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### Chairman's Notes

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the home of Totterdown United as we embark on our 1st ever season in the Marcliff Gloucester County League.

In what will be our 60th season I think back to the group of friends who founded the team and wonder if they ever dreamed we would come this far, I like to think they would be very proud.

Last season was very enjoyable, a lot of hard work was done on and off the pitch, a real team effort. It was the first time we've won the Premier Combination league, the biggest achievement in our club's history.

We were all over the moon to finally land the league title and secure promotion at the same time.

### 66 It's the first time we've won this league and the biggest achievement in our club's history

Jack has moulded a really good side and delivered some great success to the club since he arrived. I'm certain he and his team will continue to progress in the coming years.

As expected it's been a difficult start to life in a new league but recent results have been much more positive and I'm confident we will be stronger in the second half of the season.

Up the Totts

Steve Thomas



#### Chairman Steve Thomas

Secretary Paul Fox

Treasurer Dave Bull

1st Team Manager Jack Thorley

> Reserve Team Manager Dan Thomas

**Committee** Justin Barry, Michael Collins, Graham Underhill, Im O'Brien, Pat Fox, Darren Godfrey, Liam Thorr





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# About us

The club was formed in 1964 by a group of school friends and originally played at the old Whitchurch Aerodrome in the Church of England league.

Amongst the group was Jeff Bryant known to all as "Fred". He dedicated his life to the club, serving as Club Secretary and playing a pivotal role in its survival, especially during the challenging early years. His influence extended beyond the club as he also sat on the league management committee for many years.

In 1974, we embarked on a new chapter by moving to Victoria Park Bedminster and joining the Bristol and District league. This expansion led to the establishment of a reserve team in the Bristol and Avon league. Over time, the Reserves transitioned to the Bristol and District League, where they now compete in the Senior Division.

We relocated once more, this time to the Netham playing fields in Barton Hill and then onto the Bristol Imperial Ground now known as the South Bristol Sports Centre where we played for many years.

Another change in 2016 saw us play our home games at Brislington Cricket Club for a couple of seasons before we moved to our current home at Bristol Barbarians Rugby Club.

Chairman of the club is Steve Thomas (Tom) who played Centre Forward for the Club from the age of 17 until reluctantly retiring at the age of 42 due to long term knee problems.

Current Manager Jack Thorley joined the club in 2021 and has overseen the most successful period in the clubs history winning the GFA Senior Amateur Cup in his first season and the Bristol Premier Combination League in the season just past.

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# Manager's View

A warm welcome to Bromley Heath for tonight's match!

We're looking forward to an exciting evening of football here at Norton Lane.

Today presents a great opportunity for us to exact some revenge. We all remember the disappointing 3-0 defeat in the return fixture, and we're determined to show that we've learned from that experience.

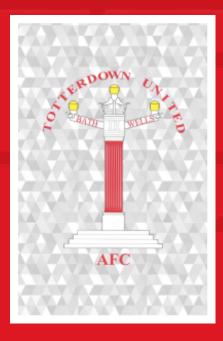
This is our first night game of the season, and as we all know, evening matches can often produce some interesting results

Up the Totts

Jack Thorley

1976-77 Division 5 Runners up 1977-78 Division 4 Runners Up 1978-79 Division 3 Champions **1979-80 Division 2 Champions 1980-81 Division 1 Champions** 1985-86 Division 2 Runners Up **1986-87 Division 1 Champions** 2000-01 G.F.A Junior Cup Winners 2000-01 Division 1 Champions 2001-02 Senior Division Runners Up 2003-04 Premier Combination Division 1 **Runners** Up 2010-11 Premier Combination Division 1 Winners 2014-15 G.F.A. Senior Amateur Cup Winners 2021-22 Bristol Premier Combination **Runners Up** 2021-22 - G.F.A. Senior Amateur Cup Winners 2023-24 - Bristol Premier Combination Winners



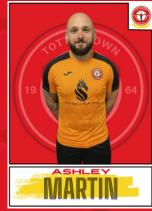




Est - 1964 Home Ground - Bristol Barbarians Home Kit - Red/Black Away Kit - Blue/Black Manager - Jack Thorley



Player Manager, Jack of all trades...



Experienced Keeper with a habit of saving penalties



All action Fullback with an eye for goal



Energetic fullback, comfortable on either side.



Experienced Centre Half, composed and calm under pressure



Dominant Defender, fierce in the tackle and strong in the air



Centreback or Midfielder, great range of passing.

Versatile player, can perform in multiple positions

Mercurial attacker, can produce through from the moments of magic Reserves













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### HOW IT WAS WON

A season that will live long in the memory got off to a largely forgettable start. An opening day victory was followed by a comprehensive away defeat at early pacesetters DRG. 1st round exits from both cup competitions left the league as our only remaining hope of silverware all before the clocks had gone back.

As autumn turned to winter our early season woes were banished with an impressive run of 13 wins on the bounce ensuring we pulled away from the chasing pack with the exception of Hallen Reserves who had matched us stride for stride.

The first meeting of the top two failed to swing the balance either way, a 1-1 home draw ensured both teams were neck and neck heading into the final few weeks of the season. A surprise home defeat to Stapleton handed the advantage to Hallen but after they dropped points against Boco Reserves the destination of the title hinged on the outcome of the return fixture away at Hallen in our penultimate game for the season.

As single strike from top goal scorer Chaz Hemmings was enough to settle a fiercely contested match, leaving Totts with one hand firmly on the trophy.

One final hurdle remained however in the shape of a home game against perennial bogey side Olveston. An understandably tense start was soon forgotten as a brace each from Connor Saunders and Jack Moon put the outcome beyond doubt and clinched the title the club had coveted for so long. The final whistle blew to signal the end of a long season and the start of some epic celebrations.







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### CONTROVERSIAL PENALTY SEALS TOTTERDOWN WIN

TOTTERDOWN United were surprise winners of the Senior Amateur Cup final, beating Highridge United Reserves 1-0, thanks to a disputed first-half Rob Dumphy penalty. Totterdown, who are second-bottom in the Premier Division of the Bristol Combination, held firm in the second half to pull off a famous victory.

Premier Division high-fliers Highridge were stunned midway through the opening 45 minutes when referee Nick Bracey saw a handball in the box and controversially pointed to the spot for a Totterdown penalty. After Mr Bracey had waved away the protests, Dumphy stepped up and stroked the ball home to put the underdogs in front. Totterdown had the better of the first period, with Connor Saunders enjoying a good game in the middle of the park, but Highridge cranked up the pressure after the break.

Ricky Briggs and Dan Elson squandered golden opportunities as they went in search of an equaliser, putting the Totterdown defence under intense pressure. But Totterdown held firm and refused to buckle. Goalkeeper Carl Bush and his two centre-backs, Toby Carter and Patrick Fox, were rock-solid as Highridge laid siege to their goal.

Highridge threw everything but the kitchen sink at their opponents in the closing minutes, but it was not to be and Totterdown, against all the odds, emerged victorious.







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### The Marcliff Gloucestershire County Football League

Pos	Team	Ρ	w	D	L	F	А	GD	PTS
1	Almondsbury	27	18	4	5	56	27	29	58
2	Stoke Gifford SGS United	26	16	4	6	60	24	36	52
3	Wick	24	16	3	5	76	38	38	51
4	Sharpness	25	15	6	4	58	27	31	51
5	Filton Athletic	23	13	8	2	52	28	24	47
6	Frampton United	23	14	3	6	63	27	36	45
7	Chalford	22	10	5	7	40	30	10	35
8	Bromley Heath United	22	11	1	10	47	30	17	34
9	Ruardean Hill Rangers	23	10	3	10	44	42	2	33
10	Henbury & Rockleaze	22	8	5	9	31	37	-6	29
11	Totterdown United	25	9	2	14	39	63	-24	29
12	Broadwell Amateurs	24	6	6	12	26	47	-21	24
13	Hanham Athletic	24	7	3	14	50	69	-19	20*
14	Quedgeley Wanderers	25	4	5	16	22	66	-44	17
15	Cheltenham Civil Service	24	3	1	20	17	70	-53	10
16	Gala Wilton	27	3	1	23	22	78	-56	10
	* adjustment made								

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### Results Saturday 5th April 2025

Bromley Heath United	0	V	2	Wick
Cheltenham Civil Service	0	V	3	Sharpness
Filton Athletic	2	V	1	Chalford
Frampton United	1	V	2	Almondsbury
Gala Wilton	0	V	0	Broadwell Amateurs
Ruardean Hill Rangers	1	V	1	Quedgeley Wanderers
Hanham Athletic	1	V	5	Stoke Gifford SGS United
Totterdown United	1	V	2	Henbury & Rockleaze



### The Marcliff Gloucestershire County Football League

### Fixtures Tuesday 8th April 2025

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Ruardean Hill Rangers Sharpness Totterdown United Quedgeley Wanderers Chalford Hanham Athletic Bromley Health United Filton Athletic

Cheltenham Civil Service Henbury & Rockleaze

Wednesday 9th April 2025 vice v v Thursday 10th April 2025

Framption United

**Bromley Heath United** 

Gala Wilton

Ruardean Hill Rangers

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  - Breathing problems, due to smoke inhalation
- Loss of hearing or sight, because of the explosive power

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### THE MARCLIFF GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE MATCH REPORT



Henbury started the brighter of the two teams. Henbury capitalised on their good start and Henburys Goulden beat Totterdowns keeper Martin to the ball and looped it into the net. Totterdown then grew into the game and started playing some nice football. In the half hour mark Chaz Hemmings shot was tipped onto the post and bounced back off to hit the keeper and go into the net. 1-1 going into halftime with Totterdown edging the half.

Second half Henbury again started the stronger of the 2 sides and controlled most of the second half with Totterdown mainly defending. On the 65 minute mark Henbury took the lead when it fell to Harrison whose shot went through a number of bodies and into the net. The last 20 minutes Totrerdown tried to find the equaliser but never did enough to score. Last couple of seconds of the game there was a big penalty appeal for a handball which Totterdown players seemed convinced but the ref waved away protests and blew the final whistle.

Game ended 2-1 to Henbury.



# TOTTERDOWN UNITED Fixtures 2024/25

### AUGUST

- 10 Almondsbury A
- 17 Chalford H
- 24 Sharpness A
- 31 Wick H

### NOVEMBER

9 Frampton United A
16 Gala Wilton LJ Cup H
23 Ruardean Hill Rangers H
30 Broadwell Amateurs H

### FEBRUARY

Stoke Gifford SGS Utd H
 Gala Wilton H
 Hanham Athletic H
 Bromley Heath United A



### SEPTEMBER

7 Les James Cup Rd1
14 Stoke Gifford SGS Utd A
21 GFA Cup Rd1
28 Gala Wilton A

### DECEMBER

- 7 Henbury & Rockleaze A
- 14 Ruardean Hill Rangers A
- 21 Quedgeley Wanderers H
- 28 Almondsbury H

### MARCH

- 1 Cheltenham Civil Service H
- 8 Filton Athletic A
- 15 Henbury & Rockleaze LC H
- 22 Ruardean Hill Rangers H
- 29 Broadwell Amateurs A

#### MAY

8 Henbury & Rockleaze A

### OCTOBER

- 5 Hanham Athletic A
- 12 Filton Athletic H
- 19 GFA Cup Rd2
- 26 Cheltenham Civil Service A

### JANUARY

- 4 Chalford A
- 11 GFA Cup Rd5
- 18 Sharpness H
- 25 Wick A

#### APRIL

- 5 Henbury & Rockleaze H
- 8 Bromley Heath United H
- 12 Quedgeley Wanderers A
- 15 Chalford A
- 19 Frampton United H











### Bromley Heath Club History



Established back in the World Cup winning year of 1966, Bromley Heath United Junior Football Club is the oldest youth football club in the Bristol area. Throughout their 50 year plus history they have provided football for thousands of children preparing them for the senior game. Some of the more famous ex Bromley Youth players include Louis Carey and Gary Mabbutt.

It wasn't until 2014 that the club decided to introduce a Senior Section to provide a progression for at least some of the youngsters when they finished playing under 16 or under 18 football. Initially there was one senior side playing in the Bristol and District League.

In 2015 Winford PH FC amalgamated with Bromley Heath United FC to triple the size of its senior section and provide the impetus for successive promotions through the divisions of the Bristol and Suburban League. The 2018/19 season saw the 1st team became Champions of Bristol & Suburban Premier Division 1 and gaining promotion to the Gloucestershire County League. A tremendous achievement in such a relatively short period of time. However, the first couple of seasons at this higher level were not all plain sailing with players and management having to adjust to a more physical and competitive type of football that required a much higher level of fitness. The disruption caused to football and life in general by the Covid pandemic over this period also made it difficult to maintain any form of progress or consistency. It was not until the 2021-22 season really that the Club started to look at home in the County Leagues, especially in the second half of the season. Team restructuring and creating a blend of young players and experienced players started to pay dividends. This all came to fruition during last season's County League campaign when we finished runners-up not far behind the winners Cribbs and 8 points clear of the third placed team.

Bromley Heath United Junior and Senior sections now operate as one football club with the same ambitions and hopes for the future. The Junior Section which was the first local club to open a Development Centre as an initial introduction to football for very young children is thriving. They now offer football for every Junior/Youth age group right up to under 18 level. The Senior Section offer a progression into adult football either into the 'A' team or the Reserves playing in the 4th and 1st divisions of the Bristol & Suburban League respectively. The aim is of course to produce players who will eventually become 1st team players.

Bromley Heath United Football Club is based at Pomphrey Hill Community Sports complex in Mangotsfield where all its teams play. The Pavilion offers fantastic modern facilities and includes a Club Sports

# Bromley Heath Player Profiles

**Will Ferguson:**Glos County golden glove winner 22-23 & 23-24. Excellent shot stopper with great hands.

**Dan Adamson:** Reserve team player manager who fills in capably as a defender or goalkeeper.

**Fenn Willoughby:** Tough tackling full back who likes to bomb up and down.

Joel Mitchelmore: Quick defender with a great engine who is a consistent and reliable performer.

Fletcher Cripps: Great left foot and consistently strong defender. Has real quality and can be a great attacking asset for the team.

**Cam Gardiner:** Winner of both player of the year awards last season. Physically strong and pacey centre back who loves defending. He has become a real leader in the team.

Nathan Rose: Vocal player with great technical ability and vision. Another strong leader who is a regular goal score**r.**  **Declan Mannion:** New signing from Almondsbury this season. Dominant centre half who can play.

Ben O'Brien: New signing from Longwell Green this season. Centre back who rarely loses a physical battle and has good distribution.

Jake Millward: Another new signing this season. Strong player with a cultured left foot and great striker of the ball.

**Charlie Snell:** Vocal centre back who enjoys defending. Hoping to put injury problems behind him this season and push on.

Jack Withey: Club captain. Experienced box to box midfielder who is as good as anyone aerially. Leads by example and sets the tone for the team.

Luke Bessell: Vice-captain. Another experienced midfielder who has great technical ability and energy levels.

Liam O'Donoghue: Cultured and versatile footballer with excellent set play delivery.

**Trai Elliston-Sackett:** Dynamic midfielder who gives us great energy, breaks up play and pops up regularly in the final third.

Mason Lewis: Great new signing from Longwell Green. Play making midfielder who also wins the ball back from the opposition.

**Cam Ford:** Central midfield player with a great range of passing. Regularly pops up with goals and assists.

Aidan Noble: 23-24 golden boot for the club. Pacey front man who is comfortable through the middle or out wide. Improving all the time.

Ted Willoughby: Full back or wide player with great energy and will to win.

**Ben Ackerman:** Physical centre forward who relishes a battle and is a nightmare for opposition centre backs.

**Olly Hanham:** Pacey wide player who added goals to his game last season. On his day can be a match winner.

**Cam Taylor:** Young attacker who joins this season. Skilful with a real eye for goal.

Harry Cole: Left footed midfield player who is a good passer of the ball.

**Tommy Andrews-Britton:** Solid full back with great technical ability.

**Craig Britton, Ross Britton & Sam Iles:** Management/coaching team



### Marcliff Gloucestershire County Football League

### Tuesday 8th April 2025 | 6:30pm KO

### TOTTERDOWN UNITED

Red/Black Shirts Black Shorts Red Socks

#### FROM

**Ashley Martin Jack Millard Frazer Clarke** Alex Silvester **Jon Roche Jack Moon Mike Rimmer George Saunders Ollie Lovell Chaz Hemmings Toby Carter Isaac Sulyman Jamie Godfrey Jack Thorley Kieron Bull Owen Naylor** Kaid Walsh **Jack Hearsey** 



### **BROMLEY HEATH**

Yellow & Blue Shirts Blue Shorts Blue Socks

#### FROM

Will Ferguson **Dan Adamson Fenn Willoughby** Joel Mitchelmore **Fletcher Cripps Cam Gardiner Nathan Rose Declan Mannion Ben O'Brien Jake Millward Charlie Snell Jack Withey** Luke Bessell Liam O'Donoghue i Elliston-Sackett **Mason Lewis Cam Ford** Aidan Noble Ted Willoughby Ben Ackerman **Olly Hanham Cam Taylor Harry Cole Tommy Andrews-Britton** 



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