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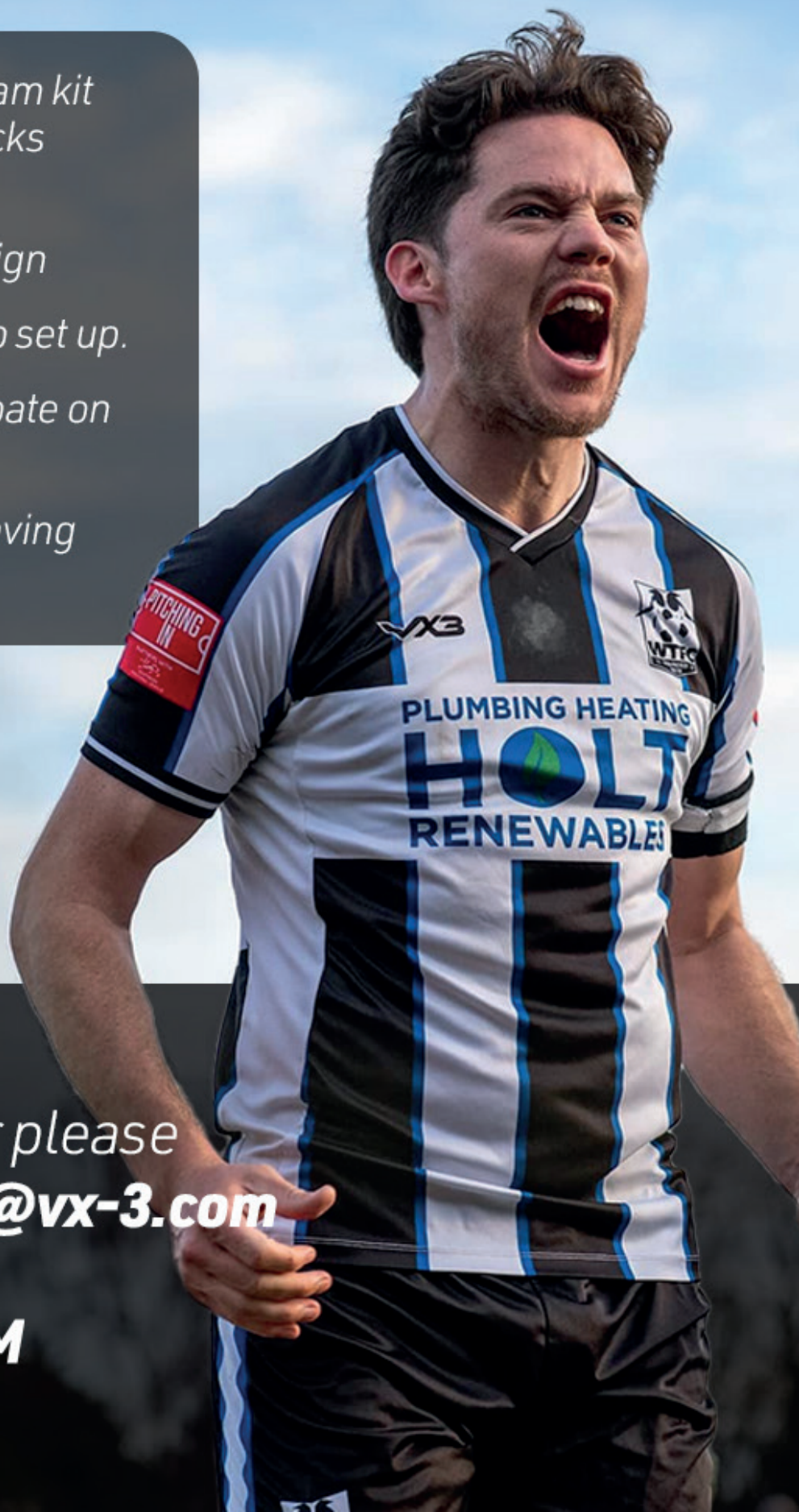
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We congratulate the winners:

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Stratford Town (3.000ppg)

Premier South

Walton & Hersham (2.600ppg - tied with Bracknell Town but win on goal difference)

Division One Central

Thame United (2.600ppg)

Division One South

Frome Town (2.600ppg)

ABOUT THE AWARDS

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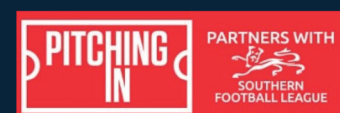
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LEAGUE STANDINGS

2025-26



Premier Division South

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Walton & Hersham	23	11	1	0	34	6	8	2	1	24	12	40	60
2	Poole Town	24	7	4	2	31	13	7	1	3	22	15	25	47
3	Gloucester City	23	10	2	1	34	16	4	3	3	20	15	23	47
4	Farnham Town	22	6	3	2	27	12	6	3	2	26	19	22	42
5	Gosport Borough	24	8	1	3	29	23	4	3	5	17	19	4	40
6	Sholing	24	6	3	2	27	18	4	6	3	14	13	10	39
7	Chertsey Town	25	5	3	4	19	12	6	3	4	13	12	8	39
8	Berkhamsted	23	4	3	4	14	17	5	3	4	15	14	-2	33
9	Basingstoke Town	24	7	1	5	20	22	3	2	6	16	17	-3	33
10	Wimborne Town	22	6	4	1	24	13	2	4	5	10	14	7	32
11	Havant & Waterlooville	22	5	2	4	23	21	4	1	6	18	20	0	30
12	Uxbridge	24	5	2	6	21	24	2	7	2	17	18	-4	30
13	Bracknell Town	24	6	3	4	27	23	2	3	6	10	21	-7	30
14	Evesham United	25	5	3	4	20	11	2	4	7	15	25	-1	28
15	Yate Town	22	4	4	3	13	10	3	1	7	14	24	-7	26
16	Taunton Town	24	3	3	5	14	17	4	1	8	21	26	-8	25
17	Hungerford Town	24	3	5	4	13	18	3	2	7	17	26	-14	25
18	Weymouth	25	2	5	6	13	18	3	2	7	13	29	-21	22
19	Plymouth Parkway	22	4	2	4	11	14	1	4	7	14	31	-20	21
20	Hanwell Town	22	3	3	4	11	14	2	2	8	14	23	-12	20
21	Dorchester Town	22	3	4	5	16	22	1	4	5	10	17	-13	20
22	Tiverton Town	20	2	1	5	8	11	2	1	9	15	39	-27	14

Premier Division Central

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Spalding United	25	8	3	1	34	12	8	3	2	33	17	38	54
2	Harborough Town	21	7	4	0	19	6	7	2	1	19	8	24	48
3	Quorn	24	5	2	5	21	19	7	3	2	30	17	15	41
4	Halesowen Town	24	7	3	3	25	19	3	6	2	21	17	10	39
5	Needham Market	24	7	1	4	23	17	4	5	3	13	16	3	39
6	Redditch United	25	8	1	4	23	21	4	2	6	15	18	-1	39
7	Worcester City	25	4	4	4	16	14	6	3	4	28	14	16	37
8	Real Bedford	20	5	2	3	16	13	5	3	2	19	12	10	35
9	Stratford Town	22	6	3	2	23	15	4	2	5	13	18	3	35
10	Leiston	23	4	4	3	19	14	5	3	4	17	18	4	34
11	Kettering Town	23	5	3	3	22	12	4	2	6	15	22	3	32
12	St Ives Town	25	5	6	2	18	15	3	2	7	18	23	-3	32
13	Bishop's Stortford	22	6	1	6	22	21	3	3	3	15	13	3	31
14	Banbury United	23	5	3	3	18	16	3	2	7	16	19	-1	29
15	Bury Town	24	6	1	5	15	12	2	4	6	17	22	-2	29
16	Barwell	25	4	3	4	16	15	3	5	6	18	25	-6	29
17	Bromsgrove Sporting	24	5	2	6	19	23	2	2	7	12	23	-15	25
18	Alvechurch	21	4	1	5	13	13	3	2	6	7	10	-3	24
19	Stourbridge	24	2	5	4	15	18	2	4	7	15	29	-17	21
20	AFC Sudbury	22	3	4	4	16	27	2	2	7	13	28	-26	21
21	Royston Town	25	2	5	5	17	24	1	3	9	8	29	-28	17
22	Stamford AFC	21	2	3	6	8	20	1	1	8	5	20	-27	13

Weekend Action

Bracknell Town
v Berkhamsted

Chertsey Town
v Tiverton Town

Dorchester Town
v Uxbridge

Evesham United
v Weymouth

Hanwell Town
v Poole Town

Hungerford Town
v Farnham Town

Plymouth Parkway
v Gosport Borough

Sholing
v Yate Town

Taunton Town
v Havant & Waterlooville

Wimborne Town
v Basingstoke Town

Weekend Action

AFC Sudbury
v Bishop's Stortford

Barwell
v Halesowen Town

Bromsgrove Sporting
v Alvechurch

Leiston
v Kettering Town

Real Bedford
v Needham Market

Royston Town
v Bury Town

Spalding United
v Harborough Town

Stamford
v St Ives Town

Stourbridge
v Quorn

Stratford Town
v Redditch United

Worcester City
v Banbury United

Division One South

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Frome Town	24	9	2	1	25	9	9	2	1	30	8	38	58
2	Portishead Town	24	10	1	2	40	11	8	0	3	26	16	39	55
3	Winchester City	24	10	3	0	31	10	6	2	3	21	13	29	53
4	Malvern Town	24	10	0	3	36	22	7	2	2	22	15	21	53
5	Bishops Cleeve	23	10	2	1	31	11	5	2	3	19	20	19	49
6	Shaftesbury	22	10	1	1	29	14	5	1	4	22	14	23	47
7	Exmouth Town	25	8	2	2	31	20	4	3	6	15	26	0	41
8	Larkhall Athletic	24	7	3	2	31	23	4	0	8	18	22	4	36
9	Hartpury	23	7	2	2	36	12	3	2	7	17	21	20	34
10	Westbury United	21	7	0	4	16	12	3	3	4	8	12	0	33
11	Mousehole	24	3	3	6	13	16	4	4	4	21	19	-1	28
12	Sporting Club Inkberrow	21	5	2	3	14	10	2	3	6	12	24	-8	26
13	Bristol Manor Farm	24	5	4	4	16	19	2	1	8	17	29	-15	26
14	Bideford	25	4	3	6	16	21	3	2	7	12	25	-18	26
15	Falmouth Town	21	4	3	2	18	9	2	4	6	15	25	-1	25
16	Melksham Town	24	3	5	4	16	17	2	3	7	10	23	-14	23
17	Didcot Town	24	2	4	6	15	27	4	1	7	13	22	-21	23
18	Swindon Supermarine	21	4	0	5	17	17	2	3	7	12	17	-5	21
19	Willand Rovers	23	3	2	5	10	13	1	4	8	13	33	-23	18
20	Brixham	23	4	1	7	17	27	1	2	8	10	30	-30	18
21	Bashley	25	1	3	8	7	19	3	1	9	14	23	-21	16
22	Tavistock	21	2	0	7	6	17	1	1	10	9	34	-36	10

Division One Central

#	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Leighton Town	24	10	2	0	36	9	6	4	2	24	16	35	55
2	Hitchin Town	23	8	3	2	29	13	6	4	0	23	8	31	40
3	Hertford Town	23	8	0	4	32	20	6	3	2	25	13	24	45
4	Biggleswade	24	3	6	3	18	18	9	2	1	27	13	14	44
4	Biggleswade Town	24	4	5	3	26	22	8	2	2	32	13	23	43
5	Ware	25	6	3	3	26	15	7	1	5	25	24	12	43
6	Barton Rovers	24	8	2	2	24	12	4	5	3	20	21	11	43
8	Thame United	23	6	1	4	25	21	6	1	4	23	18	9	38
9	Welwyn Garden City	24	4	4	4	15	15	5	4	3	24	16	8	35
10	Beaconsfield Town	24	4	4	4	23	19	5	3	4	21	19	6	34
11	Hadley	22	5	2	4	26	25	4	5	2	16	13	4	34
12	Stotfold	24	7	1	4	23	12	4	0	8	23	32	2	34
13	Flackwell Heath	23	5	3	5	23	16	3	3	4	13	13	7	30
14	Milton Keynes Irish	24	4	2	6	23	31	5	1	6	18	22	-12	30
15	London Lions	23	6	1	4	24	25	3	1	8	16	24	-9	29
16	Marlow	24	6	1	5	27	23	3	1	8	14	30	-12	29
17	Aylesbury United	23	3	4	3	14	14	4	1	8	17	27	-10	26
18	Northwood	24	2	3	8	15	31	2	7	2	18	21	-19	22
19	Leverstock Green	23	2	5	3	16	17	1	6	6	17	29	-13	20
20	Enfield	24	1	2	9	15	32	3	1	8	16	34	-35	15
21	Rayners Lane	24	1	1	10	6	25	2	2	8	14	38	-43	12
22	AFC Dunstable	23	1	3	7	9	24	1	1	10	12	30	-33	10

Weekend Action

Bristol Manor Farm
v Melksham Town

Didcot Town
v Falmouth Town

Exmouth Town
v Hartpury

Malvern Town
v Bideford AFC

Mousehole
v Bashley

Shaftesbury
v Bishops Cleeve

Swindon Supermarine
v Brixham AFC

Tavistock AFC
v Sporting Club Inkberrow

Westbury United
v Larkhall Athletic

Willand Rovers
v Portishead Town

Winchester City
v Frome Town

Weekend Action

AFC Dunstable
v Ware

Barton Rovers
v Hadley

Beaconsfield Town
v Enfield

Biggleswade FC
v Northwood

Flackwell Heath
v Biggleswade Town

Hertford Town
v Marlow

London Lions
v Leverstock Green

Milton Keynes Irish
v Hitchin Town

Rayners Lane
v Leighton Town

Stotfold
v Aylesbury United

Thame United
v Welwyn Garden City

PITCHING IN SOUTHERN LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION SOUTH



Featured Match

**CHERTSEY TOWN
v TIVERTON TOWN**

Having won just two of their opening 18 games in the Premier South, Tiverton Town made it successive victories last Saturday as they beat local rivals, Taunton Town, 2-1 to follow up an away triumph, by the same scoreline, at Plymouth Parkway in their previous outing.

The hope is that the last two games can give the Devon outfit the kick-start that they need going into 2026 where they find themselves bottom of the table with just 14 points to their name from 20 League games and eight points adrift of safety. One of the players who is sure to have a key role to play is Jacob Wellington. He was able to put the boot into neighbours Taunton by opening the scoring last weekend on his way to securing the Man of the Match prize.

"It was the performance from the whole team that was the most important thing for me," he told us. "As a group, we stuck together; even when Taunton went level, we didn't drop our heads and kept going, which led us to the second goal and three more points. "I'm buzzing to get a goal and play my part in the win. Hopefully more goals will follow for me now. "To make it two wins in a row was fantastic and has done our confidence the power of good. We're looking to continue pushing forward as a team now and continue to add to our points tally. "These last two games have given us plenty of belief so we'll see where this can take us.



Can the smiles continue for Tiverton Town?

"It's been a season of ups and downs so far and we know that we have to keep battling and working hard. Maybe some of the luck that evaded us during the first half of the season will now start to go our way? "From a personal point of view I am enjoying the challenge that the step up has presented to me and I will certainly benefit from the experience. "The target is to get ourselves out of the relegation zone and everyone's focus is firmly fixed on that objective. I want to be able to play my part by establishing a regular starting place and weighing in with goals and assists." Meanwhile, this week has seen Ian Moorcroft announce his intention to step down from his role of Chairman at the end of the season. Moorcroft re-joined the club's board in November 2023 after a short period of time away following a previous two-decade association. Whilst there have been many changes to the structure of the board in that time, Moorcroft has been the one constant. He has supported Tiverton Town FC both financially and with his time, knowledge and business expertise. "After gifting his business, R&M Wholesale, to his employees, he now feels the time is right to take a step back from his day to day business

activities and wishes to enjoy his retirement with his wonderful wife Barbara," the club said in a statement. "While no words can truly show how much we appreciate what Ian has done for the club, we wish to put on record our sincere thanks for a commitment rarely seen in football. "Both Ian and Barbara will always be warmly welcomed at the club and Ian will be supporting any incumbent with his expertise. "This announcement does mean that the structure of the club will need to be considered and we are now inviting expressions of interest from parties who may wish to either join the existing board either as a Committee Member or Chairman or form a

new board for the 2025/26 season." Saturday's hosts, Chertsey Town, sit just a point outside of the top five and go into the game on the back of a hard-earned 1-0 victory at Uxbridge last weekend, amidst a run of five wins from their last six games. Toby Little has done well since taking over at the helm earlier in the campaign and he will be hoping that the recent departure of goal-getting, Jack Mazzone, won't have too much impact on his side's impressive form.

**THE REST OF THE ACTION FROM
THE PREMIER DIVISION SOUTH**

With two of the top three on Isuzu FA Trophy duty, it gives Poole Town an opportunity to try and close the gap on leaders, Walton & Hersham, as they go to Hanwell Town. 13 points separate Poole from top spot.

After suffering a 4-3 defeat at Havant & Waterlooville on Wednesday evening, Farnham Town are back on the road as they head to Hungerford Town, whilst making up the rest of the top five, Gosport Borough go to an out of sorts, Plymouth Parkway.

Sitting just outside the top five, Sholing, will be looking to make home advantage count as they take on Yate Town, who go into the game in the bottom half of the table.

At the bottom, whilst Tiverton Town hope for an upturn in fortunes following two straight wins, both Hanwell Town and Plymouth Parkway face tough fixtures against high-flying opponents. That leaves Dorchester Town, who have 20 points from 22 games, and entertain Uxbridge, whose early season form has dipped recently.

Elsewhere, an upwardly-mobile Bracknell Town host Berkhamsted, whilst Evesham United welcome Weymouth, who sit just one place and one point off the relegation zone. Taunton Town are at home to Havant & Waterlooville as Wimborne Town lock horns with Basingstoke Town.

Please check before travelling to any of these games as the winter weather is sure to play its part again this weekend.



Second-place Poole Town will be looking to use their super powers again this weekend

**THE ISUZU FA TROPHY
FOURTH ROUND**



Both of our clubs face higher level opponents. There's a mouth-watering tie at Premier South leaders, Walton & Hersham, as they play host to National League new-boys, Brackley Town.

It's been such an impressive campaign so far for Walton & Hersham and now they will be able to test themselves against opponents who finally made it onto non-League football's top table at the end of last season.

Brackley are currently in 17th place in The National League.

Meanwhile there's a long journey north for Gloucester City as they go to Marine of The National League North.

City have already removed two higher level opponents from this year's competition, in Slough Town and Worthing, who were both beaten on penalties. Now they are ready to face the challenge that Marine will provide. They are 11th in The National League North table.

Featured Match

STOURBRIDGE v QUORN

Since taking over at the Stourbridge helm, Scott Adey-Linforth has taken five points from his opening three games.

It has taken the Premier Central club to just three points away from escaping the bottom four and they will be looking to extend their unbeaten run to five games on Saturday when high-flying Quorn provide the opposition.

Adey-Linforth has been able to strengthen the engine room of his side with the recent acquisition of one of his trusted on the pitch lieutenants from his time at Bromsgrove Sporting, Tom Edge.

"Tom is someone who I have worked closely with at my previous club and I know that he will bring energy and determination to the middle of the park," the Glassboys' manager told us. "He

wears his heart on his sleeve; he runs hard, tackles hard and is just what we need to get us moving in the right direction."

Having seen their last couple of games postponed, Edge is eager to get started.

"I am really looking forward to the challenge ahead," he told us. "This is a massive club at this level with great fans.

"Yes, we do have a challenge ahead, but from speaking to the Gaffer and the staff, it's one which the club and also myself feel is achievable and one that we'll be giving everything towards.

"I loved every minute of my time playing under the Gaffer at Bromsgrove. He was able to get the best out of me, alongside Batch [Richard Batchelor, first-team coach].

"Up until this season, I had a year away from football due to an injury and I can't thank them enough for the support and confidence they placed in me to get me back towards my best.

"This is a great opportunity for us to get this club moving in the right direction again. The fans will also have a key role to play in this and, as I say, their backing speaks for itself.

"I've played against Stourbridge a few times over the years and, home or away, the supporters are always the 12th man and it makes such a difference as a player to have this kind of support.

"It makes you run that bit more and work that extra bit harder, which is exactly what we need to do between now and the end of the season.

"I am a box-to-box midfielder, I love to score goals, but I also get pleasure out of helping out on the defensive side of things.

"I enjoy being on the ball and like to play football, but when pitches start to turn and surfaces worsen, I really enjoy putting myself about and working hard for the team.

"The one thing that you can guarantee with me is that I will always give 110%.

"The League this season so far has been extremely tight both at the top and also at the bottom. There are so many points to play for and with a good run of form, you can easily jump four or five places.

"It wasn't long ago that Alvechurch were one win away from going top, now all of a sudden, they are one place above the bottom four and we are chasing them down.

"That just goes to show how tight and



Stourbridge have added an extra Edge to their team

competitive this division is.

"I think it goes without saying that the target for us, as a club and a team, is to be playing Step 3 football next season.

"That's all that matters right now, but personally I want to establish myself in the team and help us achieve our objectives by keeping a strong level of consistency in my performances, week in, week out.

"It would also be nice to score a few more goals, as this is an area of my game that I feel I can improve upon here."

Going into the weekend, visitors, Quorn, sit in third place following a solid first half of the campaign after taking the Northern Premier League Midland Division title last term.

They are two games without a win as they ended 2025 with a 2-2 draw at Barwell following a 4-2 home reverse at the hands of Worcester City in their previous outing.

It has all of the ingredients to be a hard-fought encounter, should the winter weather be kind enough to let it go ahead.

THE REST OF THE ACTION FROM THE PREMIER DIVISION CENTRAL

As we wait to see what Mother Nature holds in store this weekend, there's a top of the table clash scheduled as leaders, Spalding United, host second-placed Harborough Town. Six points separate the two teams, however, Harborough Town have four games in hand on their hosts.

With Quorn heading to Stourbridge, fourth-placed Halesowen Town go to Barwell, whilst Needham Market, who sit fifth, face a trip to Real Bedford, who are one of a group of clubs just outside the play-off positions and are four points adrift of their opponents.

Redditch United will be looking to respond to a heavy home defeat last weekend as they make the short trip to Stratford

Town. Meanwhile Worcester City, who inflicted that defeat on Redditch, return to home action as they lock horns with Banbury United.

Down at the bottom of the table, there has been movement within the Stamford AFC playing staff recently as they search for a winning formula. They are at home to St. Ives Town on Saturday. Royston Town welcome Bury Town, whilst AFC Sudbury will be eager to make home advantage count against Bishop's Stortford. Elsewhere, Leiston host Kettering Town, with only two points separating the teams going into the game.

As always, please check before setting out to games to avoid wasted journeys in difficult conditions.



There's sure to be a large travelling contingent of Harborough Town fans hitting the road, weather permitting, on Saturday

THE ISUZU FA TROPHY FOURTH ROUND

The Premier Central flag is being flown by Alvechurch, who will put their League battles to one side for the time being as they head to National League side, Yeovil Town, who are now under the guidance of former Walton & Hersham manager, Billy Rowley.

Having found themselves challenging amongst the leading pack earlier in the season, Alvechurch's form has dipped to the point where they now sit just one place and three points away from the relegation zone. They face opponents who are in 15th place at Step 1.



Featured Match

MALVERN TOWN v BIDEFORD AFC

Malvern Town have received a boost for the second half of the season following a Christmas gift from New Zealand.

Former striker, Jordan Annear, has returned to these shores following time living on the other side of the world and re-signed for the Division One South club over the festive period.

"I'm very excited to be back," he told us. "I absolutely loved my time at the club during the 2023/24 season, and if it hadn't been for my wife and I relocating to New Zealand to experience something different, I would have happily remained.

"From the bar staff and volunteers to those working behind the scenes and the management, the environment around the club was outstanding and made playing football each week a real pleasure, so I had no hesitation in coming back.

"I followed the club very closely while I was living away, even waking up at 2am for the play-off final last season!

"I'm still very close with a lot of the boys and have also chatted to Hoops [manager, Lee Hooper] quite regularly since I have been away.

"The team had such a strong run last season, coming so close to reaching Step 3, and hopefully we can keep the good form going this season and give it another push because we go into the New Year in a really good position in the Division One South table."

The Annears are now back in Worcestershire having enjoyed their experience on the other side of the world.

"We really loved living somewhere completely new and pushing ourselves out of our comfort zones," Jordan added. "We both enjoyed the lifestyle, the different way of living and the work-life balance, but being on the other side of the world was just a bit too far away from family and friends.

"We're so glad we did it, though, as it had a really positive impact on our lives.

"While I was away, I played for Napier City Rovers in New Zealand's Central League. It was an incredible experience playing football in another country and adapting to a new environment. Napier were a very professional, family-oriented club, which made settling in much easier.



Jordan Annear has swapped New Zealand for a return to Malvern Town

"The highlight was qualifying for the National League, giving me the opportunity to fly all over the country and compete against some top teams. Playing against Auckland City—who have competed in the most recent FIFA Club World Cup—was a particularly memorable experience.

"It will stand me in good stead for me return to the Southern League, which is a very tough and physical competition where the standards are rising all of the time.

"Alongside having many technically-gifted players, it's important to have a strong team morale. The schedule is so much more intense over here and with that you need to have a large and committed squad, which I believe we have here at Malvern Town.

"My aims and targets for the remainder of the season are to get up to speed as quickly as possible with the team's mentality, how we approach games and to get back playing alongside the boys.

"On a personal level, I obviously want to be playing regularly, but

I'm equally excited to help wherever needed and hopefully be a positive addition to an already very talented squad.

"As I say, the club has put itself in a really strong position heading into the New Year, so it's important that we keep the momentum going and see where it takes us at the end of the season."

Annear has come off the bench in each of the Hillsiders' last two games as they find themselves fourth in the table going into Saturday's home game against Bideford AFC.

Their opponents are fresh from a Javan Wright-inspired 3-2 victory over Mousehole AFC last weekend where Wright grabbed all three goals – and the match ball!

After an up and down first half of the campaign, manager, Sean Joyce, is hoping that his side can find some consistency in the second half of the season, as they did last year.

THE REST OF THE ACTION



Mousehole AFC will be looking for home comforts on Saturday

There's a tasty top against third clash taking place, weather permitting, at Winchester City as they host leaders, Frome Town. Sandwiched in between them are Portishead Town who to a Willand Rovers outfit who are desperate for the points for different reasons.

Saturday also throws up another intriguing encounter as Shaftesbury, who sit sixth, host fifth-place Bishops Cleeve who are just two points above them having played a game more.

From the group of teams who are looking to keep on the shirt-tails of the top six, Exmouth Town and Hartpury FC go head-to-head, whilst Westbury United and Larkhall Athletic also meet, so an interesting afternoon is in prospect.

Down in the lower reaches of the table, Tavistock AFC will be desperate to make home advantage count as they host Sporting Club Inkberrow, whilst Bashley make the long trip down to Mousehole AFC, who are looking to kick-start their home form.

Also amongst the bottom four, Brixham head to Swindon Supermarine sit just one place out of the relegation places and three points ahead of their opponents.

Elsewhere, Bristol Manor Farm and Melksham Town do battle as both sides look to strengthen their position in the middle of the table, whilst Didcot Town entertain Falmouth Town.

You are advised to check before travelling to any of these fixtures as the winter weather once more takes a hold.

Featured Match

BIGGLESWADE FC v NORTHWOOD

With seven points from their last three games, Northwood have found some form as they look to climb the Pitching In Southern League Division One Central.

The winter weather has meant that they are yet to take to the field so far in 2026 but earlier this week, the players were put through their paces with a session from well-respected England boxing coach, Luke Groves.

"The lads were made to work extremely hard," joint manager, Jack Smith, told us. "Luke is a friend of one of our coaching staff and is based not too far away from Northwood, so we decided to set something up and give the boys something a bit difference, especially with most of the pitches frozen.

"It was a tough and demanding session, something that we needed having seen our game postponed last weekend and after the festive period.

"To get the group together and get in a solid work-out was

important for us. I had more of an overseeing role, but joint manager, Jon Jo Bates, completed the whole sessions as he's been playing more frequently than me this season.

"He was certainly feeling it the next day, but he enjoyed it and the benefits that it will bring.

"It's fair to say that we've had a mixed start to the season. We have picked up some very good results away from home against teams in the play-offs, but then failed to secure points against teams closer to us in the table, which has been frustrating.

"The last three games have seen us win two and draw the other. We were able to get a 1-0 away win at Rayners Lane in our last outing to follow up the home draw with high-flying Hertford Town just before Christmas and prior to that we beat Stotfold, who have also been in good form.

"There have been plenty of positives to take from our performances in each of these games and it shows where we're at



It was a knockout training session with Luke Groves on Tuesday evening

right now that we were disappointed to only take a point against a Hertford Town side who are up there pushing for promotion this season.

"This is my first full season in management having taken over towards the back-end of last season and we're starting to see a clearer identity and structure now, something that both Jon-Jo and I have been worked hard on.

"We knew going into the season that it was going to be a tough League, but we have proven that we can compete against anyone, it's just about keeping the consistency and being able to push on together.

"Our aim is to have a strong second half of the season where we look up the table rather than nervously over our shoulders. We want to be able to push ourselves up in the middle of the table instead of getting embroiled in a relegation battle.

"We've been able to add a few quality players to the group to help us on our way and if recent results are anything to go by, we're heading in the right direction.

A trip to Biggleswade FC is on the agenda for Saturday, weather permitting.

Their hosts took advantage of being one of only two games to survive the weather in Division One Central last weekend as they won 1-0 away at Ware, a result which saw them leapfrog their hosts and move into the top five.

They have lost only four of their 24 League games so it's been an extremely solid season so far as they look to be part of the play-offs come the end of the campaign.

THE REST OF THE ACTION



Image | Peter Elise

There was a packed house at Hitchin Town last weekend for their biggest crowd in just over a decade

As in all divisions this weekend, the winter weather is sure to play its part so please check before setting out to any game to avoid unnecessary journeys.

Leaders, Leighton Town, are due to be on their travels as they head to a Rayners Lane outfit who are battling for the points for very different reasons in the lower reaches of the table.

A crowd of almost 1,500 turned up to see second-place Hitchin Town secure three big points at the expense of local rivals, Stotfold, last weekend. The Canaries prospered by three goals to two and their next test takes them to MK Irish.

Sitting third are Biggleswade Town who have not been in action since winning 3-0 at Biggleswade FC over the festive period. They head to Flackwell Heath at the weekend. Also involved in the top five are Hertford Town who will be looking to make home advantage count as they welcome Marlow.

In the lower reaches of the table, bottom club, AFC Dunstable, with just two wins to their name this term, host a Ware outfit

whose home reverse at the hands of Biggleswade FC last weekend saw them slip out of the top five.

Enfield will be hoping for better fortunes in 2026 as they travel to Beaconsfield Town, who themselves have their sights set on breaking out of the middle table pack and challenging for a place in the play-off equation.

Also in the bottom four are Leverstock Green who go to a London Lions outfit who have got themselves ten points clear of the relegation zone.

The remainder of the action sees Barton Rovers host Hadley with the home side eager to stay in touch with the leading pack and the visitors battling to keep their play-off dreams alive. Stotfold's form has dropped off recently as they take on Aylesbury United, whilst talking of recent form, the PST Sport Club of the Month for December 2025, Thame United, host Welwyn Garden City, who go into the encounter just three points behind their opponents as both clubs eye a play-off charge.

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