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Official Match Day Programme



Harefield United FC

Saturday 30th November 2024, KO 3pm

Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North



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Welcome to The 1878 Stadium, Burnham Football Club

Hello and welcome to The 1878 Stadium for this Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North fixture between Burnham and our friends from Harefield United.

The Hares welcomed British Airways to their ground on Tuesday night. The game ended 1 – 1 which means Harefield now sit in 7th position in the league table on 26 points from 15 games so far this season. Last Saturday they took all three points at home against Virginia Water (2 – 1) and won 4-5 away on penalties at Uxbridge FC in the Middlesex FA Cup competition previous to that.

Burnham are in 9th position in the Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North with 24 points from 15 games. No mid-week game this week. So our lads arrive refreshed and ready to go following their 3 – 0 victory over Wallingford & Crowmarsh last weekend.

As usual our pitch side snack bar M&Ms is open for today's supporters and there's a wide selection of hot and cold food and refreshments on sale. Check out our **Match Day Info** page on our website and continue to read the rest of this free programme for more too.

If you want to follow us on our socials then just search **@BurnhamFC1878**

Worth noting that Football Web Pages, who all clubs in our league use for posting match updates automatically to X, has recommended creating a BlueSky social account because of integration issues with X and the current limit imposed by X on the number of posts allowed within a 24 hour period. FWP has suggested stopping posts linked to substitutions and Red/Yellow cards as an initial fix for automated posts on X. Our new BlueSky account follows our usual profile format – BurnhamFC1878 if you wish to follow us. Here's the link: <https://bsky.app/profile/burnhamfc1878.bsky.social>

Thank you for coming to watch this afternoon. Enjoy the game everyone.

Paul Butler

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Burnham FC



Recent Results | Burnham FC

PDN	23/11/2024	BURNHAM FC	3 - 0	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	Premier Division North
PDN	16/11/2024	Risborough Rangers	1 - 0	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North
FAV	09/11/2024	BURNHAM FC	1 - 0	Cobham	ISUZU FA Vase
PDN	02/11/2024	British Airways	0 - 4	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North
PDN	26/10/2024	BURNHAMFC	1 - 1	Broadfields United	Premier Division North
PDN	23/10/2024	BURNHAMFC	2 - 2	Virginia Water	Premier Division North
FAV	20/10/2024	BURNHAM FC	0 - 0	Eastbourne United	ISUZU FA Vase (Pens 5-3)
PCC	15/10/2024	Woodley United	1 - 1	BURNHAM FC	Premier Challenge Cup
PDN	12/10/2024	BURNHAM FC	2 - 1	Reading City	Premier Division North

Upcoming Fixtures | Burnham FC *(Subject to change)*

PDN	30/11/2024	BURNHAM FC	V	Harefield United	3pm	Premier Division North
FAV	07/12/2024	Epsom & Ewell	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	ISUZU FA Vase
PDN	11/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	V	British Airways	7:45pm	Premier Division North
PDN	14/12/2024	Bedfont Sports	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	18/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	V	Holyport	7:45pm	Premier Division North
PDN	21/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	V	Wembley	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	28/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	V	Berks County	3pm	Premier Division North
January 2025						
PDN	04/01/2025	Ardley United	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	08/01/2025	BURNHAM FC	V	Risborough Rangers	7:45pm	Premier Division North
PDN	11/01/2025	BURNHAM FC	V	Amersham Town	3pm	Premier Division North
PCC	15/01/2025	Ardley United	V	BURNHAM FC	7:45pm	Premier Challenge Cup
PDN	18/01/2025	Wokingham Town	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	25/01/2025	Egham Town	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North

Combined Counties Football League

Premier Division North

League Table

Live Match Updates on X (Twitter)

Following trials the Combined Counties Football League has made the use of Football Web Pages compulsory for all clubs to use on match days. FWP is an online platform where supporters access fixture news and match updates via a mobile app or website. Each team has its own management area where representatives post live match updates including a **Team Sheet**. Typically it is the responsibility of the Home Team to manage live match updates.

See latest news regarding BlueSky

POS		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Amersham Town	19	13	3	3	28	42
2	Egham Town	19	12	5	2	42	41
3	North Greenford United	20	11	3	6	21	36
4	Holyport	19	9	5	5	7	32
5	Bedfont Sports	16	9	3	4	23	30
6	Ardley United	19	9	2	8	-1	29
7	Harefield United	15	8	2	5	4	26
8	Virginia Water	19	7	5	7	0	26
9	Burnham	15	7	3	5	11	24
10	British Airways	16	6	5	5	-3	23
11	Hilltop	20	7	2	11	-19	23
12	Milton United	16	6	4	6	-3	22
13	Reading City	16	6	3	7	-6	21
14	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	18	6	3	9	-7	21
15	Wembley	18	6	1	11	-14	19
16	Risborough Rangers	16	3	8	5	-7	17
17	Wokingham Town	17	5	2	10	-14	17
18	Berks County	18	5	2	11	-21	17
19	Broadfields United	17	3	5	9	-17	14
20	Edgware & Kingsbury	17	3	2	12	-24	11



A BRIEF HISTORY OF BURNHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

Founded in 1878, Burnham Football Club is the second oldest club Buckinghamshire. We played in the early years, with considerable success, in various leagues, before joining the Great Western Combination in 1948. We moved to the Wycombe Combination in 1964 and then spent one season (1970/71) in the Reading Combination. In 1971 the club was elected to the Hellenic League. Winning both the Premier Division and League Cup in 1975/76. We were also twice beaten finalists in the League Cup too.

In 1977 the club were elected to the Athenian League and were twice runners-up before the league folded in 1984. We competed in the London Spartan League in 1984/85. Winning both the Premier Division title and the League Cup.

The summer of 1985 bought about the amalgamation of the football club with Hillingdon Borough FC, who had lost their ground and were about to fold. We played in the Southern League as Burnham & Hillingdon FC and reverted back to the former name of Burnham FC in 1987. Season 1994/95 saw us finish bottom. Resulting in relegation to the Hellenic League.

After 3 seasons in the Hellenic League, finishing fifth, third and again third in 1998/99. the club won both the Premier Division title and the League Cup. Therefore, gaining promotion back to the Southern Football League. The 2006/07 season saw us achieve our highest league position. Finishing 3rd and thus qualifying for the end of season Promotion Play-Off semi-final. Unfortunately losing to the eventual winners – Swindon Supermarine.

The 2012-2013 season was, without doubt, the most successful in the football club's history. The First Team won the Evo Stik League Southern Division One Central (Southern League) championship. Earning promotion to the newly sponsored Calor League Premier Division (Southern League), while our Reserves won the UHLSPORT Hellenic League Division Two East championship at the first time of asking. Earning promotion to Division One East where they came up against the First Teams of many of the previous season's opposition.

CUP COMPETITION HISTORY

In cup competitions Burnham reached the Quarter Final of the FA Vase in 1977/78 and then went one better in reaching the Semi Final in 1982/83. Losing 4-2 over two legs to Halesowen Town. The clubs record attendance of 2400 was achieved in the home leg. We have twice reached the Third Qualifying round of the FA Cup and in 2005/06 we reached the First Round Proper for the first time ever, before losing at home to Aldershot Town. In the F.A.Trophy we reached the Fourth Round (the last 16) in 1999/2000. Before losing to Scarborough in a replay after a creditable 1-1 draw at The Gore. In the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup we reached the Semi Final twice before losing on both occasions to Chesham United.

On the 22nd May 2024 the blues were successful in beating Virginia Water 2-1 at the Racecourse Ground (Ascot United) and won the 2023/24 Combined Counties Football League / Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup, aka the League Cup.

AND NOW...

Burnham FC now play in the Cherry Red Records Combined Counties Premier League North. During the Covid-19 pandemic the renamed 1878 stadium and its facilities have undergone a major refurbishment programme. Providing the new chairman, Glenn Skivington, with the chance to achieve one of his key objectives of building closer links with local clubs and the local community. We now have more teams, more clubs and more leagues enjoying the state of the art 3G pitch which was completed in July 2021. Going forward Burnham Football Club will continue to develop as a local sports facility. Creating a pathway for young players, whether they want to play professionally or build a career within the sports industry.

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History of Harefield United FC

The club was formed in 1868, making it the oldest club in Middlesex. In their formative years they played under such names as Harefield Victoria and Breakspear Institute in the local Uxbridge Leagues before merging with Harefield FC in 1934 to become Harefield United, playing in the Uxbridge and District League.

By 1947 the club had joined the Great Western Combination, playing at Taylors Meadow and winning the league once in the 1950-1 season. In 1964 the club moved to the Parthenon League, winning the league at the first attempt. They then joined the Middlesex League two seasons later where they stayed for five seasons, winning the league title four times and the league cup twice.

In 1967-8 the club celebrated their centenary by moving to their present ground at Preston Park in Harefield, joining the Spartan League Senior Section in the 1971-2 season, staying there for four seasons, making their debut in the FA Vase in 1974-5 before progressing to Division Two of the Athenian League for the 1975-6 season. The club also made their debut in the FA Cup in 1979-80. The Athenian League folded in 1984, the year the Hares won the League Cup under manager Nobby Carpenter, making them still the current holders!

The club then moved to the Isthmian League Division Two North for two seasons, then spent seven years in Division Two South before being relegated to Division Three where they stayed until after the 1996-7 season when lack of funds for ground improvements meant the club had to move back to the Spartan League. A year later they became founder members of the Spartan South Midlands Premier Division South, until it was renamed Division One where they finished runners up and won the League Cup, before playing in the Spartan Premier where they remained until being relegated to Division One at the end of 2015-6. This spell was the most successful in the club's history winning the Challenge Trophy in 2002-3 and the Premier League Cup the following season when they were also runners up in the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup. Under manager Stuart Leavy the Hares were league runners up twice, in 2006-7 and again in 2008-9 when they missed out on promotion to the Ryman League by one goal difference to Biggleswade Town.

In 2002 Harefield United Youth FC was formed with teams from the former Denham Youth FC, the club currently fielding over twenty teams of all ages and levels from Under 7s to Under 21s, Sunday League teams, Under 18s Allied Counties, reserves and first team with some players having progressed all the way through the ranks.

In 2010 the club won the National Award for "Groundsman Of The Year "for Steps 5 and 6, some achievement for a club with no groundsman and the pitch maintained by volunteers.

At the beginning of the 2016-7 season the Hares start life in the Spartan South Midlands League Division One looking to bounce back at the first attempt under manager Jason Shaw's second season in charge. In season 2017-18 the Hares promoted reserve team coach Brian Keeley to Head of Youth Development with former first team player Ben Payne as his assistant, looking to expand the thriving youth programme further at Harefield.

In 2018 we celebrated our 150th year of football in Harefield as a community club promoting senior, junior, Sunday and women's football. The same season 2018-9 manager Jason Shaw gained promotion in his fourth campaign by going unbeaten all season, only dropping four points and winning 34 consecutive matches, also winning the Middlesex Premier Cup against a strong Cockfosters side. "The Invincibles" started the 2019-20 season back in the Spartan South Midlands Premier Division, a return to Step 5 football, a season that was expunged due to the Covid 19 virus. The Hares introduced a ladies side for the first time, managed by former Reserve team coach Vince Baiardia with his coach Brian Keeley, and were looking good for promotion before the season was curtailed. Jason Shaw now looks to begin his sixth season with the club with the Hares playing Step 5 football again, here's to the next 150 years!

After 3 seasons of disappointing league performances the only bright light was the FA Vase run in the 2022-23 season which saw the club reach the last 16 only to lose to Peacehaven on penalties.

2023-24 sees a completely new management structure Stepping in for the short period until a permanent manager is found for the First team Ray Green takes over with Assistant Vince Baiardia and a new set up led by Rob Tull and Cory Charles takes over the Allied Counties U18s side. It has also been decided not to run the reserves this season. Wayne Carter has been appointed new first team manager from October 2023 joining him are Mark Hook and Jamie Bowler.



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We welcome visitors to the 1878 Stadium on a regular basis. For some it's a frequent return and for others it's their first time to the ground. The following information provides some useful guidance with links for more information.

The 1878 Stadium

Maximum capacity 2,500 including covered seating for 300 in the main stand. There is also a small covered section on the far side of the pitch with standing room only. Supporters can watch from the concrete path behind the fencing which surrounds the artificial 3G surface. Supporters are not allowed on the pitch and pitch invasions are not permitted.

Travel

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If you're travelling by car, coach or train – [Directions here](#)

Burnham Railway Station (Elizabeth Line), buses Nos 5, 12, 53 and 702. It's a 1.7mile/ 30 mins walk to Burnham Football Club. There are local taxi firms and hotels listed on our useful links page: [Local Taxis](#)

Parking

There are approximately 100 free parking spaces at the 1878 Stadium. However, with players and management attending you may be required to park off site. If you do then please be park sensibly, keep traffic flowing and allow driveway access.

Parking is offered on a first come first served basis. Fines have been issued by the Police for parking illegally on the roads outside the stadium. It takes approx 10-15 minutes to walk to the 1878 Stadium from Burnham Village High Street. Therefore, please park sensibly, walk or car share if possible.

Please DO NOT park in spaces reserved for Burnham FC Management or in front of the double gates which lead onto the pitch. These gates are to allow access for the emergency services during training and on match days.

There is also [wheelchair access](#) to the ground, with access to toilets both inside the [Blues Bar and Cafe](#) and within the Stadium itself.

The Blues Bar and Cafe

Live matches on Sky and TNT (BT Sport) are available to watch while you relax and enjoy the club's main bar and social space. Alcoholic drinks and soft drinks are available, cash and card payments accepted. [The Blues Bar and Cafe](#) is also available for hire, please use the form provided if you would like to learn more and check availability.

Admission

Please check our [social profiles](#) prior to match days. Admission prices differ depending on who is playing and whether it is a league or cup fixture. As an example, admission prices for all Burnham FC LEAGUE MATCHES are as follows:

ADULTS £8

CONCESSIONS (65+) £5

UNDER 16S – FREE ADMISSION (**PLEASE NOTE - ONLY CASH IS ACCEPTED AT THE TURNSTILES**)

Refreshments and Food

Teas, coffees, soft drinks and alcoholic beverages can be purchased before and during the game from the Stadium Cafe hatch just inside the turnstiles. You can also purchase confectionery and hot food there too – Cash and card payments are accepted. *Only drinks purchased from the premises can be consumed on the premises – Plastic containers only within the stadium.*

[Toilets available](#) outside at the end of the stadium and inside the [Blues Bar and Cafe](#).

Please be aware:

- Abusive behaviour towards staff will not be tolerated.
- Dogs are allowed in the stadium, however, they must be kept on a lead at all times.
- No flares or fireworks allowed.
- No smoking in the stands.

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If you arrive early, for whatever reason, no problem. You can wait in the Blues Bar or in the outside seating area until your allocated start time. We also ask you to allow enough time before your paid session ends for the hand over.

Once you have finished your match why not grab some refreshments from the [Blues Bar and Cafe](#) before leaving The 1878 Stadium. Further information: [What's the difference between 3G and 4G?](#)

Pitch dimensions

115 yards by 75 yards. The distance of pitch from the dressing rooms is 5 meters.

Important information for players, managers and spectators

We have VERY strict rules regarding permitted footwear when anyone enters the pitch enclosure. Rules that apply to players, those in the dugouts and supporters who, for example, want to take photos. Please read – [Permitted Footwear at The 1878 Stadium, Burnham Football Club](#)

For the benefit of the players

We want people to enjoy their time at The 1878 Stadium. If for any reason you forget to bring your boots or Astros, there is a selection of boots in various sizes you can borrow while you are here. Just ask a staff member at pitch side hatch for help.

Sitting or laying on the pitch (unless genuinely injured), wearing flat shoes, trainers, sliders, socks or bear feet has the effect of ironing the grass fibres. Flattening the surface damages the complex water drainage system, causing waterlogging and dramatically reducing the life expectancy of the artificial pitch. Socks only, bear feet, shoes, trainers or sliders with flat soles are NOT permitted – No Excuses! Abusive behaviour towards staff will not be tolerated. If you want to learn why, [click here](#)

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