

THE OFFICIAL REIGATE PRIORY FC MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

# REIGATE PRIORY FOOTBALL CLUB



VS. LINDFIELD FC



**THE NEW DEFENCE, RH6 8SP**  
**SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 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 BACK TO THE NEW DEFENCE.

TODAY WE HOST LAST SEASONS LEAGUE RUNNERS UP IN LINDFIELD BACK IN LEAGUE ACTION. WE PLAYED LINDFIELD 3 TIMES LAST SEASON AND WE SEEM TO BE GETTING INTO A HABIT OF LOSING 3-2 TO THEM. I'D LIKE TO THINK WITH A BIT MORE EXPERIENCE NOW, WE'LL BE ABLE TO REALLY HAVE A GOOD GO AT THEM THIS TIME AROUND. THEY'VE STRUGGLED TO GET A GAME RECENTLY WITH POSTPONEMENTS AND SCHEDULING AND IT SHOWED WHEN THEY FELL TO A 4-1 DEFEAT TO WESTFIELD LAST WEEK.

WE'VE HAD CHALLENGES OURSELVES GETTING A GAME RECENTLY AS OUR FIXTURE V WESTFIELD WAS REMOVED AND THEN CRAWLEY DEVILS PULLED OUT OF THE SCHEDULED FIXTURE LAST WEEK, BUT THE LADS ARE LOOKING SHARP IN TRAINING AND WE'LL BE HOPING TO BUILD ON OUR LAST GAME WHICH WAS THE 4-1 CUP VICTORY OVER THE UNIVERSITY OF SURREY, WHICH REALLY COULD'VE BEEN 6 OR 7.

THE SQUAD IS LOOKING STRONG THIS WEEK WITH THE NOTABLE ABSENTEES BEING SUSPENDED CHRIS PARSONS AND NICK WALSH WHO ISN'T EXPECTED BACK UNTIL THE NEW YEAR.

THE LEAGUE HAS REALLY OPENED UP IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS TO THE POINT A COUPLE OF WINS COULD SEE US TOP OF THE LEAGUE, BUT A COUPLE OF DEFEATS COULD SEE US DROPPING AS LOW AS 11TH!

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE FOR A 1PM KICK OFF.

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# THE SEASON SO FAR

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Ringmer AFC	13	8	1	4	43	20	23	25
2	Eastbourne United Association	9	7	2	0	29	8	21	23
3	Balcombe	13	7	2	4	42	26	16	23
4	Reigate Priory	10	6	2	2	28	16	12	20
5	Westfield	11	5	3	3	31	24	7	18
6	Cuckfield Rangers	12	5	2	5	28	26	2	17
7	Holland Sports	11	5	2	4	24	27	-3	17
8	Oxted & District	9	5	1	3	17	13	4	16
9	Battle Town	13	4	4	5	30	30	0	16
10	Crawley Devils	13	5	1	7	24	37	-13	16
11	Lindfield	7	5	0	2	21	14	7	15
12	Rotherfield	12	2	2	8	16	33	-17	8
13	Sedlescombe Rangers	9	1	0	8	7	31	-24	3
14	Copthorne II	10	0	0	10	8	43	-35	0



	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	Form
Home	4	2	0	2	8	8	● ● ● ●
Away	9	6	2	1	28	13	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●
Overall	13	8	2	3	36	21	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	Away Team
PREM	09/12/23 13:00	Reigate Priory	Eastbourne United Association
PREM	25/11/23 14:00	Crawley Devils	Reigate Priory
CC	11/11/23 14:00	University of Surrey First	Reigate Priory First
O	11/11/23 14:00	University of Surrey	Reigate Priory





# MID SUSSEX PREMIER LEAGUE

Today's Fixtures

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	VS	Away Team	Venue
PREM	02/12/23 13:00	Reigate Priory		Lindfield	HORLEY TOWN FC
PREM	02/12/23 14:00	Battle Town		Eastbourne United Association	BEXHILL COLLEGE 3G
PREM	02/12/23 14:00	Copthorne II		Balcombe	KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD (COPTHORNE)
PREM	02/12/23 14:00	Cuckfield Rangers		Crawley Devils	WARDEN PARK SECONDARY ACADEMY 3G
PREM	02/12/23 14:00	Oxted & District		Holland Sports	Bletchingley FC
PREM	02/12/23 14:00	Rotherfield		Westfield	ROTHERFIELD SPORTS CLUB #1



## TODAYS OTHER FIXTURES RESERVES

DIV1	02/12/23 14:00	Lindfield II	VS	Reigate Priory II	LINDFIELD COMMON #2
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### A TEAM

4N	02/12/23 14:15	Reigate Priory A	VS	Felbridge	REIGATE SCHOOL 4g
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### B TEAM

5N	02/12/23 14:00	Jarvis Brook III	VS	Reigate Priory B	LIME KILN PLAYING FIELD #2
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### C TEAM

D6	02/12/23 14:00	Reigate Priory C	VS	Crawley United II	REIGATE PRIORY CC
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# 1ST TEAM PLAYER STATISTICS

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

Top Assists				
RANK	PLAYER	POSITION		
1	 Max Bicknell	Forward	9	
2	 Dan Taplin	Forward	7	
3	 Callum Johnson	Forward	4	
4	 Callum Rice	Midfielder	2	
5	 Tom Hayden	Midfielder	1	







# MATCH REPORT

## ***PRIORY CONCEDE LATE IN FIRST LOSS***

REIGATE PRIORY, ONE OF THE EARLY PACE SETTERS, FACED BALCOMBE AT THEIR NEW HOME IN HORLEY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

THE HOSTS STARTED BRIGHTLY, WITH CAPTAIN JOE ELBISHLAWI HEADING HOME, AS HE ROSE HIGHEST FROM THEIR FIRST CORNER. THIS WAS A GREAT START FOR PRIORY, WHO WERE ON THE BACK FOOT FOR MOST OF THE FIRST HALF. BALCOMBE GOT WHAT THEY ARGUABLY DESERVED JUST AFTER THE 20 MINUTE MARK, WHEN A CROSS FOUND THEIR STRIKER UNMARKED IN PRIORY'S 6 YARD BOX.

DESPITE BALCOMBE'S DOMINANCE, PRIORY MANAGED TO TAKE THE LEAD AGAIN, WITH SOME GREAT WORK FROM MAX BICKNELL DOWN THE RIGHT. BICKNELL GOT TO THE BYLINE, CUT BACK ONTO HIS WEAKER LEFT FOOT AND PRODUCED A BRILLIANT CROSS, WHICH WAS MET BY CALLUM JOHNSON'S BICYCLE KICK INTO THE TOP OF THE NET. A TRULY GREAT STRIKE, VISIBLE ON PRIORY'S TIK TOK ACCOUNT.

THIS LEAD ONCE AGAIN DID NOT LAST LONG. BEFORE THE BREAK, BALCOMBE WERE LEVEL AFTER A COUNTER ATTACK WHICH FELL TO THEIR CAPTAIN 30 YARDS OUT, WHO POWERFULLY STRUCK THE BALL INTO THE TOP CORNER JUST UNDER THE BAR.

DALE WYATT, PRIORY MANAGER, WAS UNDERSTANDABLY UNHAPPY AT HALF TIME LEADING TO A FAST START AFTER THE INTERVAL. THIS WAS LED BY JOHNSON AND MIKEY THOMPSETT WHO LINKED UP FOR ONE OF JOHNSON'S TRADEMARK LONG THROWS, WHICH THOMPSETT FLICKED ONTO A DEFENDERS HEAD AND INTO THE NET, 3-2 PRIORY. PRIORY THEN CONTROLLED MUCH OF THE SECOND HALF AND HAD A PENALTY SAVED BY THE BALCOMBE KEEPER, TO KEEP THEM IN THE GAME.

BALCOMBE THEN GOT THEIR REWARDS FOR CLINGING ON AND DREW LEVEL ON THE 90 MINUTE MARK WHEN A BALL WAS HALF CLEARED BY PRIORY AND PUT BACK INTO THE BOX TOWARDS THE BALCOMBE NUMBER 11 WHO CALMLY HEADED PAST JORDAN MARKEY. BALCOMBE WERE NOT SETTLING FOR THE POINT HOWEVER. MOMENTS LATER, IN THE 94TH MINUTE, BALCOMBE PLAYED A LONG BALL INTO THEIR NUMBER 11'S FEET ON THE EDGE OF THE BOX. THE 11 ONLY HAD ONE THING ON HIS MIND, HE ROLLED THE PRIORY DEFENDER AND STRUCK NEATLY INTO THE BOTTOM LEFT CORNER, FROM THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE BOX TO CLINCH ALL 3 POINTS.

WYATT'S SIDE WERE UNDERSTANDABLY GUTTED AND WILL LOOK TO PUT THINGS RIGHT AT THE NEW DEFENCE IN HORLEY THIS SATURDAY AGAINST CUCKFIELD RANGERS.





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# RESERVE TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Reigate Priory II	8	5	1	2	22	11	11	16
2	Eastbourne Rangers	7	5	1	1	16	9	7	16
3	Nutfield	6	3	1	2	17	14	3	10
4	Cuckfield Rangers II	7	3	1	3	14	15	-1	10
5	Cuckfield Town	8	2	3	3	16	17	-1	9
6	Wivelsfield Green	7	3	0	4	12	15	-3	9
7	Barcombe	9	2	3	4	17	22	-5	9
8	Peacehaven & Telscombe II	8	2	3	3	11	17	-6	9
9	Crawley AFC	7	2	1	4	13	14	-1	7
10	Lindfield II	5	2	0	3	10	14	-4	6

## PREVIOUS RESULT

Wivelsfield Green



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Reigate Priory II





# A TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	FC Railway	9	6	2	1	28	10	18	20
2	Reigate Priory A	8	5	2	1	24	13	11	17
3	Crawley & Maidenbower Panthers	8	5	1	2	28	11	17	16
4	Royal Earlswood II	8	4	2	2	24	8	16	14
5	Horley A.F.C.	8	4	0	4	15	17	-2	12
6	Ifield II	8	3	1	4	21	26	-5	10
7	West Hoathly II	8	2	2	4	14	30	-16	8
8	Felbridge	8	2	1	5	10	21	-11	7
9	Athletico Redhill	8	2	0	6	15	23	-8	6
10	Warlingham II	7	1	1	5	5	25	-20	4

## PREVIOUS RESULT

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Crawley & Maidenbower  
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# B TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Pound Hill Thunder	10	6	3	1	38	18	20	21
2	East Grinstead Town III	7	6	1	0	51	8	43	19
3	Athletico Shrublands	7	5	1	1	29	9	20	16
4	Southgate United	8	3	1	4	21	21	0	10
5	Warlingham IIII	7	2	1	4	15	28	-13	7
6	Oxted & District A	7	1	3	3	5	17	-12	6
7	Ashurst Wood II	6	2	0	4	12	29	-17	6
8	Reigate Priory B	8	1	2	5	18	40	-22	5
9	Jarvis Brook III	6	1	0	5	8	27	-19	3

## PREVIOUS RESULT

East Grinstead Town III



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Reigate Priory B







# C TEAM

## LEAGUE TABLE

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Gatwick Warriors	8	6	1	1	53	12	41	19
2	Ifield Albion II	8	6	0	2	28	14	14	18
3	Hartfield	8	5	1	2	29	15	14	16
4	Crawley United II	8	5	0	3	31	23	8	15
5	FC Railway II	9	3	3	3	19	22	-3	12
6	Horley A.F.C. II	7	2	1	4	13	20	-7	7
7	Hurstpierpoint III	8	2	0	6	16	32	-16	6
8	Reigate Priory C	8	1	2	5	21	31	-10	5
9	Crawley Phoenix	8	1	2	5	22	63	-41	5

## PREVIOUS RESULT

Horley A.F.C. II



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Reigate Priory C





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# YOUTH SECTION

## HOME FIXTURES

Team	Date	Opposition	Venue	Kick-off
U9 Falcons	02-Dec	Kingswood Blues	Sandcross Pitch 1	9.30
U10 Eagles	02-Dec	Reigate Youth Galaxy	Reigate Rugby Club	9.30
U10 Falcons	02-Dec	Caterham Pumas Youth	Micklefield Pitch 1	9.30
U10 Harriers	02-Dec	AFC Whyteleafe Youth Colts	RPFC mini-soccer	10.00
U10 Ospreys	02-Dec	Molesey Juniors Wolves	Micklefield Pitch 2	9.30
U11 Eagles	02-Dec	Epsom & Ewell Colts Royals	RPFC 9v9	9.30
U13 Ospreys	02-Dec	South Park Juniors Greens	Reigate School 3G	12.30
U14 Falcons	02-Dec	Epsom & Ewell Colts Yellows	Wallfield Pitch 3	11.45
U14 Harriers	02-Dec	Teddington Athletic Lightning	Reigate School 3G	11.00
U15 Ospreys	02-Dec	Merstham Youth Eagles	Reigate School 3G	9.30
U15 Harriers	02-Dec	Caterham Pumas Kings	Priory Park Pitch 3	9.30
U18 Ospreys	02-Dec	Bookham Colts Falcons	Priory Park Pitch 2	9.30
U14 Ospreys	03-Dec	Hampton Rangers Juniors Yellows	Priory Park Pitch 2	10.00
U15 Kestrels	03-Dec	Sheen Lions Pride	Reigate School 3G	12.00
U16 Harriers	03-Dec	Claygate Royals Youth Colts	RPFC Main Pitch	10.00
U17 Eagles	03-Dec	BedHead Youth Blue	South Park	14.00
U17 Falcons	03-Dec	Old Rutlishians Youth Yellows	Reigate School 3G	14.00
U18 Falcons	03-Dec	Croygas Falcons Youth Navy	Reigate School 3G	10.00





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# SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2023

1pm kick off

## MID SUSSEX PREMIER LEAGUE



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