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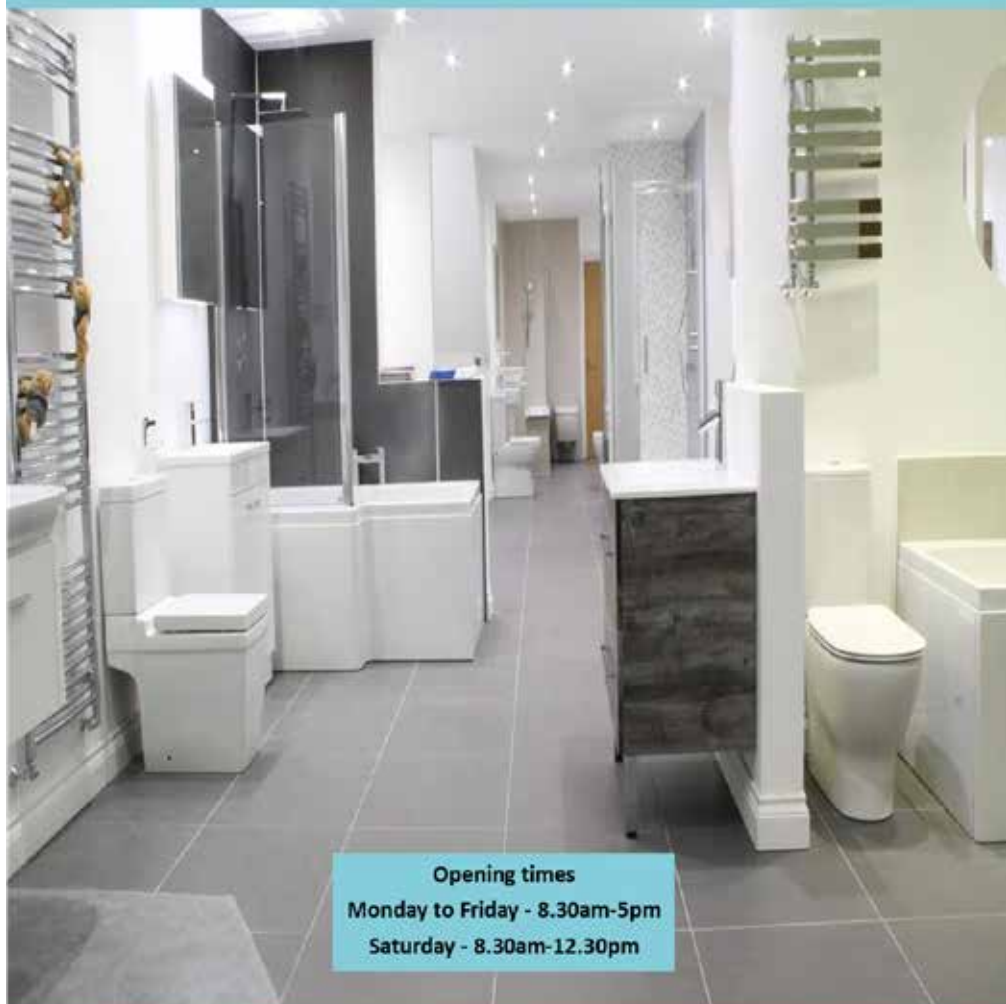
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# HISTORY OF BROMLEY HEATH

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 its 60 year history it has 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 become Champions of the Bristol & Suburban League. A tremendous achievement in such a relatively short period of time. They were promoted to the Gloucestershire County League. 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 League, 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 the 2022-23 season when a very successful County League campaign saw us finishing runners-up in the League not far behind the winners Cribbs and 8 points clear of the third placed team. This was followed up by a 4th place finish the following season and last season we went all the way to the Senior Amateur County Cup Final, only to lose on penalties.

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 3rd and Senior 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 Bar showing live football and function rooms.

# BROMLEY HEATH PROFILES



Will Ferguson: Excellent shot stopper who can win us points throughout the season

Sam Sacket-Springer: Commanding goalkeeper who is good with his feet

Fenn Willoughby: Aggressive and energetic full back with a very useful long throw

Joel Mitchelmore: Consistent and fit full back who never lets the team down

Fletcher Cripps: Technically gifted full back who is a great attacking threat as well as a solid and reliable defender

Declan Mannion: Solid centre half with a good range of passing, has been a top performer throughout pre-season

Ben O'Brien: Commanding and dominant centre half who is a threat from attacking set plays

Charlie Snell: (VC) Vocal and consistent centre half who has become a leader in the group

Jake Millward: A technically gifted wide player with a hammer of a left foot

Luke Bessell: Club captain. Experienced and consistent central midfield player. Rarely has a bad game and chips in with the odd free kick goal

Trai Elliston-Sackett: Box to box midfielder who presses well and pops up with goals regularly

Mason Lewis: (VC) Energetic and technically gifted central midfielder. Key player for the season ahead.

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

Cam Ford: (VC) Midfield player with a great range of passing and quality first touch.

Matt May: Midfield player stepping up from the reserves after impressing. Neat and tidy footballer who can progress this season.

Harley Lock: New signing this season. Technically gifted young winger who will hopefully get his share of the goals.

Jack Waldron: Another new signing this season. Strong and technical forward player who will hopefully chip in with plenty of goals and assists.

Xavier Williams: Another new signing. Forward player with bags of pace who scares defenders.

Elliot Doughty: Stepped up from the reserves after impressing. Quick and direct wide player.

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

Olly Hanham: Pacey forward who is unplayable on his day.

Santin Kusiel: Former under 18 player. Young and versatile player looking to make his mark.

Mitch Greenaway: Left footed forward player who is a great finisher

Management/coaching team: Craig Britton, Ross Britton, Sam Iles & Liam O'Donoghue

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**SECOND TEAM MANAGER** JASON ROONEY

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**PROGRAMME EDITOR** MARK GABRIEL

Broadwell welcome Bromley Heath to the Hawthorns for the final fixture of the county league season.

Disappointing result at home to Tytherington last week, after taking the lead we ended up losing 2-1 to 2 late goals.

Unfortunately our game against Hanham on Wednesday was cancelled due to our opponents unable to raise a team!

***The Club, committee, managers and players would like to thank you all for the support you have shown all teams this year it is greatly appreciated.***

***We wish you a good summer and look forward to welcoming you back next season, it'll be here sooner than you think!***

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**Dave Watkins, Broadwell AFC Chairman**

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Filton Athletic v Tewkesbury Town

Sharpness v Wick

Tuesday - Henbury & Rockleaze v Filton Athletic

Quedgeley Wanderers v Chalford

Wednesday - Sharpness v Bromley Heath

Thursday - Tytherington Rocks v Totterdown

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Sharpness	30	24	3	3	84	34	50	75
Filton Athletic	29	19	6	4	66	30	36	63
Tewkesbury Town	31	19	4	8	80	37	43	58*
Bishops Cleeve Development	32	17	5	10	80	55	25	56
Frampton United	31	16	6	9	52	36	16	54
Quedgeley Wanderers	31	15	6	10	62	43	19	51
Chalford	31	14	5	12	49	54	-5	47
Wick	30	14	4	12	50	48	2	46
<b>Broadwell Amateurs</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>39</b>
Bromley Heath United	29	10	7	12	39	50	-11	37
Tytherington Rocks	31	11	4	16	39	50	-11	37
Henbury & Rockleaze	30	9	7	14	37	40	-3	34
Ruardean Hill Rangers	32	9	4	19	47	68	-21	31
Stoke Gifford SGS United	31	9	4	18	48	79	-31	31
Totterdown United	31	7	7	17	39	61	-22	28
Cribbs Reserves	32	7	7	18	30	83	-53	28
R Hanham Athletic	31	5	5	21	43	74	-31	20

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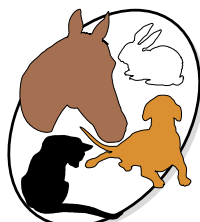
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# BROADWELL AFC PEN PICS



## **Jack Watkins – Goalkeeper**

One from the youth production line now starting his 5th Season in senior football. Great shot stopper who very rarely misses a game.



## **Jack Knight – Defender**

Former Harrow Hill, right back or Right Midfield Jack can play both carries the ball well and has a very long throw in his locker. Loves a moan though.



## **Harry Knight – Defender**

Younger brother of Jack and the better footballer (sorry Jack). Centre Half or Right Back, strong as an Ox and never shirks a challenge.



## **Jordi Locke – Defender**

Ex Centre Mid who played Left Back last season due to lack of numbers. Mr dependable who adapted very quickly to his new role. Voted Players Player of the season last year.



## **Aidan Creighton – Defender (Captain)**

El Capitano or Mr Angry whichever you like. First name on the team sheet and can play anywhere along the back line. Another Mr dependable who we couldn't do without.



## **Ethan Dunscombe – Defender**

Ex Viney Hill Midfielder who joined start of last season. Mr Utility who played Defence, Midfield and Striker for us. Never moans or lets us down wherever we play him.



## **Kian Skidmore – Defender**

Kian 22 is also back at the club after playing at a higher level for Cinderford and Lydney. Can play Left Back or wide in midfield, loves a tackle and has a wand of a left foot sometimes.



## **Kris Burnard – Defender**

Missed far too many games in recent seasons through injury and suspension but if we can keep fit is one of the best Centre Half's in the County. Also thinks he's a striker but scoring record isn't the best.



## **Nath Davies – Midfielder**

Nath who played Cinderford Town 18s when he was younger joined us 3 seasons ago from Harrow Hill. Work horse midfielder who gets around the pitch so well. Chips in with the odd goal but really should get more.



## **Ben Fishwick – Midfielder**

Senior statesman of the squad, Mr calm on the ball, rarely gives it away. Just what you need in Centre Mid, his experience will be valuable with such a young squad.



## **Kieran Pearce – Midfielder**

New to the squad this season better known as KP who loves a tackle and a header. Played at a higher level with Melksham when he was younger maybe just what we need in the Centre of the Park.



## **Sam Porter – Midfield**

Sam is a tough tackling midfielder who joined us mid-way through last season from Monmouth. Very calm on the ball and rarely gives it away.



## **Harry Malcom – Midfield**

Another young tough tackling Midfielder who joined early last season from Malvern. Such a great engine and does so much work that goes unnoticed. Got a good future ahead of him.



## **Jamie Belfitt – Midfield**

Young Mr Belf definitely gets his footballing ability from his Mum. Played wide last couple of seasons and also as a makeshift Striker. Will look to Cement a place in Centre Mid this season as it's his preferred position.



## **Dan Brain – Midfield**

Dan is now back at the club after a few years away playing higher at Cinderford and Lydney. One of our most creative players and still only 22, always looking to create and pops up now and again with a goal.



## **Connor Smith – Defender**

A young Right back who never lets us down, tenacious and has a great engine. This season will want to push on and try and cement a position in the first team



## **Liam Brain – Midfield**

Younger brother to Dan and goes by the nickname of Snowman. Baby of the group at 16 but will be in and around the squad this season. Can pick a pass and has bags of energy, one for the future.



## **Rhys Childs – Defender**

Rhys is a young quick defender who played reserve and A Team football last season. Bags of energy and doesn't mind getting stuck in for his age. Another one Guy will be keeping a close eye on.



## **Rhys Macpherson – Striker**

Rhys is a young quick striker who also played reserve and A Team football last season, been with the 1st team pre-season and had some good performances. Will look to make an impression when selected.



## **Guy Jones – Manager**

Mr Broadwell ... Now his 3rd season in charge but 5th overall being involved with the first team. Hoping to push on and have a good season with probably the strongest ever squad he's had available.



## **Kirk Imm – Coach**

Kirk loves being on the training pitch with the lads delivering sessions. Good job his sessions are better than his time keeping. Loves his Tactic Board.



## **Chris Brain – Coach**

Persuaded to come out of retirement by Guy after taking a 2-year break. Last time at the Hawthorns led the team to their highest ever finish in the County League, also winning the Les James League Cup their first ever piece of silverware at Step 7.

# BROADWELL AFC HISTORY

Broadwell Football Club was formed in 1905 by the local working men and originally played at "The Purples" Coalway. In the 1930s Broadwell moved to play at "Wynols Hill" where they stayed until 1947, when they moved again to what is now known as "The Hawthorns". This was done with the help of the two late trustees, Mr Bert Ruck, and Mr Frank Haviland.

Over the years various facilities were used such as "the Rising Sun ", church hall, and the local working men's club. However, in 1963 with the help of the chairperson, Mr Rube Kibble, Secretary William Smith and committee man Mr Cyril Hamblin, a new changing quarter was officially opened by FA referee Mr Tom Finney, these new changing quarters were totally funded by the club's own money after refusal of a grant by both the G.F.A. and F.A.

In 1982, a bar facility was opened by the late president Mr. Hubert Smith and Chairman Martin Nicholls and seven years later a new bar, skittles alley, kitchen, and referees changing room were added by a dedicated bunch of Broadwell supporters and sponsors.

In winning the Gloucester Northern Senior League in 1993/94 under the late chairman Melvin Hale the club gained promotion to the Gloucestershire County League for the first time in its history and remained until 1999/00 season. Probably Broadwell's greatest achievement off the pitch but on the pitch, when under the stewardship of President Colin O'Dell and then Chairman and former secretary Glyn Barnes in 1998 the pitch was levelled. Co-ordination and close cooperation with the leagues at the time was crucial for fulfilment of 1997/98 fixtures to be played at Coleford and for the work to be completed in such a short space of time. The ground works and levelling started in the spring, grass seed was sown on FA Cup final day, stone clearing, slit drainage, erection of perimeter barrier and dugouts was to follow before the first County league home game 1998/99 season in September. What an achievement by all those involved!

2014-15 Season saw the first team win the Northern Senior league title, the Reg Davies memorial league cup, and come runners up to Brockworth Albion in the senior north county cup, and a return to the County league after being relegated in the 1999/2000 season.

Further improvements were committed too by the chairman Pat Sargeant and committee in April 2015 and without any funding built new away changing rooms along with referee and assistants changing rooms.

Gary Powell as chairman carried on the improvement of facilities at the club when in 2019 the car park was extended and hardstanding was installed around the perimeter of the pitch and was officially opened on 31st August.

Over the past couple of years Broadwell Club have benefited from some dedicated and enthusiastic club members who work tirelessly to improve the facilities, look after the grounds and keep everything tip top. They are fondly known as "The Wednesday Crew" and they are very much appreciated by all involved at Broadwell AFC, so much so they were awarded Clubman/s of the year at the club's annual presentation in 2024 by chairman Dave Watkins. Their current project funded by the club is the refurbishment of the old referees changing facilities in to a new gent's toilet and then to complete a new kitchen area and disabled toilet facilities with funding approved by the FA in conjunction with Howdens.

The Broadwell Youth section was set up in the mid-nineties and started with a couple of teams, but really came in to its own in 2013 when Chris Brain became Chairman. Chris was chairman for 10 years till 2023 when Jason Rooney was elected chairman and has gone from strength to strength over the last 11 years to have 14 teams ranging from U6 up to u15s. Some age groups have 2 or 3 teams in them due to the number of kids in that age group.

The club is an affiliated member of the Severn Valley Youth League and the Mid-Gloucestershire Mini Soccer League and play at King George V playing fields in Coleford, Five Acres School and the old College Pitches in Berry Hill.

The teams are coached by FA qualified volunteers and are of mixed ability and gender and try not to turn to many children away as the clubs philosophy is everyone can play football and should play football and the next focus is to start an all-girls' team in the future.

In May the youth section hold an Annual festival of football over the bank holiday weekend at "The Hawthorns" for age groups U7's - U14's which attracts around 90 teams, and also includes a BBQ, sweets stalls, bouncy castle, beat the keeper and bar and is a fun day out for the family.

The aim of the Youth section is to make sure all the children have fun, learn life skills as well as football skills and to supply the 1st, 2nd & A teams in the senior leagues with players so that the players can have a good career at a family club and play a good standard of football.

The club also run an annual music festival "BROADFEST" on the August bank holiday Sunday which features up and coming local bands, food stalls, a bar and an Annual fireworks night and both are a great family entertainment.

Broadwell also has a strong golf society which plays twice a year and is open to all club members regardless of gender, age or ability.

With some new faces at the club this season, along with some very loyal and trusty existing players it's looking to be a great season **UP THE WELL!**

The background features several bingo cards and balls. A green card is in the top left, a pink one in the top right, and another green one in the bottom right. A purple ball with the number 38 is in the bottom left. A central teal circle contains the text 'Coming SOON BINGO'. Below this, an orange banner says 'Every Friday from 3rd Jan 2025'. At the bottom, the club name 'BAFC' is in a white circle, and the address is listed. The overall theme is colorful and festive.

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