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Welcome

Good afternoon and welcome to Brickfield Lane for this Pitching In Southern League Division One Central match against Leverstock Green. We wish their players, officials and supporters an enjoyable short stay with us and a safe journey home afterwards. We also welcome today's match officials.

Leverstock Green arrive here today in 17th position in the league with 14 points from 14 games played. Their last match was a narrow 2-1 defeat against Waltham Abbey on Tuesday evening with their opponents scoring a stoppage time penalty to get the win. We also fell to defeat on Tuesday evening when a goal in each half gave Potters Bar Town a 2-0 home win. Although we competed well throughout the 90 minutes, we didn't really create enough to get back into the game after falling behind early on and our hosts took the three points.

We are at home again on Tuesday evening when we host Berkhamsted in the First Round of the Herts Senior Cup, 7.45pm kick off. Next Saturday we then travel to high-flying Didcot Town in the league.

Enjoy the game

Facing us today – Leverstock Green FC



Leverstock Green Football Club was formed around 1895. The first match reports appeared on January 4th 1896 in the Advertiser and gave an account of a match against Hemel Hempstead Rovers.

The first competitive fixtures were reported during season 1908/1909 when the Club competed in Division Three of the West Herts League. Other clubs competing in the league at that time were: Abbots Langley, Bovingdon, Boxmoor, Bushey Heath, Hagden Lane, Kings Langley and Potten End.

The Club ground in Pancake Lane originally formed part of the Gorhambury Estate, Lord Verulam making the ground available for the youth of the area and his estate workers to enjoy a game of ball. Clearly Lord Verulam was an early enthusiast, providing timber-built changing rooms, which have been progressively replaced since the 1960's by the existing brick built clubhouse and changing rooms.

On the death of the Lord, certain parcels of land, including that on which the Football Club stood, fell to the Crown in lieu of death duties and is administered on its behalf by the Commission for New

Towns, who have remained the Club's landlords since that time, despite two unsuccessful attempts by the Club to buy the freehold.

The club remained members of the West Herts League until 1954 when it broadened its horizons and successfully applied to join the Herts County League. By the mid 1970's the Club started to move forward with a new clubhouse, post & rail and the installation of training lights.

The playing side of the club also improved and in 1979 the club won Division One of the Herts County League and were promoted to the Premier Division the highest standard the Club had achieved in 80 years.

In 1991 the Club were accepted into the South Midlands League and had two highly successful seasons in the Premier Division before being forced to drop into the Senior Division, as floodlights were then not available. In 1996 the club finished in runners-up position and the following season were the divisional champions but could not be promoted because floodlights had still not received approval from the Council.

Premier Division status was eventually regained in 2003, and the club spent 21 straight seasons in the division before promotion to Step Four in 2024. The club's highest finish in the Premier Division has been 4th, in seasons 2010/11 and 2023/24, with top six finishes also being recorded in 2005/06, 2006/07 and 2008/09.

Season 2010/11 also saw the club's best ever run in the FA Vase, with wins over Welwyn Garden City, Enfield, Hullbridge Sports, Tunbridge Wells and Bemerton Heath Harlequins before defeat in the Fifth

Round against Rye United. The club has twice reached the Third Round of the FA Vase, in seasons 2006/07 and 2018/19.

Leverstock Green entered the FA Cup for the first time in 2004, and the club's best performance has been reaching the Second Round Qualifying, which was achieved in 2014/15, where we were beaten by Staines Town, and in 2018/19 where we were beaten by Dorking Wanderers.

County honours were won in 2006/07 and 2010/11 as the Herts Charity Shield was lifted, and the club were beaten finalists in the Herts Charity Cup in 2011/12. After finishing runners-up four times over the previous 12 years, The West Herts FA St Mary's Cup was finally lifted for the first time in 2017/18 with victory over Berkhamsted in the final at Vauxhall Road.

Between 2005 and 2015 the club ran a successful Ladies' Team, which rose from the Beds and Herts League into the Eastern Region Womens League, reaching the Premier Division in 2013.

The under-18 side competes in the Southern Counties Floodlit Youth League. The team finished runners-up in their division in seasons 2010/11 and 2014/15, and in 2015/16 they reached the final of both the Brian Hitchings Cup and the Colwyn Cup, losing in both finals to Luton Town Cedars. Many players have made the step up from under-18 level to first team level, and those who have gone on to play much higher up the non-league pyramid include Charlie Gorman (Eastbourne Borough), Luke Warner-Eley (Royston Town, St Albans City) and Jonathan Lacey (Hemel Hempstead Town) who also represented the England non-league side in the Falklands while a Leverstock Green player.

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The Pancake Lane ground has seen many improvements due to ever more stringent ground grading requirements. In 2007 the Peter Metcalfe changing rooms were built at a cost of £90,000. 2008 saw the refurbishment of the clubhouse to include new toilets and a new hospitality suite. In 2009 the concrete walkway was completed to cover three sides of the ground and a seated stand accommodating 113 spectators was installed.

Season 2018/19 was one of turmoil and sadness, as long-serving fixture secretary Graham Smart passed away suddenly only weeks after taking on the role of interim chairman. A season which promised so much at the start ended with the club only securing Premier Division safety on the final day.

Emma Smart took over as chairman for season 2019/20, and with a new management team and a new spirit of optimism the club was on course for a safe mid-table finish before the season was brought to a premature end by Covid-19. The management team of Matt Harding and Mick Vipond continued into the 2020/21 season, which again came to a premature end. For season 2021/22, a new management team of Fergus Moore, Scott McGleish and Paul Marks was appointed. Fergus and Scott continued through season 2022/23 and won their first silverware for the club with a 1-0 win over Tring Athletic in the final of the West Herts St Mary's Cup.

Fergus and Scott were joined by former Under-18 manager Ross Bargent for season 2023/24, and the club also started a Development Team, playing in the Herts Senior County League Premier Division. 2023/24 proved to be an incredibly successful season for the club, as a fourth-place finish secured a place in the end-of-season playoffs, and victories over Harpenden Town and FC

Romania saw the club promoted to Step Four for the first time in their history. In addition the SSML Challenge Trophy was won for the first time to complete a unique double.

The club's first season in the Southern League Division One Central proved to be a tough challenge and a steep learning curve. After 30 games Leverstock had just two wins and 18 points, but a miraculous run of 7 wins from the last 10 games culminated in a last-day escape from relegation with a 3-1 win at AFC Dunstable.

The necessary ground grading improvements, which included two new stands and a toilet block were made, and the club made a promising start to their second season at Step 4. However, a run of 16 games without a win saw them sink in the relegation zone by Christmas before a spectacular turnaround in form during the second half of the season. 12 wins from their last 18 games, including a seven-game winning streak to finish the season resulted in comfortable safety with a highly-creditable 12th place finish. The club now look forward to a third season at Step 4 and a sixth season under the Fergus and Scott management team.

Four club stalwarts have received awards from the Football Association and the Herts FA for 50 years service to football. The first was Jim Matthews, affectionately known as "Macca", who passed away at the age of 90 in 2006. The second was Bill Dawes in 2014, and the third was long-serving club secretary Brian Barter in 2019. Brian stood down from his role as secretary in 2020, having twice been honoured with awards from the Spartan South Midlands League. The fourth was Tony Smart, who now holds the role of Treasurer.

Leverstock Green F.C.

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Manager: Fergus Moore
Assistant manager: Scott McGleish
Coach: Aaron Eales, Callum Donnelly
GK Coach: Austin Byfield
Physio: Amy Kibler



PLAYERS

Ryan North
Callum Neal
Vladyslav Karuchok
George Mitchell-Gears
Kombe Kawimbe
Ryan Carruthers
Ademide Baruwa
Dan Pett
Joe McCarthy
Nat Connolly
Iker Noguera Leon
Ashton Corder
Marcus Warren
Jack Allen
Timi Bada
Lucas Hammer
Callum Donnelly
Romari Forde
Aldo Petagine

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League Table

Southern League Division One Central

		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Didcot Town	13	9	1	3	19	28
2	Winslow United	12	8	3	1	17	27
3	Potters Bar Town	15	7	5	3	11	26
4	Royston Town	14	6	5	3	10	23
5	Marlow	12	7	2	3	8	23
6	Stotfold	14	5	7	2	1	22
7	London Lions	15	7	1	7	-6	22
8	Welwyn Garden City	13	6	3	4	9	21
9	Waltham Abbey	10	6	2	2	11	20
10	Biggleswade	12	6	2	4	4	20
11	Haringey Borough	13	6	2	5	-3	20
12	Thame United	10	6	1	3	7	19
13	Milton Keynes Irish	15	5	3	7	-11	18
14	Beaconsfield Town	15	5	3	7	-12	18
15	Hertford Town	13	4	4	5	-5	16
16	Barton Rovers	15	4	3	8	-9	15
17	Leverstock Green	14	3	5	6	0	14
18	Biggleswade Town	13	3	4	6	-1	13
19	Aylesbury United	13	3	1	9	-9	10
20	Hadley	14	3	1	10	-13	10
21	Ware	12	1	6	5	-15	9
22	Flackwell Heath	13	2	2	9	-13	8

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Today's Matches

Saturday 31st October 2026

Southern League Division One Central

Barton Rovers v Thame United

Beaconsfield Town v Biggleswade

Biggleswade Town v Winslow United

Hadley v Leverstock Green

Haringey Borough v London Lions

Hertford Town v Marlow

Milton Keynes Irish v Potters Bar Town

Royston Town v Didcot Town

Stotfold v Flackwell Heath

Waltham Abbey v Welwyn Garden City

Ware v Aylesbury United



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Upcoming Hadley FC Matches



Hadley v Berkhamsted

Tues 3 November 2026 | 19.45 ko

Herts Senior Cup Round 1



Didcot Town v Hadley

Sat 7 November 2026 | 15.00 ko

Southern League Division One Central

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George Alfieri

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Lorri Byrne
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Lorri Byrne



Lenny Asamoah

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Chris Nash



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Bobby Webb

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Player Stats

Appearances (2026-27 season)

Jordan Edwards	16
Callum Ismail	16
Bobby Bircham	15
Rio Grant	14
Cameron Ferguson	13
Louis Udeh	13
George Alfieri	12
Lenny Asamoah	12
Romey Meoded	12
Tommy Roberts	10
Luke Alfano	9
Hermes Gbio	9
Billy Hayes	9
Charlie Taylor	9
Finley Aldridge	8
Chibueze Echem	7
Ridwan Euba	7
Omer Ozer	7
Wilson Bernal	6
Juan Quejada	6
Eric Schulz	6
Daniel Taylor	6
Mo Habib	5
Ekow Coker	3
Basim Mirtahmasebi	3
Bobby Webb	3
Levi Young	2

Goalscorers (2026-27 season)

Jordan Edwards	6
Finley Aldridge	3
Lenny Asamoah	3
Bobby Bircham	2
Luke Alfano	1
Rio Grant	1
Basim Mirtahmasebi	1
Louis Udeh	1



A brief history of Hadley FC

Founded in the 1882/83 season, a notable achievement during the early years was a 1-0 defeat of Tottenham Hotspur. This was at a time when the club attracted crowds of several hundred to Hadley Common. Lester Finch joined Hadley in 1925 and later went on to become a Barnet FC legend, also representing Great Britain at the 1936 Summer Olympics and playing for England in 1941. We played in a number of different leagues at lots of different home grounds for many years before moving to Brickfield Lane in 1992. Despite success on the pitch in the Herts County League in the early 2000's, facilities at Brickfield Lane did not enable promotion. Therefore, in 2008 we joined the Spartan South Midlands League Division Two and began ground-sharing at Potters Bar Town FC. Back-to-back promotions saw us reach the Premier Division (Step 5 of the National League System) by 2010-11. In 2016 we returned to Brickfield Lane following over £500,000 worth of facilities improvements. In the summer of 2019, we were moved to the Essex Senior League where we stayed for two seasons but unfortunately neither season was completed due to COVID-19. In the summer of 2021, following more restructuring of the National League System by the FA, we were moved back into the Spartan South Midlands League. The 2021-22 season was very successful, reaching the Second Round Qualifying of the FA Cup, narrowly losing 2-1 at home against Enfield Town in a replay. We then went on to reach the final of the Herts Senior Cup where two late goals gave Cheshunt (who went on to gain promotion into the Vanarama National League South at the end of the season) a 2-0 win. We finished third in the league but due to Risborough Rangers not meeting the FA ground grading, we were promoted to Step 4 (for the first time in our history) and the Southern League Division One Central for the 2022-23 season. The 2021-22 season was topped off by us winning the Gladwish Challenge Trophy following a 3-1 win against Stotfold in the final. Our first two seasons in the Southern League Division One Central saw us finish in 9th and 8th position respectively. Last season (2024-25) saw us make the playoffs, a fantastic achievement. We also won the Herts Charity Cup and reached the Third Round of the FA Trophy narrowly losing away at Oxford City after beating AFC Telford United, Hastings United, Carshalton Athletic, Ipswich Wanderers and Grays Athletic in the previous rounds - again a fantastic record that will be hard to beat. 2025-26 was another credible finish in the Southern League Division One Central, finishing just above mid-table in 10th position. A highlight of the season was an FA Trophy Third Round Qualifying win against Dartford - another big non-league club who we have defeated in the competition. We look forward to the 2026-27 season.

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Bob Henderson - Committee member

Mick Hore - Committee member

Rob Jones - Committee member

Dave Pearce - Committee member

Oliver Deed - Media & Press Officer

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Hadley Rangers

We work in partnership with Hadley Rangers FC - a youth football club based in Barnet with teams from U7s through to U18s.

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