

KSPORTS



Monday 7th September 2020 KO 7:45 p.m
Southern Counties East Premier Division

DEAL TOWN FC



Respect



K SPORTS FC

Originally founded in 1919 and established as a senior club in 1946. The club has been a long time force in the Kent league and has a very proud history.

The present club reformed in 1974 and as Reeds International won the Western Premier in 1987/88 and again in 1990/91 after reverting to APM. In 2009 the Contrast name was added as local business man Dave Dadson of Contrast South East put in a big sponsorship deal.

The Club plays its football at K Sports Cobdown, where we have a long standing history. The football club has always had a senior section but in the 2013-2014 season APM grew with the introduction of a youth section with two teams in the Kent Youth League. The next season saw the club grow even further with the amalgamation of Holtwood Rangers and a full youth section was introduced, making the club a force in Kent Football.

Now the club is in full transition as we have changed our name to K Sports FC as we embark on a new and exciting era for the club.

Honours

Kent Senior Div West Winners: 1959/60, 1963/64

Kent Premier Div Winner: 1987/88, 1990/91

Challenge Cup Winners: 1986/87

Kent Senior Cup 3 times

Kent County Div 2 Champions

Kent County Div 1 Champions

TWCC Champions 2013/14

Southern Counties East Division One

Runners Up 2017/18



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From The Board

John Roberts

Good evening and welcome to you all and everyone from Deal for another evening game here at Cobdown under the lights. You will, for the first time, be reading this digitally; this is another big change for us, but we had to consider the vast costs that we were having to cover when printing a paper programme, and also there's the safety aspect of giving the physical copies out. We hope you still enjoy reading it just as you would have before.

So much has changed since I last wrote here back in March. The effects of coronavirus can be felt across society and K Sports was no different. With a sudden loss of subs for the last two months of the season and sponsors now being unable to commit support, we had to ask locals like you to support us and get us through, and that's exactly what you did. Our crowdfunder raised over £5,000 to be split across the club, and this was crucial in helping to get fees paid for this season so we could get up and running again. It has been an amazing sight to see all the teams back on the pitch, enjoying each other's company and the fantastic facilities we have here. We are all fortunate to play and watch our football at this club and it is just great to be back.

It's a strange way to start the season having our first two home games on a Tuesday then a Monday evening, but then I suppose after the last six months

there is no normal anymore, and the main thing is that we are delighted to get back out on the pitch, and importantly get you along to be able to watch.

Onto the first team, and I will let Paul and the match report tell you more about our FA Cup game, but the management team have done a great job in getting a virtually new squad together in such a short period of time, and without a budget. To be able to name a strong, full squad last week was an achievement and the performance showed a great improvement on preseason already. Of course, we have lost some players, but that will just make some of the local clashes even more exciting this season.

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We know that tonight will be a tough game, Deal are always a decent outfit, but I know that they will do everything to bring the points home.

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View from the bench

Paul Atkins

Before I say anything else, one of my players and good friend Tom Wooldridge broke his leg with only 30 seconds to go Tuesday Night in the FA Cup game against Steyning. Tom is a great lad who me and the lads love; he is a great character in the changing room and will be missed until he is able to come back and support us. The club and I want to wish him a speedy recovery, and we have been touched by the comments from across the football community wishing him well. I also want to say a big thank you to my staff for reacting like they did in a stressful situation. It is never nice to see a player have this happen to him.

Onto Tuesday night and the FA Cup- what more could a manager ask for! We started really well against a strong Steyning Town and had the better chances early on. In the 1st 5 minutes we found ourselves one on one with the keeper only to put it wide of the goal; this would have totally changed the game.

We also had more chances with the ball being cleared off the line once in the 1st half and twice in the 2nd half. We eventually succumbed to a 2-0 defeat, but I really do not feel that was any reflection on the game.

Football can a very cruel game sometimes, but I know we can bounce back on Saturday against a strong Glebe. We will have to make a few changes due to injuries and players missing, but we will be strong as always. My lads have worked hard and will push Glebe all the way to the end.

And onto tonight's game. We welcome Deal Town who have started well, thrashing Knaphill away in the FA Cup 4-0. They are a side that I would expect to be in the upper reaches of the table this season and we look forward to having them at K-Sport FC. I hope to have a strong side out there and we will relish the challenge under the lights on Monday night.

Up The Sports!

Paul Atkins



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UPCOMING FIXTURES



SEPTEMBER

Mon 7th **DEAL TOWN (H)**
LEAGUE. 7.45PM



Sat 12th **ERITH TOWN (H)**
LEAGUE. 3PM



Tues 15th **CROWBOROUGH ATH (A)**
LEAGUE. 7.45PM



Sat 19th **TUN WELLS FC (H)**
FA VASE. 3PM



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Today's opponents

Deal Town FC



Deal Town FC were formed in 1921 taking over from the Deal Discharged Sailors and Soldiers FC who had replaced the Deal Cinque Ports FC in 1920. The Cinque Ports Club had been in existence since the early 1900s.

For the first 50 years or so of their existence the Hoops played at various times in the old Kent League or Kent Amateur League and in the 1950s they enjoyed one of their most successful periods, winning the Kent League title in 1954 and the Kent League Cup in 1958, when they beat Margate 3-0 in the final, before the KL was disbanded the following year.

Deal then became one of the founder members of the Aetolian League in 1959, where they finished runners-up in their first season before leaving the AL to join the Southern League in 1963. After enduring three torrid seasons in the SL Deal switched in 1966 and joined the Greater London League.

Deal spent five seasons in the GLL, with the 1968 highlight when they won the League Cup by beating East Ham Utd 2-1 after extra-time. But when the GLL merged with the Spartan League at the end of the 1970-71 season Deal's first team opted not to join the merged league and instead took over from their reserve side in the newly-reborn Kent League.

The club's next trophy success came 11 years later when they won the Kent League Cup by defeating Erith & Belvedere in the 1982 final, but trophies again proved hard to come by in the ensuing years. That was all to change however after Roy

Smith took over as chairman in 1997, and his ambitions both on and off the field quickly lifted the club. Smith appointed a full-time manager in Tommy Sampson for the beginning of the 1998-99 season, which ended with the club winning the Kent League Cup by beating VCD Athletic in the final, and the Hoops then

enjoyed the greatest season in their history the following year. Deal became the first team from Kent to lift the FA Vase with their 1-0 victory at Wembley Stadium against Chippenham Town thanks to Roly Graham's superb late volley, and for good measure they also won the Kent League title.

However, the Hoops' fortunes quickly went downhill after Smith and Sampson left the Charles Ground before the start of the 2000-01 season. Dave Dadd took over as manager for that campaign and then became assistant manager when Simon Bryant took charge the following year. Bryant led the team to creditable third and fourth place finishes in his two seasons as manager before taking over at Herne Bay. With the majority of Bryant's players also leaving it was again a case of having to rebuild and this time the task fell to Derek Hares, who had enjoyed two successful seasons as the Hoops reserve team manager. And, apart from a couple of years from 2013-15 when he became chairman, Hares has been in charge of the first team until the present day.

The 2018-19 campaign saw Deal again spend virtually all of the season in the top half of the table only to lose three of their last four games which meant the Hoops eventually finished in 11th place, and Hares and head coach Steve King were certainly hoping to improve on that position last season only for it to be terminated early due to the Covid situation. They did enjoy a very good run in the FA Vase before losing out away at Durham side, Consett. They are hoping this season will show an improvement in their League position.

Deal's main honours are:-

- FA Vase winners 1999/2000
- Kent League winners 1953/54, 1999/2000
- Kent League runners-up 1988/89, 1998/99
- Kent League Cup winners 1957/58, 81/82, 98/99
- Kent League Cup runners-up 1993/94
- Kent Senior Trophy winners 1994/95, 1999/2000
- Kent Senior Trophy runners-up 1982/83, 1990/91



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FA CUP EXTRA PRELIMINARY ROUND

Sports third year entering the world's oldest cup competition again ended at the first hurdle, but it was a competitive and hard-fought game that could have gone either way.

Paul Atkins side was remarkably different to that which last played competitive football in March, and pre-season had been a steep learning curve, as the management team tried to get a new squad together in just a few weeks. Jack Bray remained from last season and started as skipper at the back but there were many new faces at either end of the field.

On a perfect evening under the lights the game got underway and was immediately a classic cup tie. Both sides struggled to get a grip on the game which was fast paced and frenetic from the go. In the opening stages the only clear chance fell to Sports Duru who fired wide from the left, while Steyning's threat seemed to be from set pieces and trying to get their wide men into the game. It took until the half hour mark for the best bit of play as Sports played a neat one two in the box, but Steyning's keeper, who impressed throughout, saved well. At the other end Bray was a commanding influence, winning everything on the deck and the floor. Therefore, the sides went into half time goalless, with both knowing they were one strong 45 away from the next round.

When the second half got underway Sports had an early chance which Duru curled just over from the D, but unfortunately this wasn't a sign of things to come as just 30 seconds later the visitors broke and Harry Heath finished well for Steyning to give them the lead. This seemed to rock Sports who had Lawrence to thank for a great save on the hour to keep it at 1-0. Five minutes later though it was 2-0 as a whipped in corner from the left was met by a Steyning player who finished powerfully from close range.

Sports never gave up though, and created chances of their own, best of all when a free kick was headed back across the box, only for Sports effort to hit the post. With 15 to go, Sports were dealt a huge blow as Hooper was sent off after a huge ruck occurred after Bray's tackle.

As the game approached the final minutes Sports Tom Wooldridge suffered an awful leg injury which caused the game to be ended early, with the result standing. Both sides were clearly concerned and at the end everyone's thoughts were with Tom, hoping for a speedy recovery, and these thoughts have been echoed by so many since which we are grateful for.



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SCEFL LEAGUE

RESULTS

Wednesday 2nd September

FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round

Balham 2 - 2 Hassocks

Colliers Wood 0 - 1 Hollands & Blair

Guildford City 3 - 2 Canterbury City

Mile Oak 0 - 4 Beckenham Town

Stansfeld 3 - 3 Punjab United

(Stansfeld win on pens)

Tuesday 1st September

FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round

Abbey Rangers 3 - 1 Welling Town

AFC Croydon Ath 0 - 3 Sutton Common Rovers

Bearsted 3 - 5 Peacehaven

Corinthian 2 - 1 Sheerwater

Crowborough Ath 3 - 4 Crawley Down Gatwick

East Preston 0 - 2 Chatham Town

Fisher 2 - 0 Horsham YMCA

Glebe 1 - 3 Whyteleafe

K Sports 0 - 2 Steyning Town

Kennington 0 - 1 Erith & Belvedere

Knaphill 0 - 4 Deal Town

Langney Wanderers 3 - 1 Tower Hamlets

Lordwood 2 - 3 Hanworth Villa

Sheppey United 1 - 0 Sutton Athletic

Tunbridge Wells 1 - 0 Erith Town

FIXTURES

Saturday 5th September

FA Vase Semi Final

Corinthian v Hebburn Town

Premier Division

Balham v Hollands & Blair

Bearsted v Tower Hamlets

Canterbury City v Welling Town

Crowborough Ath v Fisher

Deal Town v Beckenham Town

Erith & Belvedere v Chatham Town

Erith Town v Sheppey Utd

Glebe v K Sports

Lordwood v Tunbridge Wells

Punjab Utd v AFC Croydon

Monday 7th September

Premier Division

K Sports v Deal Town

Tuesday 8th September

Premier Division

AFC Croydon v Erith & Belvedere

Beckenham Town v Glebe

Chatham Town v Punjab Utd

Corinthian v Lordwood

Fisher v Balham

Sheppey Utd v Canterbury City

Tunbridge Wells v Bearsted

Wednesday 9th September

Premier Division

Hollands & Blair v Crowborough Ath

Tower Hamlets v Welling Town





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Head Coach Shaun Holland
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Manager Derek Hares
Ass Manager Steve King
Coach Dean Hill
Physios B Duke | D Briggs

COLOURS BLACK & WHITE/BLACK/WHITE

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HARVEY KILICK
ADAM HOOPER
JACK BRAY
CONNOR CHEEK
TOM MONTEREY
DAN MCLAUGHLIN
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SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2020 KO 3:00 PM

SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST PREMIER DIVISION

ERITH TOWN