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Official Match Day Programme







Milton United FC

Saturday 8th March 2025, KO 3pm



'Wildcats' will be our Match Day MASCOTS

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 fixture between Burnham and our friends from Milton United FC.

Milton United currently sit in 12th position in the league table with 37 points from 26 games. Burnham remain in 8th position following their defeat on Wednesday evening against Bedfont Sports, with 47 points from 30 games. Let's get behind the lads this afternoon and enjoy a great game of non-league football.

We also have great pleasure in welcoming back today's match day mascots – The Burnham Junior FC Wildcats!

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. Enjoy the match everyone.

Paul Butler

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Recent Results | Burnham FC

PDN	05/03/2025	BURNHAM FC	0 - 3	Bedfont Sports	Premier Division North	
PDN	01/03/2025	Harefield United	2 - 1	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North	
PDN	25/02/2025	Berks County	1 - 4	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North	
PDN	15/02/2025	Broadfields	1 - 2	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North	
PDN	08/02/2025	BURNHAM FC	1 - 1	Hilltop	Premier Division North	
PDN	01/02/2025	BURNHAM FC	4 - 1	Edgware & Kingsbury	Premier Division North	
PDN	25/01/2025	Egham Town	3 - 0	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North	
PDN	18/01/2025	Wokingham Town	0 - 2	BURNHAM FC	Premier Division North	
PCC	15/01/2025	BURNHAM FC	2 - 4	Ardley United	Premier Challenge Cup	
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	

Upcoming Fixtures | Burnham FC (Subject to change)

PDN	08/03/2025	BURNHAM FC	V	Milton Ubnited	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	11/03/2025	Virginia Water	V	BURNHAM FC	7:45pm	Premier Division North
PDN	15/03/2025	BURNHAM FC	V	Wokingham Town	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	22/03/2025	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	29/03/2025	Bedfont Sports	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	05/04/2025	Ardley United	V	BURNHAM FC	3pm	Premier Division North
PDN	15/04/2025	North Greenford United	V	BURNHAM FC	7:45pm	Premier Division North
PDN	19/04/2025	Reading City	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.

POS		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS	
1	Amersham Town	33	23	5	5	50	74	
2	Egham Town	31	22	6	3	76	72	
-3	Bedfont Sports	30	19	-4	7	47	61	
4	Harefield United	29	17	4	8	22	55	
5	Holyport	33	15	8	10	6	53	
6	North Greenford United	28	15	3	10	22	48	
7	Virginia Water	32	13	9	10	9	48	
8	Burnham	30	14	5	11	16	47	
9	Ardley United	32	13	3	16	-11	42	
10	Hilltop	34	11	6	17	-34	39	
11	Broadfields United	31	10	8	13	-13	38	
12	Milton United	26	11	4	11	8	37	
13	British Airways	31	9	9	13	-10	36	
14	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	30	9	7	14	-12	34	
15	Wokingham Town	29	10	3	16	-23	33	
16	Reading City	30	8	8	14	-15	32	
17	Berks County	35	9	5	21	-42	32	
18	Risborough Rangers	30	6	11	13	-28	29	
19	Edgware & Kingsbury	30	8	4	18	-36	28	
20	Wembley	30	8	2	20	-32	26	



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.
- No smoking in the stands.

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

History of Milton United FC



The club was a founder member of the North Berks Football League when it was first formed in 1909 and played under the name Milton Hill. Playing in the North Berks League for two seasons before returning for the 1920-21 season, under the name Milton and finally 'Milton United' in the following season. In 1926 Milton gained their first trophy for beating Aston Tirrold by 8 to 2 in a play-off for the Division 2 (Abingdon) League title. Milton United continued after the war but folded in the early 1950s. The club reformed in 1958 and regained entry to the North Berks League. Milton United became champions of the North Berks league for the first time in the 1962-63 Season. The club would then enjoy more league title success during the sixties with three further successes in the 1963-64, 1965-66 and 1969-70 seasons. While the club remained in the topflight throughout most of the seventies, the club suffered relegation to the second tier of The North Berks league at the end of the 1978-79 season. Two seasons later the club bounced back to the topflight when they finished as Champions of Division Two, at the end of the 1980-81 season. After being promoted back to the top division in the league the club, then went on to win the league a further three times, during the eighties, in the 1985-86, 1987-88 and 1988-89 seasons. The club also ended as runners-up in the Berks and Bucks intermediate cup in 1984.

In 1989 the club applied to join the Hellenic Football League. The application was successful and finished as runners up in their first season in both the First Division and the Division One Cup, also winning the Berks and Bucks Intermediate cup. Because of their runners-up position, they were promoted to the Premier Division and became Champions of the Hellenic League at their first attempt. They also retained the Berks and Bucks Intermediate Trophy.

The Season after winning the Premier Division, Milton made its debut in the FA Vase, reaching the first round before being knocked out by Thame United. Staying in the Premier Division until the end of the 1993-94 season, when the Club was demoted to Division One because of not having floodlights.

In 1998 the club moved to its current home at Milton Heights, with floodlights being installed and the clubhouse erected. The first season at the new ground secured promotion back to the Premier Division, however after finishing bottom of the table in the next two seasons the club was relegated to Division One East. Promotion was achieved once more in the 2003-04 season, which saw the club reach the final of the Berks & Bucks Senior Trophy, losing in the final on penalties. The club stayed in the Premier Division until the end of the 2008-09 season when they were relegated back to Division One East, where they remained for six years. Season 2013-14 saw the team finish the season as Division One East champions by a margin of five points and promotion back to the Premier Division. This was the first time the club had ever been promoted as the division champions.

The 2014-15 Season saw Milton re-establish their Step 5 Status, compete in the FA Cup and achieve the Ground Grade F required for Step 5. Milton's FA Cup run surpassed their previous best by defeating both Combined Counties Chertsey Town and Southern League Marlow FC. The League campaign resulted in a respectable 14th place. The ground improvements introduced another 50 covered seats under the main stand (taking the total seating to 100) and the introduction of 150 person covered standing area.

After relegation at the end of the 2015-16 season, Milton was placed in Hellenic Division One West for one season before moving back into League One East for the 2017-18 season. Managerial changes, the Covid outbreak and a re-structuring of the NLS, resulting in the dissolution of the East Division, proved extremely challenging. However, 2022/23 saw Milton start their second season in Hellenic League Division 1 with a new Management Team led by Christian Lawrence and Assistant Manager Tom Tatford. After achieving the goal of reaching the play-offs, a dramatic home semi-final win against Clanfield 85 FC, resulted in a Play-off final away at Hartpury University. What a night, what a game and what a result. 2-2 at Full-Time and a 4-1 penalty shoot-out win and the rest is history. Our inaugural season in the Combined Counties Premier League North (Step 5) saw us finish in a respectable 12th place, which included a decent run in the County Senior Cup, eventually losing at Maidenhead Utd in the 4th round. The 24/25 season will see the Club compete in both the FA Cup & Vase for the 1st time since 2016 and will look at improving on the previous seasons league finish.

The Club is currently going through a period of notable change and visitors to The Heights will be very aware of the housing developments emerging around the grounds. In recent times several projects have been completed and we now have a new LED Floodlight System, new pitch surrounds and dugouts. We have also invested a lot of time and effort in improving the main pitch playing surface, with considerable help from Football Foundation grants. In February 2024 the Club released the much-awaited plans for the new Community and Sporting facility. Once all the legal requirements are met, we can demolish the old clubhouse and look forward to having a new facility to be proud of, which will also allow Milton United FC to take the next step!

Next Match

Combined Counties Football League Premier Division North

Tuesday 11th March
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 <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.

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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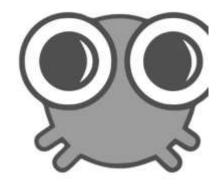
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Assistant Referees
Steven Hart
Matthew Topp



Milton United FC

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