



# THE HAMMERS



**HAMWORTHY UNITED U18 vs  
GOSPORT BOROUGH ACADEMY**

Sunday 13 September 2020 - 12:15  
Specsavers County Ground

The FA Youth Cup - Preliminary Round



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# Welcome to the Specsavers County Ground

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Hamworthy United Football Club is pleased to welcome Gosport Borough Football Club and its supporters to the Specsavers County Ground for today's F.A. Youth Cup match.

We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our Referee Mr Lewis Ward and his Assistants Mr Gary Spring and Mr. Dominic Gregory.

We hope that they, and everybody else involved today will have a good game, and enjoy their stay with us.

Although in the past we have welcomed the Gosport Borough First Team to the County Ground on many occasions when they played in the Wessex League, this will be the first time we have hosted their Academy Team.

Both teams will be eager to progress as far as they can in this most prestigious FA Cup competition. If the scores are level at full time, the tie will be decided on penalties.

We look forward to an entertaining game; played in the right way, and may the best team win.

This is a non-smoking Ground which we wish you to respect, together with all the other Covid-19 regulations including social distancing.

We hope you enjoy the game and your stay with us, and will return again in the near future.

Up the Hammers

*Roger Nicholson*

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A smoking area has been designated outside the ground in the car park. This also includes electronic cigarettes and vaping equipment.

Your co-operation is appreciated for the benefit of all our members and visitors. Thank you



# From the Manager

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## **The Under 18s are run by Martyn Poucher and Dave Abbott.**

Last season we produced some good results reaching Dorset cup final and were in top spot in the league with basically an u17 team. The team have developed well, and still have 5 players from u8s.

Great development for the lads last season with fourteen representing development team and two representing the first team.

We are looking to build on that this season with more moving through to development, u23 and first team while also bringing through u17s and u16s to work with u18 squad.

We are all looking forward to the challenges of new season, starting with today's exciting FA Youth Cup challenge against Gosport Borough.

## COVID UPDATE: At the Specsavers

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On behalf of the club, we would like to welcome everyone to the Specsavers County Ground for the match today.

This includes, players, management, officials, staff and fans.

To say that 2020 has been a difficult year for everyone is a bit of an understatement ?

We didn't really ever think that we would be playing as soon as we have been, but let's not forget, that despite the fact we are playing football, we cannot take for granted the risk of covid-19 is still all around us ?

We, at Hamworthy United, have put in place control measures, in an attempt to keep everybody safe, which means that we have rules and regulation that ALL visitors have to comply with.

These are rules that have been set, both by the football governing body, The Football Association, and the Government, and have been set to

ensure your safety and enjoyment. They are not put in place for the sake of it, or to annoy people ?

These measures include :

- Hand sanitiser on entry
- Track & Trace (a requirement for entry)
- One way system in the clubhouse
- Seated service in the clubhouse & beer garden
- One use plastic/paper ware

Please help us to maintain our high standards of Covid-19 care, and enjoy the game.

### **Appointed officers**

Hayley Brammall  
Covid-19 Officer

Steve Mitchener  
Chairman





# CONNOR COCKLIN

Connor was a former Hammers U18 player, part of the triple winning side for season 2014/15, managed by Adrian Perry.



**Our current under 18s team are the holders of the under 16's Bankes Charity Cup.**  
Featuring current U18 and first team Player Cameron Munn. Our young team are pulling together to make a positive start to the new season.

*Joscelyne  
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# EDDIE HODGE



Eddie Hodge - former Hammers U18 player, triple winner of League, League Cup & Dorset Youth Cup, now a Hammers regular in the First Team



# HISTORY



**Since coming into being in the 1952/53 season, The FA Youth Cup has mirrored the importance of its parent competition, becoming the most desirable trophy among all under-18 sides across the country, retaining that premier position throughout all the seismic changes that youth football has undergone over the last half a century and more.**

In terms of its organisation, it shares many similarities with The FA Cup itself, not least in allowing non-league clubs an opportunity to put their youth sides into the qualifying stages of the competition. And yet had it evolved as it initially seemed it might, that would not have happened, for the concept of a youth cup competition initially came from Sir Joe Richards, who initially proposed it within the Football League structure.

The idea was not especially well received but, undeterred, Richards took his brainchild to The Football Association and they had the foresight to realise that here was an idea with legs.

In fact, The FA had already instituted a similar competition just after the end of the war, though this was a Youth Championship based on County Associations, as this had been the way in which many youngsters had tended

to come to the fore before hostilities broke out. But as football became increasingly organised at club level and as professional clubs were running more and more teams down the age groups, it made greater sense to create a competition run on club lines.

Such a competition needed a trophy and, in keeping with the idiosyncratic way in which it had come into being, the silverware did not come from the most conventional source either. Again, it began life within the remit of the Football League, the trophy having been purchased by them during the war, though they had yet to find any use for it. On discovering it in a cupboard, gathering dust, it was handed over to the FA for their new youth competition.

If The FA Youth Cup is synonymous with any football club, it is Manchester United, 10-times winners, four-times finalists and the club that has produced perhaps the two best known youth sides in English football history. It's appropriate therefore that the FA Youth Cup was first won by the most legendary team of them all, the Busby Babes.

They reached the 1952/53 final, dismissing Nantwich 23-0 in one game along the way, and were faced with Wolverhampton Wanderers over two legs,

Wolves themselves a heavyweight club of the time. More than 20,000 fans turned out at Old Trafford to watch the first leg, inspired by tales of this exciting new group of footballers that included the likes of Duncan Edwards, Albert Scanlon, Dave Pegg and Billy Whelan. United were simply too good for the Midlands, winning 7-1 before seeing the game out at Molineux with a 2-2 draw to collect the trophy 9-3 on aggregate.

Those Busby Babes, later joined by the likes of Bobby Charlton, Wilf McGuinness and Eddie Colman, dominated the competition in its early days, winning each of the first five competitions, defeating Wolves again the following year, then West Bromwich Albion, Chesterfield and, in 1957, West Ham United, by which time most of those young players have graduated to the first team and, in many cases, their international teams, only to be tragically lost in the snows of Munich in February 1958.

Although United finally relinquished their hold on the trophy in the year of that tragedy, the seeds of their rebirth were still coming through the youth team in the form of Nobby Stiles and John Giles. But it was Wolves who finally got their hands on the trophy in an extraordinary final, losing 5-1 to Chelsea, Jimmy Greaves and all, at Stamford Bridge in the first leg before overturning it with a 6-1 win at Molineux to take the cup 7-6 on aggregate.

Chelsea bounced back from that to triumph in 1960 and 1961, employing talented youngsters such as Terry Venables, Peter Bonetti and Bobby Tambling along the way, but the 1960s was a decade when the trophy tended to be shared around, no side really dominating proceedings. Manchester United won the cup again

in 1964 when they had a young lad called George Best – already a first teamer by then – playing for them as they overcame Swindon Town 5-2, but it was Sunderland who had the best run in the '60s, runners up to Arsenal in 1966, then winners in 1967 and 1969. It was a golden period for the youth system on Wearside, producing the likes of Bobby Kerr, Billy Hughes, Colin Suggett, Richie Pitt and Dennis Tueart, all of them cutting their teeth in The FA Youth Cup.

The tournament came to be a real predictor of the sides that would go on to flourish in the senior competition. Sunderland memorably won The FA Cup in 1973 when still a Second Division side, while Ipswich were Youth Cup winners in 1973 and 1975 before taking the big trophy in 1978, a year when they defeated West Bromwich Albion, the Youth Cup winners of 1976, in the semi-final.

Crystal Palace, soon to be the much vaunted "team of the eighties", started to make their presence felt in the late '70s, carrying off the Youth Cup in 1977 and 1978, beating Everton and then Aston Villa, both 1-0, Palace including the likes of Terry Fenwick, Vince Hilaire, Steve Mackenzie and Peter Nicholas in their numbers, facing up to Kevin Ratcliffe and Steve McMahon of Everton and Gary Shaw and Colin Gibson of Villa.

The importance of The FA Youth Cup became, perhaps, a little devalued through the 1980s as, with more substitutes allowed in senior football, youngsters were often moved through the ranks a little quicker, but nonetheless, some of the biggest names in the game still featured in the finals – Mark Hughes and Norman Whiteside as Manchester United lost to Watford in 1982, Paul Gascoigne scoring an extraordinary goal as

# CLUB MASCOTS

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Newcastle beat Watford in the 1985 final, David James in goal as Watford reclaimed the cup in 1989.

But the competition perhaps needed revitalising as we entered the 1990s and it was the founding fathers, Manchester United, who provided that kick forward. History has bestowed greatness upon the "Class of '92" but even then, the likes of David Beckham, Nicky Butt, Gary Neville and Ryan Giggs looked to be something out of the ordinary as they defeated Crystal Palace 6-3 to win the cup, albeit that they were unable to defend it a year later, losing 4-1 to Leeds United, despite Paul Scholes stepping up to the team too.

Manchester United recaptured the cup in 1995, but it was a golden decade elsewhere too as the likes of Frank Lampard, Rio Ferdinand, Joe Cole and Michael Carrick, all of West Ham, plus Michael Owen, Jamie Carragher and Jonathan Woodgate all made their presence felt in Youth Cup finals and, ultimately, for England.

As we entered the 21st century, it was becoming clear that the advent of academy football and the accompanying heavy investment in the youth game meant that The FA Youth Cup would again begin to ape its senior equivalents, the major football clubs rising ever more consistently to the top.

Since 2000, Arsenal have three victories, Manchester United and Liverpool a couple each, while Chelsea have dominated the last decade in the way that United once did, winning in five of the last seven years, although as yet, none of those winning players have emerged as first team regulars at Stamford Bridge – time though is on their side.



Even then though, the FA Youth Cup is just as capable of throwing up surprises as its senior relative, Norwich City carrying off the crown in 2013, beating holders Chelsea 4-2 to do it.

And as a producer of extravagant footballing talent par excellence, the competition continues to hold its own. After all, the most expensive footballer in the world, Paul Pogba, first made his name when Manchester United won the cup by beating Sheffield United 6-3 in 2011.



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Our first team update: Last time out...



# Bashley FC

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# The Hammers

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Wessex Premier Division | Tuesday 8 September 2020

**Hammers :** S. Murphy, T. Rolls, D. Randall, A. Costello T. Cooper, M. Buckler, L. Francis, E. Hodge, D. Cann, M.Niel, C. Munn.

**Unused Subs :** J. King, C. Cocklin, O. Davis.

**Goals:** Cann 2, Munn

If previous history is anything to go by then this was going to be a tough close fought encounter between two teams looking to improve on their mid-table positions of recent years.

Both Hamworthy and Bashley have enjoyed good pre-season results, and have had a reasonable start to the season. The Stags especially got a very good away win at Portland 1-2 in their first league match outing; in a game they evidently dominated. The Hammers could only draw 1-1 at home to a very good Christchurch side who are amongst the favourites to win the league this time round. However, it was a fair result with very little to choose between the sides.

This game was played before a large crowd of 193; who were to witness a very good advertisement for Wessex League football.

The game started as it was to continue, being played at a very high tempo both fast and furious.

It was United who took the lead in the 13th minute. Dann Cann took full advantage of some poor Bashley defending when he kept his cool to take the ball off of them and find the net to make it 0-1.

The home side had barely time to recover before United's talented young striker Cameron Munn increased their lead less than 2 minutes later with another well taken goal.

To their credit the Home side did not let the goals unsettle them too much, and began to battle their way back into the game. They were now having a bit more possession in midfield, but were coming up against a strong and very well organised Hamworthy defence, well marshalled by the returning Adam Costello.

This meant that keeper Shane Murphy had a fairly easy first half having no really difficult goal attempts to deal with. Bashley's defence was now looked a bit more stable and less easy

to penetrate. Never the less they could have conceded a third when Munn saw his fierce shot pushed over the bar following an acrobatic save by Harry Gravett. The Hammers went in totally deserving their first half lead, having the edge on play with a good team performance.

The second half continued to produce the fast and furious football of the first, as Bashley tried to get a toe-hole in the game. In fact, they were now taking the game much more to United, but were still very much thwarted by a resolute Hamworthy defence.

They did come close when a thirty-yard rocket from Lewis forced Murphy into making his only real save of the game. The same player then just missed the target after his first effort hit the post.

Nearing the end, the Home-side continued to push forward and as so often happens committed another fatal error at the back. With a minute to go United once again stole the ball off a defender, and Dann Cann with a well-placed shot found the net for his 2nd and Hamworthy's 3rd goal.

Tim Sills must have been delighted with this team performance especially as he once again had to make changes to his line-up.

This will put them in good stead for their next tough game in the FA Cup against Hartley Wintney from two leagues higher, and four more away games on the trot.



Date		Opposition	Att	Res	Score	Scorers
Sat 08 Aug 20	FR	Dorchester Sports	-	W	4-1	
Tue 11 Aug	FR	Merley Cobham Sports	-	W	6-0	
Sat 15 Aug	FR	Balti Sports	-	W	6-1	
Tue 18 Aug	FR	Poole Town	-	L	0-3	
Sat 22 Aug	FR	Badshot Lea	-	D	3-3	
Sat 29 Aug	FR	Wimborne Town	-	W	1-0	Cocklin
Tue 01 Sep	H	Calne Town (FAC)		W	3-0	Cocklin, Buckler, Neale
Sat 05 Sep	H	Christchurch	180	D	1-1	Neale
Tue 08 Sep	A	Bashley	193	W	3-0	Cann 2, Munn
Sat 12 Sep	A	Hartley Wintney (FAC)				
Tue 15 Sep	A	Alresford Town				
Sat 26 Sep	A	Baffins Milton Rovers				
Sat 03 Oct	A	AFC Stoneham				
Tue 06 Oct	H	Shaftesbury				
Sat 17 Oct	H	Alresford Town				
Tue 20 Oct	A	Portland United				
Sat 24 Oct	A	Fleet Town				
Sat 31 Oct	H	Amesbury Town				
Tue 03 Nov	A	Lymington Town				
Sat 07 Nov	H	Hamble Club				
Sat 14 Nov	A	Brockenhurst				
Tue 17 Nov	H	Bournemouth				
Sat 21 Nov	H	Tadley Calleva				
Sat 28 Nov	A	Cowes Sports				
Tue 01 Dec	H	Fareham Town				
Sat 05 Dec	A	Horndean				
Sat 12 Dec	A	AFC Portchester				
Sat 19 Dec	H	Blackfield & Langley				
Sat 02 Jan '21	H	Bashley				
Sat 09 Jan	A	Christchurch				
Sat 16 Jan	H	Baffins Milton Rovers				
Sat 23 Jan	A	Fareham Town				
Sat 30 Jan	H	AFC Stoneham				
Sat 06 Feb	H	Cowes Sports				
Sat 13 Feb	A	Tadley Calleva				
Sat 20 Feb	A	Alresford Town				
Tue 23 Feb	H	Portland United				
Sat 27 Feb	H	Horndean				
Sat 06 Mar	A	Amesbury Town				
Tue 09 Mar	A	Bournemouth				
Sat 13 Mar	H	AFC Portchester				
Sat 20 Mar	H	Fleet Town				
Tue 23 Mar	A	Shaftesbury				
Sat 27 Mar	H	Lymington Town				
Sat 03 Apr	A	Blackfield & Langley				
Sat 10 Apr	H	Brockenhurst				
Sat 17 Apr	A	Hamble Club				



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## UPCOMING MATCHES:

First Team: Away v Hartley Wintney - Sat 12th September - 3pm



## YELLOW

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