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TIM LEGG - First Team Manager

SEAN BUTTLE - Reserve Team Manager

LUKE O'HARA – A Team Manager



WELLINGTON AFC Club History

Formed in 1892 we are proud to be an FA Charter Standard Community Club. Initially the Club played in leagues based around Taunton and Tiverton. In the early 1960s it gained promotion to the Somerset Senior League and succeeded in achieving Western League status in 1978 which has been retained ever since, making the Club one of the League's longest continuously serving members.

The First Team entered the Western League in the First Division in 1978/79 season and has played at Premier Division level from 1981/82 to 1984/85 and 2008/09 to 2010/11. The team were promoted as First Division Champions at the end of the 2016/17 season. In their first season back in the Premier Division the team finished a creditable 15th, they also reached the semi-final of the Somerset Premier Cup losing 4-1 away to Southern League Paulton Rovers. Last season the team finished in 16th place but are hoping to improve on this in the forthcoming season. All other seasons were played at Division One level.

The Club's Reserve side play in the Devon and Exeter League Division One. Having finished eighth for two seasons, unfortunately, the team struggled during the 2017/18 season and last season improved to once again finish in eighth place and will play at the same level this year.

Having played in the Devon and Exeter League for a number of seasons the A Team transferred to Division Three of the Taunton Saturday League last season where they finished a very creditable third and could be promoted to Division Two for the forthcoming season.

The Club's Ladies side finished ninth in the Somerset County Women's League First Division last season but, with the introduction of new players are hoping to improve this season. The team play a full role in both the playing and non-playing aspects of the club.

This season the Club will be running 21 teams in its Youth and Mini Sections. These teams see both boys and girls playing from the age of eight right through to eighteen. The Club also has three Disability teams. Six of the Youth Teams won the Sportsmanship Awards for their Age Groups last season and the Disability Teams won the Somerset FA Award for Disability Club of the Year.

During the last year the Club launched its new website – www.wellingtonafc.co.uk and is making full use of its Facebook and Twitter accounts which have all proved very successful.

We continue to work with the local Council's and Wellington Sports Federation on the Taunton Deane Pitch Strategy which will hopefully result in the Club moving to a larger ground and bring the majority of football pitches in the town to one site.

Outside of its core footballing activities the Club is home to several darts and skittles teams and it runs a full programme of social events for members and non-members alike. The Function Room and Lounge are available for hire. (Please contact the Clubhouse Manager – Jenny Oxby on 01823 665410 for details)



NEXT GAMES FOR THE FIRST TEAM TOOLSTATION WESTERN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION



Saturday 8th February – Home v Buckland Athletic

Saturday 15th February – Away v Tavistock

Saturday 22nd February – Away v Exmouth Town

Wednesday 26th February – Home v Keynsham Town

REARRANGED GAMES

The League game away to Bridport, which was originally scheduled for Boxing Day and has since had to be cancelled twice more because of the weather conditions has been rearranged for Tuesday 17th March with a 7.45pm kick-off.

The home game against Bradford Town which was abandoned due to the weather on the Saturday before Christmas had originally been rearranged for Wednesday 19th February but Bradford now have to play their Les Phillips Cup Quarter Final on that date, they will now visit Wellington for an evening game in April, date to be confirmed.

MATCH REPORT
TOOLSTATION WESTERN LEAGUE – PREMIER DIVISION
CADBURY HEATH 1 0 WELLINGTON

A goal after only four minutes settled the clash between two of the premier division's strugglers in Bristol. Manager Tim Legg was forced to make a number of changes because of unavailability and injury and his line-up included keeper Connor Sidley-Adams, who has re-joined the club, along with a first start for new striker Jesse Howe.

But against the side they had drawn 1-1 with in Legg's first game as boss back in October, they made a nightmare start when a cross was sent over by George Boon and Matt Binding's header looped into the net. The rest of the first half was pretty awful, to be honest, and there wasn't another effort on goal until Wellington defender Jake Horsey produced an excellent block in stoppage time.

Legg clearly had work to do to inspire his side during the interval and whatever he said certainly had an effect as the visitors took the game to Cadbury Heath for the rest of the match. They were lucky not to fall behind shortly after the restart, Lewis Hedges shooting wide from an excellent position, but after that it was one-way traffic with Wellington in control. The fact they were left to travel back down the M5 empty-handed was due entirely to a pair of brilliant saves from home keeper Ollie Jones. The visitors were awarded a free-kick 25 yards out after 72 minutes and Elliott Williams' effort took a deflection off the wall before being spectacularly pushed over by Jones. And he came to Cadbury Heath's rescue again three minutes from time when Wellington's outstanding player, skipper Glen Wright, dived to head sub Ollie Nott's cross just inside the post but the keeper produced another stunning save. There was still time for the home side to break out in injury time but Sidley-Adams did well to prevent them doubling their lead.

MATCH REPORT
TOOLSTATION WESTERN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION
PLYMOUTH PARKWAY 1 0 WELLINGTON

A goal in the dying minutes ended Wellington's brave resistance and maintained Plymouth Parkway's title charge. It was a cruel blow for Tim Legg's side, who had defended doggedly for 84 minutes against a side determined to move up into the Southern League. Legg rang the changes after the disappointing defeat away to fellow strugglers Cadbury Heath including recalls for talented youngster

Ollie Holman and defender Josh Pearson along with a welcome return for Jack Bown-Porter.

From the kick-off, his side looked well organised and failed to allow the highly-rated Parkway outfit a clear-cut opportunity in the goalless first half.

The home side should have taken the lead in the opening minutes after the break when the ball fell to striker Adam Carter ten yards out but the striker dragged his shot wide when he looked odds-on to score.

After that, the game turned into the 'Tom Welch Show' as the Wellington keeper pulled off a succession of excellent stops to keep Parkway at bay. But, just as Wellington's stubborn resistance looked like it would earn a shock result, their defence was finally breached with six minutes remaining. A goal-kick from Welch was quickly played back towards the visiting goal and, this time, Carter ran through to poke the ball home ... the wild celebrations of the Parkway players and supporters demonstrating their relief.

Wellington will take heart from a hugely improved performance after which they could hold their heads high.



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ACTION SHOTS FROM THE PLYMOUTH PARKWAY GAME (Courtesy of Ken Bird)



MAN OF THE MATCH

Wellington goalkeeper, Tom Welch was named Man of the Match by Plymouth Parkway and is pictured being congratulated by Club Secretary, Jeff Brown.





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TODAY'S VISTORS HALLEN

We extend a warm welcome to the players, officials and supporters of Hallen Football Club for tonight's Toolstation Western League Premier Division game.

The club was formed in 1949 by members of a new community living at Lawrence Weston on the outskirts of Bristol, which had been developed shortly after World War Two. The club was named Lawrence Weston Athletic and played in the Bristol & District League, and it has moved forward steadily since moving to the village of Hallen in 1979, to conform with League Ground grading. The club became Lawrence Weston Hallen when it moved to Moorhouse Lane, joining the Gloucestershire County League in 1982, and under that title were runners up 1987-88, and Champions 1988-89, after which the club dropped Lawrence Weston from its title to become known as simply Hallen. The club completed the double in 1992-93, when winning the Gloucestershire Challenge Trophy and the League title. Promotion was achieved, joining the Hellenic League Division One, and after further improvements to the facilities (the erection of floodlights and a 200-seater stand), a runner-up position in 1996-97 led to another step up, to the Hellenic League Premier Division. The club joined the Western League First Division for season 2000-01. The club finished fourth in its first season in the Western League and reached the last sixteen of the F.A. Vase losing to Brigg Town 6-5 (aet).

Further progress was made when new manager Gary Damone led the team to the Division One title in Season 2003-4, and fourth place in the Premier Division at the first attempt. The club also reached the final of the GFA Trophy and were denied a place in the first round of the F.A. Cup when losing to Nationwide Conference side Canvey Island in the fourth and final qualifying round. This success saw Gary Damone leave to join Southern League Taunton Town which in turn saw some Hallen players tempted away, Gary returned to the club for the 2009-10 season and brought with him many Ex-players too. In 2009-10 the club finished a disappointing twelfth, but did lift the Les Phillips Cup for the first time. The club saw the departure of Gary Damone in 2010, after a disappointing start to the season. Former Club Captain Paul Owen was given the task of steering the team to safety. With just one win prior to taking over in November, he changed fortunes around and they were safe from relegation with six games left. Owen's first full season (2011-12) as manager saw the club challenging for the title, eventually finishing fourth. Season 2012-13 saw no repeat of a challenge for promotion, but the season was kept alive by reaching the final of the Les Phillips League Cup, where they unfortunately lost to Willand Rovers 1-0. Paul stepped down at the end of the season and was replaced by Jamie Hillman, previously Hengrove manager. The 2013-14 saw the club lift the GFA Trophy for a third time and reach the fifth round of the FA Vase losing away to West Auckland Town. Since then the club has seen a number of management changes but has remained in the Premier Division. Last season the team was managed by former player Ray Johnstone, who guided Odd Down to the title in 2016, he was assisted by Tony Davis, another former Hallen player and the team finished in twelfth place in the league. For this season Ray has appointed Dean Horseman as his Assistant and they are currently in fourth place in the Premier Division.

TOOLSTATION WESTERN LEAGUE – PREMIER DIVISION

WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2020



WELLINGTON

Tangerine & Black
Team from:

Tom Welch
Carl Jones
Mike Mullen
Jake Horsey
Josh Pearson
Josh Champion
James Clough
Glen Wright
Charlie Dodd
Jesse Howe
Ollie Holman
Harry Scatchard
Ian Bellinger
George Sinnott

Manager – Tim Legg
Coach – Alex Pope
Coach – Tony McCallum
Physio – Mike Hall



HALLEN

Blue
Team from:

1. Liam Macfarlane
2. Luke Hall-Cousins (Capt)
3. Tom Bradley
4. Martin Stowell
5. Scott Thomas
6. Sam Hill
7. Jack Mills
8. Elliott Gibbons
9. Sacha Tong
10. Kyle Thomas
11. Aron Robbins
12. Rob Latham
13. Shakeil Green
14. Matt Davis
15. Ed Bamfo
16. Isaac Reid
17. Luke Mills
18. Aaron Anglin

Manager – Ray Johnstone
Asst Manager/Coach – Dean
Horseman
Physio – Sam Pine

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee – Lee Roberts (Plymouth)
Assistants – Adrian Clements (Launceston) & Stacey Ford (Bude)



TOOLSTATION WESTERN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION – LEAGUE TABLE AS AT 2ND FEBRUARY

		<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>GD</u>	<u>PTS</u>
1	Bradford Town	21	18	1	2	67	19	48	55
2	Plymouth Parkway	20	17	1	2	71	19	52	52
3	Shepton Mallet	23	15	3	5	59	28	31	48
4	Hallen	23	15	3	5	50	35	15	48
5	Exmouth Town	20	15	2	3	49	17	32	47
6	Tavistock	19	14	2	3	50	23	27	44
7	Bridgwater Town	24	12	6	6	60	35	25	42
8	Bitton	21	13	1	7	57	32	25	40
9	Clevedon Town	25	12	4	9	53	50	3	40
10	Street	26	10	4	12	54	60	-6	34
11	Westbury United	25	10	3	12	45	37	8	33
12	Keynsham Town	25	9	3	13	43	53	-10	30
13	Buckland Athletic	20	9	2	9	36	42	-6	29
14	Brislington	23	8	4	11	33	55	-22	28
15	Roman Glass St George	22	8	3	11	50	35	15	27
16	Cadbury Heath	26	6	7	13	31	61	-30	25
17	Cribbs	23	7	2	14	33	56	-23	23
18	Bridport	23	5	1	18	33	78	-45	16
19	Chipping Sodbury Town	25	5	1	19	28	80	-52	16
20	Wellington	25	3	2	20	22	63	-41	11
21	Odd Down	24	3	1	20	20	66	-46	10



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- Obligated to undertake an FA education course
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2019-2020 SEASON – FIXTURES, RESULTS & GOALSCORERS

DATE	H/A	COMP	OPPOSITION	F/A	GOALSCORERS
06/08	A	Prem	Keynsham Town	0-2	
10/08	H	FAC	Cribbs	1-1	Pengelly
13/08	A	FAC r/p	Cribbs	1-5	Bellinger
17/08	A	Prem	Buckland Athletic	0-2	
20/08	A	Prem	Street	2-4	Wylie, Wright
24/08	A	Prem	Odd Down	1-3	J Bryant
31/08	A	FAV	Shepton Mallet	0-4	
07/09	A	Prem	Roman Glass	0-8	
14/09	A	Prem	Brislington	3-0	C Bryant, Chamberlain (2)
18/09	H	LPC	Roman Glass	0-3	
21/09	H	Prem	Bridgwater Town	0-3	
28/09	A	Prem	Westbury Utd	0-5	
02/10	H	Prem	Tavistock	3-1	C Bryant (2), Wadham
06/10	H	Prem	Exmouth Town	0-2	
09/10	H	SPC	Wells City	1-5	Dawson
12/10	H	Prem	Odd Down	5-0	Chamberlain (2), Dawson, Hawkings, Holman
19/10	H	Prem	Cadbury Heath	1-1	Borges
02/11	A	Prem	Shepton Mallet	1-2	Boyle
12/11	A	Prem	Cribbs	0-3	
16/11	H	Prem	Clevedon Town	1-3	Stone
20/11	H	Prem	Plymouth Parkway	0-2	
23/11	A	Prem	Bitton	0-2	
07/12	H	Prem	Shepton Mallet	0-5	
11/12	H	Prem	Street	3-3	Williams, Scatchard, Wright
04/01	H	Prem	Westbury Utd	1-3	Dodd
11/01	A	Prem	Chipping Sodbury	1-3	Hamblin
18/01	H	Prem	Bitton	0-2	
21/01	A	Prem	Bridgwater Town	0-2	
25/01	A	Prem	Cadbury Heath	0-1	
01/02	A	Prem	Plymouth P'way	0-1	
05/02	H	Prem	Hallen		7.45pm
08/02	H	Prem	Buckland Athletic		
15/02	A	Prem	Tavistock		
22/02	A	Prem	Exmouth Town		
26/02	H	Prem	Keynsham Town		7.45pm
29/02	H	Prem	Roman Glass		
07/03	H	Prem	Brislington		
14/03	A	Prem	Bradford Town		
17/03	A	Prem	Bridport Town		
21/03	H	Prem	Cribbs		
28/03	A	Prem	Clevedon Town		
04/04	H	Prem	Chipping Sodbury		
10/04	H	Prem	Bridport Town		KO TBC Good Friday
18/04	A	Prem	Hallen		
	H	Prem	Bradford Town		Date to be confirmed

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Premier Division: One of the largest crowds of the season so far descended on Fairfax Park on Friday evening, where **Bridgwater** and **Clevedon** battled out an entertaining 3-3 draw. The visitors made a strong start, and went ahead after just 13 minutes through Jack Sell, with Bridgwater getting on level terms 20 minutes later thanks to a neat finish from Jack Taylor. In the opening stages of the second half, Taylor lobbed the ball home to give Bridgwater their first lead of the night, only for Syd Camper to draw the visitors level less than ten minutes later from the penalty spot. Bridgy rebounded well, forging ahead once more through Tom Ellis, but then less than a minute later, Clevedon drew level once again through Ethan Feltham to ensure they grabbed a share of the spoils.

Bradford Town eased to another three points on Saturday afternoon, scoring three times before the break to help secure a 4-0 victory over **Chipping Sodbury**. There was 24 goalless minutes at Trowbridge Road before the Bobcats caught fire, with Lewis Powell's quick-fire brace followed soon after by a Dean Griffiths goal to put the game to bed by half-time. Charlie Maddison continued his excellent run of goalscoring form, scoring Bradford's fourth and final goal of the game 20 minutes from time, before earning a well-deserved rest. Things weren't quite as straight-forward for **Plymouth Parkway** who required a late, late goal to sneak past 20th placed **Wellington** at Bolitho Park. In a fixture which looked one-sided on paper, Wellington fought tremendously well to keep their hosts at bay, with the back five producing excellent performances across the board. The visitors were to suffer late heartbreak however, with Parkway stealing all three points six minutes from time when the division's leading marksman Adam Carter poked the ball home. **Hallen** are now up into the top four, after a pair of goals in the final ten minutes saw them beat **Odd Down** 2-0 in Bath. It took something special for Hallen to forge ahead in the 81st minute, with substitute Martin Stowell unleashing an unstoppable half-volley from all of 25 yards to finally break the deadlock. A couple of minutes later, Stowell had another attempt on goal which was thwarted by the home keeper, but Sacha Tong was on hand to tuck home the rebound. **Roman Glass St George** produced an excellent comeback to beat **Exmouth** 3-2, handing the away side their first league defeat since late October. Town looked to set to continue their strong run of form at Oaklands Park, going ahead after just 45 seconds through Aaron Denny, before Jordan Harris doubled their tally less than ten minutes later. Roman Glass had been on the road for the entire month of January, and their return to home comforts seemed to

serve them well on Saturday, with goals from Ash McGrane and Sam Wentland handing them a share of the spoils at half-time. Steve Fitzpatrick then completed the turnaround early in the second half, with Exmouth missing out on a point after failing with a penalty attempt 20 minutes from time.

It was an afternoon where away sides enjoyed plenty of success in the Premier Division, and that was most definitely the case at Homers Heath, where **Bitton** powered to a 6-1 defeat of **Buckland Athletic**. The first half-hour showed little indication of what was to follow, but soon after, Bitton came to life once Joe McLennan had put them ahead with a fine curling finish. Karim Rendall then doubled their advantage in the 43rd minute, before skipper Scott Brice struck in first half stoppage time to suddenly put his side ahead by three at the interval. Matt Groves continued the visitors dominance in the early stages of the second half, with a little bit of respite afforded to Buckland when Ryan Bush opened their tally. Bitton allowed their hosts no chance of a comeback however, with Brice, and then second-half sub Josh Brace adding goals five and six during the final 20 minutes. **Westbury United** also won by a fair margin on their travels, with Callum Demkiv's brace spearheading their 4-1 win over **Cadbury Heath**. Demkiv struck twice in the final 15 minutes of the first half, either side of a goal from Joe Stradling to give Westbury a comfortable three-goal half-time lead. Ryan Bole then added a fourth from close range to put the result beyond doubt, with the Heath pulling a goal back in the closing stages through substitute Lewis Saunders. The spoils also went to the away side at the Lawns, where **Keynsham** gained revenge on a **Cribbs** side who beat them 5-2 earlier this season by handing them a 1-0 defeat.



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DIVISION 1

WELLINGTON RESERVES 1 0 LYPMPSTONE

After the disappointment of two back-to-back one-all draws, the Reserves finally got a win to validate their ongoing improvement. Their visitors to the Playing Field were struggling Lypmpstone who fielded a strong, physically imposing team, playing to their strengths with some very direct football. From the start Lypmpstone had the slight upper hand. Their long ball game pushed Wellington back, constantly asking questions of the home back three but Davies, Fleet and Nicholls equipped themselves well, embracing the challenge and standing firm. In response, Wellington were often too rushed in possession. The pitch conditions didn't help their quest either, but they tried to play despite their frustration and began causing problems for their visitors.

Wellington got their reward and ultimately the winner in the 14th minute. Clay Westcott received a pass from the tireless Liam Thorne, controlling it 20 yards out, right of the 'D', he curled a right-footed shot away from the keeper and high into top left corner. A deserved goal for the likeable, hard-running central midfielder.

Despite going behind, Lypmpstone were very much in the game. Their physical advantage was always apparent and they stuck to their guns. Winning numerous corners they finally forced their best chance of the game. A corner, delivered to a crowded six-yard box was met cleanly but the reaction of young keeper Rob Hall was superb, throwing his body on the line to pull off a great save ... with his face! Wellington went on to have a couple more chances, but would end the half without adding to their lead.

Playing down the slope for the second half, Wellington knew the next goal would be crucial so keeping a clean sheet was their priority. Lypmpstone continued with their ranging mortar attacks, but still they couldn't find their way past Wellington's trenches. On the odd occasion where a chance loomed, it was quickly snuffed out or dealt with by Hall. At the other end, Wellington created the better chances. Ollie Nott ran free, cut inside from the right but his placed shot was saved leaving Thorne frustrated, clear at the far post. Thorne was replaced (injury) on 61 minutes by Luke Woodgate. The experienced tough-tackling midfielder Matt Holmes replaced energetic youngster Wes Poulosom on 68 minutes, adding some composure and steel to midfield for the closing quarter.

Man of the match Tom Davies, who gave an imperious defensive display, was next to go close. He rose well at the far post from a Robbie Broomhead cross but his

header was well saved. Rejuvenated striker Woodgate went clear next as he bore down on goal from 45 yards out, as he reached the area he dispatched a low shot past the advancing keeper but his shot hit the base of the post and was cleared.

Skipper Mark Owen, returning from a lengthy lay-off, was introduced for the final eight minutes. Replacing Nott up front, it was almost the perfect return but as he broke free down the right on 89 minutes, his right footed shot failed to bulge the net. Holmes would shoot inches wide from the edge of the box and Westcott also had a shot saved as Wellington failed to increase their lead, despite their efforts. At the final whistle, which saw nine minutes of stoppage time, Wellington ran out deserved winners. Their effort and commitment was the key to their win with Davies unquestionably the stand-out player excellently supported by Hall, Fleet and Nicholls. All the side gave their all and came through this immensely physical encounter with flying colours.

INVEST SOUTHWEST TAUNTON SATURDAY LEAGUE
DIVISION 2
Wellington A 1 5 Bridgwater Sports

After impressive results against title challengers Wyvern and Staplegrove, Wellington A's bubble was finally burst by Bridgwater Sports who, like the reverse fixture, again had just too much quality for a brave Tangerine Army.

The result does not fairly reflect how close the teams were. Wellington will know that several of the goals were down more to defensive weakness than attacking prowess including the opener which was conceded after Wellington failed to clear from a corner.

The Tangerine Army found themselves 2-0 down at half-time but the game turned early on in the second half when Tom Scarlett made sure Ash Saunders' shot crossed the line. Wellington now had Bridgwater on the ropes and had opportunities to draw level. Unfortunately, the fourth goal of the game soon came for the visitors and from this moment the game seemed gone. Bridgwater were able to further extend their lead and finished 5-1 winners. This was clearly a tough day at the office for the Tangerine Army but also perhaps a glimpse of next season. With both Wembdon and Staplegrove dropping points, the A team stay a clear second in the table and promotion remains a great possibility.

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