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**Amersham Town FC**  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025, KO 3pm

Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North



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## A warm welcome from Burnham FC

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

First time visitors Amersham Town are the current league leaders with 54 points from 24 games. Out of the 24 league games they have drawn 3 times and only lost 4 times this season. They will be hoping to add to their tally of 17 wins here today that's for certain.

Burnham are currently in 8<sup>th</sup> position in the Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North with 34 points from just 21 games. We showed real determination on Wednesday night against Risborough Rangers, with an equaliser from Ibrahim Diakite in the 97' minute. With a never give up attitude the blues will give our on form visitors a game here today at The 1878 Stadium.

If this is your first visit, there is plenty of free parking available within the ground if everyone parks sensibly and close enough to the next vehicle. Please be careful not to restrict the flow of traffic or block driveways if you do park outside the ground and always keep valuables safely out of sight, on your person or better still leave them at home.

If you arrive early for today's game you can wait in The Blues Bar from 12:30, visiting teams will have access to the changing rooms when our first team management arrive and as usual we will open our turnstiles approx. 45 minutes before kick-off. Just so you are aware, it is cash only at our turnstiles, cash and cards are accepted everywhere else within the ground.

Our pitch side snack bar, M&Ms, is open for supporters this evening and there's a wide selection of hot and cold food and refreshments on sale including burgers, hotdogs, chicken burgers, bacon rolls and cheesy chips, plus a great selection of beers, barista coffees, hot chocolate and even Bovril.

Match updates including teams and goal scorers will be available on our **X** and **BlueSky** profiles as part of our responsibility to the league and Football Web Pages. If you want to follow us on our socials then just search **[@BurnhamFC1878](#)**

Reminder, this is a free and interactive digital match day programme. Which means you can tap the links and certain images and it will provide further information. Thank you for coming to watch the game today.

Keep warm, enjoy the match everyone.

### **Paul Butler**

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## Recent Results | Burnham FC

PDN	08/01/2025	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	1 - 1	Risborough Rangers	Premier Division North
PDN	04/01/2025	Ardley United	P - P	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North
PDN	28/12/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	4 - 0	Berks County	Premier Division North
PDN	21/12/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	5 - 0	Wembley FC	Premier Division North
PDN	18/12/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	1 - 2	Holyport	Premier Division North
FAV	14/12/2024	Epsom & Ewell	2 - 1	BURNHAM FC	ISUZU FA Vase
PDN	11/12/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	2 - 0	British Airways	Premier Division North
FAV	07/12/2024	Epsom & Ewell	P - P	BURNHAM FC	ISUZU FA Vase
PDN	30/11/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	1 - 4	Harefield United	Premier Division North
PDN	23/11/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	3 - 0	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	Premier Division North
PDN	16/11/2024	Risborough Rangers	1 - 0	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North
FAV	09/11/2024	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	1 - 0	Cobham	ISUZU FA Vase

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

PDN	11/01/2025	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	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
PDN	01/02/2025	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	V	Edgware & Kingsbury	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	08/02/2025	<b>BURNHAM FC</b>	V	Hilltop	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	15/02/2025	Broadfields	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	18/02/2025	North Greenford	V	BURNHAM FC	7:45pm	Premier Division North
PDN	25/02/2025	Berks County	V	BURNHAM FC	7:45pm	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.

POS		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Amersham Town	24	17	3	4	34	54
2	Egham Town	24	16	5	3	58	53
3	Bedfont Sports	23	13	4	6	32	43
4	North Greenford United	23	13	3	7	24	42
5	Holyport	26	11	7	8	1	40
6	Virginia Water	25	11	6	8	10	39
7	Ardley United	24	11	2	11	-5	35
8	<b>Burnham</b>	21	10	4	7	18	34
9	Harefield United	19	10	3	6	8	33
10	British Airways	23	8	7	8	-4	31
11	Wokingham Town	23	9	2	12	-13	29
12	Milton United	19	8	4	7	6	28
13	Reading City	20	7	5	8	-5	26
14	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	24	7	5	12	-11	26
15	Hilltop	24	8	2	14	-33	26
16	Broadfields United	22	6	6	10	-16	24
17	Berks County	26	7	3	16	-33	24
18	Risborough Rangers	23	4	10	9	-18	22
19	Wembley	24	6	2	16	-26	20
20	Edgware & Kingsbury	21	4	3	14	-27	15



## 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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# Match Days at The 1878 Stadium, Burnham Football Club

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

Burnham Football Club - The 1878 Stadium, Wymers Wood Rd, Burnham, Slough SL1 8JG

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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. 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.** Both cash and cards are accepted in the main bar and pitch side snack bar.

## 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.

**Source:** <https://www.burnhamfc1878.co.uk/matchdays-at-burnham-football-club/>



## History of Amersham Town FC

Amersham Town FC was formed in 1890. An inaugural meeting took place at the Crown public house, now a hotel, on 10 October 1890. The Chairman was a local headmaster who was very friendly with W. G. Grace and was, in fact, recommended by that great cricketer.

Among the original rules were no bad language on the pitch, that no player should wear any nails, an annual subscription of 1/6d ( or 7.5p ) and an agreement that the club colours would be black and white. The club originally played at Barn Meadow, down the road from the current ground. Amersham Town moved to Spratleys Meadow in 1920, thanks to the generosity of a local entrepreneur - a Mr Brazil - who founded the famous sausage and pie company bearing his name.

Amersham joined the Hellenic League in 1952 and then the Spartan League in 1972. The Clubhouse, a former school room, was erected in 1968 and extended to its current size in 1983. New floodlights were installed in 1977. In 1998 the Club secured a ninety nine year lease on Spratleys Meadow and built a new stand. In 2000, new pitches were provided across School Lane for the Youth Section.

In 2006/07 the club enjoyed a major refurbishment. The original changing rooms, which were commandeered in the war as an emergency mortuary in the event of an air raid on Amersham, were demolished and modern facilities constructed. The pitch, which had a slope of 11ft 4 inches from touchline to touchline, was levelled and now provides an excellent playing surface. In 2022 the clubhouse was comprehensively remodelled and modern floodlights installed for this season.

Amersham Town was granted Charter Standard Club status in 2013. The club moved to the Cherry Red Combined Counties League in season 22/23 and was promoted to the Premier Division North for this season. The team is managed by Stuart Atkins and the club has developed close links with Kings Church FC, a well organised local club which runs more than twenty junior teams.

A hard copy or an on-line booklet recording the club's history, prepared for its 125th anniversary in 2015, can be obtained by emailing Mike Gahagan on [michaelgahagan89@gmail.com](mailto:michaelgahagan89@gmail.com)





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## Ardley United FC

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025, KO 7:45pm

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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](#)

### **Please be aware:**

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# TODAY'S SQUAD LISTS

See [Football Web Pages](#) for match day Team Sheet



## Burnham FC

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Joel Ampabeng  
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Kristian Belousas  
Josh Bennett-Chetwynd  
Antonio Dennis  
Ibrahim Diakite  
Nabil Taitt  
Amir El-Harrak  
Celeany Filho  
Jabir Laraba  
Nathan Mampono  
Ellis Martin-Cherry  
Rory Merrick  
Jamie Mitchell  
Sean Basaye  
Zakari Otoo  
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Bright Siaw  
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Obed Yeboah  
Saeed Darankai  
Abdel Mouman Sahnoun  
Ben Saar  
Aaron Braine-Edwards  
Deluxe Mwengula

First Team Managers

**Mo Bakali &  
Omz Bakali**

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**Melanie Sanchez**  
Assisted by **Klaudia  
Owczarek**



## Match Officials

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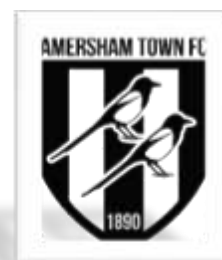
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Assistant

**Brian Capel**

Assistant

**Edward Clifford**



## Amersham Town FC

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Adeymi Adewale  
Kylron Pierre  
Luke Peerless  
Kyle Clifford  
Bradley Sweeney  
Harley Sells  
Luke Preedy  
Reece Cameron  
Charlie Robertson  
Jake Tabor  
Richard Pacquette  
Jamie Speer  
Jonny O'Sullivan  
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