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VS. Mile Oak FC



THE NEW DEFENCE, RH6 8SP WEDNESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 2024 KICK OFF: 7.30PM







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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

Jay Connolly

Club Chairman





Good evening and welcome to the New Defence.

It's been a bit of a rollercoaster since our last fixture here in the 1-1 draw v Storrington. I felt both teams gave a pretty good account of themselves that day with us having started the brighter and unlucky not to have taken the lead in a dominant opening 10 minutes. Storrington grew into the game though and had a strong 20 minute period when their pressure told and disappointingly for us, they capitalised on the 2nd phase from a set piece. We deserved our equaliser though after our own period of pressure in the 2nd half with a Max Bicknell goalbound strike being blocked by the arm of a Storrington defender, leading to Lee Peacock converting the penalty.

What was a positive point against a good side was then following up by the collapse at Billingshurst. 6-2 isn't an acceptable scoreline in any world and the lads know that. We were far too far off it in terms of physicality and being pro-active defensively. We put together some really nice passages of play throughout the and but it was all undone by being far too naive out of possession.

What a response on Saturday though! It's always nice to progress in the cup but the message to the lads was all about getting a performance in response to a really disappointing defeat and that's exactly what we got. We looked a threat every time we went forward and took some pride in our defensive work. Club legend Dave McLaughlin stepped in and put on a man of the match performance at centre back whilst full backs Harrison Spicer and Chris Parsons come into the 11 which really helped to bring some balance back to the team. Parsons assisted our opener for Nick Walsh whilst Spicer had a chance of his own rattling the crossbar at 1-0. Lee Peacock reacted quickest to a rebound off a Matt Harrington strike to make it 2-0 and on his full debut, Sam Bull put the game to bed latching into a Harrington pass before calmly finishing off the inside of the post.

Harrington sadly is unavailable for tonight's fixture as is Josh Wille. Elbishlawi, Bodie, Rice and Rogers remained sidelined with injury but all 4 are expected back in the next 1-2 weeks. Mensah and Everton are both back available for selection having been unwell at the weekend and Harry Downer is also available again after a week away.

We've also been lucky to get Eric Benedetto join our coaching team who is well known to us having coached in our youth setup for a number of years and recently been at Alfold and Redhill first teams. He's already been a brilliant addition and the lads have taken to him well.

We really don't know too much about tonight's opponents Mile Oak but results so far are very similar to ours with 3 wins apiece in the league with their wins coming against Copthorne, Banstead and Montpellier Villa. They did recently beat Step 5 side Bexhill United in a cup tie and looks as though they have goals across the team. With us, Alfold and Selsey as their next 3 fixtures, they'll be looking to kick on for sure whilst we are keen to follow up on a brilliant performance from the weekend and start applying a bit of consistency.

On paper it looks like it should be a close, competitive game and could be another corker under the lights at The New Defence.

I look forward to seeing you and hope you enjoy the game.









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On Saturday, Reigate Priory FC travelled to Chessington & Hook United FC in the Southern Combination Division 1 Challenge Cup. This would be Priory's first outing in this cup since being promoted to the SCFL this season. Priory manager Dale Wyatt made a few changes to last weeks 6-2 defeat to Billingshurst, to see a response to the defeat whilst also resting a few players for their midweek fixture against Mile Oak on the 25th September, at the New Defence.

Chessington got the game underway and were very direct from the outset. One of their first chances being a short Priory back pass leading to a shot well saved by Jordan Markey.

However, Chessington's formation gave Priory lots of opportunity to keep possession at the back, especially in the full back areas. This allowed Harrison Spicer and Max Bicknell to combine down the right early on. One of their combinations resulting in Spicer hitting the bar from a driving run from the right and a strike just inside the box. Bicknell won a corner about 20 minutes in, which would lead to Priory taking the lead! Left full back Chris Parsons swung in the corner from the right, where central defender Nick Walsh was arriving like a steam train to head the ball past the Chessington keeper.

Priory asserted their dominance from that point onwards, with their second coming near 30 minutes in. Veteran central defender Dave McLoughlin winning a header in the middle of the park, where Al-Amin Salami diverted the ball from the right side of the pitch over to the left to left back Parsons. Parsons played a one-two with winger Sam Bull before finding Salami again. Salami slid a delightful pass back to Parsons who had beat the offside trap and crossed to midfielder Matt Harrington. Harrington's shot at goal was blocked, but only into the path of Lee Peacock who placed the ball home with his left foot.

Priory clung on to their 2 goal lead towards the end of the half, with goalkeeper Jordan Markey having a fine display.

Chessington came out for the second half with much more intent after a stern word from their management team. Priory weathered the storm & put the game beyond doubt on the 60th minute. New signing Bull broke beyond the Chessington defence down the left and right footed bent the ball in off the far post.

This meant that Priory go through to the next round of the cup, into the quarter final!

THE SEASON SO FAR

POS	Team	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Seaford Town	9	7	1	1	23	7	16	22
2	Billingshurst	8	6	1	1	23	6	17	19
3	Dorking Wanderers B	9	6	0	3	30	14	16	18
4	Forest Row	8	5	3	0	20	8	12	18
5	Storrington	9	5	2	2	25	14	11	17
6	AFC Uckfield Town	8	5	1	2	18	9	9	16
7	Arundel	9	5	1	3	21	19	2	16
8	Worthing United	8	5	0	3	18	9	9	15
9	Godalming Town	9	4	3	2	10	8	2	15
10	East Preston	7	4	2	1	17	11	6	14
11	Infinity	8	3	1	4	16	13	3	10
12	Reigate Priory	8	3	1	4	16	20	-4	10
13	Banstead Athletic	8	3	1	4	6	17	-11	10
14	Chessington & Hook United	8	2	3	3	15	16	-1	9
15	Mile Oak	8	3	0	5	11	13	-2	9
16	Selsey	7	1	2	4	6	12	-6	5
17	Oakwood	8	1	1	6	7	21	-14	4
18	Copthorne	9	1	1	7	7	27	-20	4
19	Alfold	8	1	0	7	10	32	-22	3
20	Montpelier Villa	8	0	0	8	4	27	-23	0



WHAT'S CHINTHE SCFL?

Туре	Date / Time	Home Team			Away	Team	Venue	Competition
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Alfold		vs	۵	Mile Oak	ALFOLD RECREATION GROUND	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Arundel	٢	vs	O	Storrington	ARUNDEL FOOTBALL CLUB	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Banstead Athletic	۲	vs	۲	AFC Uckfield Town	CHESSINGTON AND HOOK UNITED FC	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	East Preston	Ø	vs	0	Billingshurst	EAST PRESTON FOOTBALL CLUB	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Forest Row	Ŷ	vs	<u>(q)</u>	Chessington & Hook United	VISTAVIS COMMUNITY STADIUM (EAST GRINSTEAD TOWN FC)	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Infinity	۲	VS	0	Godalming Town	SIDLESHAM RECREATION GROUND	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Seaford Town	8	vs	0	Copthorne	CROUCH RECREATION GROUND	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Selsey	۲	vs	6	Dorking Wanderers B	HIGH STREET GROUND	Division One
Div1	28/09/24 15:00	Worthing United	Ø	vs		Oakwood	ROBERT ALBON MEMORIAL GROUND	Division One















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1ST TEAM PLAYER STATISTICS

Pos	Player Name	Appearances	Overall Goals
		▼ ▲	▼ ▲
1	Madimba, Nathan	5	4
2	Taplin, Daniel	9	4
3	Peacock, Lee	8	3
4	Bicknell, Max	10	1
5	Bull, Sam	2	1

Pos	Player Name	Assists
		▼ ▲
1	Harrington, Matthew	3
2	Everton, Billy	2
3	Peacock, Lee	2
4	Rice, Callum	2
5	johnson, callum	2







Mile Oak FC was formed in 1960 with the aim of providing football for the local community of Mile Oak, north of Portslade. the club has always been an integral part of the community to which it belongs. In less than 40 years Mile Oak Football Club has risen from the lowest levels of local football to become one of the leading clubs in the district. The club won regular promotions up the Brighton league divisions and also claimed the "Hove and Worthing cup", before eventually attaining intermediate status following promotion to the Brighton League's premier division. Here Mile Oak F.C would reside for over a decade, winning the championship in 1983. The club regularly finished in the top three and firmly established itself as the top amateur club in hove.

In 1986 a bold decision was made to leave the Brighton League to become a senior club in the Sussex County League, and an application was made to join the Southern Counties Combination League, which was a feeder into the Sussex 'pyramid'. The club said its farewells to the Brighton League in appropriate fashion by winning its league cup for the first time and "double up" with a Vernon Wentworth cup final victory. After just one season, the club won promotion to Division Three of the County League as champions.

After five seasons, promotion was gained to Division Two in 1991–92, as runners-up to Hassocks, and then to Division One as champions in 1994–95. They stayed in this division

for three seasons, and were relegated back to Division two in 1997–98 In 2005–06 The won some silverware after defeating Sidlesham 1–0 in the Final of the Division Two Challenge Cup.

In the 2008–09 season the club again gained promotion to Division one but only survived one season back in the top flight of the Sussex league. Unfortunately, the loss of key players to higher status clubs resulted in a swift return to the second tier. Since then Mile Oak have been amongst the promotion chasers without quite managing to make the breakthrough.

In 2017 Mile Oak completed it's twenty fifth senior season, narrowly missing out on promotion. Mile Oak supply a steady supply of young players ready for senior football and run a veterans team.

2022 saw the club plans for the future with the announcement that Mile Oak Wanderers joining the seniors as one club.

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RESERVE TEAM Jeague Table

POS	Team	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Copthorne II	3	3	0	0	13	2	11	9
2	Hurstpierpoint	3	2	0	1	8	5	3	6
3	Lindfield II	2	2	0	0	7	4	3	6
4	Oakwood II	2	2	0	0	5	2	3	6
5	Polegate Town	3	1	2	0	7	5	2	5
6	Reigate Priory II	4	1	2	1	6	7	-1	5
7	Sovereign Saints	4	1	1	2	6	10	-4	4
8	Eastbourne Rangers	2	1	0	1	3	3	0	3
9	AFC Varndeanians II	3	0	2	1	5	6	-1	2
10	Crawley AFC	4	0	1	3	5	12	-7	1
11	Ringmer AFC II	4	0	0	4	5	14	-9	0





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POS	Team	Ρ	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Forest Row II	3	2	0	1	6	7	-1	6
2	Crawley United	2	1	1	0	6	2	4	4
3	Balcombe II	2	1	1	0	7	6	1	4
4	Charlwood Village	2	1	1	0	3	2	1	4
5	Ashurst Wood	1	1	0	0	6	2	4	3
6	Ifield Albion	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	3
7	Jarvis Brook II	3	1	0	2	3	3	0	3
8	Ifield First	2	0	1	1	4	6	-2	1
9	Ansty FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Old Oxted Town	2	0	0	2	2	5	-3	0
11	Reigate Priory A	2	0	0	2	4	10	-6	0





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1	Gatwick Warriors	3	3	0	0	26	4	22	9
2	Reigate Priory B	3	2	1	0	16	9	7	7
3	West Hoathly	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
4	Oxted & District A	2	0	1	1	7	8	-1	1
5	Athletico Redhill	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
6	Ifield III	2	0	0	2	5	17	-12	0
7	Warlingham II	2	0	0	2	1	17	-16	0







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POS	Team	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Southgate United	2	2	0	0	11	1	10	6
2	Horley A.F.C.	2	2	0	0	5	2	3	6
3	Warlingham III	2	1	0	1	6	2	4	3
4	Reigate Priory C	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
5	Ifield Albion II	2	0	2	0	5	5	0	2
6	FC Railway II	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
7	Royal Earlswood II	2	0	1	1	4	5	-1	1
8	Ashurst Wood II	1	0	0	1	0	2	-2	0
9	Crawley United II	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	0
10	Crawley Phoenix	1	0	0	1	0	5	-5	0
11	Gatwick Warriors II	1	0	0	1	0	7	-7	0





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