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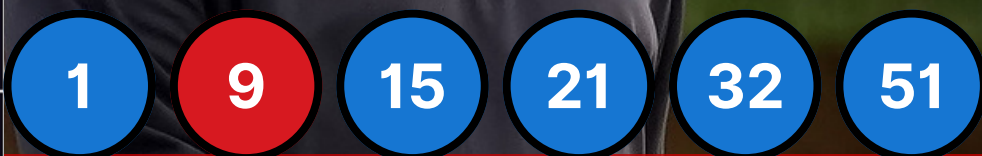
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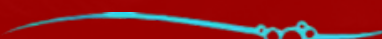
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WELCOME

Hello once again for another Marcliff Gloucestershire County League fixture against last season's runners-up, Filton Athletic.

It has been a little while since our last game. In that game we hosted Chalford in the Les James League Cup where Longlevens Reserves won 3-2 to advance though to the Quarter Final of the competition.

The first team played Radstock Town on Saturday in the FA Vase. A game which should have really been put out of sight at half time but nevertheless the lads got the job done and won 1-0. They will now play Kidlington in the next round.

Plenty of games coming up for the Reserves. Next up is a GFA County Cup fixture against Frampton followed by a visit to Stoke Gifford on Saturday 26th September in the league.

Off the pitch, lots of exciting work is going on behind the scenes as we keep up the momentum with ground improvements. A big thank you to Chris Theyer and Rob Walsh for their time and effort on Saw Mills so far this season.

A warm welcome to tonight's match official Liam Baker, assisted by Alan Berrow and Steve Oakey.

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The Club, in its current format, was founded in 1954. We initially played in the North Gloucestershire League, but currently we operate in the uhlSport Hellenic League, the Marcliff Gloucestershire County League and the Stroud and District League. Our ladies team operate in the Gloucestershire County Women's League.

In 2011-12, Gloucester City Council created a new football facility and we were fortunate enough to be offered the tenancy, which enabled us to make the step-up to the Gloucestershire County League as our facilities at our Club HQ could not be converted to 'make the grade'. At this point, we must give great credit to E. G. Carter and Company Limited, our major sponsors, because, without them, we could not have got Saw Mills up to the required standard.

In recent years the Club has expanded massively, and we now run five male adult sides, a Ladies side and a Veterans team. Our youth section gives us continuous cover from U8s through to Veterans. Two seasons ago, we introduced a girls' team and this section continues to expand.

We are recognised as a Two Star FA Accredited Club, the system that has replaced the previously used Charter Standard 'banner'. A special mention here to Dennis Barnsley who has done so much work in respect of the Youth Section, to our Chairman Mark Cornell and Treasurer Chris Trout for putting in so much work to make the expansion of the Junior/Youth Sections happen.

We had spent more than forty years trying to reach the Gloucestershire County League, but amazingly, within three years we had passed through it and gained promotion to the uhlSport Hellenic League, having won the County League in 2013-14 and once again we were indebted to E. G. Carter and Company Limited for helping us upgrade Saw Mills to the required standard.

In 2014/15 we started another new phase for the Club, in Division One West of the uhlSport Hellenic League and what a start! We won the Division at the first attempt, so after three consecutive titles and two consecutive promotions, we found ourselves in the Hellenic Premier Division and have consolidated our position in that Division, which is no mean feat given that the majority of sides we play have a history and an infrastructure that is superior to ours.

Meanwhile, in the 2014-15 season, our reserve team won the Stroud & District Football League Division 1 title which ensured promotion to the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League. A third-place finish in the GNSL Division 2 in the 2016-17 season resulted in promotion to GNSL Division 1.

In the 2021-22 season, we had our best ever experience in the FA Cup that culminated in us playing Gloucester City – a dream day out for the Club which will live long in the memory – but the past two seasons we were brought back to earth with exits from the FA Cup in the extra preliminary round. The 2023-24 season saw a 16th place finish for our 1st team however the club did have the best FA Vase run reaching the second round after victories against Keynsham Town, Shortwood United and then a 430 mile round trip to Helston Athletic.

For our reserves in 2023-24, they took the GNSL Division 1 season down to the wire where the last game of the season, Chalford vs. Tredworth Tigers, resulted in a three-way title decider. A win for either of them secured the title whereas a draw would hand it to Longlevens Reserves. Despite being 1-1 going into the 90th minute, Chalford would go on to snatch a winner handing them the GNSL Division 1 title. Chalford were finally promoted to Gloucestershire County League having won the title the year before only to be denied by the controversial play-off system, meanwhile Longlevens Reserves had to settle for 2nd.

After 4 seasons at the helm, both Michael Palmer and Craig “Spider” Martin stepped down as co-managers of the 1st Team. Having secured our Hellenic League Premier Division status on the last day of the 2024-25 season. Buster Davies and Pete Boyle were appointed as new managers for the 2025-26 season.

The 2025-26 season was a successful one for Buster and Pete’s first season. A solid 11th place finish in the league campaign was topped off with winning the Wiseman Lighting Floodlit Cup beating Hungerford Town U23s in the final.

The reserve team finally went on to secure the GNSL Division 1 title having spent 4 seasons prior never finishing outside the top four. The season evolved into what became a four-way contest between Longlevens Reserves, Whaddon United, English Bicknor and Dursley Town. Longlevens Reserves would ultimately make it over the line beating English Bicknor 2-1 in their penultimate game. In the County Cup, the reserves reached the final playing the 2025-26 Gloucestershire County League champions Sharpness. They were narrowly defeated 4-3 with Sharpness scoring in the last minute to win the game.

Promotion to the Gloucestershire County League was not without controversy, however. Despite winning the league, the reserves had to face Bristol & Suburban League champions Wessex Wanderers in a farcical play-off competition to gain promotion where they won 2-0. It did end up taking the FA to confirm the result in a hearing weeks after the game where Longlevens Reserves were finally confirmed to be promoted to Step 7.

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Player Profiles

LONGLEEVENS RESERVES

Jack Sargeant – Young GK entering his 3rd season with the club following youth team football. Growing in confidence and stature year by year. More than plays his part when required.

Jack Stokes – Veteran Keeper. Has been with the side for a number of years, always manages a hand full of games every season and a regular amongst the support staff.

Rylan Snelgrove – Combative fullback. A Big character at a young age. A great left foot with an eye for a good delivery in forward areas.

Ollie Morrissey – Mature beyond his years. Successive Managers player of the year now. Can play Midfield and fullback. Guaranteed 7/10 every week without fail.

Fin Kent – Another who can play in multiple Positions. Whippet like speed who always offers a threat from wide areas.

Toby Boakes – Ex Youth team captain. Taken to senior football like a duck to water. A really good 1-1 defender and doesn't often get beaten in the air.

Tom Spencer – Young defender who spent the majority of last season playing 1st team football and will be hoping to do the same again this season. Experienced head on young shoulders.

Luke Troke – Composed Full back/Centre Half. Always plays like he has loads of time on his hands. Bags of tricks with a good left foot.

Mike Thornton – Veteran Defender/Midfielder entering his 1st full season with the club. Another to hang your hat on when needed in important games. Experience at this level and above with previous clubs.

Luke Kavanagh – Entering his 14th season with the club. Last season's players player of the season. Natural leader. Won the County league 3x before. Twice with the first team.

James Barnett – Defender turned Striker. Always managed to score goals consistently at GNSL. Another one who is ever present on important games.

Harley Walsh – Up and coming young defender. Not looked out of place so far, when called upon. Will Only get better in playing more games at senior level.

Kaya Demirok – Another youth team graduate, can also play in multiple positions. Always gives 110% to everything he does on the pitch. Another left footed player.

Jack Cornell – Team Captain. Consistent player through midfield and in forward areas. Always offers a threat towards the oppositions goal.

Josh Gallifant – Returning back to the side after a few years out with injury. An eloquent midfield player, who always plays on the half turn.

Phill Blackburn – Ever present midfielder. Forever young, who seems to have been around the club for centuries! Easily the fittest player on the side who always contributes when needed.

Fin Rankin – Full metal forward player who likes to take defenders on at will. Another one of the clubs emerging talents, always knocking on the door of the first team Squad.

Josh Bird – 1st season at the club and has impressed in pre-season. Neat and tidy winger, who rarely puts a foot wrong in his build up play.

Luke Twynning – Returning combative midfielder with bags of potential to fulfill. Looking forward to seeing him back at Levens this coming season.

Brad Martin – Reputation at the club for nothing but scoring goals. 250+ goals at first team level. Dropped down last season for family reasons. Massive addition to the side. Previous 2 x winner of the county league with the first team.

Leo Marsden-Green – Cultured forward player. Builds any attack nicely and always creates chances. Big season ahead for this player.

Theo Bevan – “Starboy” is how he is also known. An emerging talent at still such a young age. A big future to come at the club and beyond if he can keep his feet on the ground.

Craig Martin – “Mr Longlevens AFC”. Not a role at the club he hasn’t fulfilled both on and off the football pitch. Stepped down as first team manager before last season and won promotion with the 2nds in the first season under his management.

Ben Symons – Perfect right hand man. Black book as big as any manager. A plethora of experience in management across many years.

Mike Rinaldi – The joker of any pack. Consistent, ever reliant figure in the management side, another leader in nature and someone you can put ya mortgage on to have your back.

Dale Rawlins – Ex 2nd team manager returning to the fold as a support act. Another with bags of experience in management to offer support across all the players involved.

Nathan Brown – No side functions without a bloke like this. Turns up, never moans, does the job nobody else wants to do and supports the lads regardless.



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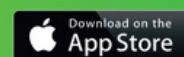


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We are currently made up of two adult football teams who both play regularly on a Saturday afternoon.

Our first team compete in the Marcliff Gloucestershire County Football League, having been promoted as Champions from the Bristol & Suburban Premier Division in 2023-24. They play their home games at Pen Park Sports Ground.

Our Reserve team compete in the Bristol & Suburban Senior Division, and they play their home games at Elm Park, having returned in 2023 after 2 years of development work at the ground.

In 2023 we established the Filton Athletic FC Youth Team, which consists of U7, U8, U9, U10, U11 and YDS.



Player Profiles

Tom Bradley – Goalkeeper

Tower joined us last season after two extremely successful seasons with Avonmouth, bringing experience at both Gloucester County League and Weston League levels. A huge presence on and off the pitch, match winner but a pathetic drinker.

Jack Cole (Captain) – Defender

Rolls Royce. Quick, aggressive, physical, fit, long range passing and a leader. Transitioned from Midfield last season and has been a revelation. Loves a moan.

Jack Willmor (vice-captain) - Defender

Cafu of the County league. Defending 1 on 1, can't remember any winger going past him. Loves an overlap but wingers tend to look the other way because of his crossing. Close to GOTS last year with a wordie volley.

Chris Hillyer - Defender

New bloke not so new. The modern day centre half. Great on the ball, quick, strong, technically brilliant, free kick specialist and missis is fit.

Joe Mitchell - Defender

Mr consistent. Technically gifted with both feet. Can defend and attack. Brilliant attitude but unfortunately supports Villa.

Kieran Daniels - Defender/Midfielder

Another leftie. Football IQ outstanding, can play LB, CB, CM, LW. Strong, quick and outstanding delivery out wide. Now loved up with new bird.

Tom Fry - Defender

Should be playing 2 leagues higher but unfortunately for his sins he works in the

public sector. Played for Mangotsfield with the gaffer many years ago, outstanding attitude, can do pretty much anything on the football pitch. Clas act.

Dan Matthews - Defender/Midfielder

Every opponents nightmare. Will not stop running, tough, strong, technically excellent. Can play all positions and loves a 50/50. Live wire on the pitch and just as mad off it.

Callum Mitchell - Midfielder

Dynamic Midfield presence. Ball winner, loves a tackle and never backs down when it gets tough. Loves popping up with important goals, but unfortunately supports Villa like his brother.

Fraser Venables - Midfielder

Left foot wand and his right foot is just as good. Creativity, vision and awareness off the charts just unfortunate he can't replicate on a night out. Can play in the 10 or either wing. Loves as assist as much as a goal.

Charlie Peacock - Midfielder

Coming from the reserves last year, Char has been a breath of fresh air. Seriously talented Midfielder who can play anywhere. Not a great roomie on tour though.

Liam Dorman - Midfielder

The Rat. Will not let opponents breath. Committed, explosive and thrives in a 50/50. Technically very good and loves a wordie. Important leader on and off the pitch.

Dylan Quick - Midfielder

New signing from our friends at DRG. Fits in perfect to the way we want to play this season, aggressive, quick, technically gifted, box to box midfielder. Pleased to get the 'banning of the three brooks on a Friday night' signed into the contract.

Matt Tovey – Midfield

New summer signing. Matt is recovering from a long knee injury. When fit 'Tovey' will be a serious player in the league. Both footed, amazing in the air and loves a challenge. Baller and the longest in the showers.

Yusuf Abdulrahman - Midfielder

Box to box midfielder. Doesn't stop running from minute one, robotic like. Has all the attributes to be a top player when he manages to turn up on time.

Fabian Pereira - Forward

Skilful attacking player who can operate from both flanks. Technically very good and always makes an impact on the game.

Kieran Cooper - Forward

Big number 9. Aerial presence, back to goal, work rate, loves pinning defenders and is any opponents nightmare. Can be as loud on the pitch as off it. Great character to have in any team.

Said Hassan - Forward

Quick, skilful, agile and loves taking on defenders. Can play down both wings and as an attacking full back. Guaranteed at least 20 nutmegs this season.

Dan Payne – Forward

Another Summer Signing and another left footed wizard. 'Payner' has played leagues above in the past but unfortunately suffered a bad knee injury. Now fit and ready to go. Unfortunately can just about hack 4 Stella's.

Trey Merrett - Forward

Goals, Goals, Goals. Direct, blistering pace and can shoot off his left and right. Can play down either wing or as a striker and will score. The best player to ever come out of Lawrence Weston.



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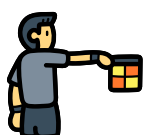


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4. Kaya Demirok
5. Shaun O'Connor
6. Leo Marsden-Green
7. Bradley Martin
8. Oliver Morrissey
9. Findlay Rankin
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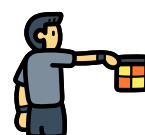
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