DUGOUT NEWS

SUSSEX SENIOR CUP

SUPPLEMENT

TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2026



HASSOCKS

WICK

BOGNOR

HAYWARDS HEATH

WHITEHAWK

BOROUGH

EASTBOURNE TOWN

CHICHESTER

WORTHING

EASTBOURNE UTD

BROADBRIDGE HEATH

HASTINGS

LITTLEHAMPTON

LEWES

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SUSSEX TRANSPORT SENIOR CUP · LAST 16

UNDER THE LIGHTS

TUE 17 NOV

Dougie's Senior Cup special



Image: Lewes FC on X (@LewesFCMen), 16 Nov, photo Sam Coldy ↗

Evening all, Dougie here: cap on, headphones on, calculator warm. Tuesday is the third round of the Sussex Transport Senior Cup, the last 16, and it is the best night of the county cup calendar so far. The holders are gone already: Three Bridges were beaten 3-0 at home by Worthing in round two. So are Brighton & Hove Albion's U21s, beaten 2-0 at Hanbury Park by Haywards Heath Town. Horsham, winners in 2024 and 2025, are already in the quarter-finals after a 1-0 win at Pagham on 3 November.

Seven ties, fourteen clubs, Step 1 to Step 5. The fourteen scored **76 goals and conceded 12** on the way here, and six of them (Hassocks, Chichester City, Eastbourne United, Whitehawk, Littlehampton Town and Lewes) are already further than they got last season. Every tie gets a match card: Dougie's model, the tale of the tape and the story behind the numbers. Then Dougie makes his call. Somebody's cup run ends on Tuesday night, possibly in a shoot-out: level after 90 minutes goes straight to penalties.

76

goals scored by the 14 clubs getting here

80

Senior Cups between the 15 clubs left

92%

Worthing's chance of going through

TUESDAY'S TIES

					Kick-off · venue
7.30pm	HASSOCKS Step 5		v	CHICHESTER CITY Step 3	The Hassocks Hotel Beacon Ground
7.30pm	WICK Step 5		v	WORTHING Step 1	Crabtree Park, Wick
7.45pm	BOGNOR REGIS TOWN Step 4		v	EASTBOURNE UNITED Step 5	Nyewood Lane
7.45pm	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN Step 5		v	BROADBRIDGE HEATH Step 4	Hanbury Park
7.45pm	WHITEHAWK Step 3		v	HASTINGS UNITED Step 4	The Enclosed Ground
7.45pm	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH Step 3		v	LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN Step 4	Priory Lane
7.45pm	EASTBOURNE TOWN Step 4		v	LEWES Step 3	The Saffrons

THROUGH HORSHAM won 1-0 at Pagham, 3 November — Quarter-finals

Tables and form to Saturday 14 November. Form chips: last five league games, latest on the right.

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THE SUSSEX SENIOR CUP · SINCE 1882-83

144 YEARS AND COUNTING

TUE 17 NOV

By Dougie · Dugout AI

Before the Football League, before the penalty kick, before goal nets, there was this. Dougie here with a history lesson, and I promise there's no test. When the Sussex Senior Cup was first played for, Queen Victoria was on the throne and Brighton & Hove Albion were still nineteen years from being born. Tuesday's last 16 is part of a story that has outlived two world wars, the Goldstone Ground and the amateur game itself. Fourteen clubs chase it under the lights on Tuesday.



Image: Three Bridges FC on X (@ThreeBridgesFC), 15 May 2026 ↗

KEY MOMENTS

1882	The Sussex County FA is founded in September. Its Senior Cup is first played for that season, 1882-83.
1883	The first final, at Preston Park in Brighton: Brighton Rangers 3, Burgess Hill 0.
1880s	Public schools and their old boys rule: Lancing College, Brighton College and Ardingly all reach finals. Burgess Hill win three in a row, 1884 to 1886.
1905	Brighton & Hove Albion, Sussex's only professional club, try to enter but pull out over clashing dates. They finally take part in 1946, and again from 1975-76 once the amateur and professional game are no longer kept apart.
1914-19	Suspended for the First World War. In the Second, the Sussex Wartime Cup winners take the trophy, and there is no competition at all in 1940-41.
1937	The highest-scoring final on record: Southwick 8, Haywards Heath 3.
1951-95	Every final is played at the Goldstone Ground until Brighton sell it.
1980-84	Bognor Regis Town, under Jack Pearce, win five in a row. Nobody has matched it.
2011	On 16 July the final opens Falmer Stadium, the first competitive match there: Brighton 2-0, crowd 7,104. Every final since has been at the Amex.
2026	Three Bridges win it for the first time, beating Brighton on penalties.

HOW THE WORLD HAS CHANGED

	1882-83	2026-27
On the throne	Queen Victoria	**King Charles III**
The Football League	Did not exist. Founded 1888	**92 clubs, Premier League included**
Penalty kicks	Not invented until 1891	**Level after 90 minutes? Straight to a shoot-out**
Goal nets	None. First used in January 1891	**Every ground, every game**
Brighton & Hove Albion	Not founded until 1901	**Premier League club; U21s in this cup**
Electric travel	Volk's Electric Railway opens on Brighton seafront, 4 August 1883	**Still running: the oldest operating electric railway in the world**
Who could play	Amateur clubs only	**Step 1 to Step 6 clubs, plus Brighton and Crawley U21s**
Women	No county cup	**The Sussex Women's Cup, played since 1995**

22 titles for Worthing, the record

13 final defeats for Lewes, also a record

5 in a row for Bognor, 1980-84

Sources: Sussex Senior Cup, Wikipedia (first final, early winners, wartime, venues, records, 2011 and 2026 finals); Volk's Electric Railway Association; FIFA and IFAB history of the penalty kick (1891); Football League founded 1888; Brighton & Hove Albion founded 1901.

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DOUGIE'S MODEL V DOUGIE'S GUT

THE PROBABILITY BOARD

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Every league game this season goes into the model: each side's scoring and conceding rates (half at the venue, half overall), a 15% shift per step towards the higher-level club, and the odds of every scoreline from 0-0 to 10-10. Draws go to penalties, split 50-50. The bar is each side's chance of going through; the dashed line is 50-50. Closest tie first.

HOST	CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH	VISITOR	DOUGIE'S CALL
BOGNOR Home · 51%	51% / 49% · UPSET METER 5/10	**EASTBOURNE UTD** Away · 49%	3-2
HASSOCKS Home · 47%	47% / 53% · UPSET METER 7/10	**CHICHESTER** Away · 53%	2-2, pens
HAYWARDS HEATH Home · 56%	56% / 44% · UPSET METER 4/10	**BROADBRIDGE HEATH** Away · 44%	2-1
WHITEHAWK Home · 40%	40% / 60% · UPSET METER 5/10	**HASTINGS** Away · 60%	1-2
EASTBOURNE TOWN Home · 32%	32% / 68% · UPSET METER 3/10	**LEWES** Away · 68%	0-2
BOROUGH Home · 84%	84% / 16% · UPSET METER 1/10	**LITTLEHAMPTON** Away · 16%	4-0
WICK Home · 7%	92% · UPSET METER 1/10	**WORTHING** Away · 92%	0-4

Worthing

Banker of the night: 92% to go through

Hassocks

Upset of the night: the model says 47%, Dougie says pens

51-49

Game of the night: Bognor v Eastbourne United

Gut v model. They agree on six of the seven. The one split is at the Beacon Ground, where the model makes Chichester 53% to go through and Dougie is backing Hassocks on penalties anyway. Four of the seven favourites are the away side, and Wick have a 7% chance of the shock of the round. Dougie's calls are for fun, not for betting. Worthing, the banker, warmed up for this with a stoppage-time 1-1 at Scunthorpe on Saturday.



Image: Worthing FC on X (@WorthingFC), 16 Nov ↗

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WEATHER · ENTRY · GETTING IN

MATCHDAY INFO

TUE 17 NOV

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23mm rain before 6pm at Wick, the wettest ground

32 mph gusts at Priory Lane and the Saffrons

FREE entry at Eastbourne Borough

9°C coldest at full-time, Hassocks

A wet day, a drier night. Heavy rain is forecast across Sussex on Tuesday daytime, 15 to 23mm before 6pm, easing by kick-off. Watch club socials for pitch inspections, especially at Wick, Bognor and the Saffrons. Eastbourne is the windiest stop of the night. Wrap up at Priory Lane: Borough are letting everyone in free and want to hear the noise.



Image: Eastbourne Borough FC on X (@ebfc_official), 16 Nov ↗

TIE	TEMP	RAIN, KO → FT	WIND	RAIN PRE-6	ENTRY
Hassocks v Chichester 7.30pm · The Hassocks Hotel Beacon Ground	**10°C → 9°C**	41% → 18%	12 mph, gusts 24	15mm	Adults £8, concessions £4, under-16s free
Wick v Worthing 7.30pm · Crabtree Park, Wick	**11°C → 10°C**	39% → 14%	12-13 mph, gusts 24	23mm	Adults £8, concessions £5, under-16s free with a paying adult. Gates 5pm. AM Coffee Co. on site
Bognor v Eastbourne Utd 7.45pm · Nyewood Lane	**11°C**	21% → 10%	13 mph, gusts 26	22mm	Not published. Last league prices: £12 terrace, £13 stand, under-18s £6
Haywards Heath v Broadbridge Heath 7.45pm · Hanbury Park	**10°C**	28% → 18%	8-9 mph, gusts 17	17mm	Adults £8, concessions £4, under-16s free with an adult
Whitehawk v Hastings 7.45pm · The Enclosed Ground	**11°C**	28% → 18%	13-15 mph, gusts 30	20mm	Not published yet
Borough v Littlehampton 7.45pm · Priory Lane	**12°C**	30% → 20%	16 mph, gusts 32	21mm	**FREE ENTRY for everyone**
Eastbourne Town v Lewes 7.45pm · The Saffrons	**12°C**	30% → 20%	16-17 mph, gusts 32	22mm	Adults £10, concessions £6, 16-18 £5, under-16s free

Forecast: Open-Meteo, issued Monday 16 November; it can change by Tuesday night. Prices are the clubs' published prices or posts on 16 November; Bognor's are from their 2024-25 announcement and may not apply to a cup tie. Whitehawk had not published prices by Monday. Borough's Priory Lane is now the Connect Management Stadium.

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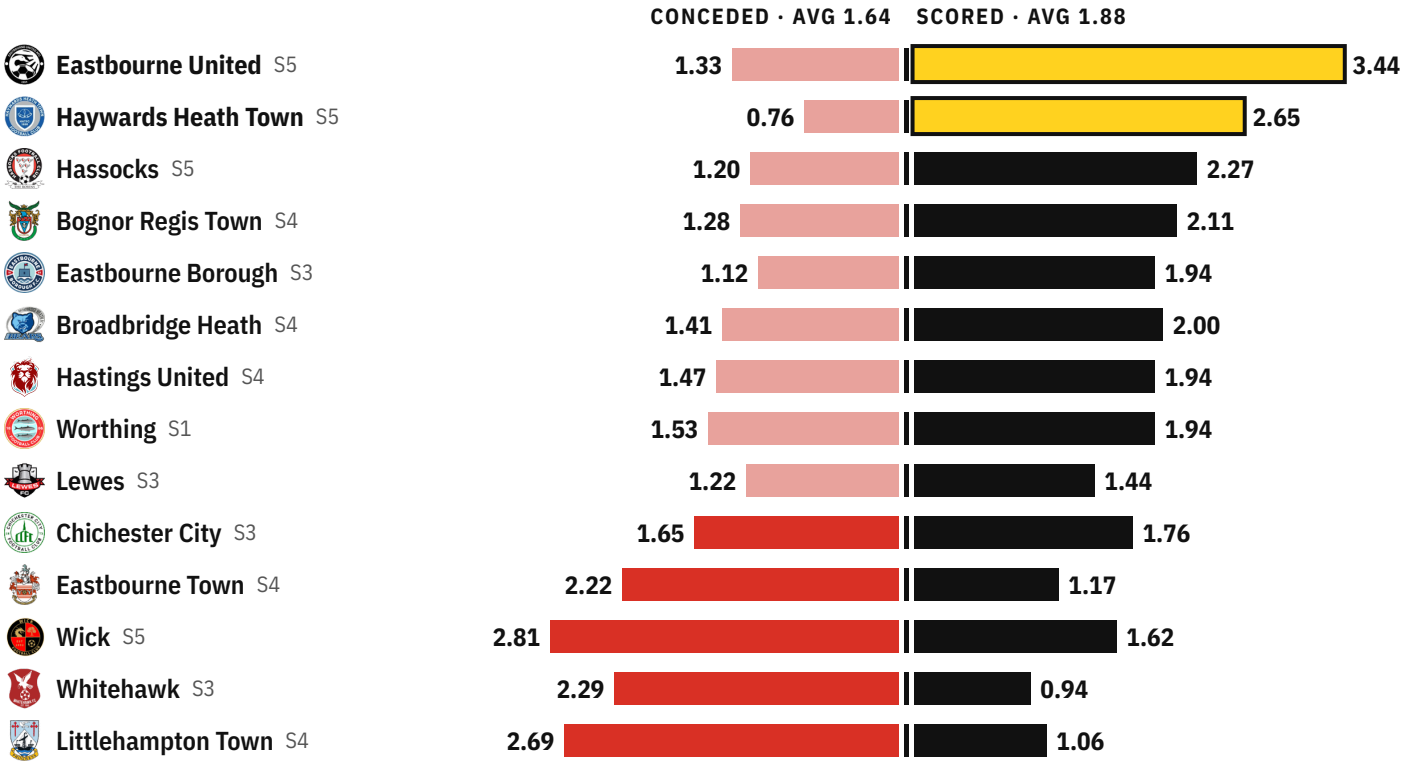
THE NUMBERS BEHIND THE NIGHT

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SCORED AND CONCEDED PER LEAGUE GAME

Best goal difference at the top



Two clubs sit apart. Eastbourne United score 1.6 goals a game more than the average of the fourteen; Haywards Heath Town concede less than half the average. At the other end, three of the bottom four are at home on Tuesday: Eastbourne Town, Wick and Whitehawk. The fourth, Littlehampton, go to Priory Lane, where Borough have won eight of nine. Each club is measured against its own division.

SENIOR CUP TITLES

15 clubs left · 80 between them

Worthing	22	Eastbourne Town	12
Bognor	9	Horsham	9
Eastbourne Utd	6	Lewes	5
Whitehawk	4	Hastings	4
Borough	3	Haywards Heath	2
Littlehampton	2	Chichester	1
Wick	1	Hassocks	0
Broadbridge Heath	0		

22

Worthing, the record. Last won 2023



Image: Worthing FC on X (@WorthingFC), 16 Nov ↗

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TIE 1 · TUESDAY 7.30PM · THE HASSOCKS HOTEL BEACON GROUND

HASSOCKS V CHICHESTER

TIE 1 OF 7

By Dougie · Dugout AI

HASSOCKS

3rd, SCFL Premier · Step 5

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V

CHICHESTER CITY

7th, Southern Premier South · Step 3

W L W W L

Tuesday 7.30pm, The Hassocks Hotel Beacon Ground. Two steps between them, and the side from the lower step is in better nick. Chichester arrive off two straight defeats: 2-1 at Chertsey Town in the league on 10 November, then 4-0 at National League South's Salisbury in the FA Trophy on Saturday.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes

Hassocks win 36% | Draw, then pens 23% | Chichester win 41%

47%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 1-1

DOUGIE'S CALL **2-2, pens**

53%

PLAYER TO WATCH

JACK TROAK

9 goals in all competitions

✓ Last scored 31 Oct v Eastbourne United (FA Full-Time)

PLAYER TO WATCH

HARRY BRIDLE

12 goals in all competitions, 10 in the league

✓ Last scored Sat 7 Nov (Football Web Pages)

TALE OF THE TAPE

Better figure highlighted

HASSOCKS		CHICHESTER
2.06	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	1.65
2.38	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.33
2.57	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.22
1.00	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.89
62%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	53%
33%	CLEAN SHEETS	18%
9	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	9
0	SENIOR CUP TITLES	1



Image: Hassocks FC on X (@hassocksfc), 13 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

8

Hassocks were 2-1 down at half-time at Hailsham Town in round two. They won 8-3.

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TIE 1 · THE STORY

HASSOCKS V CHICHESTER

TIE 1 OF 7

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THE TAPE	HASSOCKS (THE ROBINS)	CHICHESTER CITY
LEAGUE	SCFL Premier (Step 5)	Southern League Premier South (Step 3)
POSITION	3rd, 33 pts from 16	7th, 28 pts from 17
LEAGUE RECORD	W10 D3 L3, scored 34, conceded 18	W9 D1 L7, scored 30, conceded 28
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	L W W W L	W L W W L
MANAGER	James Westlake	Miles Rutherford
SENIOR CUP TITLES	0	1 (as Chichester, 1926)
ROAD HERE	1-0 at Bexhill United (R1), 8-3 at Hailsham Town (R2)	Bye, then 6-1 v Peacehaven & Telscombe (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Jack Troak 9, Lewis Finney 8, Omar Abdsami Arroyo 7 (all competitions, FA Full-Time)	Harry Bridle 10 league goals, Brandon Chebby 5, Isaac Bello 4

Hassocks have not lost a league game by more than two all season. Five of Chichester's seven league defeats came away from Oaklands Park, and Tuesday is an away night.

The Robins. Hassocks won the SCFL title in 2024-25, went up, and came straight back down from the Isthmian South East last season. They have bounced. They are third, and still in the FA Vase after knocking out Eastbourne United 5-2 on 31 October; Rusthall away is next, on 28 November. Saturday's 2-1 defeat at Newhaven ended a six-game winning run in all competitions. Their only home league defeat this season was also to Newhaven, on 4 August.

The Lilywhites. Harry Bridle is joint fourth in the Southern Premier South scoring chart with 10 league goals, including a hat-trick against Chippenham Town on 22 August. City were moved across from the Isthmian Premier this summer. They are 7th and strong at home (W5 D1 L2), but on the road their league results are all-or-nothing: W4 L5, no draws, including a 5-0 hiding at leaders Uxbridge. The FA Cup second-round trip to Tranmere in December 2019 (lost 5-1) is still the club's modern high-water mark.

History. The old Chichester club won this cup once, in 1926, beating Eastbourne 5-1 in the final at the Dripping Pan. Hassocks have never won it. The last time we found these two in this competition, Chichester won 2-1, back when both were SCFL sides. Last season both went out in round two: Hassocks 1-0 at Brighton & Hove Albion's U21s, Chichester on penalties at Eastbourne Borough after a 2-2 draw.

KICK-OFF	VENUE
7.30pm	**The Hassocks Hotel Beacon Ground**
WEATHER	ENTRY
10°C → 9°C · rain 41% → 18% · wind 12 mph, gusts 24	**Adults £8, concessions £4, under-16s free**



Image: Chichester City FC on X (@ChiCityFC), 15 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S CALL

Hassocks 2-2 Chichester City, Hassocks win on pena

UPSET METER 7/10

Chichester have the better players on paper, but they have shipped six goals in four days and they travel in a funny old mood. A big night at the Beacon, a Vase run building, and a side that has already come from behind in this competition. I'm going Robins.

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TIE 2 · TUESDAY 7.30PM · CRABTREE PARK, WICK

WICK V WORTHING

TIE 2 OF 7

By Dougie · Dugout AI

WICK

15th, SCFL Premier · Step 5

W W L L D

V

WORTHING

7th, National League · Step 1

W W D L D

Tuesday 7.30pm, Crabtree Park. Four divisions apart: the record 22-time winners visit a Step 5 side that has won it once. Worthing are a National League club now. Wick are 15th in the SCFL Premier. On paper, it's a mismatch. Cup nights in November don't always read the paper.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes



Wick win 4% **Draw, then pens 7%** **Worthing win 89%**

7%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 0-4

DOUGIE'S CALL **0-4**

92%

PLAYER TO WATCH

GEORGE BINGHAM

4 goals, all in his last 8 games

✓ Scored on Saturday, 14 Nov (FA Full-Time)

PLAYER TO WATCH

RAZZAQ COLEMAN DE-GRAFT

7 goals, Worthing's top scorer

✓ Last scored Sat 24 Oct (Football Web Pages)

TALE OF THE TAPE

Better figure highlighted

WICK		WORTHING
1.00	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	1.71
1.29	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.88
1.71	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	2.00
2.57	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.50
31%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	47%
12%	CLEAN SHEETS	18%
7	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	8
1	SENIOR CUP TITLES	22



Image: Worthing FC on X (@WorthingFC), 14 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

22 v 1

Senior Cup titles, Worthing v Wick.

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TIE 2 · THE STORY

WICK V WORTHING

TIE 2 OF 7

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THE TAPE	WICK	WORTHING (THE REBELS)
LEAGUE	SCFL Premier (Step 5)	National League (Step 1)
POSITION	15th, 16 pts from 16	7th, 29 pts from 17
LEAGUE RECORD	W5 D1 L10, scored 26, conceded 45	W8 D5 L4, scored 33, conceded 26
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	W W L L D	W W D L D
MANAGER	Lee Baldwin	Adam Hinshelwood
SENIOR CUP TITLES	1 (1993)	22 (the record)
ROAD HERE	6-0 v Seaford Town (R1), 3-1 at Loxwood (R2)	Bye, then 3-0 at holders Three Bridges (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Joseph Bennett 5, George Bingham 4 (all competitions, FA Full-Time)	Razzaq Coleman De-Graft 7, Cory Adjetey-Brew 5 (league)

Seven of Wick's ten league defeats were by three goals or more. Worthing have lost by more than one goal just once, 3-0 at home to Sutton United.

The Rebels. Worthing won National League South last season, their first promotion to the top tier of non-league football in 140 years. They have not looked out of place: 3-2 at Carlisle United on the opening day in front of 8,394, 5-0 against Solihull Moors, and 7th after 17 games. Saturday's 1-1 at Scunthorpe was a stoppage-time equaliser away from three points. Harrogate Town visit Woodside Road on Saturday, so expect changes. Even a changed Worthing XI is National League depth.

This cup is Worthing's cup. They have 22 titles and 33 finals, both records. They won it in 2023, beating Bognor 8-7 on penalties at the Amex, and lost the 2022 final 4-2 to Brighton's U23s. Last season Three Bridges knocked them out 4-2 in the semi-final and went on to lift the trophy. In round two this season, Worthing went to Three Bridges and won 3-0, with goals from Joe Cook, Jordan Young and Dominic Johnson-Fisher. Revenge, served at 7.45pm.

The Wickers. Wick's one Senior Cup came in 1993, a 3-1 final win over Oakwood at the Goldstone. They have scored nine and conceded one in two rounds this time. Last season they also reached round three, and lost 10-0 at Three Bridges on 18 November 2025, almost a year to the day. Their league defence is the worry: 45 conceded in 16 games, joint-most in the division. Wick have played their home league games at Nyewood Lane this season, but both clubs have confirmed this tie is at Crabtree Park on Coomes Way.

KICK-OFF	VENUE
7.30pm	**Crabtree Park, Wick**
WEATHER	ENTRY
11°C → 10°C · rain 39% → 14% · wind 12-13 mph, gusts 24	**Adults £8, concessions £5, under-16s free with a paying adult. Gates 5pm. AM Coffee Co. on site**

DOUGIE'S CALL **Wick 0-4 Worthing**

UPSET METER 1/10

Wick will have a go, and a goal for the Wickers would get a cheer you'd hear in Littlehampton. But Worthing beat the holders away from home to get here. This is the banker of the night.



Image: Worthing FC on X (@WorthingFC), 14 Nov ↗

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TIE 3 · TUESDAY 7.45PM · NYEWOOD LANE

BOGNOR V EASTBOURNE UTD

TIE 3 OF 7

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BOGNOR REGIS TOWN

3rd, Isthmian South Central · Step 4

D D L L W

V

EASTBOURNE UNITED

2nd, SCFL Premier · Step 5

W L W W W

Tuesday 7.45pm, Nyewood Lane. The pick of the round: the best attack in the SCFL against a Step 4 promotion chaser with nine Senior Cups in the cabinet. One step separates them, and Eastbourne United sit higher in their league than Bognor do in theirs.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes

Bognor win 40% | Draw, then pens 21% | Eastbourne Utd win 39%

51%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 2-2

DOUGIE'S CALL **3-2**

49%

PLAYER TO WATCH

KAYA TSHAKA

5 goals in all competitions

✓ Last scored Tue 27 Oct (Football Web Pages)

PLAYER TO WATCH

CALLUM BARLOW

15 goals in all competitions

✓ Last scored 3 Nov; started on Saturday (FA Full-Time)

TALE OF THE TAPE

Better figure highlighted

BOGNOR		EASTBOURNE UTD
2.06	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	2.17
2.22	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	2.30
2.56	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	3.40
1.11	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.10
61%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	67%
28%	CLEAN SHEETS	22%
5	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	12
9	SENIOR CUP TITLES	6



Image: Bognor Regis Town FC on X (@rocks1883), 14 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

62

Eastbourne United's league goals: 3.4 a game.

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TIE 3 · THE STORY

BOGNOR V EASTBOURNE UTD

TIE 3 OF 7

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THE TAPE

	BOGNOR REGIS TOWN (THE ROCKS)	EASTBOURNE UNITED
LEAGUE	Isthmian South Central (Step 4)	SCFL Premier (Step 5)
POSITION	3rd, 37 pts from 18	2nd, 39 pts from 18
LEAGUE RECORD	W11 D4 L3, scored 38, conceded 23	W12 D3 L3, scored 62, conceded 24
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	D D L L W	W L W W W
MANAGER	Danny Hollands	Anthony Storey
SENIOR CUP TITLES	9	6 (all in the 1960s)
ROAD HERE	Bye, then 2-0 v Worthing United (R2, 13 Oct)	4-2 v AFC Varndeanians (R1), 5-1 v Selsey (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Jake Cope 6 in all competitions; Cope, Henry McDonald, Luke Roberts and Kaya Tshaka 4 league goals each	Callum Barlow 15, Charlie Ball 11, James Hull 10 (all competitions, FA Full-Time)

All three of Bognor's league defeats have come in their last seven games, and they haven't kept a league clean sheet since the 7-0 win over Hartley Wintney on 6 October. United have scored in 16 of their 18 league games.

They've met in two finals, one each. Bognor beat Eastbourne United 3-2 in the 1956 final at the Goldstone. United won the 1960 final 1-0, also at the Goldstone, the first of their six titles that decade.

The Rocks. Bognor were relegated from the Isthmian Premier in 2025 and are chasing an instant-ish return. They are third, a point behind leaders Jersey Bulls and level with Egham Town. Nyewood Lane is a fortress: W6 D2 L1 in the league, the only defeat 1-0 to Egham on 3 November. Saturday's West Sussex derby win over Littlehampton drew 1,303. In this cup, Bognor hold the record for consecutive wins, five from 1980 to 1984 under Jack Pearce. They last lifted it in 2019 and lost the 2023 final to Worthing on penalties. Last season they reached the quarter-finals, where Brighton's U21s won 4-1 at Nyewood Lane.

United. Eastbourne United have 62 league goals in 18 games, 17 more than anyone else in the division. Callum Barlow leads with 15 in all competitions. They are W7 D2 L1 away from home in the league, the only defeat 2-1 at Haywards Heath on 18 August. One warning sign: Hassocks put five past them in the FA Vase on 31 October. Last season United went out of this cup in round one, 3-1 at Peacehaven, so this is already a better run.

KICK-OFF	VENUE
7.45pm	**Nyewood Lane**
WEATHER	ENTRY
11°C · rain 21% → 10% · wind 13 mph, gusts 26	**Not published. Last league prices: £12 terrace, £13 stand, under-18s £6**



Image: Bognor Regis Town FC on X (@rocks1883), 15 Nov, photo @lynandtrev ↗

DOUGIE'S CALL

Bognor Regis Town 3-2 Eastbourne United

UPSET METER 5/10

This is the one I'd pay to watch. United will score, they always do. But Bognor have conceded 23 in 18 league games, they are hard to beat at home, and they have big-night experience in this competition. Rocks by a goal, and nobody goes home early.

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TIE 4 · TUESDAY 7.45PM · HANBURY PARK

HAYWARDS HEATH V BROADBRIDGE HEATH

TIE 4 OF 7

By Dougie · Dugout AI

HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN

1st, SCFL Premier · Step 5

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BROADBRIDGE HEATH

8th, Isthmian South East · Step 4

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Tuesday 7.45pm, Hanbury Park. The Heath derby where the lower-league side is the favourite. Haywards Heath Town are five clear at the top of Step 5 and unbeaten at home all season. Broadbridge Heath are a Step 4 side unbeaten in six league games. Something has to give.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes

Haywards Heath win 44% | **Draw, then pens 23%** | **Broadbridge Heath win 32%**

56%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 1-1

DOUGIE'S CALL **2-1**

44%

PLAYER TO WATCH

LUKAS FRANZEN-JONES

17 goals, 8 in his last 8 games

✓ Hat-trick on Saturday, 14 Nov (FA Full-Time)

PLAYER TO WATCH

SAM HARDS

9 goals in all competitions

✓ Last scored Sat 7 Nov (Football Web Pages)

TALE OF THE TAPE

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HAYWARDS HEATH		BROADBRIDGE HEATH
2.59	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	1.59
2.71	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.38
2.43	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.75
0.43	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.38
82%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	41%
35%	CLEAN SHEETS	12%
15	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	11
2	SENIOR CUP TITLES	0



Image: Haywards Heath Town FC on X (@HHTFC), 14 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

10 from 10

Haywards Heath Town are unbeaten in ten competitive games at Hanbury Park this season (W9 D1).

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TIE 4 · THE STORY

HAYWARDS HEATH V BROADBRIDGE HEATH

TIE 4 OF 7

By Dougie · Dugout AI

THE TAPE	HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN (THE BLUES)	BROADBRIDGE HEATH (THE BEARS)
LEAGUE	SCFL Premier (Step 5)	Isthmian South East (Step 4)
POSITION	1st, 44 pts from 17	8th, 27 pts from 17
LEAGUE RECORD	W14 D2 L1, scored 45, conceded 13	W7 D6 L4, scored 34, conceded 24
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	W W W W W	W D W D W
MANAGER	Kev Green	Chris Simmons
SENIOR CUP TITLES	2 (1942, 1958)	0
ROAD HERE	6-1 at Crawley Down Gatwick (R1), 2-0 v Brighton & Hove Albion U21 (R2)	Bye, then 7-0 v Steyning Town (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Lukas Franzen-Jones 17 (all competitions, FA Full-Time)	Sam Hards 9 (7 league), Mason Doughty 8 (6 league), Charlie Connell 6 league

Heath's only league defeat was 2-1 at Crawley Down Gatwick on 10 October, and only two league opponents have scored twice against them. The Bears have drawn six of 17, the most of any side in this dossier.

The Blues. Six straight league wins, the fewest goals conceded in the division (13), and a 7-1 win over AFC Varndeanians on Saturday. Lukas Franzen-Jones scored a hat-trick in it, two from the spot, taking him to 17 recorded goals this season. Hanbury Park has been a fortress: ten competitive home games, nine wins and a draw, the 0-0 with East Grinstead Town on opening day. And this is the side that knocked out Brighton & Hove Albion's U21s, 2-0 on 30 September. The one blemish lately is a 4-2 FA Vase defeat at Rusthall on 31 October.

The Bears. Broadbridge Heath, founded in 1919, stepped up to the Isthmian League for the first time in 2023. Saturday's 2-0 at Margate, both goals from Luke Bejashvili, made it six league games unbeaten (W3 D3). Sam Hards scored in six league games in a row, from 17 October to 7 November. Their round-two win was a 7-0 over Steyning Town, the same Steyning who won 4-1 at Hastings on Saturday. Last season the Bears went to the quarter-finals, beating Burgess Hill and Hastings before losing 3-1 at home to Worthing on 20 January.

History. Haywards Heath won the cup in 1958, beating Worthing 2-1 in the final, and also hold the 1942 wartime title. They were also on the wrong end of the highest-scoring final on record, 8-3 to Southwick in 1937. These two have cup history: the Bears knocked Heath out of this competition at Hanbury Park a few seasons ago, in Naim Rouane's first game as Heath manager. The youngsters have already had their say this week: Heath's U23s won 3-1 at Broadbridge Heath on Thursday 12 November.

KICK-OFF **7.45pm**	VENUE **Hanbury Park**
WEATHER **10°C · rain 28% → 18% · wind 8-9 mph, gusts 17**	ENTRY **Adults £8, concessions £4, under-16s free with an adult**



Image: Broadbridge Heath FC on X (@thebearsbbhfc), 15 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S CALL

Haywards Heath Town 2-1 Broadbridge Heath

UPSET METER 4/10

On paper, a Step 5 win over a Step 4 side is an upset. On form, it isn't. Heath at home, Franzen-Jones on the spot, and a Bears side that has drawn half its last six. Blues to edge it.

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TIE 5 · TUESDAY 7.45PM · THE ENCLOSED GROUND

WHITEHAWK V HASTINGS

TIE 5 OF 7

By Dougie · Dugout AI

WHITEHAWK

22nd, Isthmian Premier · Step 3

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HASTINGS UNITED

4th, Isthmian South East · Step 4

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Tuesday 7.45pm, The Enclosed Ground. The bottom club in the Isthmian Premier against a Step 4 side that has lost four of its last five. On paper, a step apart. In form, two clubs badly needing a lift.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes

Whitehawk win 29% | **Draw, then pens 22%** | **Hastings win 48%**

40%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 1-1

DOUGIE'S CALL **1-2**

60%

PLAYER TO WATCH

KAMARNI RYAN

12 goals in all competitions, 7 in the league

✓ Last scored Sat 31 Oct (Football Web Pages)

PLAYER TO WATCH

KESNA CLARKE

9 goals in all competitions

✓ Last scored Sat 7 Nov (Football Web Pages)

TALE OF THE TAPE

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WHITEHAWK		HASTINGS
0.47	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	1.82
0.75	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	2.00
1.12	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	2.25
2.12	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.38
6%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	59%
12%	CLEAN SHEETS	24%
3	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	3
4	SENIOR CUP TITLES	4



Image: Hastings United FC on X (@hastingsufc), 13 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

1 and 10

Whitehawk's league wins all season, and the goals they scored in their one Senior Cup tie.

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TIE 5 · THE STORY

WHITEHAWK V HASTINGS

TIE 5 OF 7

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THE TAPE

	WHITEHAWK (THE HAWKS)	HASTINGS UNITED (THE U'S)
LEAGUE	Isthmian Premier (Step 3)	Isthmian South East (Step 4)
POSITION	22nd (bottom), 8 pts from 17	4th, 31 pts from 17
LEAGUE RECORD	W1 D5 L11, scored 16, conceded 39	W10 D1 L6, scored 33, conceded 25
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	D L L D D	L L W L L
MANAGER	Rob Kember (since 15 Oct)	Ronnie Dolan
SENIOR CUP TITLES	4 (last 2015)	4, as credited on Wikipedia's winners list (last 1998)
ROAD HERE	Bye, then 10-0 at Lancing (R2)	Bye, then 1-1 v Burgess Hill Town, won 4-2 on penalties (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Kamarni Ryan 12 (7 league), Rhys Murphy 7 (6 league)	Max Walsh 10 (8 league), Kesna Clarke 9 (8 league)

The Hawks. One league win all season, 3-2 against Three Bridges on 15 September, and bottom on eight points. But this is a different side in cups. They won 10-0 at Lancing in round two, Kamarni Ryan scored four in a 4-1 FA Trophy win at AFC Whyteleafe, and they drew 2-2 with Isthmian Premier leaders Welling United last Tuesday. Saturday's Trophy exit to Tonbridge Angels came after an hour with ten men; they finished with nine.

The U's. Hastings were second a week ago. They have lost four of their last five league games, including 3-0 at home to Sevenoaks Town last Tuesday and 4-1 at home to Steyning Town on Saturday, have dropped them to fourth. They are better travellers this season: W5 D1 L2 away in the league, against W5 L4 at the Pilot Field. Max Walsh and Kesna Clarke have 16 league goals between them.

History. Whitehawk last lifted the cup in 2015, beating Lewes 5-0 at the Amex. Hastings reached the final in 2024 and lost 3-0 to Horsham. Last season, Hastings went out 5-1 at Broadbridge Heath in round three; Whitehawk went out in round two on penalties to Horsham.

KICK-OFF **7.45pm**	VENUE **The Enclosed Ground**
WEATHER **11°C · rain 28% → 18% · wind 13-15 mph, gusts 30**	ENTRY **Not published yet**

DOUGIE'S CALL **Whitehawk 1-2 Hastings United**

UPSET METER 5/10

Whitehawk are the higher-ranked side, but Hastings' away form is the best thing either club has going for it. It will be tight and twitchy. U's by one.



Image: Whitehawk FC on X (@HawksFCOfficial), 14 Nov ↗

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TIE 6 · TUESDAY 7.45PM · PRIORY LANE

BOROUGH V LITTLEHAMPTON

TIE 6 OF 7

By Dougie · Dugout AI

EASTBOURNE BOROUGH

3rd, Isthmian Premier · Step 3

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LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN

22nd, Isthmian South Central · Step 4

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Tuesday 7.45pm, Priory Lane. Third in the Isthmian Premier against bottom of the Isthmian South Central, and the biggest home-form gap of the night. Borough have won eight of nine league games at Priory Lane. Littlehampton have not won a league game away from home all season.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes

Borough win 77% | **Draw, then pens 14%** | **Littlehampton win 9%**

84%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 2-0

DOUGIE'S CALL **4-0**

16%

PLAYER TO WATCH

JOSH REES

9 goals, Borough's top scorer

✓ Last scored Tue 10 Nov (Football Web Pages)

PLAYER TO WATCH

HARRY HEATH

8 goals in all competitions

✓ Last scored Tue 20 Oct (Football Web Pages)

TALE OF THE TAPE

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BOROUGH		LITTLEHAMPTON
2.12	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	0.44
2.67	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	0.38
2.11	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.00
0.89	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	3.00
69%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	6%
38%	CLEAN SHEETS	6%
12	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	1
3	SENIOR CUP TITLES	2



Image: Eastbourne Borough FC on X (@ebfc_official), 14 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

2.67 v 0.38

Points per league game: Borough at home, Littlehampton away.

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TIE 6 · THE STORY

BOROUGH V LITTLEHAMPTON

TIE 6 OF 7

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THE TAPE

	EASTBOURNE BOROUGH (THE SPORTS)	LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN (THE GOLDEN LIONS)
LEAGUE	Isthmian Premier (Step 3)	Isthmian South Central (Step 4)
POSITION	3rd, 34 pts from 16	22nd (bottom), 7 pts from 16
LEAGUE RECORD	W11 D1 L4, scored 31, conceded 18	W1 D4 L11, scored 17, conceded 43
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	W W W L W	L D L L L
MANAGER	Steve King	Mitch Hand
SENIOR CUP TITLES	3 (2002, 2009, 2016)	2 (1949, 1970)
ROAD HERE	Bye, then 3-0 v Little Common (R2)	Bye, then 4-2 at Saltdean United (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Josh Rees 9, Kai Corbett 7, Liam Nash 5 (all league)	Harry Heath 8 (6 league), George Gaskin 3

The Sports. Relegated from National League South last season, Borough have rebuilt under Steve King and sit three points off second. They are still in the FA Trophy too: on Saturday their ten men beat Chertsey Town 2-1 with Tyano Wilson's winner in the 94th minute. At Priory Lane they are W8 L1 in the league, the only defeat 1-0 to Leatherhead on 29 August. Last season they reached the Senior Cup semi-finals.

The Golden Lions. One league win all season, 3-0 against Cobham on 22 September, and 43 conceded, including 8-1 at home to Hartley Wintney and 6-0 at Egham Town. They were beaten 2-1 at Bognor on Saturday in front of 1,303, with George Gaskin scoring. But this club knows the way to the Amex: they were in the 2025 final and lost 1-0 to Horsham.

History. Borough won the cup in 2002, 2009 and 2016, the last a 1-0 final win over Worthing. Littlehampton won it in 1949 and 1970, and have lost four finals, the latest in 2025. Last season Littlehampton went out 4-3 at home to Crawley Down Gatwick in round two.

KICK-OFF	VENUE
7.45pm	**Priory Lane**
WEATHER	ENTRY
12°C · rain 30% → 20% · wind 16 mph, gusts 32	**FREE ENTRY for everyone**



Image: Eastbourne Borough FC on X (@ebfc_official), 14 Nov ↗

DOUGIE'S CALL

Eastbourne Borough 4-0 Littlehampton Town

UPSET METER 1/10

Borough are flying and Littlehampton are bottom. If Littlehampton keep it at 0-0 past half-time, ring me.

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TIE 7 · TUESDAY 7.45PM · THE SAFFRONS

EASTBOURNE TOWN V LEWES

TIE 7 OF 7

By Dougie · Dougout AI

EASTBOURNE TOWN

21st, Isthmian South East · Step 4

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LEWES

4th, Isthmian Premier · Step 3

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Tuesday 7.45pm, The Saffrons. Two of Sussex's oldest clubs, 17 Senior Cups between them, and a rematch of the 1932 final. Lewes are fourth in the Isthmian Premier. Eastbourne Town are 21st in the Isthmian South East, a step below.

DOUGIE'S MODEL

Result after 90 minutes



Eastbourne Town win 21% | **Draw, then pens 21%** | **Lewes win 57%**

32%

CHANCE OF GOING THROUGH

Model's most likely score 1-2

DOUGIE'S CALL **0-2**

68%

PLAYER TO WATCH

ALFIE ROGERS

6 goals, Town's top scorer

✓ Scored on Saturday, 14 Nov (Football Web Pages)

PLAYER TO WATCH

CHARLIE WALKER

4 goals, Lewes' top scorer

✓ Last scored Sat 31 Oct (Football Web Pages)

TALE OF THE TAPE

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EASTBOURNE TOWN		LEWES
0.56	LEAGUE POINTS PER GAME	1.72
0.78	POINTS PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.78
1.56	SCORED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.56
1.78	CONCEDED PER GAME AT THIS VENUE	1.33
11%	LEAGUE GAMES WON	50%
11%	CLEAN SHEETS	39%
1	POINTS FROM THE LAST FIVE	5
12	SENIOR CUP TITLES	5



Image: Lewes FC on X (@LewesFCMen), 16 Nov, photo Sam Coldy ↗

DOUGIE'S BIG STAT

17

Senior Cups won between these two: 12 for Eastbourne Town, the third-highest total in the competition's history, and 5 for Lewes. Lewes have also lost 13 finals, more than any other club.

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TIE 7 · THE STORY

EASTBOURNE TOWN V LEWES

TIE 7 OF 7

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THE TAPE

	EASTBOURNE TOWN	LEWES (THE ROOKS)
LEAGUE	Isthmian South East (Step 4)	Isthmian Premier (Step 3)
POSITION	21st, 10 pts from 18	4th, 31 pts from 18
LEAGUE RECORD	W2 D4 L12, scored 21, conceded 40	W9 D4 L5, scored 26, conceded 22
LAST FIVE LEAGUE	L L L L D	D L W L D
MANAGER	Jude Macdonald	Craig Nelson
SENIOR CUP TITLES	12 (last 1953)	5 (last 2006); 13 final defeats, the record
ROAD HERE	Bye, then 3-0 at Jarvis Brook (R2)	Bye, then 2-0 at Crowborough Athletic (R2)
TOP SCORERS	Alfie Rogers 6 (all league)	Charlie Walker 4; Josh Spinks, Noel Fisher and Ryan Gondoh 3 each (all league)

Eastbourne Town. Saturday's 1-1 at Sheppey United ended a run of six straight league defeats. When they win, they win big: both league wins came at the Saffrons, 5-0 against Peacehaven & Telscombe and 7-0 against Horley Town. Otherwise it has been hard going, W2 D1 L6 at home. Alfie Rogers has six of their 21 league goals.

The Rooks. Lewes pull the crowds: 2,112 for Eastbourne Borough's visit in August and 3,092 at Dulwich Hamlet this month. They are fourth, but with one win in their last five league games, and Saturday's 0-0 with second-from-bottom Stanway Rovers was a frustration. Their goals are shared around, with no one past four in the league.

History. Eastbourne Town have 12 Senior Cups, the third most of any club, but none since 1953. Lewes have won it five times and lost a record 13 finals. These two met in the 1932 final, and the club then called Eastbourne won it 3-2 after extra time. Last season Eastbourne Town reached round three and lost 1-0 to Brighton's U21s; Lewes went out in round two at Roffey.

KICK-OFF	VENUE
7.45pm	**The Saffrons**
WEATHER	ENTRY
12°C · rain 30% → 20% · wind 16-17 mph, gusts 32	**Adults £10, concessions £6, 16-18 £5, under-16s free**

DOUGIE'S CALL **Eastbourne Town 0-2 Lewes**

UPSET METER 3/10

Lewes have been flat lately, but Town have one point from their last five. The Rooks should have too much.



Image: Lewes FC on X (@LewesFCMen), 16 Nov, photo Sam Coldy ↗

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ALREADY IN THE QUARTER-FINALS

HORSHAM ARE THROUGH

QF DRAW TO COME

By Dougie · Dugout AI

The Hornets have their feet up on Tuesday. Horsham's third-round tie was played early: 1-0 at Pagham on 3 November, after a 10-0 win over Newhaven in round two. Nine Senior Cups, two of them in 2024 and 2025. Last season they went out in the quarter-finals, 1-1 at Three Bridges and 4-1 on penalties, and Three Bridges went on to lift the cup. Greg Luer has five league goals this season. Whoever draws Horsham gets the side with the most recent winning habit in the competition.



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FA Full-Time scorer totals depend on clubs entering them, so they can run low. Managers: Wick (Lee Baldwin) and Littlehampton Town (Mitch Hand) confirmed by Dugout Diaries; Whitehawk appointed Rob Kember on 15 October after Jay Lovett resigned (Non-League Paper, Tonbridge Angels); Hastings United appointed Ronnie Dolan on 22 May 2026 (club statement); Eastbourne United's Anthony Storey per the SCFL club directory; Eastbourne Town's Jude Macdonald per the Sussex Express, September 2026. Hastings United's titles are counted as Wikipedia credits them. Goals on the way here leave out penalty shoot-outs. Dougie's model and calls are for fun, not for betting.

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