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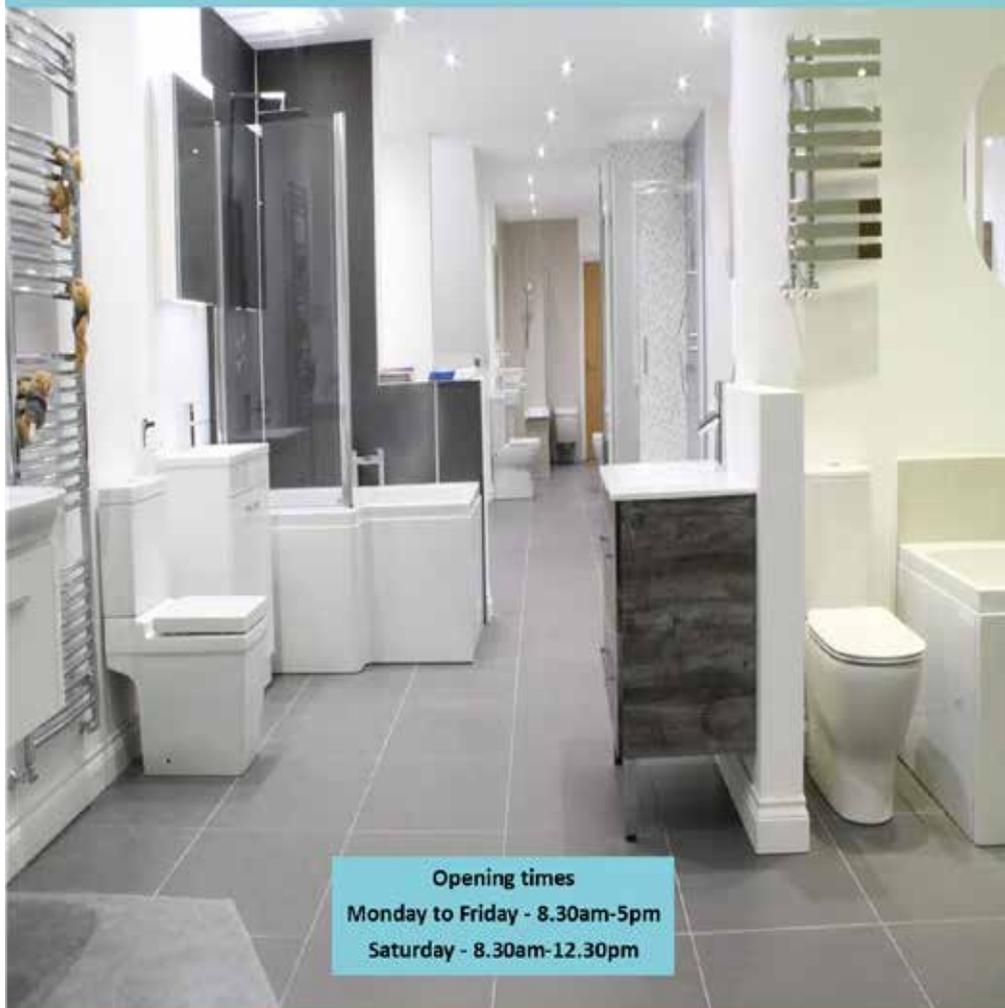
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## MATCH REPORTS

Tricky pitch conditions at the Hawthorns where **Broadwell Amateurs** took on League leaders Sharpness with Broadwell finding their feet first with a bright opening ten minutes and the first goal following a low whipped free kick from Dan Brain and Kristian Burnard getting the slightest of touches to flick home for 1-0. Sharpness grew into the game and had a goal disallowed for a foul on keeper Jack Watkins, but they equalised shortly after a low diagonal cross, a flick through bodies and tucked away by Bryant for 1-1. Sharpness finished the half the stronger of the two and should have taken the lead when Watkins was rounded and with the goal open Creighton got back and cleared to safety. The Sharks took the lead early in the second half after a long throw headed home by Bennett. Broadwell's equaliser came twenty minutes from time when Kian Skidmore's low driven shot was fumbled in by keeper Dykes. Sharpness found their third and the winner when a low driven shot from Bennett took a wicked bobble off the pitch and lifted over the diving Watkins for a valuable three points for the visitors.

# HISTORY OF STOKE GIFFORD SGS UNITED

Stoke Gifford Football Club was founded back in 1947 by Mr J. Scott. In our first few seasons, between 1947-51, we played on the Downs in Clifton. At the beginning of the 1951 season our club stalwart Jim Sparrow joined the club as a wanting to play for his local team. Also in 1951 we moved to our current home at North Road, Stoke Gifford after having the old orchard levelled off to create our pitch. The old barn where cider used to be made was converted into our changing rooms. This is also where the club adopted the Barn Owl as our club symbol. This has been our club home ever since, although from the 2018/19 season the first team relocated to Stoke Gifford Stadium at SGS College, leaving our reserve and 'A' team to fulfill alternate Saturdays in the 'Village'.

Following the move to Stoke Gifford, the club colours were red shirts and white sleeves until 1964 when the club adopted our now well know blue and white trim. The club has used navy from time to time but we predominantly wear royal blue each season.

In 1982/83 season, Jim Sparrow took up the position as chairman with the aim to bring some much needed success to the club. This is a position Jim held within the club until 2020-21 when it was time for Jim to pass the position on and take up the roll of club president. Jim is a true hero to the club and without his passion and drive over the many years in the role, the club would not be in the position we are in today.

In the 1988/89 we won the Bristol Suburban League Premier 1 title for the first time in our history. The team, managed by club legend John Black, were fired to the title by his younger brother and now club chairman, Martin Black, who finished top goal scorer allowing us to pip Totterdown United to the title.

Our home changing room and bar were located in the trust owned 'Poplar Rooms' until plans were drawn up in 2004 to build a new sports facility adjacent the pitch. The new clubhouse opened in the 2007/8 season and was constructed off the back of a number of former players most notably Rob Thorne and Ian Sweeten.

We won the title again in the 2014/15 season. This time managed by Martin Black and assisted by current gaffer Dan Dunt. The pair assembled a strong squad with the aim of winning the title. The season began well and Gifford were in a very strong position come March time. However, this is when disaster and heartbreak struck. Club talisman and top scorer, Ben Hiscox, suffered a fatal accident while playing after a collision with the club house wall. The club was broken at the time but the boys managed to rally together and finally got over the line in a tense final day away to AFC Mangotsfield. Needing a point to secure the title, the village went ahead when Geraint Williams converted from the spot, but an equaliser in the second half resulted in the most nervous of finishes. Emotional scenes followed the final whistle with Ben's dad, Clive the focal point of celebrations.

In 2018 the club began a dialogue with local college SGS, to build a relationship to give young players from the area a clear pathway into adults' football. This has been hugely successful to date, with the first team gaining back to back promotions after being crowned champions in both Bristol Suburban Premier 1&2 divisions. We have also helped develop some hugely exciting talent that have moved on to play a higher level of football.

The club currently have three team representing 'The Village', with the Reserves and A team competing in the Bristol Suburban League – Senior and Division 4 respectively.

# STOKE GIFFORD SGS UNITED PROFILES



Marcus Thatcher - First Team Manager – Thatch has been at the club for ten years now. He has played a massive role in player recruitment and coaching over the past few years while playing through numerous injuries.

Dan Worton – First Team Assistant- Worton will be joining the management team this season. Sadly now has stopped playing due to injury. Worton will be good in the changing rooms and hopefully will stay out of the referees book now hes not playing.

Daryll Barnes – First Team Coach– Daryll is a massive part of the management team and takes care of all the unseen work that needs to be done. A great bloke who will whatever is necessary to support the club. Looks like Wayne Lineker.

Evan Healen (GK) – Second season at the club, big Welsh daft keeper. Played a massive part in our defensive record last season.

Tauren Williams (Defender) – Solid, experienced centre back who has experience playing with Almondsbury, Hallen etc in the leagues above. Has been transformed into a centre back recently and has become a real leader for the group. His know how and game management is a big asset to us. Skipper

Harrison Murchdoch-McCormack (Defender) – Harrisons 2nd seasonn with the club, is defender. He is a tenacious defender who also has great eye for a pass. Has recetly taken on fines master duties which will be interesting.

Lawrence Mitchell (Defender) – ‘Legs’ is in his third season at the club, a really good lad who always has a smile on his face. Has decided to be nastier this campaign and get at least on header on target.

Jared Ball (Defender)- Jared is a useful addition to the squad this season.He has a big heart and a great attitude. He will be an important player this campaign.

Courtney Pinnock (Defender) – First season at the club, lots of pace, tough tackling defender. He is the coolest customer in the squad and rarely breaks sweat.

Rudy Hill (Defender)- Rudy has shown a fantastic attitude since joining us, playing a key role in the reserves being promoted a few seasons ago. Voted last seasons ‘Players Player of the Season and Managers Player of the Season’.

Raymond Oppong (Defender) – First season at the club, adds good height to the backline and a physicality. Lots of potential.

Ben Chambers ( Full Back)- Chambo back for another season, great lad to have around the group, after performing very well for our reserves last season, is ready to step up to the first team.

Harry Ford (Centre Mid)- Fordy second season with the club, he broke into the first team half way through the season and has never looked back. Expecting big things from him this season.

Daniel Twomey (Centre Mid)- Twomey has been around the club for years now. A combative midfielder whose experience has been vital. Hates paying a fine.

Sam Garrod (Centre Mid) – Sam he is a very talented, young midfielder player. Has a lovely passing range but also enjoys the nasty side of the game.

Kyle Ford (Centre Mid)- Fordy has joined us this season, has loads of experince from playing higher. Has just came back from a few years out of the game due to injury. Glad have him back playing on the pitch.

Joe Taylor (Centre Mid) – Joe 2nd season at the club has bags of ability and is a very confident lad. Gets on far too well with Thatch! Expecting big things this year.

Oscar Sealey (Centre Mid) – First season at the club. Wanted by many clubs, but Thatch secured the signature. Will bring excitement in the attacking third.

Masood Garder (Winger) – Masood first season with the club buzzing to have him this season. He is a fast winger who causes all sorts of problems for the oppostion, he also has an insanely good leap that catches opponents off guard.

Patryk Kosciolek (Winger)- Patryk second season with the club, buzzing to of kept him for the season. Tricky winger and always popping up with a goal. Loves a vodka redbull.

Ben Courtier(Striker) - Strong, powerful forward with an eye for goal. Played higher level so will be bringing in experience at top end of the pitch.

Stu Alexander (Striker) – Stu second season with the club, has a great first touch and hold the ball up well. His experience will be useful for our young squad.

# BROADWELL AMATEURS 1<sup>st</sup> TEAM 2025-26





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**FIRST TEAM ASSISTANTS** KIRK IMM & CHRIS BRAIN

**SECOND TEAM MANAGER** JASON ROONEY

**THIRD TEAM MANAGER** BRANDON LEACH

**PROGRAMME EDITOR** MARK GABRIEL

Broadwell welcome Stoke Gifford SGS United. Our visitors are currently just a head of us at time of writing. We wish them a safe journey home.

Last home game against leaders Sharpness we lost out to the odd goal in 5. Our goals came from Kristian Burnard and Kian Skidmore, their winner coming with help from the Broadwell bobble to seal a 3-2 away win.

Coffee, tea & refreshments in the clubhouse.

Enjoy the game.

**Dave Watkins, Broadwell AFC Chairman**

# TODAYS SQUADS

**BROADWELL AFC**

**v**

**STOKE GIFFORD SGS**

JACK WATKINS - GK  
JORDAN LOCKE - (C)  
KRIS BURNARD  
AIDAN CREIGHTON  
KIAN SKIDMORE  
ETHAN DUNSCOMBE  
BEN FISHWICK  
DAN BRAIN  
NATHAN DAVIES  
JAMIE BELFITT  
HARRY KNIGHT  
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CALLUM MAY  
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MAX WILTSHIRE  
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**Broadwell Amateurs v Stoke Gifford SGS United**

Chalford v Totterdown United

Cribbs Reserves v Quedgeley Wanderers

Hanham Athletic v Frampton United

Ruardean Hill Rangers v Filton Athletic

Wick v Henbury & Rockleaze

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Sharpness	18	15	2	1	50	21	29	47
Tewkesbury Town	21	15	2	4	64	23	41	44*
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Frampton United	19	11	4	4	30	14	16	37
Bishops Cleeve Development	22	11	4	7	52	42	10	37
Quedgeley Wanderers	19	9	3	7	38	32	6	30
Stoke Gifford SGS United	23	9	2	12	42	54	-12	29
Bromley Heath United	17	8	3	6	29	29	0	27
<b>Broadwell Amateurs</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>26</b>
Wick	17	7	3	7	36	33	3	24
Henbury & Rockleaze	18	7	2	9	24	21	3	23
Chalford	16	7	1	8	24	33	-9	22
Totterdown United	21	4	5	12	26	45	-19	17
Ruardean Hill Rangers	18	4	3	11	25	37	-12	15
Tytherington Rocks	15	4	2	9	19	29	-10	14
Cribbs Reserves	20	4	2	14	15	58	-43	14
Hanham Athletic	20	2	2	16	23	54	-31	8

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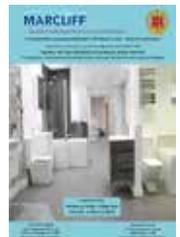
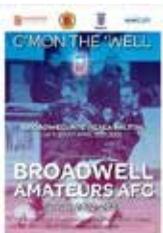
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# BROADWELL AFC PEN PICS



## **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 pink one in the bottom left. A green ball with the number 7 is in the top right, a red ball with 21 is in the top left, and a purple ball with 38 is in the bottom right. A central teal circle contains the text.

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