

THE OFFICIAL REIGATE PRIORY FC MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

# REIGATE PRIORY FOOTBALL CLUB



VS. **BALCOMBE FC**



**THE NEW DEFENCE, RH6 8SP**  
**SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2023**  
**KICK OFF: 1PM**



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# ABOUT US

Reigate Priory's history can be traced right back to 1870, not long after the FA was actually formed in 1863.

In 1871, the club was one of only 15 teams that contested for a £20 silver trophy, the first ever FA Challenge Cup competition.

Reigate Priory were also present when the Surrey FA (founded in 1887) decided to become affiliated to the FA on the 16th March 1882. The club was one of the original 10 teams present at the meeting that took place in Guildford.

At the same time a County Senior Cup competition was introduced. The first winners of the Surrey Senior Cup were Reigate Priory who were victorious six times before the end of the century.

Priory also made an excursion into European Football in 1910 where they won the International Cup du Nord beating Cercle Athletique Paris 3-0 in the Final.

The Reigate Priory Veterans (over 35's) continues to be an integral part of the club, enabling ex players, coaches, managers and club officials to meet up regularly and play other established Vets sides.

Reigate Priory continue to expand its Youth Section and will be represented by over 50 Youth Teams from as young as 9 to as old as 18. The junior teams have fed the men's teams with many of our exciting young players. The Youth Section have also been awarded FA Charter Standard status.

Reigate Priory continues to develop with an increasing number of teams for the new season enabling the club to provide an extended football experience catering for a variety of levels. Each year we welcome new members to Reigate Priory, so if you are interested in joining an established, friendly and sociable club then please don't hesitate to contact us.



*Ray Connolly*

*Club Chairman*





# MANAGER'S NOTES

Good afternoon and welcome to the New Defence.

It's the first time this season that we'll be sharing the facility with our landlords and friends Horley Town and we look forward to catching up with them. Our attention turns to this Mid Sussex Premier fixture against Balcombe who finished 3rd last season, so we expect a really tough test.

We faced today's opposition on the last game of the season at Reigate School on torrential conditions where we run out 1-0 victors. Having seen chances come and go in the first half, we deservedly took the lead but then really had to cling on in the 2nd half as Balcombe came back at us, so we're fully expecting this to be a tight clash.

Since our last home game, we've continued our unbeaten run with a draw away to Battle having found ourselves 2 down against the run of play, a walkover win against Sedlescombe, 4-2 win away to Rotherfield and then a thumping 8-0 win last weekend v Cophorne. We also had a 1-0 win away to Old Ruts in the Surrey Cup within that period, so it's been a very productive run of form and we're hoping to carry that into what is going to be a really challenging run of upcoming fixtures.

We'll largely retain the majority of last week's squad with the only notable absentee planned being Tom Hayden. Dan Taplin will look to pick up where he left off having scored 4 and put in a man of the match performance last week. Nathan Madimba returned to the squad after a week out and was on the scoresheet again and Callum Johnson came off the bench to bag 2.

Team selection had been really tough this week given that there were a number of outstanding performances last week, but I've not doubt the whole squad will have to be utilised well to get a good result today.

I hope to see you there and that you enjoy the game.

Dale



*Dale Wyatt*  
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# THE SEASON SO FAR

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Eastbourne United Association	8	6	2	0	24	8	16	20
2	Reigate Priory	8	6	2	0	25	11	14	20
3	Ringmer AFC	8	5	0	3	30	15	15	15
4	Lindfield	6	5	0	1	20	10	10	15
5	Cuckfield Rangers	9	4	2	3	25	17	8	14
6	Holland Sports	9	4	2	3	21	21	0	14
7	Balcombe	9	4	1	4	30	18	12	13
8	Oxted & District	7	4	0	3	14	11	3	12
9	Westfield	9	3	3	3	23	23	0	12
10	Crawley Devils	9	4	0	5	16	24	-8	12
11	Battle Town	9	2	2	5	13	23	-10	8
12	Rotherfield	7	2	0	5	9	18	-9	6
13	Sedlescombe Rangers	9	1	0	8	7	31	-24	3
14	Cophthorne II	7	0	0	7	5	32	-27	0



	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	Form
Home	2	2	0	0	2	0	● ●
Away	7	5	2	0	24	11	● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Overall	9	7	2	0	26	11	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	Away Team
PREM	14/10/23 14:00	Cophthorne II	0 - 8 (HT 0-5)
O	07/10/23 14:00	Old Rutlishians	0 - 1
CC	07/10/23 14:00	Old Rutlishians First	0 - 1
PREM	30/09/23 14:00	Rotherfield	2 - 4 (HT 0-1)
PREM	23/09/23 14:00	Reigate Priory	H - W  Home Walkover





# MID SUSSEX PREMIER LEAGUE

Today's Fixtures

Reigate Priory		<b>VS</b>		Balcombe	HORLEY TOWN FC
Battle Town		<b>VS</b>		Cuckfield Rangers	BEXHILL COLLEGE 3G
Crawley Devils		<b>VS</b>		Copthorne II	WARDEN PARK SECONDARY ACADEMY 3G
Eastbourne United Association		<b>VS</b>		Holland Sports	Bexhill Town FC
Oxted & District		<b>VS</b>		Ringmer AFC	Bletchingley FC
Rotherfield		<b>VS</b>		Westfield	ROTHERFIELD SPORTS CLUB #1
Sedlescombe Rangers		<b>VS</b>		Lindfield	OAKLANDS PARK



## TODAYS OTHER FIXTURES

### RESERVES

<b>DIV1</b>	21/10/23 14:00	Reigate Priory II		<b>VS</b>		Eastbourne Rangers	REIGATE PRIORY CC
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### A TEAM

<b>4N</b>	21/10/23 14:00	West Hoathly II		<b>VS</b>		Reigate Priory A	NORTH LANE RECREATION GROUND
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### B TEAM

<b>5N</b>	21/10/23 14:00	Reigate Priory B		<b>VS</b>		Warlingham III	REIGATE SCHOOL 4g
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### C TEAM

<b>D6</b>	21/10/23 14:00	Gatwick Warriors		<b>VS</b>		Reigate Priory C	COURT LODGE PLAYING FIELDS #2
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# 1ST TEAM PLAYER STATISTICS

Top Goalscorer				
RANK	PLAYER	POSITION		
1	 Dan Taplin	Forward	6	
2	 Callum Johnson	Forward	3	
3	 Joshua Wille	Midfielder	3	
4	 Matt Harrington	Midfielder	3	
5	 Joe Elbishlawi	Defender	2	

Top Assists				
RANK	PLAYER	POSITION		
1	 Max Bicknell	Forward	7	
2	 Dan Taplin	Forward	6	
3	 Callum Johnson	Forward	2	
4	 Nick Walsh	Defender	1	





# MATCH REPORT

## ***PRIORY PUT ON A GR8 SHOW!***

REIGATE PRIORY FC TRAVELLED TO A COPTHORNE SIDE THAT WERE SITTING BOTTOM OF THE TABLE ON SATURDAY. PRIORY WENT INTO THE GAME LOOKING TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPOSITIONS UNFORTUNATE START TO THE SEASON AND THAT THEY DID!

IT BEGAN WITH A BARRAGE OF ATTACKS FROM PRIORY WITH DAN TAPLIN LEADING THE CHARGE. MATT HARRINGTON FED TAPLIN THROUGH WITH A CHIPPED PASS, WHICH TAPLIN THEN PLACED INTO THE BOTTOM CORNER FOR 1-0. MOMENTS LATER MAX BICKNELL WAS THROUGH 1 ON 1 WITH THE KEEPER AND SQUARED THE BALL TO TAPLIN FOR 2-0. PRIORY MADE IT 3-0 WITH CAPTAIN JOE ELBISHLAWI CROSSING FOR TAPLIN TO HEAD IN FOR HIS HATTRICK. MATT HARRINGTON MADE IT 4-0 WITH A DELIGHTFUL LOB OF THE KEEPER FROM 30 YARDS AFTER A PASS FROM RETURNING CB NICK WALSH. PRIORY LED AT HALF TIME, 5-0, AFTER TAPLIN GOT HIS FOURTH FROM 25 YARDS SMASHING THE BALL INTO THE TOP LEFT CORNER.

THE SECOND HALF CONTINUED JUST LIKE THE FIRST, CALLUM JOHNSON TAPPING INTO AN EMPTY NET AFTER A PASS FROM TAPLIN. NATHAN MADIMBA THEN GOT HIS GOAL FINISHING THROUGH THE KEEPERS LEGS. JOHNSON FINISHED THE SCORING MAKING IT 8, AFTER A BRILLIANT PIECE OF WORK FROM HARRY DOWNER DOWN THE RIGHT CROSSING TO THE BACK POST FOR JOHNSON TO TOUCH HOME.

FULL TIME SCORE WAS 8-0 TO PRIORY, WITH THOUGHTS GOING TO THE COPTHORNE PLAYER WHO SUFFERED A BAD KNEE INJURY DURING THE SECOND HALF, EVERYONE AT PRIORY WISHES HIM A SPEEDY RECOVERY.





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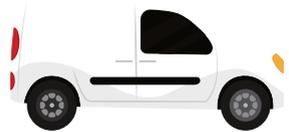
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# RESERVE TEAM LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Reigate Priory II	6	4	1	1	18	9	9	13
2	Cuckfield Rangers II	6	3	1	2	13	12	1	10
3	Wivelsfield Green	6	3	0	3	12	12	0	9
4	Crawley AFC	5	2	1	2	11	9	2	7
5	Cuckfield Town	5	2	1	2	9	7	2	7
6	Eastbourne Rangers	4	2	1	1	8	7	1	7
7	Nutfield	4	2	0	2	12	10	2	6
8	Peacehaven & Telscombe II	6	1	3	2	8	14	-6	6
9	Barcombe	6	1	2	3	10	16	-6	5
10	Lindfield II	4	1	0	3	8	13	-5	3

## PREVIOUS RESULT

Reigate Priory II



**0 - 1**  
(HT 0-1)



Barcombe





# A TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Reigate Priory A	6	5	1	0	23	8	15	16
2	FC Railway	5	5	0	0	21	3	18	15
3	Royal Earlswood II	5	4	1	0	21	2	19	13
4	Crawley & Maidenbower Panthers	5	3	0	2	19	9	10	9
5	Felbridge	7	2	1	4	9	19	-10	7
6	West Hoathly II	7	2	1	4	10	26	-16	7
7	Athletico Redhill	5	2	0	3	12	11	1	6
8	Horley A.F.C.	6	2	0	4	11	15	-4	6
9	Warlingham II	5	0	1	4	4	20	-16	1
10	Ifield II	5	0	1	4	7	24	-17	1

## PREVIOUS RESULT

Royal Earlswood II



1 - 1



Reigate Priory A



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Mark Halsey M.A.R.L.A



# B TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	East Grinstead Town III	5	4	1	0	32	5	27	13
2	Pound Hill Thunder	6	4	1	1	26	12	14	13
3	Athletico Shrublands	5	3	1	1	21	6	15	10
4	Southgate United	6	3	1	2	18	12	6	10
5	Ashurst Wood II	5	2	0	3	10	25	-15	6
6	Oxted & District A	5	1	2	2	5	15	-10	5
7	Jarvis Brook III	5	1	0	4	7	17	-10	3
8	Reigate Priory B	4	1	0	3	8	20	-12	3
9	Warlingham III	5	1	0	4	9	24	-15	3

## PREVIOUS RESULT

Reigate Priory B



1 - 3  
(HT 0-1)



The View





# C TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Gatwick Warriors	5	4	1	0	41	1	40	13
2	Ifield Albion II	5	4	0	1	21	6	15	12
3	Crawley United II	5	4	0	1	18	9	9	12
4	Hartfield	6	3	1	2	11	12	-1	10
5	Hurstpierpoint III	6	2	0	4	15	25	-10	6
6	FC Railway II	5	1	2	2	7	13	-6	5
7	Horley A.F.C. II	5	1	1	3	6	17	-11	4
8	Crawley Phoenix	5	1	1	3	15	43	-28	4
9	Reigate Priory C	4	0	0	4	9	17	-8	0

## PREVIOUS RESULT

Crawley United II



**4 - 3**  
(HT 2-2)



Reigate Priory C





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## HOME FIXTURES

Team	Opposition	Venue	Kick-off
U9 Eagles	Kiko Jets	Micklefield Pitch 1	9.30
U9 Harriers	Royal Earlswood Blues	Micklefield Pitch 1	10.45
U10 Eagles	SZ United Royals	Micklefield Pitch 2	9.30
U10 Falcons	Banstead Village Falcons	RPFC mini-soccer	10.00
U11 Kestrels	Redhill Arrows	RPFC 9v9	9.30
U14 Eagles	Twickenham Saints	Reigate School 3G	9.30
U15 Hawks	Redhill Avengers	Reigate School 3G	11.00
U15 Harriers	Old Coulsdon Colts Blazers	Reigate School 3G	12.30



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# SATURDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2023

2pm kick off

## MID SUSSEX PREMIER LEAGUE



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