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Little Stoke Athletic Football Club first formed in the 1950's by Percy Plummer and Cab Callaway playing at a ground in Bush Avenue, Little Stoke which is now the allotments. They then moved to gypsy patch lane playing between the Magpie Pub and the railway line on one of the biggest pitches in Bristol. The club's 1st treasurer was a Geordie and thus the team kit became Black & White stripes which remains in place today. The club first played in the Bristol & District league and had cup success in the 1950's winning the minor cup. The club then moved up to what is now Little Stoke Park and the players built their own changing rooms out of corrugated iron sheets with the help of a local builder Fred Dunscombe. The Athletic name was dropped and Little Stoke FC formed in 1969 and the club moved to the Bristol Suburban league winning various honours over the years. Premier 1 – runners up 2015/16, Premier 1 – champions – 2013/14, Bosley cup winners 2013/14, GFA Senior Amateurs Cup Runners Up 2013, BOSLEY CUP – Runners up 2012/13, Division 3 League Champions 2000/01, Premier 2 League Champions 2010/11/ The club became well established in the higher divisions of the league over a 30 year period but were held back from promoting to the Gloucestershire County League by the ground facilities. In 2015 the club set about upgrading the changing rooms with the players giving their time freely to upgrade the referee's room and in 2016 the club were duly elected members of the Marcliff Glos County League after coming runners up in the Bristol Suburban Prem1 under new manager, Ash Coles. After 3 seasons in the Country League they finally won their first bit of silverware in the 2018/19 season in the Les James Cup Final beating AEK Boco 4 –1 on penalties after a 0 – 0 draw. Season 2021/22 -Winners of the Les James Cup beating Ruardean Hill Rangers 2-0. Also winners of the new Ron Hilpin Trophy beating Wick 4-1. The club now has 3 sides with the Reserves and A's competing in Bristol Suburban League Div 1 & Div 4 respectively.

LITTLE STOKE PLAYER PROFILES

ASH COLES (Colesy) – Manager - Been with the club 13 years as a player, 8th year in charge of the team. Previously managed and played at Almondsbury FC after playing for Paulton Rovers, BMF & Patchway Town.

MARK CURTIS(nobby) - Assistant Manager – Joined Colesy half way 18/19 season from Mangotsfield FC, Great character to have around the dressing rooms but don't ever look at his belly button.

ALEX FOX – Big Versatile Defender who can play anywhere along the back line. 3rd Season with the club after previously playing Winterbourne fc & Wick.

JACK BURGESS – “Manc” 5th season with the club since signing from Mangotsfield FC, pacy centre half who loves to get forward and chips in with a number of goals.

JAIDON HOLVER – 3rd Season with the club since progressing up from the A's. Rapid forward who certainly knows where the net is.

ETHAN MOORE – 4th season with the club, another young prospect who came up through the resses. Great left peg and been ever present since coming into the 1st team.

DANNY LANE – Laners 2nd season with the club since signing from Almondsbury FC, a versatile and experienced player who can play a number of positions, another we need to stay injury free.



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LITTLE STOKE PLAYER PROFILES

LUKE MEACHAM – “Meach” now in his 5th season with the club since signing from Brislington FC, great competitive striker, who can also play midfield, hopefully can stay injury free this season.

ALEX HILL – 5th Season with the club since coming down from Winterbourne FC, a player that gives a 110% every game & can play a number of positions.

LEWIS HUGHES – 3rd Season with the club since signing from Hallen Res, very skillful holding midfielder who can distribute with both feet.

JUDE SCOTT – 18yr old Midfielder in his 3rd season with the club, has come up through the ranks. Midfielder with a great box to box engine who chips in with goals.

AARON WEST – 2nd season with the club, experienced goal scoring forward who can play anywhere up top.



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We wish good luck to both sides today and look forward to a good game of football

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2	Frampton United	7	5	1	1	21	10	11	16
3	Stoke Gifford United	7	4	3	0	19	9	10	15
4	Bromley Heath United	7	4	2	1	18	9	9	14
5	Sharpness	7	4	2	1	13	6	7	14
6	Rockleaze Rangers	7	3	2	2	23	6	17	11
7	Hanham Athletic	7	4	1	2	23	14	9	10 *
8	Broadwell Amateurs	6	3	1	2	10	11	-1	10
9	Cheltenham Civil Service	7	2	2	3	9	17	-8	8
10	Little Stoke	7	2	1	4	10	7	3	7
11	Almondsbury	7	2	1	4	8	19	-11	7
12	Wick	7	1	2	4	12	18	-6	5
13	Hardwicke	7	1	2	4	9	22	-13	5
14	Gala Wilton	7	1	1	5	15	22	-7	4
15	Quedgeley Wanderers	7	1	0	6	3	25	-22	3
16	Ruardean Hill Rangers	6	0	1	5	3	20	-17	1

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STOKE GIFFORD UNITED PLAYER PROFILES

Michael Barry- In his third season at the club, we are buzzing to have Mikey involved against this campaign. Mikey is an extremely fast winger who will cause all sorts of problems for the opposition this season, he also has an insanely good leap that catches opponents off guard. Not bad on the tunes as well.

Joe Bridge – A new signing for the club this season. A young, uncompromising defender. Heads and kicks everything and will be a big player for us this season.

Kray Foster- This guy was great for us last season when fit and available. Strong, powerful forward with a fierce left foot. Here's hoping we can keep Kray out the park this season.

Devanti McInerney – Dev has an incredible impact on our season last time around. He burst onto the season, his goals and constant threat down our left handside was a huge weapon for us and we can't wait to see him back in blue this season.

Spike Weaver – Another lad who came into the side last season and hit the ground running. A confident kid with bags of ability, hoping he smashed his goal targets this season.

Ash Eyles – Ash is an experienced keeper that will bring great leadership to the group. Had a great season with Dean at Bishop Sutton last season having previously slummed it at Filton Athletic.

Jake Abraham- Joined the club in the summer, pacy forward with a eye for a goal. Excited to have Jake on board.

Brendan Beard- 1st season with the club, a real presence between the sticks who has performed well in preason.

Lawrence Mitchell- Another new acquisition, young centreback with a great attitude who has impressed so far, big season expected from 'Legs'

Dejuan Tulloch-1st season with the club, has bags of pace and is very comfortable on the ball which will help us when building up play from the back.

Arian Askari- A centre forward who doesn't mind putting himself about, has given us something a little different in the final third.

Freddie Searle – Joined this summer and has made a good impression with his work rate and attitude so far. Has bags of pace and will cause full backs problems this season.

Shaq McDonald – Shaqs is another newcomer who joins us hoping to make a bit mark on the team this season. Can operate in a few positions and will certainly increase the competition in the engine room.



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STOKE GRIFFORD UNITED PLAYER PROFILES

Dan Dunt – Player/Joint-Manager. Has been around the club since his debut at age 14. Has played higher up the pyramid at the likes of BMF, Hallen and Almondsbury. Doesn't play as much as he used to but hoping he can regain some much needed fitness this season!

Dean K Horseman – Joint Manager. Dean has teamed up with his former player Dunt to bring his experience of managing in the County and Toolstation leagues. Dean will demand high standards from the boys and the club are thrilled to have someone of his calibre at the club. Previous clubs include Patchway Town, Hallen AFC and Bishop Sutton.

Dave Talbot – Club Captain. Dave has been around the club since his teens and is a massive part of our success in the last few seasons. Dave has County League experience from his time at Patchway Town. A combative midfielder whose experience will be vital this season.

Marcus Thatcher – Thatch has played a key role in player recruitment and coaching over the past few year while playing through injuries to help us get to the County League. Now back at full fitness we are hoping for bit things from him, we will need his experience of playing at a higher level and his leadership this season. Great passing range and a great heart.

Tom Hodge – Club veteran now, was vice-captain last campaign. Had a new lease of life playing in the middle of the park for us. Strong, powerful player who will be a big player for us again this season

Tauren Williams – Solid, experienced full back who has experience playing with Almondsbury, Hallen etc in the leagues above. His know how and game managements is a big asset to us.

Daniel Twomey – Been with the club for a few years now, has Somerset County experience. Breaks play up well and has a great engine, his experiene will be needed this season. Second most annoying bloke on tour.

Ben Shepherd- 2nd year at the club for Sheppo. Last season Ben showed glimpses of becoming a real key player for us and having impressed in pre season we are expecting big things this campaign.

Paul Cronin- Speedy, Irish forward who can play wide or central. Is a tenacious player who doesn't give the opposition a seconds time. Caused havoc for all defences he came up against last season, will be looking to build on last years foundation and add more goals to his play.

Rudy Hill- Another player in his second season with the club. Rudy has shown a fantastic attitude since joining us, playing a key role in the reserves being promoted last season as well as performing to a high standard when he broke back into the first team late last season.

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STOKE GIFFORD UNITED CLUB HISTORY

Stoke Gifford Football Club was founded back in 1947 by Mr J. Scott. In our first few seasons, between 1947-51, we played on the Downs in Clifton. At the beginning of the 1951 season our club stalwart Jim Sparrow joined the club as a wanting to play for his local team. Also in 1951 we moved to our current home at North Road, Stoke Gifford after having the old orchard levelled off to create our pitch. The old barn where cider used to be made was converted into our changing rooms. This is also where the club adopted the Barn Owl as our club symbol. This has been our club home ever since, although from the 2018/19 season the first team relocated to Stoke Gifford Stadium at SGS College, leaving our reserve and 'A' team to fulfill alternate Saturdays in the 'Village'.

Following the move to Stoke Gifford, the club colours were red shirts and white sleeves until 1964 when the club adopted our now well know blue and white trim. The club has used navy from time to time but we predominantly wear royal blue each season.

In 1982/83 season, Jim Sparrow took up the position as chairman with the aim to bring some much needed success to the club. This is a position Jim held within the club until 2020-21 when it was time for Jim to pass the position on and take up the roll of club president. Jim is a true hero to the club and without his passion and drive over the many years in the role, the club would not be in the position we are in today.

In the 1988/89 we won the Bristol Suburban League Premier 1 title for the first time in our history. The team, managed by club legend John Black, were fired to the title by his younger brother and now club chairman, Martin Black, who finished top goal scorer allowing us to pip Totter-down United to the title.

Our home changing room and bar were located in the trust owned 'Poplar Rooms' until plans were drawn up in 2004 to build a new sports facility adjacent the pitch. The new clubhouse opened in the 2007/8 season and was constructed off the back of a number of former players most notably Rob Thorne and Ian Sweeten.

We won the title again in the 2014/15 season. This time managed by Martin Black and assisted by current gaffer Dan Dunt. The pair assembled a strong squad with the aim of winning the title. The season began well and Gifford were in a very strong position come March time. However, this is when disaster and heartbreak struck. Club talisman and top scorer, Ben Hiscox, suffered a fatal accident while playing after a collision with the club house wall. The club was broken at the time but the boys managed to rally together and finally got over the line in a tense final day away to AFC Mangotsfield. Needing a point to secure the title, the village went ahead when Geraint Williams converted from the spot, but an equaliser in the second half resulted in the most nervous of finishes. Emotional scenes followed the final whistle with Ben's dad, Clive the focal point of celebrations.

In 2018 the club began a dialogue with local college SGS, to build a relationship to give young players from the area a clear pathway into adults' football. This has been hugely successful to date, with the first team gaining back to back promotions after being crowned champions in both Bristol Suburban Premier 1&2 divisions. We have also helped develop some hugely exciting talent that have moved on to play a higher level of football.

The club currently have three team representing 'The Village', with the Reserves and A team competing in the Bristol Suburban League – Senior and Division 4 respectively.

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