



MATCHDAY EDITION

THE TUESDAY SUPPLEMENT



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SATURDAY'S SUSSEX SCORELINES

Sat 17 Oct

FA Cup	Wealdstone	3-0	Worthing
NLS	Slough Town	1-2	Horsham
IP	Lewes	1-1	Maldon & Tiptree
IP	Cheshunt	1-1	Whitehawk
ISE	Peacehaven & Telscombe	1-4	Ashford United
SCFL	Lancing	3-1	Hassocks
SCFL	East Grinstead Town	6-1	Billingshurst

FA Cup	Salisbury	3-0	Eastbourne Borough
IP	Three Bridges	3-3	Enfield Town
IP	Welling United	4-2	Burgess Hill Town
ISE	Hastings United	2-0	Erith Town
ISC	Binfield	6-1	Littlehampton Town
SCFL	Wick	1-4	Haywards Heath Town
SCFL	Eastbourne United	5-1	Crawley Down Gatwick

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DUGOUT DIARIES · TONIGHT'S OVERVIEW

TUESDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

BY MIKE McCaffrey

Thirteen games, Sussex clubs from Step 2 to Step 6, and one Tuesday night to do it. Grab your coat. Here's where it's at.

THE BIG ONE

Hastings United are top of the Isthmian South East and they host Eastbourne Town at the Pilot Field. Max Walsh has eight league goals. Town haven't scored in two and haven't won in five. On paper it's a mismatch. In an East Sussex derby, paper means nothing.

DERBY UNDER THE LIGHTS

Three Bridges just took a point off Enfield Town, the Isthmian Premier leaders, in a 3-3 thriller. Now Eastbourne Borough roll into Jubilee Field nursing an FA Cup hangover, but they've won their last four in the league. Borough have the better squad, Bridges have the bottle. I want to be there for the last 20 minutes.

HORNETS IN THE LION'S DEN

Horsham go to Ebbsfleet, the form side in National League South: unbeaten, four goals conceded all season, and six put past Weston on Saturday. Horsham won at Slough with two penalties. They'll need their keeper to have the night of his life.

GOALS GUARANTEED

Peacehaven's last three games have produced eighteen goals. Merstham arrive having just put five past Margate. If you want a 0-0 tonight, don't come to the Sports Park.

BASEMENT BATTLE

Steyning v Crowborough is 19th v 22nd. Steyning haven't drawn a game all season. Crowborough have Samuel-Smikle, who has scored three in two. Something's got to give.

THE GOLDS

Littlehampton go to Westfield in Surrey after leading at Binfield on Saturday, then conceding six. They need a reaction.

SCFL

Haywards Heath Town are top on 32 points with eight conceded all season, and they host Pagham and Lewis Rustell at Hanbury. In Division One, Jarvis Brook haven't lost a league game since August and go to Mile Oak.

CUP NIGHT

In the Peter Bentley Cup, Bexhill host Eastbourne United at the Polegrove. United have 47 league goals, so bring a calculator. Crawley Down Gatwick host Newhaven, and Hassocks, still stinging from that stoppage-time collapse at Lancing, host Shoreham. In the RUR Charity Cup, Horsham YM host the Varns: the two lowest scorers in the Premier, so blink and you'll miss the only goal.



WHERE WILL WE BE?

Me and The SNLF Food Guy Gareth are heading to Loxwood v Dial Square in the Division One Cup (19:45, Loxwood Sports Association). Loxwood are unbeaten in four and Lewis Huggins bagged two at Westfield on Saturday. Dial Square have one of the tightest defences in the division but have lost their last two. Gareth's on food duty, I'm on football duty. Come and say hello if you see us.



Grassroots football matters. Get out and support your local club tonight.

Mike McCaffrey, Dugout Diaries

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TONIGHT · 13 SUSSEX FIXTURES

TONIGHT IN SUSSEX

ALL TIMES BST

Every game tonight involving a Sussex club, from National League South down to SCFL Division One, league and cup. Positions are from the tables on pages 4–9.

NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH

19:45 Ebbsfleet United  v  Horsham 2nd v 15th **p10**

ISTHMIAN PREMIER

19:45 Three Bridges  v  Eastbourne Borough 20th v 7th **p11**

ISTHMIAN SOUTH EAST

19:45 Hastings United  v  Eastbourne Town 1st v 21st **p12**

19:45 Peacehaven & Telscombe  v  Merstham 14th v 17th **p13**

19:45 Steyning Town  v  Crowborough Athletic 19th v 22nd **p14**

ISTHMIAN SOUTH CENTRAL

19:45 Westfield (Surrey)  v  Littlehampton Town 8th v 20th **p15**

SCFL PREMIER

19:45 Haywards Heath Town  v  Pagham 1st v 8th **p16**

SCFL DIVISION ONE

19:30 Mile Oak  v  Jarvis Brook 11th v 4th **p17**

PETER BENTLEY CHALLENGE CUP

19:30 Bexhill United  v  Eastbourne United 6th v 2nd · Round 3 **p19**

19:30 Crawley Down Gatwick  v  Newhaven 10th v 12th · Round 3 **p20**

19:45 Hassocks  v  Shoreham 7th Prem v 19th Div 1 · Round 2 **p21**

SUSSEX RUR CHARITY CUP

19:45 Horsham YM  v  AFC Varndeanians 19th v 11th **p22**

SCFL DIVISION ONE CHALLENGE CUP

19:45 Loxwood  v  Dial Square 13th v 7th · Round 1 **p23**

No league game tonight: Worthing (National League, back on Saturday 24 Oct at Kidderminster), Lewes, Burgess Hill Town and Whitehawk (Isthmian Premier), Bognor Regis Town (Isthmian South Central) and Broadbridge Heath (Isthmian South East).

STEP 2

NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH

TABLE TO SAT 17 OCT

#	CLUB	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	FORM
1	Maidstone United	12	8	1	3	22	13	+9	25	W L L W W
2	Ebbsfleet United	9	6	3	0	20	4	+16	21	D W W W W
3	Salisbury	11	6	3	2	20	8	+12	21	W D W W W
4	Billericay Town	11	6	3	2	25	14	+11	21	W D W W W
5	Truro City	11	6	3	2	17	8	+9	21	D L W D W
6	Tonbridge Angels	12	6	2	4	21	11	+10	20	L D L W W
7	Dagenham & Redbridge	12	6	2	4	10	9	+1	20	L L W D L
8	Weston-super-Mare	12	5	3	4	20	17	+3	18	W W L D L
9	Dover Athletic	11	5	3	3	18	17	+1	18	L W W W D
10	Dorking Wanderers	11	4	5	2	23	17	+6	17	D D D W D
11	Farnham Town	11	5	2	4	17	16	+1	17	D W W D L
12	Folkestone Invicta	12	4	4	4	18	14	+4	16	L L L D W
13	Torquay United	11	4	4	3	18	15	+3	16	W W D L W
14	Chelmsford City	10	2	8	0	14	8	+6	14	D D D D W
15	Horsham	11	3	5	3	12	13	-1	14	D L D L W
16	Hemel Hempstead Town	12	3	5	4	10	11	-1	14	D D W D L
17	Farnborough	11	4	2	5	10	17	-7	14	L L D L W
18	Maidenhead United	12	3	4	5	13	14	-1	13	L D W L L
19	Chesham United	11	3	1	7	16	24	-8	10	L L W L L
20	Braintree Town	11	3	1	7	18	27	-9	10	W L L L L
21	AFC Totton	12	3	1	8	9	23	-14	10	L L L L L
22	Hampton & Richmond Borough	11	2	2	7	11	26	-15	8	L W D L L
23	Walton & Hersham	11	2	2	7	10	27	-17	8	L D D W W
24	Slough Town	12	1	1	10	12	31	-19	4	W L D L L

Sussex clubs

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

Only league game tonight

19:45 Ebbsfleet United v Horsham

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Sat 17 Oct

Ebbsfleet United	6-1	Weston-super-Mare
Farnborough	2-0	Dagenham & Redbridge
Folkestone Invicta	2-1	AFC Totton
Maidstone United	2-1	Maidenhead United
Slough Town	1-2	Horsham
Tonbridge Angels	1-0	Hemel Hempstead Town

Six league games; the rest of the division was in FA Cup action.

STEP 3

ISTHMIAN PREMIER

TABLE TO SAT 17 OCT

#	CLUB	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	FORM
1	Enfield Town	12	9	1	2	33	16	+17	28	LW ^W W ^W W ^D
2	Welling United	12	9	0	3	24	12	+12	27	W ^W W ^W L ^W
3	Lewes	13	8	2	3	20	14	+6	26	L ^W W ^W W ^D
4	Dartford	12	8	0	4	19	14	+5	24	W ^W L ^W L ^W
5	Carshalton Athletic	14	7	1	6	21	24	-3	22	W ^L L ^L D
6	Ramsgate	12	6	1	5	27	17	+10	19	W ^L W ^W L
7	Eastbourne Borough	10	6	1	3	19	11	+8	19	L ^W W ^W W
8	Burgess Hill Town	11	4	5	2	20	15	+5	17	D ^W D ^W L
9	St Albans City	9	5	2	2	18	13	+5	17	W ^D W ^D W
10	Dulwich Hamlet	11	5	2	4	20	16	+4	17	W ^W L ^L D
11	Wingate & Finchley	11	5	2	4	20	21	-1	17	L ^W L ^W W
12	Chatham Town	10	5	0	5	19	14	+5	15	L ^W L ^W L
13	Leatherhead	10	4	3	3	18	17	+1	15	L ^W D ^D L
14	AFC Whyteleafe	13	4	3	6	20	22	-2	15	L ^L W ^W W
15	Cheshunt	12	3	6	3	12	15	-3	15	L ^W W ^W D
16	Aveley	12	4	2	6	19	19	0	14	L ^L L ^D W
17	Cray Wanderers	9	3	3	3	19	14	+5	12	W ^L D ^W L
18	Maldon & Tiptree	13	3	1	9	16	34	-18	10	L ^L L ^L D
19	Brentwood Town	10	3	0	7	15	19	-4	9	L ^L W ^W L
20	Three Bridges	12	2	3	7	23	34	-11	9	L ^D W ^L D
21	Whitehawk	13	1	3	9	12	32	-20	6	L ^L L ^L D
22	Stanway Rovers	11	1	1	9	9	30	-21	4	L ^W L ^L L

Sussex clubs

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

P = shown as postponed

19:45	Brentwood Town	v	Dartford
19:45	Dulwich Hamlet	v	Chatham Town
19:45	Ramsgate	v	Stanway Rovers
19:45	St Albans City	v	Enfield Town
19:45	Three Bridges	v	Eastbourne Borough
19:45	Wingate & Finchley	v	Carshalton Athletic
P	Cheshunt	v	Cray Wanderers
P	Welling United	v	Leatherhead

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Sat 17 Oct

AFC Whyteleafe	2-1	Dartford
Aveley	1-0	Chatham Town
Cheshunt	1-1	Whitehawk
Dulwich Hamlet	2-2	Carshalton Athletic
Lewes	1-1	Maldon & Tiptree
Three Bridges	3-3	Enfield Town
Welling United	4-2	Burgess Hill Town
Wingate & Finchley	4-1	Stanway Rovers

Scores as reflected in the published table.

STEP 4

ISTHMIAN SOUTH EAST

TABLE TO SAT 17 OCT

#	CLUB	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	FORM
1	 Hastings United	11	8	1	2	26	15	+11	25	W L W D W
2	 South Park (Reigate)	12	7	3	2	26	14	+12	24	W W D W L
3	 Erith Town	10	6	2	2	24	11	+13	20	D W W W L
4	 Faversham Town	11	5	4	2	26	19	+7	19	L D D D W
5	 Whitstable Town	10	6	0	4	18	15	+3	18	W W W W W
6	 Margate	12	5	3	4	19	20	-1	18	D W W D L
7	 Ashford United	10	5	2	3	22	15	+7	17	D W D W W
8	 Sittingbourne	12	5	2	5	16	19	-3	17	L W L D L
9	 Broadbridge Heath	11	4	3	4	23	17	+6	15	L L D D L
10	 AFC Croydon Athletic	11	5	0	6	17	17	0	15	W L L L L
11	 Sevenoaks Town	11	4	3	4	19	20	-1	15	W W L L W
12	 Herne Bay	10	5	0	5	16	17	-1	15	L L L L W
13	 Cray Valley PM	12	3	5	4	14	15	-1	14	L W L D W
14	 Peacehaven & Telscombe	12	4	2	6	22	28	-6	14	L L W W L
15	 Sheppey United	9	4	1	4	15	12	+3	13	W W L D W
16	 Deal Town	10	3	4	3	20	19	+1	13	W D D D W
17	 Merstham	10	3	3	4	19	18	+1	12	L D L W W
18	 Punjab United	12	3	3	6	18	29	-11	12	D W W L W
19	 Steyping Town	11	4	0	7	13	25	-12	12	L W W L L
20	 Horley Town	11	3	1	7	16	34	-18	10	W L D L L
21	 Eastbourne Town	11	2	3	6	16	20	-4	9	L D D L L
22	 Crowborough Athletic	9	2	1	6	16	22	-6	7	L D W L L

 Sussex clubs

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

9 league games

19:45	 Deal Town	v	 Faversham Town
19:45	 Hastings United	v	 Eastbourne Town
19:45	 Herne Bay	v	 Ashford United
19:30	 Horley Town	v	 Erith Town
19:45	 Margate	v	 Sheppey United
19:45	 Peacehaven & Telscombe	v	 Merstham
19:45	 Punjab United	v	 Cray Valley PM
19:45	 Sittingbourne	v	 Whitstable Town
19:45	 Steyping Town	v	 Crowborough Athletic

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Sat 17 Oct

Deal Town	1-0	AFC Croydon Athletic
Hastings United	2-0	Erith Town
Herne Bay	1-0	Eastbourne Town
Horley Town	0-3	Cray Valley PM
Margate	0-5	Merstham
Peacehaven & Telscombe	1-4	Ashford United
Punjab United	3-1	Crowborough Athletic
Sevenoaks Town	3-2	Broadbridge Heath
Sittingbourne	0-3	Faversham Town
South Park (Reigate)	1-2	Whitstable Town
Steyping Town	1-2	Sheppey United

STEP 4

ISTHMIAN SOUTH CENTRAL

TABLE TO SUN 18 OCT

#	CLUB	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	FORM
1	 Bognor Regis Town	12	9	2	1	28	13	+15	29	D W W W W L
2	 Jersey Bulls	11	7	4	0	26	13	+13	25	W W W D W
3	 Winchester City	12	6	3	3	29	18	+11	21	L W L W W
4	 Moneyfields	12	6	3	3	20	13	+7	21	D W W W W
5	 Raynes Park Vale	12	7	0	5	20	23	-3	21	W W L W L
6	 Ashford Town (Middx)	11	6	2	3	27	15	+12	20	D W W W W
7	 Egham Town	11	6	1	4	25	22	+3	19	W L W W W
8	 Westfield (Surrey)	10	5	3	2	18	12	+6	18	D W D W L
9	 Southall	9	4	4	1	21	14	+7	16	W W D L W
10	 AFC Portchester	10	4	4	2	11	8	+3	16	W D W L L
11	 Hendon	9	4	3	2	23	16	+7	15	D D L W L
12	 Kingstonian	11	4	3	4	28	26	+2	15	L D L W L
13	 Hartley Wintney	11	4	2	5	21	24	-3	14	L L L L W
14	 Bedfont Sports	13	3	4	6	15	23	-8	13	W D L L D
15	 Hayes & Yeading United	8	3	3	2	14	12	+2	12	L D D W W
16	 Windsor & Eton	10	3	3	4	18	19	-1	12	D L D D L
17	 Harrow Borough	12	2	4	6	16	20	-4	10	W L L D D
18	 Cobham	10	3	0	7	10	20	-10	9	L L L L L
19	 Ascot United	12	2	2	8	17	34	-17	8	W L D L L
20	 Littlehampton Town	12	1	3	8	15	33	-18	6	W L L L L
21	 AFC Stoneham	9	1	2	6	8	18	-10	5	D L L W L
22	 Binfield	11	1	1	9	15	29	-14	4	D L L L W

 Sussex clubs

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

6 league games

19:45	 AFC Stoneham	v	 Winchester City
19:45	 Cobham	v	 Windsor & Eton
19:45	 Egham Town	v	 Hartley Wintney
20:00	 Jersey Bulls	v	 Moneyfields
19:45	 Raynes Park Vale	v	 Hendon
19:45	 Westfield (Surrey)	v	 Littlehampton Town

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Sat 17 Oct

AFC Stoneham	0-1	Moneyfields
Ashford Town (Middx)	7-0	Ascot United
Binfield	6-1	Littlehampton Town
Egham Town	4-2	AFC Portchester
Harrow Borough	0-0	Bedfont Sports
Hartley Wintney	1-0	Windsor & Eton
Hayes & Yeading United	3-2	Kingstonian
Hendon	2-4	Winchester City
Jersey Bulls	5-1	Raynes Park Vale

Bognor Regis Town's 3-1 defeat to Southall is also in the table.

STEP 5

SCFL PREMIER

OFFICIAL SCFL TABLE, 20 OCT

#	CLUB	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	FORM
1	Haywards Heath Town	13	10	2	1	30	8	+22	32	W W L W W
2	Eastbourne United	14	9	3	2	47	18	+29	30	L W D D W
3	East Grinstead Town	13	7	3	3	33	19	+14	24	W W L D W
4	Roffey	12	7	2	3	28	11	+17	23	W D W L W
5	Guernsey	12	7	2	3	24	18	+6	23	L W W W W
6	Bexhill United	12	7	1	4	24	19	+5	22	W L W W W
7	Hassocks	11	6	3	2	26	14	+12	21	W W W D L
8	Pagham	11	6	2	3	28	16	+12	20	W D L W D
9	Lingfield	11	6	2	3	27	20	+7	20	W W W D L
10	Crawley Down Gatwick	15	5	4	6	23	31	-8	19	L W D W L
11	AFC Varndeanians	13	5	3	5	12	15	-3	18	W L L L D
12	Newhaven	12	4	2	6	16	26	-10	14	W L L L D
13	Lancing	12	4	1	7	19	27	-8	13	L L W D W
14	Seaford Town	12	4	1	7	16	24	-8	13	L L W L D
15	Midhurst & Easebourne	10	3	2	5	15	22	-7	11	L L L L D
16	Forest Row	14	3	2	9	20	33	-13	11	L W W D L
17	Billingshurst	14	3	2	9	20	35	-15	11	L W L W L
18	Wick	11	3	0	8	13	31	-18	9	L W L L L
19	Horsham YM	12	1	4	7	11	24	-13	7	D D L L D
20	Little Common	12	2	1	9	13	34	-21	7	L L W L L

Sussex clubs

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

1 league game · plus cup ties

19:45	Haywards Heath Town	v	Pagham	
19:30	Bexhill United	v	Eastbourne United	PETER BENTLEY CUP R3
19:30	Crawley Down Gatwick	v	Newhaven	PETER BENTLEY CUP R3
19:45	Hassocks	v	Shoreham	PETER BENTLEY CUP R2
19:45	Horsham YM	v	AFC Varndeanians	RUR CHARITY CUP

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Sat 17 Oct

Bexhill United	2-0	Forest Row
East Grinstead Town	6-1	Billingshurst
Eastbourne United	5-1	Crawley Down Gatwick
Guernsey	2-1	Little Common
Horsham YM	0-0	Seaford Town
Lancing	3-1	Hassocks
Midhurst & Easebourne	1-1	AFC Varndeanians
Pagham	1-1	Newhaven
Roffey	2-0	Lingfield
Wick	1-4	Haywards Heath Town

STEP 6

SCFL DIVISION ONE

OFFICIAL SCFL TABLE, 20 OCT

#	CLUB	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	FORM
1	Infinity	13	11	1	1	38	14	+24	34	W W W W W D
2	AFC Walcountians	12	8	2	2	32	11	+21	26	W L L D W
3	Reigate Priory	13	8	1	4	33	16	+17	25	W D W L W
4	Jarvis Brook	11	7	2	2	23	8	+15	23	W W D W W
5	Worthing United	11	6	2	3	33	9	+24	20	L W L L D
6	Guildford City	12	6	2	4	29	18	+11	20	n/a
7	Dial Square	12	6	2	4	18	10	+8	20	W D W L L
8	Saltdean United	11	6	1	4	23	19	+4	19	W W W W L
9	Hailsham Town	13	6	1	6	22	24	-2	19	L W W L W
10	Westfield	13	5	3	5	20	18	+2	18	D W W L L
11	Mile Oak	13	5	3	5	21	22	-1	18	L L W D W
12	Selsey	14	5	3	6	16	24	-8	18	D L L W W
13	Loxwood	13	4	5	4	14	15	-1	17	L D D W W
14	East Preston	12	4	3	5	18	17	+1	15	W L D D L
15	Arundel	13	4	3	6	24	36	-12	15	n/a
16	Oakwood	13	3	3	7	15	31	-16	12	D L L W L
17	Ringmer	13	2	3	8	12	35	-23	9	L L W L L
18	Dorking Wanderers B	13	2	2	9	17	35	-18	8	L L W L W
19	Shoreham	13	2	2	9	11	39	-28	8	L L L W L
20	Clanfield	10	2	0	8	7	25	-18	6	W L L L L

Sussex clubs

TONIGHT'S FIXTURES

2 league games · plus cup ties

19:30

Mile Oak v Jarvis Brook

19:45

Clanfield v Dorking Wanderers B

19:45

Loxwood v Dial Square

DIV ONE CUP R1

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Sat 17 Oct

AFC Walcountians	3-0	Saltdean United
Arundel	0-7	Reigate Priory
Dial Square	0-1	Hailsham Town
Jarvis Brook	6-0	Clanfield
Oakwood	0-1	Mile Oak
Ringmer	2-4	Guildford City
Selsey	3-2	East Preston
Shoreham	2-4	Dorking Wanderers B
Westfield	1-3	Loxwood
Worthing United	1-1	Infinity

NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH

EBBSFLEET UNITED

KICK-OFF 19:45 · STONEBRIDGE ROAD, NORTHFLEET

HORSHAM

V

EBBSFLEET UNITED

2nd in National League South

21

PTS

9

PLAYED

6-3-0

W-D-L

20:4

GOALS

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Saturday:

W

 6-1 v Weston-super-Mare

HORSHAM

15th in National League South

14

PTS

11

PLAYED

3-5-3

W-D-L

12:13

GOALS

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Saturday:

W

 2-1 at Slough Town

D

PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

HORNETS FLY INTO THE FLEET STORM

Sussex's only Step 2 side in action tonight head to Kent to face the division's form team.

Right, let's not dress this one up. Ebbsfleet are the hottest thing in National League South right now. Nine games, no defeats, four goals conceded all season, and on Saturday they put six past Weston-super-Mare. Appiah helped himself to a hat-trick inside 23 minutes. Twenty-three minutes! I've had pre-match pies take longer than that.

And here's the scary bit for the rest of the league: Ebbsfleet have played two or three games fewer than almost everyone around them, and they're still second on 21 points. Win a couple of those games in hand and they'd be top.

Horsham, though, arrive with a little pep in their step. The 2-1 win at Slough on Saturday ended a four-game winless run in the league, and it came the hard way: behind early, then Bartley levelled from the spot in first-half stoppage time and Luer put them ahead with another penalty after the break. Two penalties, two cool heads.

The Hornets' story this season is a tight defence and not quite enough at the other end. Thirteen conceded in eleven is respectable at this level; twelve scored is where the work is. Against a Fleet back line that has let in four all season, whatever chances Horsham get have to go in.

Horsham sit 15th, but the pack above them is tight. A point here would feel like three. A smash-and-grab win would be the result of the night in Sussex.

WHERE THEY STAND · NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
1	Maidstone United	12	+9	25	W L L W W
2	EBBSFLEET UNITED	9	+16	21	D W W W W
3	Salisbury	11	+12	21	W D W W W
...					
14	Chelmsford City	10	+6	14	D D D D W
15	HORSHAM	11	-1	14	D L D L W
16	Hemel Hempstead Town	12	-1	14	D D W D L

KEY MAN

Appiah

Ebbsfleet United

Hat-trick inside 23 minutes against Weston on Saturday.

KEY MEN

Bartley & Luer

Horsham

Both scored from the spot at Slough. Nerves of steel.

DOUGIE'S CALL

EBBSFLEET 2-0 HORSHAM

Fleet's defence is the best in the league. Horsham need their keeper to have a blinder.

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THREE BRIDGES

EASTBOURNE BOROUGH

KICK-OFF 19:45 · JUBILEE FIELD, CRAWLEY



Three Bridges

20th in Isthmian Premier

9

PTS

12

PLAYED

2-3-7

W-D-L

23:34

GOALS

L

D

W

L

D

Saturday:

D

 3-3 v Enfield Town



Eastbourne Borough

7th in Isthmian Premier

19

PTS

10

PLAYED

6-1-3

W-D-L

19:11

GOALS

L

W

W

W

W

Saturday:

L

 FA Cup: 0-3 at Salisbury



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

DERBY NIGHT AT JUBILEE FIELD

Bridges come off a 3-3 with the leaders. Borough come off an FA Cup exit. Something's got to give.

Now THIS is what Tuesday nights are made for. A proper Sussex derby under the lights, and two clubs coming into it in very different moods.

Three Bridges have been having a tough time of it: 20th, nine points from twelve games, and a defence that has shipped 34, joint-most in the division. But Saturday showed what they can do. Holding Enfield Town, the league leaders, to a 3-3 draw is no small thing. Bridges' 23 goals is more than seven of the top ten have managed, and Noel Leighton, with six league goals going into the weekend, gives them a real threat.

Eastbourne Borough got knocked out of the FA Cup 3-0 at Salisbury on Saturday, so the cup dream is over. The good news for the Sports is that their league form is excellent: four straight league wins, seventh in the table, and only eleven conceded in ten games. They've also got two games in hand on most of the sides above them. Win those and they're right in the play-off mix, with the expanded six-team play-offs this season too.

The question is how Borough bounce back. A cup defeat can drag, or it can fire a group up. My hunch is the second one.

For Bridges, it's simple: take the fight from Saturday into this game and make Jubilee Field a hard place to visit. Score first and this could get loud.

WHERE THEY STAND · ISTHMIAN PREMIER

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
6	 Ramsgate	12	+10	19	W L W W L
7	 Eastbourne Borough	10	+8	19	L W W W W
8	 Burgess Hill Town	11	+5	17	D W D W L
...					
19	 Brentwood Town	10	-4	9	L L W W L
20	 Three Bridges	12	-11	9	L D W L D
21	 Whitehawk	13	-20	6	L L L L D

KEY MAN

Noel Leighton

Three Bridges

Six league goals before the weekend. Bridges' main man.

KEY FACTOR

Borough's back line

Eastbourne Borough

Eleven conceded in ten league games.

DOUGIE'S CALL

THREE BRIDGES 1-2 EASTBOURNE BOROUGH

Bridges will score; Borough have more control. Expect drama late on.

ISTHMIAN SOUTH EAST



V



HASTINGS UNITED

EASTBOURNE TOWN

KICK-OFF 19:45 · THE PILOT FIELD, HASTINGS



Hastings United

1st in Isthmian South East

25

PTS

11

PLAYED

8-1-2

W-D-L

26:15

GOALS

W

L

W

D

W

Saturday:

W

 2-0 v Erith Town



Eastbourne Town

21st in Isthmian South East

9

PTS

11

PLAYED

2-3-6

W-D-L

16:20

GOALS

L

D

D

L

L

Saturday:

L

 0-1 at Herne Bay

PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

TOP V BOTTOM-THREE IN THE EAST SUSSEX DERBY

Hastings went top on Saturday. Eastbourne Town need a goal, never mind a result.

Hastings United are top of the Isthmian South East. Let that sink in. The 2-0 win over third-placed Erith Town on Saturday, with Clarke's penalty and an Erith own goal, lifted the Us to 25 points, one clear of South Park.

And Max Walsh is the striker everyone's talking about, joint top of the division's scoring charts with eight league goals before the weekend. When Hastings get it into his area, it's usually trouble.

Eastbourne Town come into the derby in a rut. 21st, nine points, no win in five league games, and two defeats on the bounce without scoring: 3-0 at home to South Park last Tuesday and 1-0 at Herne Bay on Saturday. They've been tight enough at the back for long spells, with twenty conceded in eleven, but goals have dried up.

Derbies throw the form book out the window, though, don't they? Town will fancy their chances if they can keep it level going into the last half-hour. Rogers has been reliable from the spot this season, so a penalty could matter.

For Hastings, this is a chance to show they can handle the pressure of being top. Win, and the gap stays. Drop points to a team at the bottom and people will start asking questions.

WHERE THEY STAND · ISTHMIAN SOUTH EAST

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
1	 Hastings United	11	+11	25	W L W D W
2	 South Park (Reigate)	12	+12	24	W W D W L
...					
20	 Horley Town	11	-18	10	W L D L L
21	 Eastbourne Town	11	-4	9	L D D L L
22	 Crowborough Athletic	9	-6	7	L D W L L

KEY MAN

Max Walsh

Hastings United

Joint top scorer in the division with eight league goals.

KEY MAN

Rogers

Eastbourne Town

Two penalties this month. Town need someone to step up.

DOUGIE'S CALL

HASTINGS UNITED 2-0 EASTBOURNE TOWN

Top of the league for a reason. Town will make it hard, but it's a big ask.

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PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE

FOUNDED 1923

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MERSTHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

FOUNDED 1892

PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE

MERSTHAM

Peacehaven & Telscombe

14th in Isthmian South East

14PTS

12PLAYED

4-2-6W-D-L

22:28GOALS

L L W W L

Saturday: L 1-4 v Ashford United

Merstham

17th in Isthmian South East

12PTS

10PLAYED

3-3-4W-D-L

19:18GOALS

L D L W W

Saturday: W 5-0 at Margate

PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

GOALS, GOALS, GOALS AT THE SPORTS PARK?

Peacehaven's games are never dull. Merstham arrive after a five-star Saturday at Margate.

If you're going to one game in Sussex tonight because you want to see goals, this is the one. Peacehaven & Telscombe's last three league games: won 3-2 at Cray Valley, won 5-3 at Horley, lost 4-1 at home to Ashford United on Saturday. That's eighteen goals in three games. You will not be bored.

Connor Tighe is the man. Eight league goals before the weekend, joint top scorer in the division, and he's scored in each of the two wins that came before Saturday's defeat. Agnihotri got the consolation against Ashford.

Merstham, though, look like a team that's just found something. They won 1-0 against Punjab United on 10 October thanks to a 96th-minute Christie winner, and then went to Margate on Saturday and won 5-0. Carvalho scored twice, with Antonio, Tume and Lawal also on the scoresheet. Back-to-back wins, two clean sheets, and suddenly they're 17th with games in hand.

Only two points separate these two sides in the table, so whoever wins tonight jumps into the mid-table pack.

The Peacehaven defence has to tighten up after conceding four on Saturday. Twenty-eight goals against in twelve games is the third-worst record in the division. Merstham will smell blood.

WHERE THEY STAND · ISTHMIAN SOUTH EAST					
#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
13	Cray Valley PM	12	-1	14	L W L D W
14	Peacehaven & Telscombe	12	-6	14	L L W W L
15	Sheppey United	9	+3	13	W W L D W
16	Deal Town	10	+1	13	W D D D W
17	Merstham	10	+1	12	L D L W W
18	Punjab United	12	-11	12	D W W L W

KEY MAN

Connor Tighe

Peacehaven & Telscombe

Joint top of the division's scoring charts on eight.

KEY MAN

Carvalho

Merstham

Brace at Margate on Saturday. In form.

DOUGIE'S CALL

PEACEHAVEN & TELSCOMBE 2-2 MERSTHAM

Both teams will score. Tighe to keep his run going.

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KICK-OFF 19:45 · THE SHOOTING FIELD, STEYNING



STEYNING TOWN

V



CROWBOROUGH ATHLETIC



Steypning Town

19th in Isthmian South East

12

PTS

11

PLAYED

4-0-7

W-D-L

13:25

GOALS

L W W L L

Saturday: L 1-2 v Sheppey United



Crowborough Athletic

22nd in Isthmian South East

7

PTS

9

PLAYED

2-1-6

W-D-L

16:22

GOALS

L D W L L

Saturday: L 1-3 at Punjab United



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

A BIG NIGHT DOWN AT THE BOTTOM

Two Sussex clubs, both stuck in the bottom four. Six-pointer is overused, but here it fits.

There's no getting away from it: this is a scrap. Steypning are 19th, Crowborough are bottom. Win tonight and you get a bit of breathing space. Lose and the gap to safety starts to look like a problem.

Steypning are the all-or-nothing team of the division. Four wins, seven defeats, and not a single draw in eleven league games. They've lost their last two, 4-0 at Whitstable and 2-1 at home to Sheppey on Saturday, where Adam got the goal. Twenty-five conceded is too many, and Steypning know it.

Crowborough have only played nine games, so they've got a couple in hand, but seven points is a worry. Still, there's danger in this team. Ten days ago Forster scored four in a 5-2 win over Sevenoaks. Samuel-Smikle has scored three in the last two games, two against Erith and a penalty at Punjab on Saturday. The Crows can score. Keeping them out at the other end is the issue: 22 against in nine.

So you've got two teams who leak goals, both desperate, both needing three points. It's not going to be pretty, but it might be thrilling.

Somebody's going to have to be brave. Maybe this is the night Steypning finally pick up a draw.

WHERE THEY STAND · ISTHMIAN SOUTH EAST

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
18	Punjab United	12	-11	12	D W W L W
19	Steypning Town	11	-12	12	L W W L L
20	Horley Town	11	-18	10	W L D L L
21	Eastbourne Town	11	-4	9	L D D L L
22	Crowborough Athletic	9	-6	7	L D W L L

KEY MAN

Samuel-Smikle

Crowborough Athletic

Three goals in his last two league games.

KEY MAN

Adam

Steypning Town

On target against Sheppey on Saturday.

DOUGIE'S CALL

STEYNING TOWN 2-2
CROWBOROUGH ATHLETIC

Steypning's first draw of the season. You heard it here first.

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ISTHMIAN SOUTH CENTRAL



WESTFIELD (SURREY)

V



LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN



Westfield (Surrey)

8th in Isthmian South Central

18

PTS

10

PLAYED

5-3-2

W-D-L

18:12

GOALS

D

W

D

W

L

Saturday: No league game



Littlehampton Town

20th in Isthmian South Central

6

PTS

12

PLAYED

1-3-8

W-D-L

15:33

GOALS

W

L

L

L

L

Saturday:

L

 1-6 at Binfield



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

THE GOLDS NEED A REACTION

Littlehampton went ahead at Binfield on Saturday. Then it went badly wrong.

Littlehampton Town fans would probably like to forget Saturday. Heath scored in the 13th minute at Binfield to put the Golds ahead. Then Binfield, bottom of the league at kick-off with no wins all season, scored six. Mott got a hat-trick. Ouch.

It leaves Littlehampton 20th with six points from twelve games and 33 goals conceded, the second-worst defensive record in the division behind Ascot United's 34. Their only league win is the one in the middle of the form guide, and they haven't won in four since.

Westfield, the Surrey club rather than our SCFL lot, are having a decent season. Eighth, 18 points from just ten games, and only twelve goals conceded. They had Saturday off, so they'll have fresher legs than the visitors.

So this is a huge ask for the Golds. What they need is a disciplined, tough performance. Make it hard for Westfield, stay in the game, and see what happens. A point away from home would feel like a very good night's work after Saturday.

Littlehampton have shown they can score first. Now they've got to hold on to it.

WHERE THEY STAND · ISTHMIAN SOUTH CENTRAL					
#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
7	 Egham Town	11	+3	19	W L W W W
8	 Westfield (Surrey)	10	+6	18	D W D W L
9	 Southall	9	+7	16	W W D L W
...					
19	 Ascot United	12	-17	8	W L D L L
20	 Littlehampton Town	12	-18	6	W L L L L
21	 AFC Stoneham	9	-10	5	D L L W L

KEY MAN

Heath

Littlehampton Town

Scored the opener at Binfield. Someone to build around.

KEY FACTOR

Westfield's defence

Westfield (Surrey)

Twelve conceded in ten league games.

DOUGIE'S CALL

WESTFIELD 2-0 LITTLEHAMPTON TOWN

Rested hosts against a bruised away side. Golds need a big one.

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SCFL PREMIER

KICK-OFF 19:45 · HANBURY PARK STADIUM, HAYWARDS HEATH



V



HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN

PAGHAM



Haywards Heath Town

1st in SCFL Premier

32

PTS

13

PLAYED

10-2-1

W-D-L

30:8

GOALS

W

W

L

W

W

Saturday:

W

 4-1 at Wick



Pagham

8th in SCFL Premier

20

PTS

11

PLAYED

6-2-3

W-D-L

28:16

GOALS

W

D

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W

D

Saturday:

D

 1-1 v Newhaven



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

LEADERS HOST THE LIONS AT HANBURY

Haywards Heath are three points clear and have the best defence in the division. Pagham arrive with games in hand and a striker in form.

Haywards Heath Town look like the real deal. Top of the SCFL Premier on 32 points, two clear of Eastbourne United, and eight goals conceded in thirteen games. EIGHT. That's the meanest defence in the league by a distance. On Saturday they won 4-1 at Wick with Harry Shooman scoring twice.

Pagham come to Hanbury Park eighth, but don't read too much into that. They've only played eleven games, between one and three fewer than every team above them, and 28 goals scored is the joint third-best tally in the division. They drew 1-1 at home to Newhaven on Saturday, which will feel like two points dropped.

The big name for the Lions is Lewis George Rustell, who had ten goals in all competitions going into the weekend. If anyone's going to break down this Heath defence, it's him.

This is a great test for both clubs. For Haywards Heath, it's about showing they can see off a top-half side at home. For Pagham, a win would put them in the conversation at the top, especially with those games in hand.

It's the only SCFL Premier league game tonight, so all eyes are on Hanbury. Get down there if you can.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL PREMIER

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
1	 Haywards Heath Town	13	+22	32	W W L W W
2	 Eastbourne United	14	+29	30	L W D D W
...					
7	 Hassocks	11	+12	21	W W W D L
8	 Pagham	11	+12	20	W D L W D
9	 Lingfield	11	+7	20	W W W D L

KEY MAN

Harry Shooman

Haywards Heath Town

Two goals at Wick on Saturday.

KEY MAN

Lewis George Rustell

Pagham

Ten goals in all competitions before the weekend.

DOUGIE'S CALL

HAYWARDS HEATH TOWN 2-1

PAGHAM

Pagham will make the leaders work, but Heath's defence is a different level.

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SCFL DIVISION ONE

KICK-OFF 19:30 · MILE OAK FOOTBALL CLUB



MILE OAK

V



JARVIS BROOK



Mile Oak

11th in SCFL Division One

18PTS

13PLAYED

5-3-5W-D-L

21:22GOALS

L L W D W

Saturday: W 1-0 at Oakwood



Jarvis Brook

4th in SCFL Division One

23PTS

11PLAYED

7-2-2W-D-L

23:8GOALS

W W D W W

Saturday: W 6-0 v Clanfield



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

CAN ANYONE STOP JARVIS BROOK?

The Brook haven't lost in the league since August. Mile Oak are coming off a win.

Jarvis Brook are on a serious run. Unbeaten in the league since 18 August, fourth in the table, and with the best defence in Division One: eight goals conceded in eleven games. On Saturday they beat Clanfield 6-0 at Palesgate Lane with Chidima Ajeh scoring a hat-trick.

They've also got games in hand on the three teams above them. The top of Division One is getting crowded, with Infinity setting the pace on 34, and the Brook want to be part of that.

Mile Oak are bang in the middle of the table, eleventh on 18 points. They won 1-0 at Oakwood on Saturday, which made it two wins in their last three. The worrying thing for Mile Oak is that 22 goals conceded in thirteen games is more than twice what Jarvis Brook have given up.

This is a game where the home side will need to be patient. Keep it tight, frustrate the visitors, and hope for a set-piece or a breakaway. Mile Oak have shown they can grind out results.

Jarvis Brook, though, are a confident team right now. They know how to win games.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL DIVISION ONE

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
3	 Reigate Priory	13	+17	25	W D W L W
4	 Jarvis Brook	11	+15	23	W W D W W
5	 Worthing United	11	+24	20	L W L L D
...					
10	 Westfield	13	+2	18	D W W L L
11	 Mile Oak	13	-1	18	L L W D W
12	 Selsey	14	-8	18	D L L W W

KEY MAN

Chidima Ajeh

Jarvis Brook

Hat-trick against Clanfield on Saturday.

KEY FACTOR

Mile Oak's defence

Mile Oak

A clean sheet at Oakwood on Saturday. Needs another.

DOUGIE'S CALL

MILE OAK 0-2 JARVIS BROOK

The Brook's defence is too good. Unbeaten run continues.

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MATCH REPORT • SCFL PREMIER • SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

BEXHILL MAKE IT THREE ON THE BOUNCE


BEXHILL UNITED
2-0
FOREST ROW

Bexhill: Donaldson 11', Shonk (pen)

The Polegrove • Att: 218


 Words: **BORNATOTTER** • Pictures: **Amy Marshall**


Celebrations at the Polegrove. Picture: Amy Marshall



Picture: Amy Marshall

It was back to league action for Bexhill United on Saturday after a welcome breather the previous weekend which gave the players a chance to recover and work on some of the injuries that have hit the Pirates in the busy opening couple of months of the season.

Boss Jay Skinner-Swain opted for an attacking formation for the Forest Row match at the Polegrove which saw the return of Ryan Moir to the starting line up.

Forest Row had a difficult start to the season which saw them flirting with the basement places early doors but just one defeat in the last five is decent form and has lifted them to relative safety. They would be another tough test for the Bexhill lads.

The Pirates started brightly on a sunny but chilly autumn afternoon which had drawn a healthy crowd of 218 to the Polegrove. It wasn't long before they had

something to cheer about. After some early probing, on 11 minutes Ant Thomas pinged a throw up the line to Jack Shonk who played in Theo Coombs and the Bexhill man shrugged off a challenge and squared the ball to in-form Luke Donaldson who gratefully accepted the opportunity to put the home side one up.

Minutes later it was two, and the first bit of controversy, when the ref adjudged that a Row challenge in the box justified the award of a penalty. The visitors might not have been impressed but Shonk grabbed hold of the ball and stepped up to add yet another Pirates goal to his mammoth haul.

Bexhill scented blood, and an opportunity to bury the match by half time, but on 23 minutes another injury blow disrupted the flow of their game. This time it was Theo Coombs stretchered off after copping a nasty one on the top of the foot. He was replaced by Jack Mison. The rest of the first half saw Forest Row fighting to get back into the game but finding it difficult to carve out any real opportunities against a solid Bexhill unit who were working hard for each other across the park.

Two nil at half time and, with Bexhill attacking their favoured Brockley Road End, the Pirates fans had high hopes of more goals in the second period. Moir came closest, seeing his effort hit the post after being set up by Shonk.

On seventy minutes it took a miracle save by Forest Row keeper Ethan McGrath to tip over a bullet diving header from point blank range from Charlie Playford.

At the Bowls Club End, Finn Holter in the Bexhill goal was also called upon to make a fine save, getting down sharply to turn an effort round the post on 75 minutes.

A goal for Row at that point may have made for a tricky final period for Bexhill but they saw out the rest of the game to make it three wins on the bounce which has shunted them up to sixth place in the league, handily placed to push on with a bunch of home games to come.

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PETER BENTLEY CHALLENGE CUP · ROUND 3

KICK-OFF 19:30 · THE POLEGROVE, BEXHILL



BEXHILL UNITED

V



EASTBOURNE UNITED



Bexhill United
6th in SCFL Premier

22

PTS

12

PLAYED

7-1-4

W-D-L

24:19

GOALS

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L

W

W

W

Saturday:

W

 2-0 v Forest Row



Eastbourne United
2nd in SCFL Premier

30

PTS

14

PLAYED

9-3-2

W-D-L

47:18

GOALS

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W

Saturday:

W

 5-1 v Crawley Down Gatwick



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

CUP NIGHT AT THE POLEGROVE

Two of the SCFL Premier's top six meet with a place in the next round on the line.

Forget the league for a night. This is the Peter Bentley Cup, and it's a cracker.

Eastbourne United are the goal machine of Sussex football. 47 league goals in fourteen games, more than three a game, and on Saturday they came from behind to beat Crawley Down Gatwick 5-1. Charlie Ball had ten goals in all competitions before the weekend, and he's not even the only one on ten in that squad. They're second in the league, two points behind Haywards Heath.

Bexhill are no pushovers, mind. Sixth in the table, three straight league wins, and a 2-0 home win over Forest Row on Saturday to keep the run going. The Polegrove can be a tricky place to go, especially on a Tuesday night in October.

Can Bexhill keep this United attack quiet? That's the big question. Nineteen goals conceded in twelve games isn't bad, but Eastbourne United will test them more than anyone.

Cup ties are about who wants it more on the night. Bexhill will be up for it in front of their own fans. Eastbourne United will fancy their firepower to see them through.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL PREMIER									
#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form				
1	 Haywards Heath Town	13	+22	32	W	W	L	W	W
2	 Eastbourne United	14	+29	30	L	W	D	D	W
3	 East Grinstead Town	13	+14	24	W	W	L	D	W
...									
5	 Guernsey	12	+6	23	L	W	W	W	W
6	 Bexhill United	12	+5	22	W	L	W	W	W
7	 Hassocks	11	+12	21	W	W	W	D	L

KEY MAN

Charlie Ball
Eastbourne United

Ten goals in all competitions before the weekend.

KEY FACTOR

Bexhill's form
Bexhill United

Three straight league wins.

DOUGIE'S CALL

BEXHILL UNITED 2-3 EASTBOURNE UNITED

Goals galore. United's attack just edges it.

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PETER BENTLEY CHALLENGE CUP · ROUND 3

KICK-OFF 19:30 · HAVEN SPORTSFIELD, CRAWLEY DOWN



CRAWLEY DOWN GATWICK

V



NEWHAVEN



Crawley Down Gatwick
10th in SCFL Premier

19

15

5-4-6

23:31

PTS

PLAYED

W-D-L

GOALS

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W

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W

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Saturday:

L

 1-5 at Eastbourne United



Newhaven
12th in SCFL Premier

14

12

4-2-6

16:26

PTS

PLAYED

W-D-L

GOALS

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Saturday:

D

 1-1 at Pagham

PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

A CHANGE TO RESET

Both sides come into this cup tie after awkward weekends. A run in the cup could change the mood.

Crawley Down Gatwick had a rough Saturday, losing 5-1 at Eastbourne United. That was a tough place to go, but conceding five will hurt. They're tenth in the SCFL Premier with nineteen points from fifteen games, having played more matches than anyone else in the division.

Newhaven aren't in great form either. They drew 1-1 at Pagham on Saturday, which actually was a decent result, and it ended a run of three straight league defeats. They're twelfth, five points behind tonight's hosts, but with three games in hand.

This is a cup tie that both clubs could use to build some momentum. The Peter Bentley Cup might not be the biggest prize, but a run in it gives players confidence and gets fans excited.

CDG have home advantage and more points in the league. Newhaven have the momentum of a decent draw on Saturday. It's very close.

Expect an open game. Both sides have conceded plenty this season, 31 for CDG and 26 for Newhaven, so the goals could flow.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL PREMIER

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
9	 Lingfield	11	+7	20	W W W D L
10	 Crawley Down Gatwick	15	-8	19	L W D W L
11	 AFC Vardeanians	13	-3	18	W L L L D
12	 Newhaven	12	-10	14	W L L L D
13	 Lancing	12	-8	13	L L W D W

KEY FACTOR

Home advantage
Crawley Down Gatwick
Haven Sportsfield on a Tuesday night.

KEY FACTOR

The Newhaven point
Newhaven
Saturday's draw at Pagham ended four defeats in a row.

DOUGIE'S CALL

CRAWLEY DOWN GATWICK 2-1 NEWHAVEN
Tight one. Home side to edge through.

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PETER BENTLEY CHALLENGE CUP · ROUND 2



HASSOCKS

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SHOREHAM

KICK-OFF 19:45 · THE BEACON GROUND, HASSOCKS



Hassocks

7th in SCFL Premier

21

PTS

11

PLAYED

6-3-2

W-D-L

26:14

GOALS

W

W

W

D

L

Saturday:

L

 1-3 at Lancing



Shoreham

19th in SCFL Division One

8

PTS

13

PLAYED

2-2-9

W-D-L

11:39

GOALS

L

L

L

W

L

Saturday:

L

 2-4 v Dorking Wanderers B



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

ROBINS LOOK TO BOUNCE BACK

Hassocks need to put Saturday behind them. Shoreham, from a division below, are struggling.

Hassocks will have woken up on Sunday morning still stunned. They were 1-0 up at Lancing with two minutes to go. Then Archie McGonigle equalised, and Robinson and Khedidji both scored in stoppage time. Three goals, 3-1 to Lancing, and only Hassocks' second league defeat of the season. Football can be cruel.

The good news is they get a game straight away. Hassocks are seventh in the SCFL Premier with games in hand, and before Saturday they'd gone five league games unbeaten. They've got a good squad, and this is the perfect chance to get back to winning ways.

Shoreham have been having a hard time in Division One. They're 19th with eight points from thirteen games, and 39 goals conceded is the most in the division. They lost 4-2 at home to Dorking Wanderers B on Saturday.

On paper, this should be a comfortable night for Hassocks. But cup ties are funny things, and Shoreham will be playing with nothing to lose. If they can frustrate Hassocks early on, those Saturday nerves might come back.

The Robins should have too much, though. Expect them to want to make a point.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL PREMIER

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
6	 Bexhill United	12	+5	22	W L W W W
7	 Hassocks	11	+12	21	W W W D L
8	 Pagham	11	+12	20	W D L W D

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL DIVISION ONE

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
18	 Dorking Wanderers B	13	-18	8	L L W L W
19	 Shoreham	13	-28	8	L L L W L
20	 Clanfield	10	-18	6	W L L L L

KEY FACTOR

Hassocks' response

Hassocks

Stung by a stoppage-time turnaround at Lancing. How do they react?

KEY FACTOR

Nothing to lose

Shoreham

The underdogs from Division One. Free hit.

DOUGIE'S CALL

HASSOCKS 3-0 SHOREHAM

Robins get Saturday out of their system.

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SUSSEX RUR CHARITY CUP

KICK-OFF 19:45 · GORINGS MEAD, HORSHAM



HORSHAM YM

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AFC VARNDEANIANS



Horsham YM
19th in SCFL Premier

7

PTS

12

PLAYED

1-4-7

W-D-L

11:24

GOALS

D

D

L

L

D

Saturday:

D

 0-0 v Seaford Town



AFC Varndeanians
11th in SCFL Premier

18

PTS

13

PLAYED

5-3-5

W-D-L

12:15

GOALS

W

L

L

L

D

Saturday:

D

 1-1 at Midhurst & Easebourne

PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

LOW-SCORING, HIGH-STAKES?

The two lowest-scoring sides in the SCFL Premier meet in the RUR Charity Cup.

Here's a fun fact for you: Horsham YM and AFC Varndeanians are the two lowest-scoring teams in the SCFL Premier. YM have eleven league goals in twelve games, and Varndeanians have twelve in thirteen. So if you're looking for a goal-fest, this might not be it.

But that doesn't mean it won't be interesting. YM are 19th in the league with just one win all season, but they drew 0-0 with Seaford on Saturday. That's three draws in their last five league games, so they're getting harder to beat.

Varndeanians are eleventh with eighteen points and have a good defence. Fifteen conceded in thirteen games is the fourth-best record in the division. They drew 1-1 at Midhurst on Saturday, but only because Midhurst equalised in the last minute. That will annoy them.

The RUR Charity Cup is a Sussex FA competition, so there's a bit of county pride at stake here as well.

My guess? A tight, nervy affair. One goal might be enough to settle it.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL PREMIER					P	GD	Pts	Form
#	Club							
10	 Crawley Down Gatwick				15	-8	19	LWDLWL
11	 AFC Varndeanians				13	-3	18	WL L L L D
12	 Newhaven				12	-10	14	WL L L L D
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18	 Wick				11	-18	9	LWL L L
19	 Horsham YM				12	-13	7	DD L L D
20	 Little Common				12	-21	7	LLWL L

KEY FACTOR

YM's resilience

Horsham YM

Three draws in their last five league games.

KEY FACTOR

The Varns defence

AFC Varndeanians

Fifteen conceded in thirteen league games.

DOUGIE'S CALL

HORSHAM YM 0-1 AFC VARNDEANIANS

One goal decides it. Varns' defence makes the difference.

SCFL DIVISION ONE CHALLENGE CUP · ROUND 1

KICK-OFF 19:45 · LOXWOOD SPORTS ASSOCIATION


LOXWOOD

V


DIAL SQUARE

**Loxwood**
13th in SCFL Division One

17
PTS

13
PLAYED

4-5-4
W-D-L

14:15
GOALS

L D D W W

Saturday: W 3-1 at Westfield

**Dial Square**
7th in SCFL Division One

20
PTS

12
PLAYED

6-2-4
W-D-L

18:10
GOALS

W D W L L

Saturday: L 0-1 v Hailsham Town



PREVIEW BY DOUGIE

LOXWOOD RIDE THE WAVE

Loxwood are unbeaten in four league games. Dial Square arrive after a home defeat.

Loxwood are in good form. They won 3-1 at Westfield on Saturday, with Lewis Huggins scoring twice, and that made it four league games without defeat. They're thirteenth in Division One, but the gap to the teams above them is small.

Dial Square are seventh and have one of the better defences in the division, ten goals conceded in twelve games. But they lost 1-0 at home to Hailsham Town on Saturday, and that was their second defeat in a row.

This is the first round of the Division One Challenge Cup, so it's a chance for both teams to start a cup run.

Loxwood will be confident. They're playing at home, and they've got some momentum. Dial Square will want to bounce back from two defeats and show they're still one of the better teams in the division.

Goals might be hard to come by. Loxwood have only scored fourteen in thirteen league games, and Dial Square are tight at the back.

WHERE THEY STAND · SCFL DIVISION ONE

#	Club	P	GD	Pts	Form
6	 Guildford City	12	+11	20	n/a
7	 Dial Square	12	+8	20	W D W L L
8	 Saltdean United	11	+4	19	W W W W L
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12	 Selsey	14	-8	18	D L L W W
13	 Loxwood	13	-1	17	L D D W W
14	 East Preston	12	+1	15	W L D D L

KEY MAN

Lewis Huggins

Loxwood

Two goals at Westfield on Saturday.

KEY FACTOR

Dial Square's defence

Dial Square

Ten conceded in twelve league games.

DOUGIE'S CALL

LOXWOOD 1-1 DIAL SQUARE

Level after 90. Then it's anyone's guess.

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