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**Pitching In Isthmian South East Division**  
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# East Grinstead FC History

East Grinstead Town Football Club was formed on May 8, **1890**, although it was another ten years before they played their first competitive matches as founder members of the Mid Sussex Football League.

In those early days the club played in blue and white with the town's coat of arms on the breast pocket. It was some years before they adopted their current colours of amber and black and were nicknamed 'The Wasps,' both of which survive to this day.

They won the Mid Sussex League in **1902** and their first major honour followed seven years later when they shared the Sussex Junior Cup with Arundel. In **1909** they were awarded senior status which they have held ever since apart from two seasons when they were relegated to the intermediate third division of the Sussex County League in **1989**.

In **1912** Grinstead reached the Sussex Senior Cup final for the only time in their history but lost 4-1 to St Leonards Amateurs in a ferocious snowstorm.

The Wasps were original members of the Sussex County League when it was founded in **1920**, but they struggled to make any impact and after finishing bottom in **1927** they were not re-elected.

Rather than returning to the Mid Sussex League, they had four successful seasons in the Brighton League before stepping up to the Southern Amateur League. A fresh challenge reinvigorated the club and they won the Division Three title in **1932** with 15 victories out of 18. Three years later they played on the Test match cricket ground at Trent Bridge in Nottingham when they defeated Nottinghamshire Amateurs 6-0 in the old FA Amateur Cup.

Determined to regain their place in the Sussex County League, they were re-elected back in **1937** after winning the Mid Sussex League again and finished fifth in their first season.

In those halcyon days either side of the Second World War, four-figure crowds were the norm at their old ground in West Street, East Grinstead, which they shared

with the town's cricketers. The club's record attendance is 2,006 for an FA Amateur Cup tie against Lancing in November **1947**.

Success eluded Grinstead until 1952 when they won the Baldwin Cup, the forerunner of the Sussex County League Cup. That team is reckoned by many to be the finest the club has ever produced. It was certainly the most entertaining - 42 games that season in league and cup produced 222 goals!

Grinstead finished third in **1955**, but their fortunes began to decline along with crowd numbers after that. They left West Street in **1959** but it wasn't until **1967** that they finally moved to their current home at East Court after a protracted battle to get the ground, which was prone to waterlogging, fit for

football. In the meantime, they had a spell at King Georges Field in the town centre.

The club again finished third in **1973** in the Sussex County League but that was as good as it got for another 30 years although Grinstead did reach their first cup final since **1952** when they lost 4-1 to Haywards Heath in the RUR Cup in **1974** despite taking the lead. During the 1980s the club regularly hosted Crystal Palace and

Brighton in charity fixtures watched by crowds of over 2,000.

Wasps found themselves in Division Two for the first time in **1979** and even had two seasons in Division Three before regaining senior status. They were promoted back to Division One in **1993** but lasted just two years.

Bob Smith, a former player, led Wasps back to Division One in **2003** and they also won their first trophy for 52 years, beating Three Bridges 4-0 in the final of the RUR Cup.

Unfortunately, the club were relegated back to Division Two on the final day of the **2004-05** season and in October **2006** Smith, the longest-serving manager in the club's history, was replaced by another ex-player Steve Norris.

In his second season Wasps romped to the Second Division title by a massive 18 points, losing just twice all season. Their



## THE LAST TIME WE MET

**Saturday Jan 26 2019:**

**Isthmian League South East:**

**Sevenoaks Town 3**

**East Grinstead 3**

**Scorers: (Oaks)** Frankie Sawyer (31') Tommy Whitnell (45') Frankie Sawyer (61')

**(EG)** Jerson Dos Santos (6')

Gregory Cundle (9')

Matt Day (53')

**Sevenoaks Town:** Ben-Bridle-Card, Fraser Walker, Ryan Mak-hosini Khanye, Mikey Dalton, Tom Ripley, Josh Dorling, Luke Holness, Alec Fiddes (Kenny Po-gue 81 mins). Tommy Whitnell, Frankie Sawyer (William John-son-Cole 78 mins), Ryan Fowler.

winning run of 14 successive league games at the start of the season meant they became the last senior non-league team in the country to drop points.

The club established itself in the top-flight over the next decade and their progress on the field has been matched off it.

Floodlights were installed in **1997** and in **2008** two new stands and a pitch perimeter barrier were erected. In 2014 with East Court already meeting the requirements of the Isthmian Football League after installing additional seating, the club began work on a new dressing room and hospitality area, turnstile block and entrance and a resurfaced car park. More than £225,000 of the cost came from external grant-aid funding.

Simon Funnell's side finished the season in second place, their highest ever County League position, and in May **2014**, the club were accepted into the Isthmian League for the first time in our history. In October **2014**, Simon was replaced by Tony Beckingham, who returned for a second spell having previously been in charge between **February 2010-October 2011**. Tony managed to keep the club in the league for a second season despite finishing in 23rd

place in the table but left to join Hythe Town in September **2015**. Matt Longhurst was appointed manager in October 2015 and consolidated the Wasps at Step 4 for three seasons, despite a big turnover of players.

Matt resigned in December **2019** and the former Kingstonian and Whyteleafe manager Leigh Dynan replaced him. The suspension of the league saved the club from relegation, as they were bottom of the table when Covid-19 forced the curtailment, but Leigh rebuilt the squad and the club began the season with renewed confidence and were fourth when the season was abandoned because of the pandemic.

Leigh had to step down at the start of **2021** due to work commitments and former Wasps' striker Tony Reid, who had enjoyed success with Westfield, was appointed in May 2021 as manager, assisted by Martyn Lee. He brought in a new squad of players for the club's eighth season at Step 4.

During the summer of 2020 the first major overhaul of the pitch since 2003 took place with new drainage and irrigation installed, most of the cost being met by grants. This project was completed in the summer of 2021.



A photograph of three men, likely football managers or coaches, standing in profile and looking towards the left. They are wearing blue tracksuits. The man in the foreground has a grey beard and is looking intently. The man behind him is balding and also looking forward. The third man is partially visible on the far left. The background is blurred, suggesting an outdoor setting like a stadium.

# Micky's Message

Good evening everyone and welcome to Bourne Stadium for another League fixture. I would like to extend this welcome to our opponents tonight East Grinstead.

Saturday saw another disappointing result against a good Ashford side who have a very strong squad this season. As a group everyone is determined to turn the poor form of late around to see us climb back up the table.

We have managed to strengthen the squad with the loan signing of Fjord Rogers from Cray Wanderers and Kweku Ansah from Phoenix Sports, both good players who will certainly give us a bit more quality.

On Saturday we return to Burgess Hill for a league fixture where a couple of weeks ago we drew 1-1 over 90 minutes and in the last five of normal time certainly had enough chances to win it.

Thank you everyone for your continued support during this tough period but I can assure you we will get through this together and start getting some positive results and performances.

I hope you all enjoy tonight's game and wish you a safe journey home.

**MC**



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## Pitching In Isthmian South East Table

Haywards Heath	9	7	1	1	17	7	+10	22
Cray Valley PM	9	6	2	1	21	12	+9	20
VCD Athletic	10	5	3	2	21	11	+10	18
Ashford United	8	5	2	1	15	6	+9	17
Herne Bay	7	5	1	1	14	4	+10	16
Sittingbourne	8	5	1	2	18	9	+9	16
Ramsgate	8	4	2	2	20	13	+7	14
Hastings United	6	4	1	1	15	7	+8	13
Three Bridges	10	2	6	2	10	16	-6	12
Corinthian	8	3	2	3	11	9	+2	11
Hythe Town	7	3	1	3	8	12	-4	10
Chichester City	9	2	3	4	14	11	+3	9
Lancing	9	3	0	6	7	19	-12	9
Whitehawk	8	2	2	4	6	15	-9	8
<b>East Grinstead Town</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>7</b>
Faversham Town	7	2	1	4	7	15	-8	7
<b>Sevenoaks Town</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>7</b>
Burgess Hill Town	8	1	2	5	8	14	-6	5
Whitstable Town	8	1	1	6	10	16	-6	4
Phoenix Sports	9	1	1	7	6	16	-10	4

### Results: Saturday 16th October

Cray Valley PM	0	0	Chichester City
Haywards Heath	0	1	Herne Bay
Hythe Town	2	2	Three Bridges
Lancing	0	3	Corinthian
Ramsgate	2	4	Burgess Hill Town
<b>Sevenoaks Town</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	Ashford United
VCD Athletic	4	1	Faversham Town
Whitehawk	1	0	<b>East Grinstead Town</b>
Whitstable Town	1	0	Phoenix Sports

### Tuesday 19th October

Haywards Heath	1	0	Chichester City
Hythe Town	0	3	Hastings United
Sittingbourne	3	2	Whitstable Town
Whitehaw	0	0	Burgess Hill Town





# Player Profile: Charlie Holmes

**Charlie Holmes**

**Age:** 22

**Position:** Central Midfielder

**Born:** Chelsea

**Home:** Westerham

**Occupation:** work for mum's cleaning company - one of her contracts is here at the club.

**Previous Clubs:** Dagenham & Redbridge followed by a spell playing in Sweden.

**Club supported:** Chelsea

**Favourite Player:** Didier Drogba

**Best Mate in Football:** Bertrand Traoré (Aston Villa)

"When he came over to England he lived with us for a while, and we have always stayed in contact."

**Best Moment in Football:** "When I got offered my contract at Dagenham & Redbridge - I was playing in Sunday League, and I always wanted a place in an Academy and a professional system. "It was tough but worth it in the end."

**Best Goal Scored:** "It was in the FA Cup when I was at Dagenham- we were playing a team three or four leagues below us - it was a four hour drive - there was a big crowd there - it was 2-2 - I was playing right back and scored the winner in the last minute. It was a great feeling."

**Best Thing About Football:** "The enjoyment of playing, just being out there on the pitch - when you score and win as a team, you can't beat that feeling."

**Worst Thing About Football:** "I got a bad injury - a stress fracture in my foot - I was out for eight weeks - came back training and two days later broke the same foot - same bone - and was out for six and a half months."

**Thoughts on season:** "It's not going our way at the moment, but that's football."

"You are going to get ups and downs, but it's up to us now as a team, stick together and push through it."

"We are going through a spell, it's not the greatest - things are still good in the dressing room, we are not giving up."

**Favourite Drink:** Fanta Fruit Twist

**Favourite Meal:** Baked Beans

**Favourite TV programme:** Love Island

**Favourite Films:** White House Down/Olympus Has Fallen



## Sevenoaks Town Fixtures 2021-22 season

All home Saturday games kick off at 3pm. Wednesday games at 7.30pm.

Key: ISE: Isthmian South East – FAC: FA Cup – FAT: FA Trophy

1 Goal scored - \*Own Goal + Lost 3-1 on penalties 1st sub 2nd sub 3rd sub Sent off

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## Oaks struggles continue

**Sevenoaks Town 0  
Ashford United 3**

**By Andrew Gidley**

Sevenoaks Town's winless run continued with a fourth home Pitching In Isthmian League South East defeat of the season. Struggling Oaks suffered a pre-match blow with new striker Fjord Rogers, signed on a 28-day loan from Cray Wanderers in midweek, ruled out after contracting Covid the previous day. They forced three corners inside the opening three minutes, before conceding twice. A third goal in stoppage-time

completed another disappointing afternoon, to slip into the bottom four. Tashi-Jay Kwayie put Ashford in front after eight minutes, before Tarim Ossai's fine finish doubled the lead almost immediately. Tom Fagg added the late third after home keeper Ben Bridle-Card had denied him twice earlier in the second half. He kept out Fagg's first effort, only to be beaten by the follow-up. Visiting left back Bradley Simms set-up the opener breaking quickly down the left, the ball reaching Kwayie to score with a powerful finish, beating a defender on the line.

Another break down the same flank led to Ossai's impressive second, the right back curling home a fine 20-yard left footed effort inside the far post. Jay May headed wide and Kwayie was denied a second by Bridle-Card's good block as Ashford missed out twice more inside the opening half hour. Oaks created little at the other end, Louis Collins shot wide early in the second half, proving their only real chance.

Sevenoaks Town: Ben Bridle-Card, Danny Divine, Conrad Lee, Ben Davison (Bradley Schafer 63 mins), Freeman Rogers, Dean Gunner, Lamin Bah, (Frankie Sawyer 67 mins), Stefan





# Sevenoaks Town FC

# 2021 Squad Pictures



**History:** Sevenoaks Town were originally formed in 1883, one of the founding members of the Kent League.

In April the same year, the club played Royal Arsenal, then the only professional club in the South East of England in front of around 1000 spectators at Knole Paddock.

They combined with St Johns United in 1951, and joined the Western section of the Kent Amateur League.

Division 1 League Cup winners in 1965-66, they were twice winners of the Premier Division in 1968-69 and 1975-76.

They won the Kent County League - three times - 1984-85, 1995-96 and 2002-3.

The club were Kent Intermediate Challenge Shield and Inter-Regional Challenge Cup winners twice, and lifted the Sevenoaks Charity Cup on 12 occasions.

**Recent successes:** Southern Counties East League Cup champions: 2016-17  
Southern Counties East League champions: 2017-8

**Best FA Cup Performance:** Second Qualifying Round: 2016-17

**Best FA Trophy Performance:** First Qualifying Round: 2018-19

**Best FA Vase Performance:** Third Round Proper 2017-18.

A new state of the art 3G pitch was installed in June 2017, and plans are in place to construct a brand new stadium in the next two years.



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# Support Sevenoaks

Sevenoaks Town FC has prided itself on providing for the local community to serve and assist those in the local area.

In March, the football season came to an abrupt end. In the unprecedented months that have followed, the club has had to re-focus, re-plan and re-model in order to find our feet again.

Following every step of Government and FA guidance, we were able to get back playing again in June.

Throughout lockdown and as measures have eased, our committee have recognised the need for the club to support those who need our help the most. One of the clear areas to focus upon was local business.

**"We take great pride in our identity and the area we are a part of. We know first-hand, how challenging the past few months have been."**

As a club, we want to be there for the people living, working and socialising in the area and have devised a proud to launch a new scheme we hope you'll support and get involved with.

Support Sevenoaks is our campaign set up to help local businesses get back on their feet. We have created a Support Sevenoaks card which is free a loyalty scheme. If you make a purchase at stores and services who are a part of the scheme, you'll receive a stamp of thanks.

Once your Support Sevenoaks card is full of stamps, you can use it to gain free entry

to a First Team games during the 2020/21 season, when crowds are allowed to return. You simply bring the fully stamped card along to your chosen game and present at the turnstile.

And if for whatever reason, you don't want to use your card to attend a game, you can email [hello@sevenoakstowncfc.co.uk](mailto:hello@sevenoakstowncfc.co.uk) with your details and an upload of your complete card and we will donate the equivalent of the match day entry to a local charity.

Club Chairman, Paul Lansdale hopes the scheme will further incentivise local people to support businesses in the area.

"I am extremely proud to be launching our Support Sevenoaks initiative. The scheme was devised by us as a club because we know just how important local provision and services are.

"We take great pride in our identity and the area we are a part of. We know first-hand, how challenging the past few months have been. The impact of Covid19 on businesses and organisations of all shapes and sizes has been huge. We want to help these businesses, their owners and employees find their feet again."

"We hope the idea is something those involved with the football club alongside residents and the businesses of Sevenoaks itself can get behind. Businesses can get in touch with us to be a part of Support Sevenoaks and we will equip them with the materials, the card and branding required. The Eat Out to Help Out scheme finishes at the end of the month, whereas this card will be in operation by us throughout the 2020/21 season and maybe even beyond if it proves to be valuable and enjoyed by people living, working and visiting Sevenoaks."

If you'd like to get involved with the Support Sevenoaks initiative please email [charlotte@sevenoakstowncfc.co.uk](mailto:charlotte@sevenoakstowncfc.co.uk)

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UPDATE: The Support Sevenoaks initiative continues to gather impetus with more than 20 shops now signed up. Picking up a card at any of those listed allow shoppers in the town to make it a purchase and get it stamped. Every completed card will give free entry to a Pitching In Isthmian League first team game. Shoppers not taking advantage can send the card to [hello@sevenoakstowncfc.co.uk](mailto:hello@sevenoakstowncfc.co.uk), and the club will donate the equivalent of the matchday ticket price between West Kent Mind and Hospice in the Weald.

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# Grow the Oaks!

Since 1883, Sevenoaks Town FC has provided playing opportunities for footballers of all ages and abilities. As our club seeks to take each step of the Government's Covid 19 roadmap and beyond with care, we are determined to find our feet as quickly as possible, making sure Greatness Park returns to becoming a safe, friendly hub of footballing activity for the local community and our football family.

It is now over a year since the global pandemic was declared, it is poignant to reflect on the things we've learned from these, tough, strange and unprecedented times. With our lives changed beyond recognition, we have learnt to appreciate all the things we enjoy – football being one of them. All the people who dedicate hours of time to helping Sevenoaks Town FC run are providing a selfless service we all appreciate goes beyond supplying physical benefits. It's the social elements of being part of a team; the mental health release of being active and empowered; its feeling and being a part of something unique, constructive and valuable.

With lots of people impacted economically, whether that be by being placed on furlough, losing employment or having planned opportunities postponed or cancelled, we are aware there may be individuals and groups out there who want to seize opportunity

once lockdown eases. Opportunity to give back. Opportunity to contribute to their local community. Opportunity to reignite with the game they love and have most probably sorely missed.

We want to #GrowTheOaks with a specific push to recruit volunteers to be a part of our team at Sevenoaks Town FC. However, no specifics are required for you to be a part of it. Whatever your skills, whatever your experience; if you want to get involved, if you'd like to contribute some hours and if you'd like to give up your free time, then you'd be most welcome.

Every volunteer at Sevenoaks Town FC is supported and given guidance around their role and responsibilities. We pride ourselves on looking after our players, coaches, officers and wider community. As a volunteer at our FA Charter Standard Community club, you will be a part of a club that prides itself on meeting and exceeding standards. You'll have opportunity to improve both yourself and the club in turn.

We are looking forward to a continued safe and positive return to football and if you want to be a part of it you can explore volunteering options and be a part of #GrowTheOaks by emailing [info@sevenoakstownfc.co.uk](mailto:info@sevenoakstownfc.co.uk)

## Zero tolerance for racism

"The Isthmian Football League strongly supports the FA statement that there should be a zero-tolerance approach against racism and all forms of discrimination. Accordingly, any form of discriminatory abuse whether it be by reason of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion and belief, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, sex and sexual orientation or any other form of abuse will be reported

to The Football Association for action by that Association." (The FA 0800 085 0508 / Kick it Out 020 7253 0162). The Isthmian League and all Member Clubs in the League are committed to promoting equality by treating people fairly and with respect, by recognising that inequalities may exist, by taking steps to address them and providing access and opportunities for all members of the community."

## STFC COVID-19 Policy Statement

The entire team at Sevenoaks Football Club are committed to providing a safe football environment.

COVID-19 Restrictions In accordance with the current Government guidelines and The FA guidelines, individuals can play match football and carry out competitive training with additional control measures in place. All of the well-publicised Government social distancing and hygiene requirements must be fully observed in and around the match and training pitches and parking areas at all times.

At the Bourne Stadium, anyone entering will be subject to a machine temperature check with anyone failing this check refused entry on safety grounds. In addition, there will be no access to the changing rooms except where league guidance requires it for matches or for safeguarding purposes. We have provided player/parent guidance and we are constantly receiving updates from The FA and Government which we will ensure to update our control measures when any further changes can be made. The measures that have been put in place are for you, your family and everyone else's safety.

• An individual is required to self-assess before travelling to a match/training and if showing any symptoms of the virus or has been in contact with someone displaying symptoms within the last two weeks, then they should stay at home and call 111. They should remain isolated until it is safe to return.

• We will be complying with additional control measure when carrying out match play and training with social distancing measures before, during breaks and after match play/training. Please respect each other and any decisions that are made on behalf of the club for safety reasons.

• For training, a maximum number of people are allowed into the designated training area within the red zone at any one time in order for social distancing to take place when contact training is not taking place. STFC and their coaches will abide by this maximum number as provided by The FA.

• All training activities are undertaken entirely at your own risk and parents/players must sign up to participate in footballing activity along with signing up to The FA's 'Code of Behaviour'.

• All players and attendees to training and matches are required to provide contact information to enable STFC to support the NHS Track and Trace program and all information provided will be covered under the club's Data Protection Policy.

• Players/parents/officials should arrive at the designated match/training time as entrance to the pitch will not be permitted before this time.

• All parents not remaining pitch side will be asked to drop and collect their children at the allotted time from the edge of the pitch or if at the Bourne Stadium from outside the ground exit.

• Players should bring to training with them, named hand gel bottle and named water bottle as well as naming any other item they bring such as sun cream, medication, etc, for their own personal use.

• All training equipment will be appropriately sanitised including football equipment such as footballs, cones, goal posts and any other training equipment being used.

• At the Bourne Stadium, all signage for social distancing is installed in the ground to remind everyone of social distancing with volunteers to provide continued guidance.

• At the Bourne Stadium, the entrance and exit touch points, along with other areas at the ground will be sanitised with a cleaning sanitiser which continues to work for up to 30 days after it has been applied.

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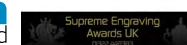
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# Sevenoaks Town Women and Girls' Strategy

Sevenoaks Town FC are currently in the exciting process of putting together three-year plan for the women and girls' section of the club, in which they are aiming to help the team move from tier 7 (b) to tier 4 within the next 3 years. This is an ambitious jump to a high standard of football which STFC are confident they can achieve.

In order to help Sevenoaks Town accomplish this, the club has been working with two consultants who both have a lot of first-hand experience in women's football: Natalie Curtis, a Football Development Officer for Women & Girls Football at the Kent FA who has also played for a pro club and managed and coached at the same level, and Charlotte Richardson, an FA Club Consultant who has been involved in the Women's Sport & Leadership Academy.

Both Natalie and Charlotte have experience of working with clubs and taking their Women's and Girls' teams up a few tiers, which is what Sevenoaks Town aspires to achieve. Natalie and Charlotte have begun to map out this three-year plan to help STFC achieve our goals.



Furthermore, Sevenoaks Town have also appointed Paul McDonagh who will be a great addition to the Women's and Girls section at Sevenoaks Town. Paul is a UEFA A Coach, and has also been Technical Director for Women's and Girls football at Charlton Athletic for two years.

Paul will take on and oversee STFC's Women and Girls' section, and he will also manage the Women's First Team for the upcoming 21/22 season supported by Maddie Smith and Dan Thomas who bring a wealth of experience and have been instrumental in our progress so far.

We at Sevenoaks Town FC are confident that with the addition of Natalie, Charlotte and Paul to STFC's Women and Girls' section, as well as the foundation we have built since our first girls' team in 2012, we will be able to really push on and increase the profile and exposure of women's football at the club. The ultimate aim is to have our women's and men's teams run in the same way and be on the same level, and we hope to achieve this starting with the three-year plan which is being put in place.





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## East Grinstead Player Profiles

### Drew Cooney

The club's longest serving player, central defender Drew has racked up nearly 400 appearances for the Wasps during three separate spells. He's also played for Three Bridges and Redhill and made his Grinstead debut back in 2002.

### Glenn Wilson

Another player with vast experience including a spell with Crawley Town whom he helped win promotion to the Football League. Glenn, who can play at right back or in central defence, has also played for AFC Wimbledon, Rushden & Diamonds, Margate and Enfield Town having started his career in the academy at Crystal Palace. Grinstead are the 35-year-old's 15th club.

### Matte Pierson

Former Merstham and Tooting & Mitcham goalkeeper who joined the club in summer 2021.

### Adrian Okoro

Full back who joined the club this summer. A graduate of Fulham's academy, his previous clubs include Edgeware Town.

### Liam Montague

Former Aldershot full-back who joined the Wasps this summer.

### Cory Walters-Wright

Central defender Cory is another signing made by Tony Reid in the summer of 2021. He has previously played for Sittingbourne and Canterbury City.

### Marco Sousa Pina

Former Enfield Town and Merstham midfielder who joined the club this summer.

### Troy Walters

Joined the club this summer after a spell with Tooting & Mitcham last season.

### Harry Carter

Former Chertsey and Aylesbury midfielder recruited from manager Tony Reid's former club Westfield in September 2021.

### Seidou Sanogo

Young striker who scored on his first-team debut against Whitstable in October 2020. Netted twice in the midweek win over Cray Valley PM.

### Kie Douglas

Former Crystal Palace u21s striker who was with Waltham Abbey before joining the Wasps in September 2021.

### Dylan Cascoe

Wide midfielder player formerly with Aylesbury, Harrow Borough and Westfield, who joined the club in 2021.

### Callum Edwards

Recent recruit following spells with Hollands & Blair, Faversham and Eastbourne Town.

### Aden Radojevic

Former Horsham

YMCA youngster who joined the club's under-23s this season.

### Bobby Dunn

Midfielder who joined the club in August 2021.

### Omar Nyame

Young striker formerly with Walthamstow who joined the club in August 2021.

### Harvey Burgess

Young striker promoted from the under-23 squad in recent weeks.

### Lloyd Francis

Hardworking midfielder with a great range of passing who has been promoted from the under-23 squad.





# Today's team sheet

## Sevenoaks Town

1: Ben Bridle-Card

2: Danny Divine

3: Conrad Lee

4: Ben Davisson

5: Freeman Rogers

6: Dean Gunner

7: Stefan Wright

8: Lamin Bah

9: Steve Smith

10: Louis Collins

11: Hayden Skerry

12: Frankie Sawyer

14: Bradley Schafer

15: Max Walsh

16: Maxim Cabune

17: Charlie Holmes

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16: Omar Nyame

17: Drew Cooney



Wednesday 20th October 2021, Pitching In Isthmian South-East Division, kick-off 7.30pm.

**Referee:** Harry Wager

**Assistant Referee 1:** Jack Owen

**Assistant Referee 2:** Teddy Osborn

**Next home match:** Saturday October 30th 3pm. Pitching In Isthmian South-East Division, Sevenoaks v Corinthian

