rory Williams	6	3	191 (9)	299
Max Winfield	11 (7)	1	195 (21)	116
Own Goals		1		
(20 Players)				

(Appearances as substitute in brackets)

#### Under 15 Cougars Reds Season's Report - 2024-25

There was a new face on the touchline for the Cougar Reds as Colin Weatherall-Morris joined Matt when Owen and Lee left the management team last summer after eight years of service. Whilst Matt was going to try to continue the team on his own, he nearly bit Colin's arm off when he offered to share the burden! There were also new names on the teamsheet as we waved goodbye to Fred and soon after Rory, but welcomed Callum, Josh and Cameron G and Felix returned to the team as he could once again play for both Whites and Reds. The unluckiest loss was Eoin who suffered a serious injury during the summer and frustratingly is still awaiting a return to fitness a year later.

The most challenging change however, was a switch back to Saturdays as we entered the Beds Youth Saturday League Division 1. This caused some clashes with both school and other sports for some of the boys, which did harm the squad depth. In fact our first match was played after half the team had rushed back from playing in the HBS rugby team. This was immediately shown up to be a mistake and fortunately the BYSL was incredibly accommodating with rearranging fixtures. Nevertheless, in the end, our squad depth wasn't quite sufficient to maintain our decent early season form after Christmas. As well as the usual run of injuries that will naturally take place, we had a couple of rugby-caused concussion breaks, but the heaviest loss was that of goalkeeper Alfie Eddon for the second half of the season after a foot operation. A succession of both reluctant volunteers and press-ganged nominees filled in through the winter months and everyone filled in capably, but clearly this took its toll on results as we missed Alfie badly given his talent.

Halfway through the season then, the Reds had managed to win three of eight, as well as having a bit of a County Cup run (though playing this on Sundays meant we eventually couldn't field a team and had to concede). In the New Year however as the squad depth issues built up, we sadly lost nine straight to end the season. But that wasn't the full story – it's worth noting that after 60 minutes, we were drawing in 4 of those 9, and down by just one or two goals in two more – a few more fresh legs (plus our keeper!) could have made the world of difference to us – we had no one on the bench in 4 of those matches, and a single sub in most of the others. In a much smaller division than the RYCL Div 1 the previous year, with just 7 strong opponents, there wasn't the breadth of competition and we ended up in the basement spot. Notable moments included Finley smashing home from well outside the box against Dunstable, as well as Felix's audacious dink over the keeper to take the lead against title-contenders Flitwick – but on both occasions our tired warriors just couldn't hold out for the victory.

So a tough season then and yes, we suffered through a lot of frustrating Saturday mornings. But what actually is the point of grassroots youth football? Many teams have completely folded by Under-15s, but our group has just finished their ninth season together – many of them having been there since the start. The boys have played another season where they've improved their skills individually and collectively – the Managers have seen many notable jumps in both ability and workrate from the players, even if the squad depth meant we couldn't capitalise on them through 80 minutes. Hopefully, despite a challenging run since Christmas, they've learned lessons about resilience and teamwork and continued to enjoy playing their football with their mates – which after all, IS the point of youth grassroots football. And as it looks like they want to continue to enjoy playing football with their mates, Colin and Matt will continue to take them into next season – division to be decided – but with a few more players in the squad we hope!



Under Fiftee	Under Fifteen Cougars Whites						
Royston Crow Youth League							
Manager: Greg Bartley							
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.					
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, F	Pirton					
Manager's Player	Rupert Larner						
Players' Player	Harvey Welch						
Top Goalscorer	Rupert Larner (73) (Golde	en Boot Winner)					
Supporters' Player	Harvey Welch						

The Cougars Whites had an outstanding season in Division 1 of the Royston Crow League, taking the Champions spot with 2 games to go. There was just one league defeat all season – to Sacred Heart City, who would also deprive the Whites of the League Cup, winning the penalty shoot-out. Rupert Larner had a fantastic season, scoring a total of 73 goals

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
League Division 1	17	14	2	1	110	38	88.2
Herts County Cup	1	0	0	1	3	7	0.0
League Cup (Owen Byatt Cup)	4	3	0	1*	17	11	75.0
Friendlies	4	3	0	1	17	7	75.0
	26	20	2	4*	147	63	80.8

<sup>\*</sup>Includes defeat on penalties

	Division 1	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
1.	Lea Sports PSG Cougars Whites	18	15*	2	1	47
2.	Sandy Reds	18	11	5	2	38
3.	Sacred Heart City	18	9*	2	7	29
4.	Bedwell Rangers Juve	18	6	3	9	21
5.	Stotfold Juniors Blacks	18	6	3	9	21
6.	Knebworth Jaguars	18	3	3	12	12
7.	Sawbridgeworth Town Eagles	18	4	0	14	12

<sup>\*</sup>Includes one walkover

Royston Crow Respect League Winners.

Under 15 Cougars Whites Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	Whites Seas		Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	26	147		
Benji Atkinson	8 (6)	1	91 (13)	10
Adam Bartley	18 (7)	0	240 (18)	17
Elijah Bean	3 (4)	3	272 (10)	38
Solomon Chin	22 (4)	17	162 (10)	100
Theo Clawson	19 (1)	11	60 (4)	47
Alfie Eddon	3	0	179	34
Said El Beit	18 (6)	0	60 (11)	1
Lucas-Luigi Eversley	17 (1)	6	27 (6)	11
Felix Folbigg	20 (4)	4	281 (15)	150
Harry Ford	15 (8)	2	120 (14)	19
Connor Francis	16 (3)	0	102 (11)	1
Archie Haynes	3 (5)	0	108 (9)	17
Rupert Larner	23 (2)	73	23 (2)	73
George Pinfold	4 (1)	0	49 (8)	0
Samuel Robbins	4 (6)	0	196 (11)	94
Fred Sayer	0 (1)	0	0 (1)	0
Stan Sayer	0 (1)	2	0 (1)	2
George Speed	22	0	209 (11)	52
Samuel Stone	10 (8)	1	10 (10)	1
Mackenzie Taylor	20 (5)	7	40 (10)	27
Wm. Weatherall-Morris	3 (4)	5	57 (10)	37
Harvey Welch	20 (4)	14	20 (4)	14
Dan Whiting	17 (3)	0	133 (9)	2
Rory Williams	0 (1)	1	191 (9)	299
Own Goals		0		
(24 Players)				

(Appearances as substitute in brackets)

#### Under 14 Cougars Whites Season's Report - 2025-25

What a season! From the very first whistle to the final triumphant tournament at the Rec, the exceptional Cougar Whites have shown heart, hunger and sheer brilliance – earning the title of division one winners of the Royston Crow League.

At the foundation of our team was George in goal — a fearless presence between the sticks who pulled off vital saves and commanded his box with authority beyond his years. In front of him our defensive line proved both solid and dynamic. Connor, our captain and anchor, led with composure and conviction — always first to put his body on the line and rally the squad. New signing Samuel brought the speed of Usain Bolt, was a match for any opposition striker, and turned recovery runs into an art form. El Beït brought flair and bite to every challenge, tackling with precision and finesse. Adam, one of our OG players, continued to bring his steadfast reliability and cool sense of calm under pressure. On the wing, hard-working Harry brought searing pace and smart movement with his trademark tenacity. And then there was Dan — exponent of the infamous throw-in that reached halfway to Hitchin — even when we were away at Manuden — and caused chaos all season long.

In midfield, Felix was the metronome – spreading the ball, supplying with style and always driving forward with a smile on his face. Beside him Mack dazzled with his attacking instincts, linking play and finding the net when it mattered, Benji ran tirelessly and harried oppositions into making mistakes, while Lucas was our wildcard – explosive, creative, and lifting the boys to be that bit better. New signing Harvey brought technical brilliance, vision and control – an attacking threat from any angle – fuelled by his lucky frozen water.

The Cougar Whites' firepower upfront came from Solly, who showed endless determination, always harrying defenders and never giving up with his elegant and fast-paced flair. Alongside him was Theo, a tireless workhorse chasing everything down and fighting for every ball, and there aren't superlatives enough to describe new signing Rupert: clinical, cool and polite – a gentleman of a goal machine with a striker's instinct and a whip-smart finish.

The team had support from the Cougars Reds throughout the season, especially in the defensive area. Sam – ice cold in the tackle, Archie making the opposition quiver in their boots, George zipping up and down the flanks. In midfield Wills and Eijah adding strength and skills a plenty and a 1 goal in 1 game contribution from Rory up front.

I was beyond proud that every player brought something unique to the team — a team that were so very close to an historic double, cruelly losing on penalties in the Owen Byatt cup final in Buntingford in April. But it was their unity and growth that made the Cougars Whites Champions. They fought for each other. They respected each other. And they earned every point, every goal, and every win.

Here's to a phenomenal season – and a Pirton team we'll be talking about for years to come. Well done boys. Next year let's aim for the double!

## **Greg Bartley**

## **Royston Crow Division 1 Champions 2024-25**



## Back row (left-to-right)

Samuel Stone, Solomon Chin, George Speed, Dan Whiting, Felix Folbigg, Rupert Larner, Archie Haynes, Harvey Welch, Theo Clawson, Mackenzie Taylor

#### Front row (left to right)

William Weatherall-Morris, Adam Bartley, Lucas Eversley, Connor Francis, Said El Beït, Elijah Bean, George Penfold, Harry Ford, Sam Robbins



## Under Thirteen Jaguars 2024 - 2025

## **Beds Youth Saturday League**

Managers:	Simon Mayes, James Major
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Player	Rudy Alexander-Scott , Tom Entwistle
Players' Player	Jacob Mayes
'Impact Player'	Joe O'Kell
Top Goalscorer	Ben Evans (14)

The Under 13 Jaguars made the move up to 11-a-side football, playing in the second division of the Beds Youth Saturday League. The season went well, with the tem finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in a division of 12 teams. Ben Evans top-scored with 14 goals in 15 games.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Division 2	22	13	1	8	54	57	61.4
League Shield	1	0	0	1	1	8	0.0
Friendly	1	1	0	0	5	1	100.0
	24	14	1	9	60	66	60.4

	Division 2	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
1.	Westenders	22	18	1	3	55
2.	Crawley Green Tigers	22	18	0	4	54
3.	Barton Rovers Blues	22	15	1	6	46
4.	Lea Sports PSG Jaguars	22	13	1	8	40
5.	Baldock Town Templars	22	11	1	10	34
6.	Sundon Athletic	22	10	3	9	33
7.	Queens Park Crescents	22	9	2	11	29
8.	Shefford Saints Blues	22	8	1	13	25
9.	Stopsley United Tigers	22	7	2	13	23
10.	Stotfold Junior	22	6	2	14	20
11.	Lancot School Hornets	22	5	1	16	16
12.	Luton Stallions	22	4	1	17	13

Under 13 Jaguars Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	This S	eason	Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	24	60		
Rudy Alexander-Scott	19	0	147	18
Wilf Bean	16 (5)	0	43 (5)	2
Solomon Burgess	21	5	160	70
Tom Entwistle	14 (1)	0	138 (1)	23
Ben Evans	15	14	15	14
George Gelling	10 (11)	0	120 (11)	1
George Henry	13 (9)	3	133 (9)	71
Finn Hubbard	18 (1)	3	18 (1)	3
Alex Lee	12 (2)	0	12 (2)	0
George Major	19 (2)	1	135 (2)	73
Jacob Mayes	21	5	134	87
Joe O'Kell	22 (1)	7	22 (1)	7
Sam Orviss-Hammond	10 (8)	3	33 (8)	8
Muhammad Patel	1	0	156	29
Frank Stout	12 (3)	4	143 (3)	98
Dylan Thompson	10 (1)	2	50 (1)	42
Oli Weatherall-Morris	20 (1)	7	20 (1)	7
Luca Wilson	9 (7)	3	77 (7)	9
Own Goals		3		
(18 Players)				

(Appearances as substitute in brackets)



# Mini-Soccer 9 vs.9 format Under Eleven Sabres 2024-2025

#### **Chiltern Junior Sevens League**

Managers:	Michaeljon Alexander-Scott, Adam Day
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Player	Avi Rathore
Players' Player	Harry Day
Most Improved Player	Harry Cole
Top Goalscorer	Joseph Tyler (29)

The Under 11 Sabres moved up to playing the 9v9 format and generally coped well, winning more games than they lost, and suffering just one double-digit defeat, with a bare squad in November. Joseph Tyler top-scored, with 29 goals in just 27 gmes.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Autumn Group B	7	5	1	1	19	17	78.6
Autumn Trophy	2	1	0	1	9	4	50.0
Winter Group D	5	2	1	2	16	13	50.0
Spring Group D	8	3	1	4	22	24	43.8
Friendlies	7	4	0	3	21	22	57.1
	29	15	3	11	87	80	56.9

#### Under 11 Sabres Season's Report - 2024-25

The Sabres have had a fantastic season, full of growth, determination, and exciting football. With the addition of new players Ollie, Ted and Angad, the team took on a fresh look and quickly gelled together on and off the pitch.

From the start, the boys showed real commitment to playing football the right way — with confidence, teamwork, and positivity. A strong run of early wins set the tone for the season, and the home pitch quickly became a fortress where the Sabres were tough to beat.

There was a slight dip in form over the Christmas and New Year period, but the team never lost heart. They stuck together, kept working hard, and finished the season on a strong note with some brilliant performances — none more exciting than the incredible comeback win against St Joseph's.

Every player has shown determination, team spirit, and real progress this year. The coaches, parents, and supporters are hugely proud of the boys, and it's clear that this team has the potential to achieve something very special next season.

Well done, Sabres — we can't wait to see what you do next!

#### **Dave Cole**

Under 11 Sabres Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	This S	Season	Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	29	87		
Theo Alexander-Scott	28	8	113	30
Jake Berry	21	0	31	0
Harry Cole	27	4	114	13
Ralph Cracknell	1	0	68	79
Oliver Davies	19	24	19	24
Harry Day	24	5	34	6
Toby Edmonds	1	0	1	0
Albie Haskins	15	3	15	3
Fabio Hormann	17	0	89	0
Ralph Jevins	1	0	1	0
Jacob Myden	2	0	2	0
Avi Rathore	24	2	95	13
Teddy Rowe	28	4	28	4
Hector Stout	26	1	108	43
Joseph Tyler	27	29	79	64
Angad Uppal	20	0	20	0
Oscar Vincent	12	4	12	4
Guest 1 - Thomas	1	0	1	0
Guest 2 - Charlotte	1	1	1	1
Own Goals		2		
(19 Players)				

#### Under 11 Sabres Player by Player Report - 2024-25

**Angad** – A big presence in goal this season! Angad has shown real progression, pulling off some fantastic saves and growing in confidence with every game. A solid and dependable last line of defence.

Jake – A brilliant season for Jake, who's become a real shot-stopper. His sharp reflexes and brave goalkeeping have kept the team in games more than once. A standout performer between the posts.

**Fabio** – Another strong season for Fabio. His lovely left foot, classy touches, and love of a trick make him a confident and creative player, always looking to play out from the back.

**Ted** – In his first season with the Sabres, Ted has fitted in brilliantly. He shows real bravery on the ball and has the skill to dribble out from the back, helping spark pressing team moves and transitions. A great addition to the squad!

**Harry D** – Harry continues to improve year after year. His lung-busting runs and excellent use of his strong left foot have been a huge asset to the team. A hard-working and reliable player who always gives his all.

**Avi** – A real stalwart of the team, Avi consistently puts in high energy and effort in every performance. He's chipped in with a couple of cracking volleys this season too, showing his eye for goal and attacking instinct. A true team player.

**Theo** – Theo has shown real quality this season with his tricky wing play. His quick feet, strong running, and creativity have added flair to the team's attack.

**Harry C** – This season, Harry has been a calm presence in the heart of midfield. With great feet and a real eye for a pass, he's helped set up many attacks and kept the team ticking. A key player in controlling the game.

**Ollie** – In his first season, Ollie has brought bags of goals and high energy to the team. He has the ability to turn a game on its head at key moments, making him a real game-changer this season.

**Joseph** – Our top scorer this season, Joseph has really grown into his role leading the line. With quick feet, he always puts in 100% effort and has scored some great goals. A top striker for sure.

**Oscar** – With a nice left foot, Oscar scored some very important goals at the start of the season, helping to keep the momentum going for the team.

**Hector** – Such a solid and dependable player with a really good character, giving the team confidence. The centre of midfield has protection thanks to him, plus he has the rocket of a right foot!

Thanks

#### **Dave Cole**



## Mini-Soccer 7 vs.7 format Under Ten Tigers Blacks

2024-2025

## **Royston Crow Youth League**

Managers:	Holly Smith, Tom Tracy
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Player	Franklin Heaton-Parker
Players' Player	Harrison Tirrell
Most Improved Player	Hector Laws-Clarke
Top Goalscorer	Charles Kewell (21)

After moving from the Crow Burgundy Division to the Emerald Division, the Blacks had a much more enjoyable season, playing against teams of a similar standard. Although there was one double-digit defeat at the start of the season, the Blacks recorded two eight-goal hauls and most games were reasonably close and competitive. With the team scoring about 50 goals more than last season, Charles Kewell bagged 21 goals, with Elliott Osmond not far behind on 17.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Emerald Division	24	12	5	7	88	69	60.4
Crow Calvert Trophy	1	0	0	1	0	2	0.0
	24	12	5	8	88	71	58.0

#### Under 10 Tigers Blacks Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	This S	Season	Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	24	88		
Etienne Faul	21	4	76	28
Franklin Heaton-Parker	16	4	67	11
Charles Kewell	23	21	69	52
Hector Laws-Clarke	22	4	92	8
McKenzie McKeown	21	9	79	15
Toby Morris	21	6	34	7
Elliott Osmond	19	17	41	25
Dylan Roberts	19	3	19	3
Henry Smith	23	7	96	34
Harrison Tirrell	21	0	86	1
Rex Tracy	22	11	90	22
Own Goals		2		
(11 Players)				



## Mini-Soccer 7 vs.7 format Under Ten Tigers Reds

2024-2025

## **Royston Crow Youth League**

Manager:	Paul Clark
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Players	Monty Kennard, Arthur Silvey
Players' Player	Hugo Bennett
Most Improved Player	Bertie Nicoll
Top Goalscorer	Ralph Cracknell (32)

The Under 10 Tigers Reds made progres in the Crow Cherry Division, taking around 72% of the points available and recording some memorable victories over teams who had previously beaten them. Their first foray into cup football ended unsuccessfully against a team 2 divisions above them!

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Cherry Division	25	16	4	5	85	58	72.0
President's Cup	1	0	0	1	1	6	0.0
	26	16	4	6	86	64	69.2

## Under 10 Tigers Reds Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024/25

	This S	Season	Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	26	86		
Rory Ballard	5	0	54	21
Hugo Bennett	24	13	64	23
Theo Clark	23	8	66	29
Ralph Cracknell	24	32	68	79
Walter Featherby	20	8	57	14
Kyle Glass	23	15	60	20
Monty Kennard	21	0	46	0
Bertie Nicoll	24	1	63	1
George Rose	20	0	42	0
Arthur Silvey	23	8	66	18
Own Goals		1		
(10 Players)				

#### Under 10 Tigers Reds Season's Report - 2024-25

Well, what a difference a year makes for the Lea Sports Tigers Reds. Looking back, as Manager of this team, I genuinely couldn't be prouder of what we have achieved. On reflection of our previous season, we have not only evolved from a newly formed team, trying to find their way, but now in our third season, we have proven we are a proper football team. This team, underpinned by the Lea Sports values, can go toe-to-toe against anyone in our league and match teams in leagues above us. From a Manager's view this is not only wonderful to see, but also a collective effort where we can all be proud.

We embarked on this season full of confidence from our previous season and got off to a flying start, taking on a Biggleswade side that's full of talent, wrapping up an impressive 3-1 win, which set the standards for the league ahead. From my Manager's view, there were a number of questions that needed to be answered;

- 1. Can we continue our good form last season?
- 2. Are we able to follow up and keep scoring goals?
- 3. Are all of the players progressing and striving as Lea Sports players?

The above questions I asked myself continually, and I was convinced, if we keep training hard, and followed the Lea Sports values of

- Respect, Teamwork, Integrity, Inclusivity and Excellence, then the team would only grow stronger. The players recognised this, they were no longer the shy, timid side, but actually a team that had good footballing foundations, and with the right mindset, and as a Manager, at times, it felt like the sky was the limit!

As highlighted, it's amazing what can be achieved by hard work and commitment. With the boys embracing our new team structure and encouragement to play football, we entered every match with limited fear of our opposition. They say that stats don't lie, and we won over 70% of our matches, a remarkable achievement.

The progression of individuals in our team is also very impressive. We are blessed with bags of talent across the team, starting with our midfield duo of Kyle and Hugo, they are both relentless and complement each other's attributes. We also have our newcomer George who has the ability to play in goal and defence. Bertie continues to prove his assets in goal, and more recently on pitch. Arthur and Monty are all wonderfully calm defenders and strong football players who bring a level of finesse when on the ball. Theo and Walter have both done brilliantly this year, with Theo's excellent ability to be a playmaker for his team, and Walter has the streetwise swag of a footballer that has played the game for many years, it's a pleasure to watch their confidence grow. And lastly, Ralph, who had the question mark, could he back up his fantastic scoring record from last seaon? And, he did just that, being our outlet and bagging over 30 goals again, a brilliant achievement.

It's at this moment, and with a heavy heart, we concede that Ralph and Hugo are moving on. Regrettably, this also includes their Dads, Mark and Dean, both who have

been with me on the coaching side, and a real asset to our set up. I wanted to take this opportunity, to thank them for their commitment and endeavours, and that they will be missed by Lea Sports. Whilst this decision is difficult to take, I want to move forward and embrace the positives. In life, doors close and windows open, and with this, I truly believe that this paves the way for our current Lea Sports players to grab and embrace this opportunity to improve their game and galvanise the team! We have also added more additions to our team, including Jai, Alexander, Sammy, Rory, Alex for next season, and this is a great opportunity for them to learn, grow and be the best player they can be, something I am really excited to see.

The season ended on a high with a convincing 6-0 over Ashwell, a team we have never beaten in three seasons. It is great to watch the team playing as a strong unit, with the players knowing and understanding their positions that we are asking them to play, all of them playing so well and all coming together.

In summary, I have thoroughly enjoyed our third season together as a team, and am very proud of all the Tiger Reds. We are in the fortunate position to have the broader support from our parents, families and friends whom we are very grateful for their support and encouragement that they all bring to every game, there is no doubt, our support, often feels like another player, and i know the boys strive from this, more of that for next season too.

We move onto under 11's next season, and despite our changes and players moving on, we move forward with a core of a cohesive team, good foundations, amazing footballing potential, and I look forward to seeing how we progress next season.

#### **Paul Clark**



## Mini-Soccer 7 vs. 7 format Under Nine Panthers

2024-2025

## **Beds Mini-Soccer League**

Managers:	David Brogan, Joanne Brogan, Phil Ballard
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Most Improved Player	Connor Brogan
Manager's Player	Rory Ballard
Players' Player	Ollie Boland
Top Goalscorer	Alex Woodward (32) (Mini Golden Boot Winner)

In their third season and playing 7v7, the Under 9 Panthers continued to make progress. Their overall record would have looked better, but for the decision to play a late friendly in May, which brought a 12-0 defeat! Alex Woodward continued his prolific goalscoring, netting 32 times, to record over 100 goals in 3 seasons.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Fairplay League	18	9	1	8	87	72	52.8
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	12	0.0
	19	9	1	9	87	84	50.0

## Under 9 Panthers Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25

	This S	eason	Club	Total
	Apps.	Goals	Apps.	Goals
Maximum	19	87		
Rory Ballard	15	8	54	21
Oliver Boland	15	9	51	32
Connor Brogan	19	7	57	24
Jack Cole	16	9	34	13
Renzo Courts	16	12	49	26
Thomas Fowler	10	2	33	5
Charlie Groom	18	2	18	2
Jimmy Humphris	18	1	52	3
Hugo Kolbe	2	0	2	0
Alfie Smith	13	3	34	12
Alex Woodward	17	32	54	107
Own Goals		2		
(11 Players)				

#### **Under 9 Panthers End of Season Report – 2024-25**

This season has been one of significant growth for the Under 9 Panthers. The biggest shift was transitioning from five-a-side to seven-a-side football - a big change that required adaptability and resilience from the team.

At this age, equal playing time and position rotation remain important, but there was also progress in settling players into roles that suited them best.

A major squad development came with the introduction of a dedicated goalkeeper. Having a consistent shot-stopper brought stability to the team, allowing others to focus on their roles with greater confidence. This presence contributed to a stronger defensive shape and improved team cohesion.

It was truly a season of two halves. The first five games were tough, testing the boys' determination. However, after grinding through those early setbacks, the sixth match marked a turning point with their first win. From then on, the team hit their stride, enjoying a strong run of results and performances.

Beyond the scores, what stood out most was the spirit and attitude of the boys. Some wins were dominant, but the most rewarding were those earned through sheer resilience and the team digging in.

This squad has demonstrated impressive development—not just in skill, but in their mentality and togtherness. Every player should be proud of their progress.

Well done, Panthers!

#### **Phil Ballard**



# Mini-Soccer 5 vs.5 format Under Eight Leopards 2024-2025

## **Beds Mini-Soccer League**

Manager:	Lisa Stewart
Colours	Shirts: Red & black stripes. Shorts: black.
Home Ground	The Recreation Ground, Pirton
Manager's Player	Leo Oberlin-Harris
Players' Player	Jasper Lilley-Saebo
Top Goalscorer	Lincoln Carr (21)

The Under 8 Leopards continued to improve through the season: of their six wins, five came in the second half of the season. Lincoln Carr took over as top scorer, registering as many goals as last year's winner, with Jasper Lilley-Saebo just one goal behind.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Fairplay League	18	6	1	11	60	98	36.1
	18	6	1	11	60	98	36.1

## **Under 8 Leopards Appearances and Goalscorers - 2024-25**

	This S	eason	Club	Total	
	Apps.	Goals	Apps	Goals	
Maximum	18	60			
Lincoln Carr	13	21	30	33	
Rex Cockburn	15	4	33	5	
Deniz Deveden	13	0	21	0	
Jasper Lilley-Saebo	17	20	34	29	
Leo Oberlin-Harris	14	8	14	8	
Freddie Smith	17	5	17	5	
Stanley Staves	12	0	12	0	
Alex Stewart	15	0	31	1	
Oscar Wills-Sokolov	3	0	19	3	
Own Goals		2			
(9 Players)					

#### **Under 8 Leopards Season's Report 2024-25**

The Under-8s Leopards ended the season on a high by winning five matches after Christmas to give themselves a springboard as they step up to seven-a-side next year.

After a mixed start, Leopards found their form after the festive period with three impressive wins in succession. Lincoln Carr started the run with seven goals in a thumping 9-1 win over Luton Sporting Club. Leo Oberlin-Harris then scored three goals in just one cuarter to inspire a wonderful 4-3 win over Wootton Rangers.

A third win on the bounce came against Dunstable Town where Jasper Lilley-Saebo scored five in an 8-5 win. Last ditch defending from player of the match Alex Stewart, Deniz Deveden and Stanley Staves secured the victory.

Leopards also recorded back-to-back wins towards the end of the season. Rex Cockburn scored two fine goals to seal a 7-4 win - again over Dunstable Town - but the team saved their best performance for the trip to Warden where they won 4-2 with Carr and Lilley-Saebo scoring twice and Freddie Smith impressing with his laser-guided passing.

Carr edged out Lilley-Saebo to win the golden boot, scoring 21 goals, one more than his teammate. Oberlin-Harris, who was also very impressive in goal, scored eight in an eye-catching first season with the club.

The team wish Freddie Smith and Oscar Wills-Sokolov all the best as they move to new clubs.

#### **Russell Staves**



Left-to-right:
Stanley Staves, Rex Cockburn, Freddie Smith, Lincoln Carr, Jasper Lilley-Saebo, Alex Stewart, Leo
Oberlin-Harris

## Overall Club Record – to May 2025

ELEVEN-A-SIDE	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Sunday First XI	1,344	572	186	586	3,427	3,388	49.5
Sunday Second XI	1,031	452	141	438	2,478	2,456	50.7
Sunday Third XI	684	259	88	337	1,805	2,014	44.3
Sunday Fourth XI	209	113	21	75	685	479	59.1
Saturday First XI	655	333	100	222	1,789	1,357	58.5
Saturday Second XI	150	53	15	82	298	413	40.3
Tours	8	2	2	4	16	33	37.5
Veterans	144	64	14	66	436	384	49.3
Ladies	23	3	1	19	45	155	15.2
Under 18	150	70	19	61	432	412	53.0
Under 17	133	80	4	49	425	374	61.7
Under 16	184	73	25	86	466	553	46.5
Under 15	308	119	30	159	830	956	43.5
Under 14	465	189	46	230	1,229	1,479	45.6
Under 13	451	175	53	223	1,224	1,485	44.7
Under 12	211	101	26	84	661	519	54.0
Under 11	111	64	14	33	364	273	64.0
Under 10	30	21	0	9	112	61	70.0
	6,291	2,743	785	2,763	16,726	16,791	49.8

## **Mini Soccer**

NINE-A-SIDE	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Under 12	279	100	26	153	667	907	40.5
Under 11	323	157	33	144	1,043	935	53.7
	602	257	59	286	1,710	1,842	47.6

SEVEN-A-SIDE	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Under 11	37	15	5	17	62	92	47.3
Under 10	486	256	53	177	1,530	1,334	58.1
Under 9	468	210	59	199	1,441	1,445	51.2
Under 8	115	63	11	41	288	233	59.6
Under 7	44	11	9	24	73	118	35.2
Under 6	2	0	0	2	1	3	0.0
Girls Under 12	3	1	0	2	14	8	33.3
	1,155	556	137	462	3,409	3,233	54.1

FIVE-A-SIDE	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
Under 8	335	132	25	178	1,381	1,525	43.1
Under 7	292	145	19	128	1,381	1,294	52.9
	627	277	44	306	2,762	2,819	47.7

GRAND TOTAL	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	%
	8,675	3,833	1,025	3,817	24,607	24,685	50.1