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Official Match Day Programme







Ardley United FC

Wednesday 15th January 2025, KO 7:45pm

Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup 3rd Round



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A warm welcome from Burnham FC

Hello and welcome to The 1878 Stadium for this Cherry Red Records Premier Challenge Cup 3rd Round fixture between Burnham and our friends from Ardley United.

Like us Ardley United play in the Combined Couties Football League Premier Division North. They are currently 7th with 35 points from 24 games and arrive here today off the back of two postponements. In the previous round of this cup competition they won on penalties against Wokingham Town following a 2-2 draw at full time. Let's give the team a warm welcome this evening.

Burnham are currently in 8th position in the Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North with 34 points from just 22 games. The blues won on penalties against Woodley United in the previous round, thanks to a single goal from Jabir Laraba which resulted in a 1-1 draw at the end of the regular 90 minutes plus ET.

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 17:30, 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 this evening.

Enjoy the match everyone.

Paul Butler

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Recent Results | Burnham FC

PDN	11/012025	BURNHAM FC	0 – 4	Amersham Town	Premier Division North
PDN	08/012025	BURNHAM FC	1 – 1	Risborough Rangers	Premier Division North
PDN	04/01/2025	Ardley United	P – P	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North
PDN	28/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	4-0	Berks County	Premier Division North
PDN	21/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	5 – 0	Wembley FC	Premier Division North
PDN	18/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	1-2	Holyport	Premier Division North
FAV	14/12/2024	Epsom & Ewell	2 - 1	BURNHAM FC	ISUZU FA Vase
PDN	11/12/2024	BURNHAM FC	2 - 0	British Airways	Premier Division North
FAV	07/12/2024	Epsom & Ewell	P - P	BURNHAM FC	ISUZU FA Vase
PDN	30/11/2024	BURNHAM FC	1 - 4	Harefield United	Premier Division North
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

Upcoming Fixtures | Burnham FC (Subject to change)

PCC	15/01/2025	Ardley United	V	BURNHAM FC	7:45pm	Premier Challenge Cup
PDN	18/01/2025	Wokingham Town	>	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	25/01/2025	Egham Town	>	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	01/02/2025	BURNHAM FC	>	Edgware & Kingsbury	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	08/02/2025	BURNHAM FC	>	Hilltop	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	15/02/2025	Broadfields	>	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	٧	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		Р	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Amersham Town	25	18	3	4	38	57
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	Virginia Water	26	11	7	8	10	40
6	Holyport	26	11	7	8	1	40
7	Ardley United	24	11	2	11	-5	35
8	Burnham	22	10	4	8	14	34
9	Harefield United	19	10	3	6	8	33
10	British Airways	24	8	8	8	-4	32
11	Wokingham Town	23	9	2	12	-13	29
12	Milton United	19	8	4	7	6	28
13	Broadfields United	23	7	6	10	-13	27
14	Hilltop	25	8	3	14	-33	27
15	Reading City	20	7	5	8	-5	26
16	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	24	7	5	12	-11	26
17	Berks County	27	7	4	16	-33	25
18	Risborough Rangers	23	4	10	9	-18	22
19	Wembley	24	6	2	16	-26	20
20	Edgware & Kingsbury	22	4	3	15	-30	15



A BRIEF HISTORY OF BURNHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

Founded in 1878, <u>Burnham Football Club</u> 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: <u>Local Taxis</u>

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 <u>Blues Bar and Cafe</u> 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 <u>social profiles</u> 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 premisses can be consumed on the premisses – 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:

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

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

History of Ardley United FC



Ardley United were formed in 1945 just after the end of the Second World War. In the early years, the club plied its trade in the Lord Jersey FA and played on a pitch which was situated close to the railway line on the Oxford Road. The 1950's and '60's were successful for the club as they won both league titles and cups; most notably the Oxfordshire Junior Shield on three occasions as well as many other trophies. The acquisition of the current Playing Field site in the mid-60's enabled the club to move into the heart of the village, and a number of volunteers led by life-long supporter Doug Hodges built modest changing rooms.

Ardley continued to compete in the Jersey League throughout the 70's and early 80's without much success but this was to change in the mid-'80's with the arrival of Norman Stacey as chairman. In 1988 the club were promoted to the Oxfordshire Senior League and won the Division One title at the first attempt, following this up with the Premier Division title the following season. Accepting a place in the Hellenic League for the 1993/4 season, Ardley spent six seasons in the 'old' Division One winning it in both 1996/7 and 1997/8 as well as winning the Division 1 Cup for a record four consecutive seasons before it was merged with the Premier Division Cup to become the Challenge Cup that we know today. The manager during those years was ex-Oxford United leading scorer Peter Foley and he was to be the first in a line of managers to keep Ardley at the forefront; they were Paul Spittle, Paul Berry, Dan Still and Kevin Brock.

Major change was to come in the early 2000's as, along with the Ardley Playing Field Committee, Ardley United oversaw the construction of dedicated facilities, along with a separate village hall, which enabled the club to be independent of community activities. The new clubhouse, which had been awarded the Non-League Paper's Hungerford Cup for most-improved facilities, allowed the club to be promoted to the Hellenic Premier Division and so began the club's most successful years to date.

Kevin Brock took the reins for seven seasons which saw Ardley win several cups, including the Oxfordshire Senior Cup in 2013/14, a season during which they narrowly lost out on the Premier Division title by just two points. Following Brock's departure, Paul Davis took over as manager for nearly two seasons until the resignation of long-time chairman, Norman Stacey in June 2017, due to personal reasons.

Ian Feaver took over the role of Chairman and appointed Craig Adey as First Team Manager. A decision to be voluntarily relegated to Uhlsport Hellenic League Division One West gave everyone some breathing space to adjust to the new regime.

Craig brought with him a talented squad of players and they won the Division title and gaining promotion back to the Premier Division at the first time of asking. The 2018/2019 season had its ups and downs, however, the team finished on a high winning the Hellenic League Floodlit Cup.

During the interrupted period due to covid, we made the most of the opportunity to gain more support from people in the village and created a strong and vibrant community club off the pitch. We now have committees, with a social committee, a football committee, a commercial committee, and our exec committee, who are all helping steer the club to new heights.

Our aim is to progress on the pitch and as a result the club appointed Julian McCalmon as our first team manager. Jules had been a great player for Ardley United many years ago and then went on to achieve great success as a manager at Kidlington Football Club.

Due to the regional changes at Step 5, after 28 years of playing in the Hellenic League, we moved to the Spartan South Midlands Football League, which required far less travelling for us. However, the new 2023/24 season has allowed us to move into the Combined Counties Premier League – North Division and, moving forward, our goal is to achieve Southern League football, and as a club we will do all we can to support Jules, his management team and his players in achieving this.

Next Match

Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North

Saturday 18th January KO 3pm









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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 <u>Blues Bar and Cafe</u> 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.

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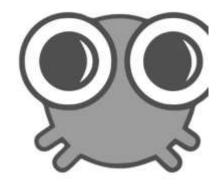
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Assistant Referee Matthew Downey

Assistant Referee

Jonathan Bartlett

Referee Observer
Peter Hitt

Referee Coach

Andrew Williams

Ardley United FC

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