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Doing the 92

Guide to League One teams for 202/26 season in this part of the book I have outlined their history old grounds with pictures a ground guide plus historical facts plus how to get there driving, public transport and walking to the ground along with where to drink for a neutral or away supporter and what you will pay to get in.



Local Bus



Rail



- London Underground Transport



- Walking time distance



Car



- London Overground



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Club Colours Football Kit Archive

** been to an older ground (The Editor)

Front Cover – Merthyr Town FC (1920 – 1930 Third Division South)

Barnsley

Ground - Oakwell, Grove Street, Barnsley, S71 1ET

Main Telephone No: 01226 211211

Fax No: 01226 211 444
Ticket Office: 0871 226 6777
Capacity: 23,009 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 75 yards

Club Nickname: The Tykes or Reds

Year Ground Opened: 1888 Shirt Sponsors – Gleeson Homes

Kit Manufacturer – Puma

Website: www.barnsleyfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1887

Former Names – Barnsley St Peter

Years at Today's Ground – 127 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1898 to Division Two from the Midland League First Official Floodlit Match – February 1962

Highest Attendance – 40,255 v Stoke City, FA Cup Fifth Round, 15 February 1936

Highest Score for – 9-0 v Loughborough Town Division Two 28/01/1899, v Accrington Stanley Division Three North 3/02/1934

Highest Against – 0-9 v Nottinghamshire (Notts) County FC Division Two 19/01/27

Highest Scorer in a Season - 33 Cecil McCormack in 1950/51

Highest Scorer Overall – 150 Ernest William (Ernie) Hine 1921 – 26, 1936 - 38 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 514 Barry Murphy 1962 – 78

Colours







Home

Away

Alternative

Ground Guide

The ground has a capacity of more than 23,000; Oakwell is more than double the size of the average home gate. A nice modern stadium with West Stand in need of redevelopment part of which dates back to 1904 and three sides of the ground were redeveloped in the 1990's.



East Stand

On one side is the particularly attractive two-tiered covered East Stand running along one side of the pitch. Opened in March 1993, this stand has a capacity of 7,500. Opposite is the classic looking West Stand, it was made all seated by putting seats in the old enclosure part but its open to the elements in the mid 1990's and its roof is perched the television gantry.

At the Pontefract Road End is an all seated, covered stand for home supporters, which has a capacity of 4,500 and this stand was opened in 1995 and at the other end, the North Stand, was previously an open terrace, but is now a relatively new single tier, covered stand; Visiting supporters are seated in the North Stand. Who normally get about 2,000 to 6,000 fans varies according to demand and this is the most recent addition to the ground being opened in 1999 and has greatly enhanced the overall look of Oakwell with the North Stand being shared between home and away supporters.



Pontefract Road End

A good feature of the stadium is a purpose-built stand for disabled supporters as there is a three-floor structure that sits at the corner between the East & South Stands which gives them great views of the match. There is also an electric scoreboard at one corner of the North Stand, on top of a security control room. The teams come out from one corner of the ground between the North and West Stands.



North Stand

Visiting supporters are seated in the North Stand. Who normally get about 2,000 to 6,000 fans varies according to demand and this is the most recent addition to the ground being opened in 1999 and has greatly enhanced the overall look of Oakwell with the North Stand being shared between home and away supporters.

The Dove Inn on Doncaster Road it is only a five-minute walk away from the ground down Oakwell Lane and is happily frequented by both home and away fans. The Landlord and staff were friendly, and there was a nice mix of home and away fans with no bother and there is also a superb beer garden and a terrace where you can see the ground. The alternative pubs are the East Dene Men's Working Club for a small fee as well as you can park there for £2.00 or the Harbour Hills Working Men's Club on Vernon Street.

Food on offer inside the ground includes a range of Pies; Steak and Ale, Chicken & Mushroom Chicken Balti (all £3), Burger/Cheeseburgers (£3.50), and Hot Dogs (£3.50) and there are good portions and £4.00 a pint. Me I am not for paying those prices so take a walk over to Market Hill and from Pound Bakery three hot pies for the price you pay in the ground.



Driving to the Ground



Travel the A1/M1 and leave the M1 at Junction 37 and take the A628 towards Barnsley on Dodworth Road. Stay on this road (the ground is well signposted) and go through one roundabout and the next roundabout take the first exit into Wesley Street then at the T Junction take a right into Lambra Road and follow the road under the railway bridge to the T Junction then turn right then take the second right after the Mount pub.

There are a couple of car parks located at the ground, but they are mainly for permit holders only. In between the ground and the Metrodome is a car park for visiting supporters, called the Queens Ground, which costs £3 Cars, £6 Mini Buses and £10 Coaches or street parking.

Public Transport & Walking





\rightarrow 10 mins

Train to **Barnsley Railway Station** is about a ten minutes' walk away to the ground. From the train station and then turn left away from the town centre and into Kendray Street and head towards the bridge that the dual-carriageway runs over. Go under the bridge and cross the road then turn left into Bala Street and at the junction continue up the hill this is called Belgrave Road continue to the top of the hill with Oakwell is in front of you.

Admission

Adults (A £30) (B £28) (C £25) (D £23)

Over 65's/Under 22's £24 (A £22) (B £20) (C £18) (D £16)

Under 17's £10 (all categories)

Under 12's £5 (all categories)

Blackpool

Ground - Bloomfield Road, Seasiders Way, Blackpool, FY1 6JJ

Main Telephone No: 0871 622 1953

Fax No: 01253 405 011 **Capacity:** 16,750 (all seated) **Pitch Size:** 112 x 74 yards

Club Nickname: The Seasiders or Tangerines

Year Ground Opened: 1899

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Tred Tracker/ Pleasure Beach

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: www.blackpoolfc.co.uk

Programme: £2.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1887

Former Names – Blackpool AFC (merged with South Shore 1899)

Years at Today's Ground - 118 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1896 elected from Lancashire Football League to Division Two for Rotherham County FC

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1958

Highest Attendance – 39,118

Highest Score for - 10-0 v Lanerossi Vicenza, Anglo-Italian Cup 10/06/1972

Highest Against – 1 – 10 v Small Heath 02/03/1901, v Huddersfield Town Division One 13/12/1930

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 45 goals 1929/30, 252 James (Jimmy) Hampson 1927 – 38

Player with most First Team Appearances – 569 James Christopher (Jimmy) Armfield 1954 – 71

Former Grounds

Raikes Hall Gardens (1887 – 97),

Athletics Ground (1897 – 98),

Raikes Hall Gardens (1898/99),

Waterloo Road (Cow Gap Lane) (1899/1900)

Colours







Home Away

Alternative

Ground Guide

The ground has been almost completely re-developed over the last decade, with three permanent stands being built, along with a temporary stand on the East side. The three permanent sides are of similar design, being single tiered, of the same height, all seated and

covered.

In March 2010 the long-awaited South Stand was finally opened, being a mirror image of the North Stand, and extending around and meeting the West Stand, enclosing the South West corner of the stadium. During the 2011/12 season the South East corner between the South Stand and the temporary East Stand was also filled with an additional 500 seats. The South Stand (Jimmy Armfield Stand) in tribute to the Blackpool legend, Jimmy Armfield which has a capacity of 3,600 seats.



South Stand

The West Stand (Stanley Matthews Stand) on one side of the stadium and the North Stand (Stan Mortensen Kop Stand) at one end, were both opened in February 2002. The North West corner between these stands has also been filled with seating, enclosing this area of the ground. Behind the main seating in the West Stand and the North West corner, is a hospitality balcony to the North West corner is the Sir Stanley Matthews Hospitality Suite.



On the East side of the ground the Club have erected a new covered temporary stand. Although temporary it is of a good size housing some 5,000 fans in a single tier of seating of which half are given to away fans with the press dividing them in the middle of the stand. It is also covered, with the only main drawback is that it has a number of supporting pillars running across the front of it. Situated in one corner of the ground between the East & South stands is a large video screen. Outside the stadium, behind the North Stand is a statue of the former Blackpool legend Stan Mortensen, whilst outside the main entrance is a statue of Jimmy Armfield.



Stan Mathews and North Stand

Driving to the Ground



Leave the M6 at Junction 32 and then follow the M55 into the outskirts of Blackpool and continue straight along Yeadon Way through a number of roundabouts past Blackpoll South Railway Station until you see the ground on your right. A huge pay and display car park is located just across the road from the ground, which stretches all the way from Blackpool South station. It costs £3.50 for three hours (some of the pay machines also accept credit/debit cards).

Public Transport





 \rightarrow 5 mins \rightarrow





→ 5 mins

Take the train to **Blackpool North Railway** then walk straight and then turn left cross the road, then walk up Talbot Road to Buchanan Street bus Stop and take the **Blackpool Bus Company 5 bus** to Centre Drive/Bloomfield Road stop walk up to the cross and turn right and the ground is on the right after 5 mins

Admission

Adults £22 Over 60's £18 Under 19's £10 Under 11's Free**

Where to have a Drink

The Old Bridge House pub on Lytham Road It is only short walk away (walk down Bloomfield Road towards the sea front and then turn right into Lytham Road and the pub is down on the right) and has screens showing Sky Sports. The Auctioneer Pub on Lytham Road near Blackpool South Station. It's a 10 minutes' walk to the ground and serves good beer and excellent food.

Bolton Wanderers

Ground - Reebok Stadium, Burnden Way, Horwich, Bolton, BL6 6JW

Main Telephone No: 0844 871 2932

Main Fax No: 01204 673 773
Ticket Office: 0844 871 2932
Ticket Office Fax: 0844 871 2931
Capacity: 28,723 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 105 x 68 yards
Club Nickname: The Wanderers

Year Ground Opened: 1996
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: Betfred
Kit Manufacturer: Macron
Website: www.bwfc.co.uk
Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded - 1874

Former Names – Christchurch FC

Years at Today's Ground – 22 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1888 Founder Member

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1957

Highest Attendance - 69,912 v Manchester City, FA Cup Fifth Round, 18 February 1933

Highest Score for – 13–0 v Sheffield United second round, 01/02/1890

Highest Against – 1–9 v Preston North End, FA Cup Round Two, 10 /12/1887

Highest Scorer in a Season - 285 Nathaniel Lofthouse 1946 - 60

^{**} When accompanied by a paying adult.

Highest Scorer Overall – 38 Joseph Smith 1920/21 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 578 Eddie Hopkinson 1952 – 70



Former Grounds

Christ Church Playing Fields (1874 – 77), The Park Recreation Ground (1877 – 78), Cockles Field (1878 – 81) Pikes Lane (1881 – 95) Burnden Park (1895 – 1997) **

Colours



Ground Guide

The stadium was opened in 1997. From the outside it looks simply stunning especially when it is lit up at night. It has a great eye-catching design and is unlike anything else in the country just know.

The inside is functional and tidy, and situated between the two tiers is a row of executive boxes. Above the stands there is a gap between the back of the stands and the roof to allow additional light to reach the pitch and situated between the South and Nat Lofthouse Stands. One unusual feature of the ground is that the teams emerge from separate tunnels on either side of the halfway line.



There are no bad views in the stadium and away fans are accommodated up to 5,000 in the South Stand behind the goals. Outside the stadium is a statue of former player and legend Nat Lofthouse.



Driving to the Ground





Drive to Junction 21a M6; take eastbound M62 leaving at Junction 12. Follow signs for M61 (Bolton/Preston) and exit the M61 at junction 6, and take the first exit off the slip road roundabout onto the A6027 Mansell Way. Just before the ground take the first exit and then take the fourth exit at the next roundabout into the car parks.

From the North:



Take the M6 to Junction 30 and take the M61 towards Blackburn. Then leave the M61 at junction six. The grounds are visible from this junction and follow the road markings for Horwich and at the roundabout just before the ground take the first exit and then take the fourth exit at the next roundabout into the car parks.

Parking is available for £6.00 per car and the car park is secure but its slow getting out at some matches but if you wish to park away from the stadium then put in the beehive pub into your sat nav and park there for £5.00 its 10 minutes the stadium at 991 Chorley New Road, Bolton BL6 4BA a good meal and drink (but not if you're driving) but it well worth the 17 minute walk to and from the ground down the A6027 you will get home quicker

Public Transport





→ 5 mins

Take the train to **Horwich Parkway Station** serves the stadium, with regular trains and the ground is only a few minutes' walk from the stadium just walk up Middlebrook Lane with the ground is in front of you.

Admission

Bolton operates a four-category system of ticket pricing (A, B & C) so choose your match carefully

Adults £30 (B £26) (C £23) (D £15)

Over 65's/Under 23's £20 (B £18) (C £16) (D £7)

Under 18's £12 (B £10) (C £9) (D £7)

Under 12's £7 (all categories)

Where to have a Drink

Drink in the city before going to the match either at the Barracuda Bradshawgate, or the Spinning Mule in Nelson Square, there is good food and beer at all three pubs and are only five minutes from Bolton Railway Station.

Burton Albion

Ground - Pirelli Stadium, Princess Way, Burton upon Trent, Staffs, DE13 0AR

Main Telephone No: 01283 565 938

Fax No: 01283 523 199

Capacity: 6,912 (2,034 Seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 72 yards
Team Nickname: The Brewers
Year Ground Opened: 2005
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Tempobet
Kit Manufacturer: TAG

Website: www.burtonalbionfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



Eaton Park & Pirelli Stadium

History Facts & Records

Founded - 1950

Years at Today's Ground – 10 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2002

First Official Floodlit Match – 1968 Eaton Park

Highest Attendance - 6,193 v Manchester United FA Cup Third Round 8/01/2006

Highest Score for - 12-1 v Coalville Town, Birmingham Senior Cup, 6 September 1954

Highest Against - 0-10 v Barnet, Southern League Premier Division, 7 February 1970

Highest Scorer in a Season – 45 Richie Barker from 1960 - 67

Highest Scorer Overall – 159 Richie Barker from 1960 - 67

Player with most First Team Appearances - 270 Richie Barker from 1960 - 67

Colours



Former Grounds

Lloyds Foundry Ground 1950 - 1958 Eaton Park 1958 – 2005

Ground Guide

In 2005 the Club left their Eton Park ground, which had been their home since 1958 and moved to a new £7.2m purpose-built stadium nearby 400 yards up Princess Way. The Main Stand, which is covered and all seated. The Clubs administration offices and corporate facilities are located in this stand and so at the back of the seated area is a row of windows running across it.



West Terrace

The other three sides are small, steep covered terraces and they each have a large visible

back wall. Each of these terraced stands has solid windshields to either side, apart from one side of the South Stand where there is a Police Control Box present.

Away fans are predominantly housed in the Coors East Stand Terrace at one end of the ground, where just over 1,400 fans can be accommodated plus an addition 400 seats are also made available to visiting supporters in the Main Stand.



East Terrace

Driving to the Ground



Morth

Leave the M1 at junction 28 and join the A38 towards Derby. Continue on the A38 through Derby towards Burton. Leave the A38 at the Burton North exit and follow the A5121 towards Burton. Go straight across a roundabout and you will then pass a McDonalds on your right. Just before the next roundabout you will see the stadium on your right. Turn right at the roundabout into Princess Way. A short distance along Princess Way on the right is the entrance to the Club Car Park.





Exit the M1 at junction 22 (signposted Coalville, Ashby, Burton) and follow the A511 past Coalville, Ashby-De-La-Zouch, Woodville and Midway. When you enter Burton, get into the right-hand lane going straight through the traffic lights and across the Trent Bridge. Stay in the right-hand lane going straight through the first set of lights at the end of the Bridge and then in the middle lane at the second set, into Horninglow Street, and then straight again at the next lights (next to the Magistrates Courts). Turn right at the traffic lights underneath the Brewery flyover, into Hawkins Lane. Go through the industrial estate, straight across the miniroundabout, past the Ruby Cantonese Restaurant and over the Railway Bridge, and then straight over the roundabout into Princess Way. The ground is 100 yards on left.



Main Stand

Public Transport











→ 2 mins

Take the train to **Burton upon Trent Railway Station**, the **Trent Barton V1 and V2 bus** service runs every half an hour from directly outside the railway station to the Pirelli Stadium.

Admission

Seating

Adults £22

Over 65's and Under 23's £20

Under 17's £12

Terrace

Adults £18

Over 65's £16

Under 23's £13

Under 17's £5

Where to have a Drink

Near to the railway station are the Roebuck Inn 101 Station Street one minute from the station serves good food and beer and for staying over for a night

The Devonshire is just past the Roebuck Inn at 86 Station Street three minutes from the station Great pub, excellent Burton Bridge beers and wonderful arrangement with a local sandwich shop to order food!

The Cooper's Tavern at 43 Cross Street 1 minute from the Devonshire and four minutes from the railway station However, you don't visit this pub for its comfort or ambiance, you go for its amazing choice of beers and ciders, mainly straight from the barrel. If you walk from the station

to the ground, you will pass The Albert on Derby Street on your left good food and beer and friendly staff.

Bradford City

Ground - Valley Parade, Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD8 7DY

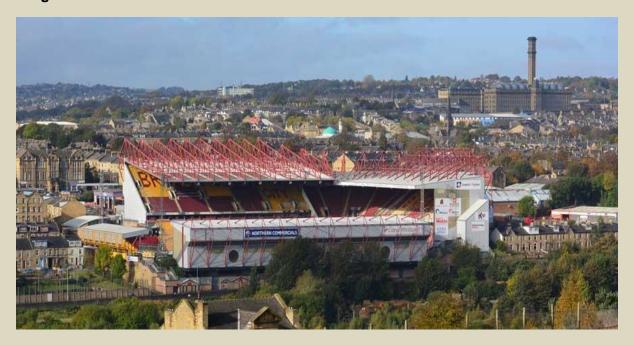
Main Telephone No: 01274 773 355

Ticket Office: 01274 770 012 Capacity: 25,136 (all seated) Pitch Size: 113 x 70 yards Club Nickname: The Bantams

Year Ground Opened: 1886 (Manningham RFC)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: JCT 600 Kit Manufacturer: AVEC Sport Website: www.bradfordcityfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



Colours



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1903

Former Names – Manningham Rugby Football Club (1886 – 1903)

Years at Today's Ground – 116 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1903

First Official Floodlit Match - December 1954

Highest Attendance - 39,146 v Burnley, in the FA Cup Fourth Round 11 March 1911

Highest Score for - 11 - 1 v Rotherham United Division Three North 25/08/1928

Highest Against – 1 – 9 v Colchester United 30/01/1964

Highest Scorer in a Season – 36 David Layne in 1961/62 and made 86 appearances and 66 goals from 1960 - 62

Highest Scorer Overall – 143 by Robert McFaul (Bobby) Campbell 1979 – 86 in 300 Appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – Cyril Podd 574 from 1972 – 84 with 3 goals

Ground Guide

The ground has been now been completely re-built in 1985 which a fire destroyed the Main Stand and left 56 supporters dead, with a new Co-Operative Main Stand built in 1986 with a memorial plague to those that died in May 1985. The Kop End (or now known as the Carlsberg Stand), is a relatively new two tiered stand, that is simply huge and looks quite superb. It once towered over the rest of the ground, but the addition of another tier to the Co-Operative Main Stand added during 2001 has led to it meeting its once larger neighbour. With the corner between these stands also being filled, you get a great view of the pitch from the top tier.



A memorial, erected on the club's new main stand at Valley Parade, to the 56 killed in the fire of 1985

The Midland Road (Betrescue) Stand is a covered single tiered stand, which has windshields to each side. At the remaining end is the TL Dallas stand which is a small 'Double Decker' type stand. This two tiered covered stand has the upper tier largely overhanging the lower tier, giving this 'double Decker' effect. There is also a large electric scoreboard in one corner of the ground, between the Midland Road and TL Dallas Stands.

In the upper tier of the corner of the Co-operative Main Stand and Carlsberg Kop Stands is located a fans flag dedicated to the 56 fans who lost their lives in the Bradford City fire at the ground in May 1985 which is near to where the five started.

The Away Support get blocks F to H in the Midland Stand where 2,000 can be occupied. There the club shop has a nice cafe inside it with a small museum between the Main and the TL Dallas Stands.



Midland Stand

For Away supporters the Bradford Arms at 77 Manningham Lane good food and beer and three minutes to the ground and good banter with home support. Near to Bradford Forster Square Station on North Parade is another pub to feature in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide, the Sparrow Bier Bar and this bar offers up to four real ales, plus ciders and continental lagers.



Driving to the Ground



From The South

Leave the M62 at Junction 26 and take the M606 all the way up. At the roundabout at the end of the M606 take the fifth exit onto Rooley Lane. Continue straight on at the next roundabout and then go left at the next into Wakefield Road. Go straight on at the next two roundabouts. Follow signs to City Centre A650 through several sets of lights on the duel carriageway and then continue for two miles and then take a left into Station Road leading on to Valley Parade.



Main and Kop Stands where 56 seats are left empty in memory of the dead of 1985 who did not come home from a football match



From The North

Take the A65 to Skipton then take the sign for Keighley/ A629 and then follow the A650 Southbound past the Bankfield Hotel on the left into Saltire. At the roundabout take the fourth exit on to Bradford Road. Continue straight on for two and a half miles, past the Cartwright Hotel on the left, to the lights. Turn left on to Queens Road, then take the next right down Midland Road. The ground is on your right.

Public Transport





→ 24 mins

Train to **Bradford Interchange Railway Station** come out of the station on Hammstruss Walk, then walk over the railway line then cross over the road at the pedestrian crossing and walk straight up Midland Road and within five minutes you are at the ground those wishing refreshment turn down Ashgrove Lane and down Manningham Road the Bradford Arms is on the corner.





\rightarrow 10 mins

Alternatively for the stadium you can use **Bradford Forster Square Railway Station** which is the closest to the ground, you follow the road to the roundabout then turn left walk past McDonalds and at the end of the road turn left and walk up over the bridge and at the lights cross the road and take sign for the university down Midland Road the ground is on your left.

Admission

Adults £20, OAP's £15, Juveniles £10

Cardiff City

Ground - Cardiff City Stadium, Leckwith Road, Cardiff, CF11 8AZ

Main Telephone No: 0845 365 1115

Ticket Office: 0845 345 1400
Capacity: 28,000 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 75 yards
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: Visit Malaysia
Kit Manufacturer: Adidas
Website: www.cardiffcity.co.uk

Programme: £3



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1899 (Riverside AFC)

Years at Today's Ground – 15 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 (Founder Member Division Three)

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1961 Ninian Park

Highest Attendance – 57,893 at Ninian Park v Arsenal 22/04/1953

Highest Score for - 16-0 v Knighton Town, Welsh Cup Fifth Round, 28/01/1961

Highest Against - 2 - 11 v Sheffield United Division One 01/01/1926

Highest Scorer in a Season - Robert Earnshaw 35 goals 2002/03

Highest Scorer Overall – Len Davis148 goals from 1920 - 31

Player with most First Team Appearances – 531 Phil Dwyer 1972 – 85

Former Names

Riverside AFC, (1899 – 1903) Riverside Albion AFC (1903 – 1907)

Colours





Home Away

Former Grounds

Sophia Gardens (Riverside Park) (Glamorgan Cricket Ground 1899 - 10)

Ninian Park (1910 - 2009)

Ground Guide

After 99 years the club have left Ninian Park and moved to a new stadium, which is situated only around 400 yards away. The new stadium and has great facilities for the fans as all four stands are of the same height and the stadium is completely enclosed with all four corners having spectator seating. Three sides of the stadium are identical, all being single tiered, all seating affairs.

The roofs above these stands are situated quite high above the seating areas, with a large back wall, part of which contains Perspex panels to provide more light for the playing surface. The Grandstand is a little different, having a second tier of seating that overlaps the back of the lower tier. In this area at the rear of the lower section there is a row of executive boxes. Whilst at the back of the second tier there is visible a glassed frontage to and area used for corporate entertainment. Above each end there is digital video screen and they share the stadium is shared with Cardiff Blues Rugby Union team.

The catering on the concourses are spacious, have televisions to keep you entertained and serve the usual fayre of food, including various Pies; Steak and Ale, Chicken Curry, Veggie (all £3.90), Hot Dogs (£4.30) and Cheeseburgers (£4.50).

If you walk from Cardiff Main Station up to the Castle on Castle Street good food for those non-vegans at Nata and co or for the Vegans the Vegan Pie Shop or turn left in front of the castle up to the Y junction turn right into Cowbridge Road and get some pies from Bruntos Bakers on Lower Canton these three bakeries will save you a fortune in food.



Ninian Stand

The town centre is your best bet for getting a few drinks before the game. However, if you're an away fan be sure to keep colours covered as there's very rarely any visiting supporters friendly pubs and there are a few pubs around the ground such as The Ninian Park but even without any away fan strings attached you're advised to seek a beer a little further away and so The Yard Bar and Kitchen 42-43, Brewery Quarter St Mary Street is three minutes' walk down St Marys Street while the Gatekeeper at 9, Westgate Street is across from Cardiff Arms Park and Millennium Stadium both a friendly and good food before going on to the match.



The Grandstand

Driving to the Ground



Exit the M4 at Junction 33, and join the A4232 following the signs for Cardiff. Leave the A4232 at the second exit. Keep in the left-hand lane, as this joins Leckwith Road and follow Leckwith Road to the traffic lights and then turn right into Sloper Road. The ground is on your left.

Parking is freely available at the stadium providing you arrive in good time. Street parking also exists in the surrounding streets. However, train and bus services are very frequent and reliable and allow easy access to and from the ground.

Public Transport







 \rightarrow 5 mins

Take the train to **Cardiff Central Railway Station** then change to Aviva Train Wales to **Ninian Park Halt Railway Station**, which is only a five minutes' walk from the stadium and this station is on a local line (city line-direction Radyr) which is served by trains from Cardiff Central (every thirty minutes) on leaving Ninian Park Halt station walk along Leckwith Road and you will see the stadium over on your left.

Alternatively go to main line station Cardiff Central, it's an 18-minute walk to the ground, as you come out of the entrance to the station walk through Station Square, bear left in to Wood Street and at the bottom go on through to Tudor Street. Continue straight on into Ninian Park Road, for around a mile passing the Millennium Stadium on your right. At the end of Ninian Park Road turn left and then left into Leckwith Road and the ground is on your left.

Admission

Adults £19 - 30 Over 60's £15 - 25 16 - 21 - £12 - £20

Under 16's £8 - £15

Doncaster Rovers

Ground - Keepmoat Stadium, Stadium Way, Lakeside, Doncaster, DN4 5JW

Main Telephone No: 01302 764 664

Ticket Office: 01302 762 576
Capacity: 15,231 (All seated)
Pitch Size: 109 x 76 yards
Club Nickname: Rovers
Year Ground Opened: 2006
Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Eco Power Group

Kit Manufacturer: OXEN

Website: www.doncasterroversfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded- 1879

First Admitted to the Football League – 1901 for New Brighton from the Midland League First Official Floodlit Match – February 1953 Bell Vue

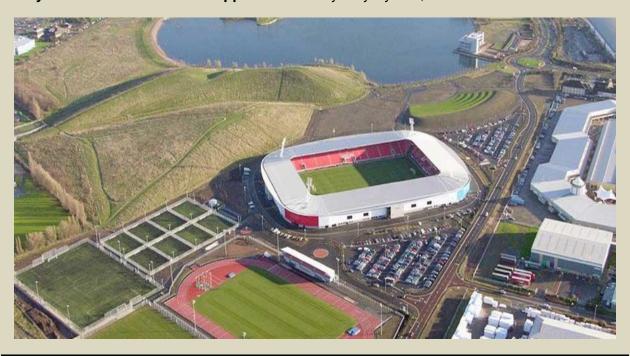
Highest Attendance – 37, 119 v Hull City, Division 3 (North), 2/10/1948 Low Pastures Bell Vue

Highest Score for – 10 – 0 v Darlington Division Four 25/01/1964

Highest Against – 0 – 12 v Small Heath (Birmingham City) Division Two 11/04/1903

Highest Scorer in a Season – 42 Clarence (Clarrie) Jordan in 1946/47 **Highest Scorer Overall –** Thomas Keetley, 186 from 1923 to 1929

Player with most First Team Appearances - Sydney Bycroft, 501 from 1936 - 51



Colours



Former Grounds

Intake Ground (1879 – 1916), Bennetthorpe (1919 – 22), Low Pastures Bell Vue (1922 – 2006)

Ground Guide

After 83 years of playing football at their old Belle Vue ground, the Club moved to the Keepmoat stadium, which was opened on January 2007. The Keepmoat stadium is also home to Doncaster Lakers Rugby League team as well as the famous ladies football team Doncaster Belles. The stadium has a capacity of 15,231 and cost an approximate £20 million to build

The stadium is situated next to a lake and looks smart the stadium is completely enclosed and all the covered stands are of the same height. On one side is the West Stand, which is the Main Stand, containing the teams' dressing rooms and having the player's tunnel and team dugouts at its front. The primary television gantry is also housed on this side, along with press facilities.



Opposite is the East Stand (Doncaster Success Stand) which contains a row of executive boxes, outside where people can sit and these run across the back of the stand and where around 3,500 fans can be accommodated in the North End of the ground being allocated.

Unusually the stadium has large access points in three corners of the ground, which can be used if, need be, by emergency services. There are two small electric scoreboards situated in the North East & South West corners of the stadium.

Driving Directions





Follow the A638 towards Doncaster town centre, past the Doncaster Railway Station (Trafford Way). Go straight over the next two roundabouts and turn left at the third onto the A18, Carr House Road. Follow this road for two miles, and then turn right at the large roundabout onto the A638 Bawtry Road. The ground is on your right.



South Stand





Exit the M18 at junction 3, and follow the A6182 towards Doncaster for approx. 3 miles. At the roundabout with the A18, turn right into Carr House Road. Then follow the above directions.

Public Transport







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 \rightarrow 8 mins

Train to **Doncaster Railway Station** and then Doncaster Interchange Bus Station, which is adjacent the train station and which is under the Frenchgate Shopping Centre, then take the **First Bus 56** and runs every 10 minutes direct to the Stadium and it leaves from Stand A3,

this drops you of at Middle Back then it's a straight 8 minutes' walk to the ground



Main Stand

Admission

Adults £21, Concessions £17, Under 13's £5 (Concessions apply to Over 60's & Under 14 – 24).

Where to have a Drink

For the Lakeside Pub don't take the left into Middle Back walk straight on down to Next roundabout on White Rose Way and take a left the Lakeside is on the left just past McDonalds there is good food from £8 to £15 and nice selections of wines and beers to satisfy all tastes and is only three minutes to the ground which is first left from the pub.

Exeter City

Ground - St James' Park Stadium Way, Exeter, Devon, EX4 6PX

Main Telephone No: 01392 411 243

Fax No: 01392 413 959

Capacity: 8,830 (3,800 Seated)
Pitch Size: 114 x 73 yards
Team Nickname: The Grecians

Year Ground Opened: 1890 (Exeter United FC)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Chunk Pies Kit Manufacturer: Joma

Website: www.exetercityfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1904 (Merger of Exeter United & St Sidwells Old Boys)

Years at Today's Ground – 126 years (as Exeter United)

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member of Division Three,

Founder Member of Division Three South 1921 & Founder Member of Division Four 1958

First Official Floodlit Match – August 1953

Highest Attendance - 20,984 v Sunderland, FA Cup Sixth Round Replay, 04/03/1931

Highest Score for - 14-0 v. Weymouth, FA Cup Qualifying Round One 03/10/1908

Highest Against – 0-9 v Notts County Division Three South 16/10/1948 v Northampton

Town Division Three South 12/04/1958

Highest Scorer in a Season - 34 Fred Whitlow in 1933/34

Highest Scorer Overall - 149 David Forfar from 1904 - 1910

Player with most First Team Appearances – 530 Arnold Mitchell from 1952 - 66

Colours



Alternative

Ground Guide

The ground is a mixture of the old and the modern as on one side is the old Grandstand that was originally opened in 1926 after the original stand of 1904 was burned down. It is all seated, covered and has windshields to either side and is about half the length of the pitch and although part of it straddles the half way line, it mostly sits to one side towards the St James' Terrace End.

This means that the area to the other side of stand is open and apart from a row of floodlight pylons is unused for spectators and the Grandstand also has an unusual set of small floodlights aligned along the front of its roof, that protrude at an angle.



Opposite is the new Flybe Stand which is the newest addition to the ground and was opened in 2001 and this modern all seater stand, is single tiered, with some executive boxes located in the middle to the rear. It has the player's tunnel and team dug outs situated at its front.



St James Terrace end

At one end is the 'Big Bank' covered terrace, which was opened in February 2000 and replaced a former open terrace. This stand is quite impressive looking and with a capacity of just under 4,000, means it is now the largest terrace left in the Football League. Unusually both the Flybe & Big Bank Stands have an open gap between the roof and back of the stands.



Ivor Doble Stand

The other end is a covered terrace, called the St James Road terrace. This end is given to away supporters. It is that small, where just over 1,000 fans can be accommodated. In addition, the Club make 150 seats available to visiting supporters in the Grandstand. For Away fans The Victoria Inn Good food at ridiculous prices, improved beer selection since I was here two years ago, there is also the Duke of York come out of St David's walk down Street. Then walk down Sidwell Street for about four minutes and the pub is on the corner on the left no food small but good beer and The Wells Tavern is 100 yards from the ground really friendly boozer with 4 real ales and a proper cider on very away fan friendly.



The Grandstand

Driving Directions



Exit the M5 at junction 30, and then follow the signs for Middlemoor. Take the second exit at Middlemoor roundabout (signed Heavitree). Follow signs for City Centre, going through Heavitree (approx. 2 miles). Past the police station on your right, then at the bottom of the hill turn right at the roundabout into Western Way (signed Pinhoe and Broadclyst). At the next roundabout, take the second exit, and then at the top of the hill (Old Tiverton Road) first left into St. James' Road.



Big bank End

There is no parking around the ground as the locals have a parking permit in operation so park in the town centre the best is at the Guildhall in Queen Street or new St Nicholas Abbey Car Park in Smythen Street both are an easy walk to the ground



The St James End

Public Transport & Walking





 \rightarrow 3 mins

Train to **St James Railway Station** which beside the ground up the path to the ground it may be longer from St David's but the locals is friendly in all the pubs.





Train to **St David's Railway Station** in Exeter the walking without going to the pub is up St Clements Lane on to Howell Road after half a mile turn left into Blackwell Road, then turn left into Pennsylvania Road and then turn right cross the road 200 yards York Road and then 200 yards up the road turn into Oxford Road the ground is at the top of the road.

Admission

Adults £22, Concessions £19, Under 18's £10, Family Ticket (1 Adult + 1 Child) £28

Huddersfield Town

Ground - Galpharm Stadium, (New Leeds Road) Stadium Way, Huddersfield, HD1 6PX

Main Telephone No: 0870 444 4677

Fax No: 01484 484 101
Ticket Office: 0870 444 4552
Capacity: 24,500 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 115 x 76 yards
Club Nickname: The Terriers
Year Ground Opened: 1995
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: Ultima
Kit Manufacturer: Puma
Website: HTAFC.co.uk

Programme: £3



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1908

Years at Today's Ground - 23 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1910 for Grimsby Town

First Official Floodlit Match - Jan 1961 Leeds Road

Highest Attendance – 67,037 v Arsenal, FA Cup Sixth Round, 27/02/1932 Leeds Road

Highest Score for – 11–0 v Heckmondwike, FA Cup Preliminary Round, 18/09/1909

Highest Against – 1–10 v Manchester City, Division Two, 7/11/1987

Highest Scorer in a Season – 42 Sammy Davis in 1919/20

Highest Scorer Overall – George Brown 159 from 1921 – 29

Player with most First Team Appearances – William H (Billy) Smith 574 from 1913 – 34

Colours







Alternative Away

Former Grounds

Leeds Road (1908 – 1995)

Ground Guide

The club moved 400 yards across the river in 1994 after leaving their former Leeds Road Ground, their home for 86 years. When the stadium originally opened it had just three sides with the North Stand being opened later in 1997 and can accommodate up to 24,500!

In 2004 it was renamed the Galpharm Stadium, before becoming the John Smith's Stadium in 2012, in a new five-year sponsorship deal with Heineken. Each stand is semi-circular rather than rectangular, and is further enhanced with large white steel tubing above the contours. The ground has won many design awards and is well worth a visit with the corners of the ground are open the wind can blow through in winter and the mountings for the stand should have been put outside so at some time in the future the ground could be fully enclosed.

The Media North Stand at one end and the Riverside Stand at one side are both two tiered stands, each with a row of executive boxes running across the middle. The other two sides of the ground are large single tiered affairs. One of these the Britannia Rescue Stand, at one side of the pitch, can accommodate 7,000 supporters. There is an electric scoreboard at the back of the away end in the South End of the ground known as the Pink Lane Stand which can accommodate up to 4,000 away fans with the stadium is shared with Huddersfield Giants Rugby League Club.



South Stand

Food on offer inside the stadium includes; Cheeseburgers (£3.50), Hamburgers (£3.20), Hot Dogs (£3.20), Peppered Steak Pie (£3.50), Meat and Potato Pie (£3.50), Chicken Balti Pie (£3.50), Cheese and Onion Pie (£3.50) and Sausage Rolls (£3). But go the Pound bakery at 60 New Street the pies are cheaper and for a good coffee go Coffee revolution at 8 Church Street you will save money for drinks.



North Stand, East and West Main Stand from the South Stand

For away fans and neutrals, The Head of Steam pub beside the railway station is a good meeting point good beer but for food would go down the road to the Kings Head don't want to have new teeth you have been warned the pies are as solid as concrete.

The Kings Head excellent food The King's Head specializes in real ales and also stock well-known brands of cider, bitter and lager. They offer quality and reliable products you can count on. In addition, the friendly and professional staffs are expedient, professional service of the highest calibre. Whether you want to sample ale from one of the many well-known independent breweries, or one of the lesser known micro-breweries, they have what you need at prices you can afford. Disabled access is via platform 1. Families and dogs are welcome. The King's Head is situated on the 'East Wing' of Huddersfield's Railway Station.

Driving Directions



North/East/West

Leave the M62 motorway at junction 25 and follow the A644 and A62 (Signposted Huddersfield). About one mile from the town centre, the stadium becomes visible. Turn either into Bradley Mills Road and then right into Kilner Road or take the following left into St Andrews Way and left into Stadium Way.



South from M1

Leave the M1 motorway at junction 38 and follow the A637, A642 to Huddersfield. At the ring road, follow signs for A62 Leeds. Turn right into St Andrews Road and left into Stadium Road, or next right into Bradley Mills Road and right into Kilner Road.



From M62

Alternatively exit the M62 at junction 24 and follow the A628 to Huddersfield. As you approach the town, turn left onto the ring road. Exit the ring road onto the A62 Leeds Road. The ground is on the right-hand side. There is a large sized car park located at the ground and costs £5 and there are number of unofficial car parks nearby.

Public Transport & Walking





→ 15 minutes

Train to **Huddersfield Railway Station** then walk out on Northumberland Street and then walk across the junction into Leeds Road at the Geometers turn right down Gasworks Road then at the next junction walk straight on the ground is in front of you over the bridge.

Admission

Adults £30.00 OAP's/Students £19 Under 16's £12

Leyton Orient

Ground - Brisbane Road, Leyton, London, E10 5NF

Main Telephone No: 0871 310 1881

Fax No: 0871 310 1882 Ticket Office: 0871 310 1883 Capacity: 9,271 (all seated) Team Nickname: The O's

Year Ground Opened: 1919 (Leyton AFC)

Pitch Size: 115 x 80 yards Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Dream Team

Kit Manufacturer: Erra

Website: www.leytonorient.com

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1884

Former Names – Glyn Cricket Club, Eagle Cricket Club, Orient FC, Clapton Orient, Leyton Orient, Orient FC

Years at Today's Ground – 77 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1905 First Official Floodlit Match – August 1960

Highest Attendance - 38,219 v Tottenham Hotspur Division 2 16 March 1929

Highest Score for – 8–0 v Crystal Palace Division 3 South 12 November 1955, 8–0 v Rochdale Division 4 14 October 1987, 8–0 v Colchester United Division 4 15 October 1988, 8–0 v Doncaster Rovers Division 3 28 December 1997

Highest Against - 0-8 v Aston Villa FA Cup 4th Round 30 January 1929

Highest Scorer in a Season & **Highest Scorer Overall –** 43 goals in 1957/58 and 121 goals for Tommy Johnston 1956–58, 1959–61 in 200 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – 490 Peter Allan from 1965 – 78 and 29 goals

Former Grounds

Glyns Road (1884 – 1896) Whittlets Athletic Ground (1892 – 1896) New Whittlets Ground (Pond Lane) (1896- 1900) Millfields Road (Homerton) (1900 – 30) Lea Bridge Stadium (1930 – 37)

Colours





Tommy Johnston (South Stand)

Ground Guide

The ground has seen a lot of re-development in recent years, with the construction of three new stands since the 1990's. Finance for this has chiefly come from the proceeds of selling part of the Brisbane Road site to a property developer. In this ground-breaking development, the corners of the ground have been filled with blocks of residential apartments, which certainly gives the stadium a unique look instead of seating.

The old Main (East) Stand, which was originally opened in 1956, has been reduced in length, with the stand partly covered is now all seated after having seating installed on the former paddock front terrace. The only downside is it has several supporting pillars and the roof doesn't quite cover all of the front seating. It does though still have a gable on its roof which has 'Leyton Orient'.

Opposite is the new West Stand which was opened for the 2005/06 season. This all seated stand which has a capacity of 2,872, has an unusual look about it, as above the seating area is a tall vertical structure that houses the Club offices. In fact to be honest it looks more like an office block that has some seats installed on a large viewing gallery, rather than a football stand. It also has some corporate hospitality areas, as the outside seating area of this overhang the lower tier. At the very top of the stand is a large viewing gallery for television cameras and press and the roof of the stand contains a lot of Perspex panels to allow more light to reach the pitch which is common these days, at one end is the single tiered, Tommy Johnston (South) Stand (capacity 1,336 seats), that was opened in 1999. This stand replaced a former open terrace and is named after the club's leading all time goal scorer who achieved that in 1958 with 35 goals.



The East Stand

At the North End is the ground is the most recent addition to the stadium. The North Stand was opened at the beginning of the 2007/08 season and replaced a former open terrace. This simple looking covered all seated stand, has space for 1,351 spectators and is near identical to the Tommy Johnston Stand.

The away fans are housed in the south East corner of the main Stand up to 1,500 are accommodated. Although there is a fair sized concourse located beneath the stand which has just been updated although they could widen the turnstiles which are from the 1900's and from the original main stand at the Whittlets Athletic Ground with the food on offer inside the ground includes a range of Pukka Pies; Steak, Chicken Balti and Cheese and Onion (all £3.30), Pukka Pasties (£3.30), Cheeseburgers (£4.20), Burgers (£4) and Jumbo Hot Dogs (£3.80).



The west Stand (nickname the office Block)



North End

If you are coming to the ground from Leyton Railway Station then go into Percy's Bakery for sandwiches and pies and Birkbeck Tavern in Langthorne Road, behind the tube station' It is a decent size pub and ideal for games, i.e. not posh, serves beer and normally has a good atmosphere you turn left and then go left down the stairs at the gap in the railings then at the bottom of the stairs then turn left and follow this road to the end, then turn right and then take the next left into Langthorne Road with the pub is further down on the left as the Coach and Horses has now been put out of bounds for away fans but not neutrals without scarfs which is at 391 Brisbane Road 3 minutes from the ground

Driving Directions



Exit the M25 at the junction 27 with the M11, and follow the M11 towards London. At junction 4, take the A406 (West) and then exit on the right to the North Circular/ A503/ A10/ A1 the road becomes the A406 North Circular Road. Keep in the left-hand lane, and take the first exit off the A406, for the A104 towards Leytonstone/ Woodford/ Walthamstow/ A503. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Woodford New Road (A104) and at the next roundabout,

take the second exit towards Leyton and Walthamstow.

Follow this road towards Leyton High Road, passing an Esso garage. At the next set of traffic lights, turn left into Leyton Green Road. Follow the road to the end, and then turn left into Leyton High Road. When you get to the Kwang Chinese Restaurant turn right into Buckingham Road and its street parking around the ground

Public Transport & Walking





2 mins





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Take the Underground to **Leyton Underground Station**, when come out of **Leyton Underground Station**, turn right down Leyton High Road and then cross over the road to the other side and continue down it, you will come to Coronation Gardens on your left, take the next left past the gardens into Buckingham Road and the ground in 200 yards up the road which is a short 11 minutes' walk.











→ 3 mins

The Alternative to is to take the Underground to **Walthamstow Central Underground Station** walk one minute to the bus station and take the London Bus 58 or 69 to Coronation Gardens on Buckingham Road then cross the road and turn right walk down Buckingham Road and the ground is three minutes on the right.

Admission

East Stand:

Adults £20 Concessions £15, Under 18's £5

Where to Drink

There is a Supporters Club at the ground that does admit small numbers of visiting supporters at a cost of £1. The supporters club which is located in the new West Stand and it is very popular with fans.

At Leyton Tube Station is the Leyton Technical Pub which is housed in the old Leyton Town Hall, Northcote Arms on Grove Green Road or Birkbeck Tavern in Langthorne Road, behind the tube station'.

Lincoln City

Ground - Sincil Bank Stadium, Lincoln, LN5 8LD

Main Telephone No: 0870 899 2005

Fax No: 01522 880 020 Ticket Office: 0870 899 1976

Capacity: 10,130 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x74 yards
Team Nickname: The Imps
Year Ground Opened: 1895
Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Peres grind Kit Manufacturer: ERRA Website: www.redimps.co.uk

Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1884

Years at Today's Ground – 117 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1892, Founder Member of Division Two

First Official Floodlit Match – March 1953

Highest Attendance – 23,196 v Derby County in the League Cup Fourth Round Replay

November 15 1967

Highest Score for – 13-0 v Peterborough United FA Cup First Qualifying Round, 12 October 1895

Highest Against - 1-9 v Arsenal Division One 28/01/1931

Highest Scorer in a Season – Allan Hall – 45 (1931–32)

Highest Scorer Overall – Andy Graver – 143 (1950–55, 1958–61)

Player with most First Team Appearances – Grant Brown 469 from 1989 – 2002



Former Grounds

John O' Gaunt ground 1884 - 1891

Colours



Ground Guide

The ground is all seater, on one side is the large all seater Co-op Community Stand and this large single tier covered stand which has a capacity of 5,700. Opposite it is the Lincolnshire Echo Stand, a small covered stand it is seated, but only runs half the length of the pitch, straddling the half way line and hence there are gaps at either side. One gap has now been partly filled by a tiny covered Family Stand. Both ends are small covered affairs. The Bridge McFarland Stand is all seated and has a row of executive boxes running across the back and is used for the away support. The other end is the Stacey West all seated, covered stand, and is for home supporters.

Driving to the Ground



North West / East

From the North West take the M6 to Junction to junction 30 onto the M61 toward Manchester/Bolton/ Leeds/ Blackburn/ M62/ M65 then keep on the left follow signs for M60/ M66/ M62/ Ring Road N/Ring Road East/ Bury/ Leeds and merge onto M62 and continue to Junction 32 on to the A1.

From the East take the A1 (M1) then take the A638/A57 exit toward Lincoln/ East Markham/ Retford then at the roundabout, take the second exit onto Cliff Gate/A57 this will lead you into the centre of Lincoln on Westbourne Grove at the lights turn left at the Horse & Groom Pub at the lights on to Brayford Way and at the next set of light take a slight right junction into Newland Road (A57) follow the road round past the University and take the second right down Broadgate (A46) drive straight over the railway bridge till you come to the Common then at the lights go straight on then take turn right into South Park.



Lincolnshire Echo Stand



From the A1 Take the A46 exit toward A17/Newark/Sleaford/Lincoln follow the A46 into Lincoln (which leads onto the High St) and the ground is indicated from there. If you follow the signs for 'away coaches' then this leads you onto the South Park, where there is plenty of street parking to be found (although it is a five-minute walk around to the ground) it cheaper than paying £4.00 at the ground.





South West

Take the M5 and then merge on to the M42 (signs for M1/London/ M40/ Airport) then At junction 7A, exit onto M6 toward London/M1/Coventry then at junction 2, take the M69/A46 exit to M1 North/ Leicester/Coventry (E) keep left at the fork, follow signs for M69/M1(N) and merge onto M69, At junction 3, exit onto M1 toward Nottingham, then take the A46 exit toward

Braunstone Frith/ Kirby Muxloe/ B5380 then keep right at the fork, follow signs for A46/Leicester North/Newark and merge onto A46 and follow the signs for Lincoln this will take you into South Park Avenue go to the end turn right into Chadwick road then first right into South Park

Public Transport





→ 19 mins

The longer way from the **Lincoln Railway Station** is around a 19-minute walking pace to the ground unless you take in the pubs on the High Street. Turn 'left out of the train station and walk up to the traffic lights, turn left at these traffic lights onto the High Street, walking over the railway level at the crossing, keep walking for 10 minutes before turning left into Scorer Street, then walk along Scorer Street until you come to a bridge across the river, then turn right immediately after crossing the bridge onto Sincil Bank, the ground is straight ahead.



Coop Community Stand

The short way is to come out of the station and turn right to go down the road. About 30 yards ahead on your right you will see some steps and a bridge over the railway. Go over the bridge and once on the other side cross the car park walk down by the river, then take the path up to Stencil Bank and follow the road down to the ground which is on the left.



Bridge McFarlane Stand

Admission

Adults £24 Concessions £19 Under 18's £6

Where to drink

For the away fans there is a small fan zone located outside the stadium which is for both home and away supporters. It has a number of food outlets, some with local produce and beer is available too.

Otherwise, there are plenty of good pubs to be found if you head along the High Street towards the town centre. Close to Sincil Bank on the High Street is the Hop and Barley Micropub. The Golden Eagle, The Ritz' serves reasonably priced food and ales'. If arriving by train then not far from the station is the Marina area, which has a number of eating and drinking places, including the Square Sail.

In the town centre, the Golden Eagle at 21, 'The Ritz at 143 which is an old cinema' and The Treaty of Commerce at 173 with all these three pubs are located on the High Street and are listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide all serve reasonably priced food and ales'. The food is served between 11am and 2pm is these pubs.

Luton Town

Ground - Kenilworth Road 1 Maple Road, Luton, LU4 8AW

Main Telephone No: 01582 411 622

Capacity: 10,226 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 72 yards
Team Nickname: The Hatters
Year Ground Opened: 1905

Undersoil Heating: Yes Shirt Sponsors: Utilita Kit Manufacturer: Umbro Website: www.lutontown.co.uk

Programme: £3



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1885 (merger of Luton Wanderers (1876 -1885) & Luton Excelsior (1879 - 1885)

Years at Today's Ground – 111 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1897 for Burton Wanderers

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1953

Highest Attendance – 31,069 v Blackpool in the FA Cup Sixth Round Replay on 4 March 1959

Highest Score for – 15–0 Great Yarmouth Town, FA Cup, Fourth Qualifying Round 21/11/1914

Highest Against – 0-9 v Small Heath (Birmingham City) Second Division, 12 November 1898

Highest Scorer in a Season - 58 Joe Payne in 1936/37

Highest Scorer Overall - 276 Gordon Turner from 1949 - 64

Player with most First Team Appearances – Robert H (Bob) Morton 562 from 1948 - 64 (played his entire career with The Hatters 1948 – 64)

Most League Appearances – 509 Fred Hawkes from 1899 – 1920 (Fred played all his careers for The Hatters)

Colours







Home Away Third

Former Grounds

Dallow Lane Ground (1885 – 97) Dunstable Road Ground (1897 – 1905)

Ground Guide

The ground is made up of five stands opposite the eponymous Kenilworth Stand is the Oak Road End, and to the left is the Main Stand, which is flanked to its right by the David Stand. Opposite them stand a row of executive boxes?

The Main Stand covers approximately two thirds of the length of the pitch, though the attached enclosure is longer, covering the whole distance. The Main Stand, which seats 4,277 fans, also contains the dressing rooms, club offices and television gantry, as well as a number of supporting pillars, a car park and the Nick Owen and Eric Morecambe suites.



Bobbers End

To the Main Stand's right, in the corner above the end of the enclosure and next to the Kenilworth Stand is the David Preece Stand, a family area which seats 711 spectators. The David Preece Stand acquired its present name in 2008, a year after the former player's death, Preece had played eleven years with the club and made 390 appearances and scored 21 goals and was part of the League cup winning team that beat Arsenal.

Opposite the Main and Preece Stands are 25 executive boxes, which have an attached net to catch balls directed over them and a total capacity of 209. The Bobbers Stand stood here until 1986, when the seats were removed from the stand and replaced with the boxes.

To the right of the Main Stand is the 3,229 seaters Kenilworth Stand, which backs onto Kenilworth Road. The Club Shop is behind this stand, which was once an open terrace but is now a roofed all-seater stand. In the corner between the Kenilworth Stand and the boxes is the stadium clock.

Away fans are housed on one side of the Oak Road Stand (on the Executive Stand side) at one end of the ground. Around 1,500 fans can be accommodated in this area. This covered all-seated stand is shared with home supporters with an area of tarpaulin, keeping the fans apart. You can also purchase hot pies inside the bar (£3.50) and there is one small television showing the early kick off.

It is best getting your food at the Mall across from the railway station before going to match at Wenzels or Don Millers plus tea or coffee from Costa and therefore more to spend in the pub the Beech Hill Conservative Club at 18A Leagrave Road, which welcomes both home and away supporters. To find the club, then with the away entrance in front of you turn left and walk down to the bottom of Oak Road turn left into Dunstable Road then cross the road take the first right walk straight on and you will see the sign for the club on the right between two shops. There is a car park (cost £3) and offers reasonably priced beer. You will be charged 50p to go in, but you make it up on the cheaper than pub beer'.

Driving to the Ground



North West/East

Leave the M1 at Junction 11 take the A505 exit to Luton/ Dunstable towards Luton. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Dunstable Rd continue down the road to the lights then take a left and then a right into Leagrave Street which merges into Dunstable Road then take the third on the left into St Francis Street and then first right into Sainsbury car park don't exceed 3 hours or you will get a ticket and from there it's only 4 minutes' walk up to the ground.



Kenilworth Road Entrance



South & West

From the M5 go to Junction 14 on to the M4 then at Junction 4B merge onto the M25 and from the South East take the M25 to junction 21, exit onto M1 toward Luton Airport At junction 10, exit toward A1081/Luton(S)/Airport At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit then At the next roundabout, take the 1st exit onto London Rd Continue onto Castle St At the roundabout, take the first exit onto Chapel Viaduct/A505 continue through one roundabout then Turn right onto Hatters Way/A505 then first left into Dunstable Road then first right in St Francis then right into Sainsbury Car Park don't exceed 3 hours or a £30 ticket (OUCH) from there it's only 4 minutes' walk to the ground. There are three other car parks to park your car these are recommended by the club: Dallow Road Primary School Car Park – LU1 1LZ Beech Hill Primary School Car Park (Dunstable Road) – LU4 8AR and Hazelbury Crescent Car Park – LU1 1DS.

Public Transport/Walking





 \rightarrow 18 mins

From the North West change at **Milton Keynes Railway Station** and from the North East change at **Luton Airport Parkway Railway Station** and from the South take the Thameslink train to **Luton Railway Station** is a good 20 minutes away from the ground, from the station, turn left along the railway bridge, down the steps, and turn right along Bute Street which runs through the Arndale Shopping Centre.

The walk is around 20 minutes from the railway station; you turn right out of the railway station and go along Station Road, at the traffic lights into Mill Street. On reaching a junction where the road bends to the right into New Bedford Road, turn left then right into Collingdon Street. At the end of Collingdon Street you will reach a dual carriageway. Then turns left alongside the road and follow the pedestrian walkway and then take a right to go along the footbridge

over the A505, as footbridge passes over the roundabout it splits into two. Take a left and this will lead you down into Dunstable Road, then do a right and Continue straight along Dallow Road and then take the 5th road on the right hand turn into Clifton Road for the visitor's turnstiles. You can take the right fork on the footbridge and go up Dunstable Road and again take the fifth on the left and walk down Oak Road for the visitor's turnstiles



Main Stand

At the top of the centre, bear right along Library Road and at the Galaxy cinema complex turn left and walk down Bridge Street turn right into New Bedford Street there cross the road and walk down to Collingdon Street and then end of the road take the path and the footbridge into Dunstable Road, then left down Hazelbury Crescent then left into. Kenilworth Road and the ground are on the right.

Admission

Adults £32 Over 65's/Under 22's £28 Over 75's £25 Under 18's £15 Under 10's £10

Mansfield Town

Ground - Field Mill, Quarry Lane, Mansfield, NG18 5DA

Main Telephone No: 01623 482 483 Capacity: 10,000* (all seated) Pitch Size: 110 x 72 yards Team Nickname: The Stags

Year Ground Opened: 1860 (Mansfield Greenhalgh Cricket, Athletic & Football Club)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: One Call Kit Manufacturer: Surridge Website: www.mansfieldtown.net

Programme: £3.00



Colours



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1897 (Mansfield Wesleyan FC)

Years at Today's Ground - 96 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1931 for Newport county FC

First Official Floodlit Match - October 1961

Highest Attendance – 24,567 v Nottingham Forest FA Cup third Round 10/01/1953

Highest Score for - 9-2 v Rotherham United, Division Three North 27/11/1932, v Hounslow Town FA Cup first Round Replay 5/11/1962

Highest Against – 1-8 v Walsall Division Three North 19/01/33

Highest Scorer in a Season – 55 Ted Harston in 1936/37

Highest Scorer Overall - 114 Harry Johnson 1932 - 35

Player with most First Team Appearances – 522 Roderick J (Ron) Arnold from 1971 - 84

Former Names

Mansfield Wesleyan FC, Mansfield Wesley FC

Former Grounds

Westfield Lane (1897 – 1903) Parrs Cricket Ground (1903 – 12)

The Prairie Ground (Broxtowe Road) (1912 – 20)

Ground Guide

The ground was first played on by the local cricket club which was a large piece of land between today's Sibworth Street and Portland and encompasses today the plastic pitches the main stand and the whole of the ground where The lan Greaves Stand currently the largest stand made up of an upper and lower tier, and executive seating.



The West Stand (Ian Greaves) & Quarry Lane

The stand has a capacity of 5,417 (2,764 in the upper tier, and 2,509 in the lower tier). The cricket club later became Mansfield Cricket Club and they moved out in 1918 to South Chesterfield Road and the ground some was taken up by house the rest by training ground and todays Quarry Lane Ground.

The Quarry Lane End which is situated behind the South goal, housing the home fans, with a capacity of 1,968. The players' tunnel is located in the corner of this stand adjacent to the West Stand.



North Stand

The North Stand situated behind the opposite goal from the Quarry Lane End, this was traditionally the home terrace although safety issues meant this would swap with the Quarry Lane End and become the away stand and has a capacity of 1,910. Food inside not only includes the usual fayre of Burgers and Hot Dogs (£3), but also a selection of Pies and Pasties, from local baker Brassingtons, including Meat & Potato (£2.90), Steak & Kidney (£2.70), Cheese & Onion Pasty (£2.70) and Sausage Rolls (£2). Food outside the ground go to Lucy Coffee shop at 16-17 Market House Place, Mansfield NG18 1JG for tea and coffee it's on 5 minutes away from the station and pies and sandwiches from Birds Bakery Four Seasons Shopping Centre, 1 W Gate, Mansfield NG18 1RY cheaper and delicious.

For pubs away fans should avoid and steer clear of pubs in the town centre. The bar at the ground called the Sandy Pate (underneath the lan Greaves Stand), which welcomes away fans and is free to enter.

There is also 'The Talbot' at 151 Nottingham Road (A60) near to the Sainsbury's Supermarket and this pub which also serves food, has big screens showing televised football and is about a ten minute walk away from the ground (just go along the Nottingham Road in the opposite direction to the town centre).

Opposite The Talbot is the 'II Rosso' at 180 Nottingham Road style of Italian and all kinds of Mediterranean food makes it a superb *restaurant* for a business lunch, family dinner or meeting with friends and a little on the pricey side, albeit with a good selection of beers and wines and Big Screen TV. It is popular with visiting and neutral fans'.

The Sir John Cockle pub is on the Sutton Road (A38) going into Mansfield from the M1 and again serves good food'. About a quarter of a mile past the John Cockle there is The Bold Forester in Botany Avenue just of the Sutton Road on the A38 which has about 10 real ales and also serves good value food' and is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide.

The only outlet in the centre of town for away fans an neutrals is the Weatherspoon's outlet called The Court House, situated in Market Place, which is also listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide and has good food as well as SKY TV and has a good selection of food as well as Ale and wines and stands alongside the town hall, on the south side of Market Place, and similarly built of local sandstone, these premises were built in 1840 as the Mansfield Savings Bank



Bishop Road

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The old Bishop Street Stand, which runs along the side of the pitch opposite the West Stand, is not in use after being condemned. The dugouts are in front of this stand which is boarded up to prevent access. There are plans to build a new 2,800 capacity stand including new dressing rooms and television facilities and however no formal steps have been taken to implement such plans.

Driving to the Ground



From the North

Take the M1 exiting at junction 29, then join the A617 to Mansfield, after around 6 miles turn right into Rosemary Street, then proceed to Quarry Lane where you should turn right to the ground.



From the South

Take the M1 exiting at junction 28, then take the A38 to Mansfield, after around 6 miles turn right into Belvedere Street (at crossroads), then after a quarter of a mile turn right into Quarry Lane. There is a nearby private car park which charges £5. Otherwise it is a case of finding some street parking. Don't park in the retail park behind the North Stand they only let you park for one hour more than that you will get a £50 fine be warned!'

Public Transport & Walking





\rightarrow 8 mins

Train to **Mansfield Railway Station** which is about 8 minutes away the station is on a local line and is served with trains from Nottingham. Leave the station and take through the car park walk along Warf Road till you get to the Roundabout with Comet on your left the ground is a short distance down Midland road on the right-hand side.

For night games the last train to Nottingham is Platform 2 at 21.53 and trains to Sheffield via Nottingham and Worksop are at 42 minutes past the hour and last one in 22.42 from platform 2. Anything further afield brings the car or stay in the town for the night.

Admission

Adults £20 Over 60's £18 Under 22's £16 Under 18's £13 3 - 14 £9

Northampton Town

Ground - Sixfields Stadium, Edgar Mobbs Way, Northampton, NN5 5QA

Main Telephone No: 01604 683 700

Fax No: 01604 751 613

Ticket Office No: 01604 683 777 Capacity: 7,653 (all seated) Pitch Size: 116 x 72 yards Team Nickname: The Cobblers Year Ground Opened: 1994 Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: University Of Northampton

Kit Manufacturer: Nike Website: www.ntfc.co.uk Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1897

Years at Today's Ground – 24 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member Division Three & Founder

Member of Division Three South 1921-22 First Official Floodlit Match – October 1962

Highest Attendance - 24,523 v Fulham Division One 09/03/1965

Highest Score for - 11-1 v Southend United Southern League Division One 30/12/1909

Highest Against - 0-10 v AFC Bournemouth Division Three South 02/09/1939

Highest Scorer in a Season - 36 Clifford C (Cliff) Holton in 1961/62

Highest Scorer Overall - 143 Jack English from 1947 - 1959

Player with most First Team Appearances - 552 Tommy Fowler 1946 - 61



Big ME aerial

Colours



Former Grounds

County Ground (1897 – 1994)



Ground Guide

The West Stand largest of the stands, seating for 4,000 home supporters on a match day, the West Stand also accommodates the club offices, changing rooms and supporters bar.



Sheinman Stand Away grounds

The Dave Bowen (North Stand) which Named after ex-Northampton Town player and manager Dave Bowen, who helped take the club from Division Four to the First Division during the 1960s, the North Stand is behind the goal nearest to the hill and it seats approximately 900.

The East Stand (Alwyn Hargrave) is the Family Enclosure and stands opposite the West Stand. It can accommodate approximately 1,700 fans. It is usually reserved for home supporters, although if the opposition sells their allocation in The Paul Cox (South) Stand, they are usually sent an extra 450 tickets for the south end of this stand and it is named after an ex-Borough Councillor who helped the stadium become reality. This stand is well known for its 'award-winning facilities for the disabled.



West Stand

Standing opposite and identical to The Dave Bowen Stand is the Paul Cox (South) Stand this end is reserved for away fans where 800 supporters can be accommodated. If demand requires it, then an additional 300 seats can also be made available in the Alwyn Hargrave Stand. The only occasion on which this stand has held Northampton Town supporters was against Chester City on 29 April 2006 when the stand was split and supporters segregated to allow the maximum number of home supporters to witness the club's promotion to League One.

For away fans T.G.I. Friday's opposite the Main Stand good food and beer and close to the main stand. Just walk over the car park to the ground. In the Town Centre with The CAMRA listed Malt Shovel Tavern coming highly recommended for those in search of real ale. This is located by turning left from the station on St Peter's Way in the opposite direction of Sixfields.

Driving Directions



From the South

Leave the M1 at Junction 15A and take the first exit at the roundabout then the first exit at the next roundabout on to the A43 then at the third roundabout take the second exit on to the A5123 towards Northampton then go straight on at the next two roundabouts and at the third take the second exit and you will come to the ground on your right.



From the North:

Leave the M1 at Junction 16 and take the first exit at the roundabout and take the A4500 towards Northampton and at the first roundabout take the second exit into Upton Way and at the exit roundabout take the first exit and you will come to the ground on your right.



Moulton College Stand (Paul Cox)

The Sixfields stadium is well signposted around the area. There is a fair sized car park located at the ground, which costs £3. Make sure though that you arrive early as it has been known for it to get full for the more popular games. Parking in the nearby cinema and restaurant car parks is not allowed, so make sure that you only use the official football parking provided at the ground.

Public Transport & Walking





15 or 50 or Uno 18



→ 6 mins

Train to Northampton Railway Station take the Stagecoach Midlands 50 bus, which also goes by the Sixfields retail park and stops about 200 yards from the stadium or you can take the Stagecoach Midlands 15 bus to Bella Italia and it's a five minutes' walk to the ground and Uno 18 Foxglove bus drops you also at the ground for night games

Admission

Adults £22 Concessions £18 Under 18's £10 Under 7's Free

Peterborough United

Ground - London Road, Peterborough, PE2 8AL

Main Telephone No: 01733 563 947

Ticket Office No: 01733 865 674

Fax No: 01733 344 140 **Capacity:** 15,314

Pitch Size: 112 x 76 yards **Team Nickname:** The Posh

Year Ground Opened: 1909 (Peterborough & Felton United FC)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Mick George Kit Manufacturer: Nike Website: www.theposh.com

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1934

Years at Today's Ground – 80 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1960 for Gateshead

First Official Floodlit Match – May 1957

Highest Attendance – 30,096 v Swansea City FA Cup Fifth Round 20/02/1965

Highest Score for – 18-1 v Birmingham City Transport FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round September 1935

Highest Against - 1-8 v Northampton Town FA Cup Round Two Replay 23/12/1946

Highest Scorer in a Season – Terry Bly – 52 in 1960–1961 (also an all-time Fourth Division record) 81 goals in 88 appearances

Highest Scorer Overall - Jim Hall - 122 from 1967-1975 with 322 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – Tommy Robson – 482 from 1968–1981 with 119 goals

Colours



Ground Guide

The new Stand which has been built at the Moy End of the Ground for 2,500 capacity with the last remnants of the old ground at the London Road Terrace end.

The Norwich & Peterborough South Stand, which was opened in 1996 and replaced a former open terrace. Similar tubular steelwork as to Huddersfield, the 5,000-capacity stand is an impressive sight. The two-tiered stand, is covered and all seated. There is also a row of executive boxes running across its middle.

The other side, the Main Stand, is a two-tiered covered stand that is all seated and is a classic looking old stand. As to be expected from a terrace of such vintage it does have a number of supporting pillars running across the front of it, which could impede your view of the game. In one corner of the ground between the South Stand and the London Road Terrace, is a Police Control Box The away fans are housed in the Moy End Stand where 2,500 are housed.



New Moy End (Motorpoint Stand)

The food available inside the ground includes the standard fayre of; Cheeseburgers (£3.50), Burgers (£3.50), Hot Dogs (£3.50), Various Pies including Chicken Balti, Steak and Cheese & Onion (£3.10), Pasties (£3.10) and Jumbo Sausage Rolls (£3.10) but get your food in the town its cheaper and there are many outlets.

The Palmerston Arms at 82 Oundle Road The range of beer, using several from Bateman's, together with several from the local area as well as two from Manchester (Oldershaw's & Phoenix) and one from Newcastle (Mordue), was superb. It has along with staffs that are easy going, pleasant and efficient and the beer is gravity fill and taste better for it. Going there follow the directions to the ground instead of taking a left to the ground take a right into Oundle Road walk past the Cherry Tree to the Palmerston and its 300yards back to the ground.



South Stand

Driving Directions



North/West:

Take the M1 to Junction 27 then at the roundabout take the first exit and follow it to the left and go into the right hand lane and at the next roundabout take the sign for the Outer Ring Road A563 and continue up to Palmerston roundabout then take a left onto A6 follow the road to the Garby Hotel at the cross roads and take a left the at the roundabout take the first exit then at the lights at the cross road at the Hong Kong restaurant (On your right) take the signs for Peterborough A41 and at junction 15 exit the A47 and at the roundabout take the third exit onto Nene Parkway and then take the second exit onto Oundle Road then at the junction just after the railway bridge go straight on down to the ground.



London Road End



South

Leave the A1 at the junction 16 take the third exit at the roundabout then take the A15 towards Peterborough you will eventually come to the ground on your right go past the ground and at the lights take a right and follow it to the car park at the back of the ground. There is no parking available to visiting supporters at the ground. There is a council pay & display car park just off London Road (turn left at the traffic lights after crossing on the right) into Oundle Road. This costs £3 to park there for the day. There is a fair-sized car park at the Cherry Tree pub on Oundle Road (A605).

Public Transport





→ 20 mins

Take the train to **Peterborough Railway Station** which is around a mile away from the ground. Turn right out of station entrance and follow Station Road down to the main road (Borges Boulevard), at the roundabout walk straight on passing an Asda store on your right and at the traffic lights near to the Rivergate Shopping Centre, turn right go down Bridge Street.

At the end of Bridge Street take a slight right into Rivergate and then go straight over the bridge over the river carry on and go over the Railway Bridge, at the next set of lights take a left and the ground is in front of you. It takes about 20 minutes to walk from the station to the ground.

Admission

Main (North) Stand A Wing Seating

Adults £23, Over 60's/Under 22's £14, Under 18's £10

Port Vale

Ground - Vale Park Hamil Road, Burslem, Stoke on Trent, ST6 1AW

Main Telephone No: 01782 655 800

Main Fax No: 01782 834 981
Ticket Office: 01782 655 832
Ticket Office Fax: 01782 836 875
Capacity: 18,947 (all seated)
Team Nickname: The Valliant's
Year Ground Opened: 1950
Pitch Size: 114 x 77 yards
Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Synetecs Solutions

Kit Manufacturer: BLK

Website: www.port-vale.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1876

Years at Today's Ground - 64 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1892 Founder Members Division Two

First Official Floodlit Match - September 1958

Highest Attendance – 49,768: v Aston Villa FA Cup Round 5 20 February 1960

Highest Score for - 9-1: v Chesterfield Second Division 24 September 1932 **Highest Against –** 0–10: v Sheffield United Second Division 10 December 1892 Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall - Wilf Kirkham: 38 in 1926-27 (Second Division) & 164 goals 1923–1933

Player with most First Team Appearances – Roy Sproson: 842 from 1950–1972

Former Names

Port Vale AFC, 1876 - 1885 Burslem Port Vale FC 1895 - 1919

Former Grounds

Lime Kiln Lane Ground (Scott Lidgett Road) (1876-81) Westport Meadows (1881-84) Burslem Football & Athletic Ground (Moorland Road) (1884-86) Corbridge Athletic Ground (Waterloo Road) 1886 – 1913) Kent Street Recreation Ground (Hanley) (1913-49)

Colours









Alternative

Ground Guide

The ground has a good mixture of the old and the new, it is just let down that the Lorne Street Stand, which was partly opened in 1999, is still yet to be fully completed but with finances in place it will be fully opened for the 2014/15 season. This stand which is twotiered has a row of executive boxes situated between its large lower tier and much smaller upper tier. The club said that it will have a capacity of 5,000. The original clock that was on the old stand has been incorporated into the new construction, above the player's tunnel and Directors area in the centre of the stand.



Lorne Street Stand

On the opposite side is the Railway Stand which was opened in 1954 and it has a number of supporting pillars that run across the middle of the stand. It had a large paddock terrace in front for people to stand, but this was subsequently filled with seating in the 1990's.

The Bycars Road End, which was built in 1992. It also is partly covered to the rear and has some supporting pillars to either side. Situated in one corner, in-between the Bycars & Railway Stand is an odd looking two-tiered structure that looks if it has been 'wedged' into the stadium. In fact, this area is the only portion of the old ground that still remains from when the ground was originally built in 1950 and the steelwork and roof of this structure were brought from the Kent Street Old recreation Ground in Hanley. Filled with seating it is currently used as a Family Stand. On one side of the Hamil Road Stand there is a Police Control Box, which keeps a watchful eye over the crowd. The pitch is also one of the widest in the League. Outside the Lorne Street Stand is a statue of former player and manager Roy Sproson who played for the club 842 times.



Railway End

At one end is the Hamil Road End, which is a good sized single tiered stand. It also has an electric scoreboard situated just below its roof. Again, it has a number of supporting pillars, plus it has windshields to either side.



The Bulls Head at 14 St John's Square in Burslem is a good place to drink for away and neutral fans and at least 3 Titanic Beers are available at all times plus a large selection of guest beers from Small Independent Breweries.

If going to the Bulls Head then take the Wardle Transport to Birches Head Shops from the Station then walk over to Hanley bus Station and then take the **First Potteries 20A bus** to Pitt Street it's a three-minute walk to the pub. From the pub to the ground is walk down on to Market Street at the cross road and then walk straight on then cross over the road and take a second left into Hamil Road the ground is 400 yards and is an eight-minute walk from the ground.

Driving Directions



The ground is located in the town of Burslem in Stoke on Trent so leave the M6 at junction 16 and take the A500 towards Stoke on Trent. Follow A500 until Longport Junction then exit and take first left on to the A527 Tunstall/Burslem. At the next roundabout follow the sign for the Moorcroft Factory, then at the cross mini roundabout take the second exit into Newcastle Street. Continue on this road up the hill, crossing another island and into Burslem town centre. Continue straight on over the traffic lights at the cross roads and then take the left into Hamil Road which takes you down to the ground. There is a large car park located outside a superstore next to the ground which costs £4, otherwise street parking.

Public Transport & Walking







Take the train to **Stoke on Trent Railway Station** then get the **D&G 9** to McDonalds on High Lane and then take a left and walk down Moorland Lane, then take a left into Burslem Park and walk through it of the ground.











 \rightarrow 10 mins

The Alternative is to take the **First in the Potteries 25 bus** to Hanley Bus Station then walk down onto Bethesda Street and take a right and cross the road Stop B1then take the **First Bus in the Potteries 3A bus** to High Lane and Hamill Road then walk back and turn right into Hamill Road the ground is seven minutes on the right.

Admission

Adults £22, OAP's £17, Under 19's £10, Under 9's Free

Plymouth Argyle

Ground - Home Park, Plymouth, PL2 3DQ **Main Telephone No:** 01752 562 561

Ticket Office: 0845 338 7232 Capacity: 16,388 (all seated) Pitch Size: 112 x 73 yards Team Nickname: The Pilgrims

Year Ground Opened: 1893 (Devonport Albion RFC)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Classic Builders & Beehive Home S.W.

Kit Manufacturer: Puma **Website:** www.pafc.co.uk **Programme:** £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1886

Years at Today's Ground – 117 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member Division Three

First Official Floodlit Match - October 1963

Highest Attendance – 43,596 v Aston Villa Second Division, 10 October 1936

Highest Score for – 8-1 v Millwall, Second Division, 16 January 1932, v Hartlepool

United Second Division, 7 May 1994 & 7-0 v Chesterfield, Second Division, 3 January 2004 **Highest Against –** 0-9 v Stoke City, Second Division, 17 December 1960 **Highest Scorer in a Season –** 33 John Gilbert (Jock) Cock in 1926/27 **Highest Scorer Overall –** 184 Samuel (Sammy) Black from 1924 – 38 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 620 Kevin Hodges 1978 – 1992



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Former Names

Argyle FC, Argyle Athletic FC

Former Grounds

Marsh Mills (1886 - 1901)

Colours



Home



Away



Alternative

Ground Guide

Home Park was originally used by the now defunct Devonport Albion rugby team from 1893 to 1901 before Argyle moved in and since the 1990's ground has been updated with the Old Main Stand which has been refurbished still remains for now of the old ground.

The Home Park pitch is surrounded by four covered all-seater stands, officially known as the Mayflower Grandstand to the south, Devonport End to the west, Lyndhurst Stand to the north, and Barn Park End to the east. Each stand has one tier with the exception of the Mayflower Grandstand which has two, an upper tier and a lower tier, known as the Mayflower Terrace, which was converted from terracing in 2007.



New Main Stand

The Mayflower Grandstand is the club's main stand, which can hold roughly 7,000 spectators. It was the oldest part of the ground, before being replaced by a new main stand. It houses the club's main offices, the boardroom, team changing rooms, press rooms and also accommodates executive boxes, which can host functions and are available to supporters during match days. The dugouts; which are made of wood and supplied by the club's sponsors; sit in front of the Mayflower, with the player tunnel slightly off centre going underneath the Mayflower.



Devonport Stand (Doing the 116)

To the rear of the stand is the Club Shop, selling official merchandise, and the Pyramid Suite, a top-class hospitality area which can cater for up to 170 people. There are two structures overlooking the pitch on each side of the stand. To the east is a building which contains a hospitality area (the Chisholm Lounge), and a press area, and to the west is a disabled enclosure. There have been plans to replace this stand for a number of years. In 2013, planning permission was finally given to revamp and rebuild the Mayflower Grandstand after becoming less popular with supporters and the club's chairman James Brent, although no date has ever been set for the construction to begin.



Barn Park End (Doing the 116)

The other three stands are very similar in design and linked together, having been built in 2001. The Devonport End is the traditional end where the more vocal of the club's supporters gather. It can hold approximately 3,500 spectators.



Lyndhurst Stand Doing the 116

The Lyndhurst Stand is the largest of the three, holding approximately 6,000 spectators, including the corners. The corner towards the East side of the ground is now the dedicated family area. The Barn Park End is where the away supporters are housed. Similar to the Devonport End, it also holds approximately 3,500 spectators. The standard allocation given to visiting clubs is 1,300 but this can be increased if demand requires it. All three boast good views and standard facilities for a football stadium, concourses, merchandise stands and food and drink outlets.

For away fans The Britannia Inn at 1 Wolseley Road is the one favoured by neutral and away fans because of its vast interior Excellent range of reasonably well-kept ales, cheap grub, the staff run a good ship and, in my opinion, this is one of the best Weatherspoon's in the country. To get there just walk down Pennycomequick Hill and instead of walking through the park walk straight on the arms are in front of you from the Britannia to the ground it's just a walk across the road walk up Outland Road and then take the first right into Mayflower Drive the ground is in front of you.

Driving Directions



Take the M5 to the South West and at the end of the motorway continue onto the A38. On entering Plymouth, take the turning of the Parkway for the City Centre/ Mutley/ Plymouth Argyle turn left onto the Outland Road. After about a mile you will see the ground on your left take the second on the left into the car park after the Esso Garage (on the right)

Public Transport & Walking





 \rightarrow 10 mins

Train to **Plymouth Railway Station** then walk down Pennycomequick Hill under the railway then turn left into Central Park Avenue cross the road and second on the left walk up Holesworth Road into the park and follow the path straight to the ground.

Admission

Adult: £23-£28 Over 65: £19-£23 U23: £14-£18 U18: £9-£11 U14: £6-£8 U8: £2-£3

Reading

Ground - Madejski Stadium Bennett Road, Reading, RG2 0FL

Main Telephone No: 0118 968 1100

Fax No: 0118 968 1101
Ticket Office: 0844 249 1871
Ticket Office Fax: 0870 999 1001
Capacity: 24,200 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 102 x 70 metres
Team Nickname: The Royals
Year Ground Opened: 1998
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: Select
Kit Manufacturer: Puma
Website: www.readingfc.co.uk

Programme: £3

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1871

Years at Today's Ground – 16 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 elected from the Southern League as a Founder Member of Division Three and Founder member of Division Three South 1921

First Official Floodlit Match – February 1956 Elm Park

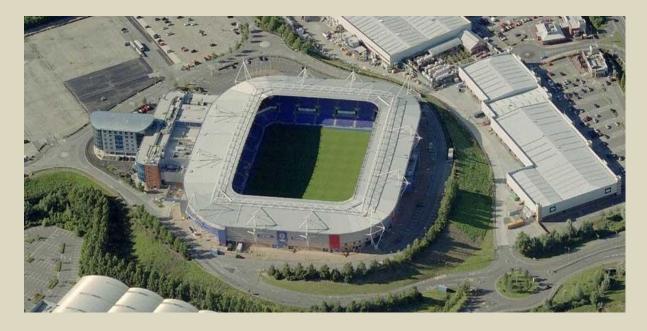
Highest Attendance – 33,042 v Brentford in the FA Cup Fifth Round 19/05/1927 at Elm Park

Highest Score for – 10 – 2 v Crystal Palace Division Three South 4/09/1926

Highest Against – 0-18 v Preston North End F.A. Cup Round One 27/01/1894

Highest Scorer in a Season - 41 Trevor Senior in 1983/84

Highest Scorer Overall – 158 Ronald Henry (Ronnie) Blackman 1947 – 54 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 603 Martin Hicks 1978 – 1991



Colours







Former Grounds

Reading Recreation Common (1871 – 72), Sonning Lane Reading Cricket Ground (1872 – 82), Coley Park (Coley Recreation Ground) (1882 – 89), Caversham Cricket Ground (1889 – 96), Elm Park (1896 - 1998) *

Ground Guide

The Royals after having spent 102 years at their former home of Elm Park moved to the stadium in 1998. The stadium is of a fair size and is totally enclosed, with all four corners being occupied. Three sides are single tiered; with the West (Main) Stand is two tiered, including a row of executive boxes.



East Stand

This stand has a curve in its roof and unlike the West Stand, the others stands have a more

conventional look to their roofs, although there is a gap between the roofs and the back of the stands, that contains Perspex, to allow more light to reach the pitch like most modern build grounds.

The ground has been designed with the supporter in mind as the fans are housed very close to the pitch and the acoustics are very good. The stadium also has a video screen in the South East corner with the ground named after Reading's chairman John Madejski who saved the club in there darkest hour and put up the money for the new ground.



West Stand

The away fans are housed behind the goals up to 4500 in the Foster's Lager South Stand and the leg roof has been well designed and you can stretch your legs and the food well the Steak pie is good and the coffee is strong and can keep you awake if the game is boring.



North End

Driving Directions



Leave the M4 at Junction 12, bear left on to the A4 and go into Reading City Centre then at the Castle Hill roundabout take the second exit and follow the road to the Sahara Bar then take the road to the right then follow the road to the Bridge Roundabout and then take the third exit onto the A329 and follow it on to the A33 relief road which leads you directly to the stadium. The Madejski Complex is well signposted from the A33 but the traffic is horrific on match days

Public Transport







 \rightarrow 2 mins

Train to **Reading Railway Station** walk three minutes from main entrance over to Station Stop SC and take the **Reading Bus 60M** will drop you of at the ground the same bus will take you back at 17.02 from the stadium

Admission

Adults £30, Over 65's & Under 21's £17, Under 16's £10

Where to have a Drink

Three Guineas bar has a good beer selection with friendly staff. Plenty of seating in and out the food is fine.

The Gateway 31 Greyfriars Road with the loss of the Malthouse is the next pub on a walking route to the ground the London Pride is usually OK (£3 pint) and the bar staff friendly enough. And its 200 yards from the station

Red Cow its 800 yards away from the station if you're looking for a real British gem of a pub come here. It's the genuine article the biggest fry up for £2, it can't be beat. It's a pub that will transport you back to the 1970's

The Hop Leaf Pub at 163-165 Southampton Street why on earth this pub is not in the Good Beer Guide I go in every time I am back and am never disappointed by the quality of the ales - 6 Hop Back beers plus a Downton (this time their Imperial Stout at 9%) two of the them and your walking on air believe me.

Rotherham United

Ground - New York Stadium New York Way off Main Street Rotherham S60 1AH

Main Telephone No: 0844 4140733

Ticket Office: 0844 4140737

Capacity: 12,000 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 72 yards
Team Nickname: The Millers
Year Ground Opened: 2012
Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Hodge Clemco, Mears

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: www.themillers.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1870 (Thornhill FC)

Years at Today's Ground – 6 years

First Admitted to the Football League - 1919 as Rotherham County FC

First Official Floodlit Match – November 1960 Milmoor

Highest Attendance – 25,170 v Sheffield United, Football League Second Division, 13 December 1952 at Millmoor Stadium

Highest Score for - 8 - 0 v Oldham at Millmoor, Division 3 North, 26 May 1947

Highest Against - 1-11 v Bradford City, Division 3 North, 25 August 1928

Highest Scorer in a Season – 40 Wally Aldron in 1946/47 with 123 appearances and 100 goals 1938 - 1950

Highest Scorer Overall – Gladstone Guest, 130 league goals, between 1946–1956 with 358 Appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – 621 Danny Williams, from 1946 -62 with 21 goals

Former Names

Thornhill FC 1870 -1890

Thornhill United, 1890 - 1905

Rotherham County 1905 1925 (Merged with Rotherham Town 1925) to become United

Former Grounds

Red House Ground – 1870 – 1907 Milmoor (1907 – 2008)



Don Valley Stadium (Sheffield) (2008-2012)



Colours



Ground Guide

The club moved out of there old ground of 101 years Milmoor and would spend four years at the now demolished at the Don Valley Stadium in Sheffield, before the Club have returned home to Rotherham in 2012. The new stadium, which cost in the region of £20m to build, is 200 yards North East to their old Millmoor Ground and 500 yards from their first ground as County next to Thornhill Primary School in Henley Road.

The area of Rotherham where the ground is located is historically known as New York (hence the stadium name) and is built on the site of the old Guest & Chrimes factory. The stadium from the outside looks far larger than its 12,000 capacity and is quite San Siro in Milan in its design. It is totally enclosed and all seated.

On one side is the Eric Twigg Foods Pukka Pies (West) Stand. This is the largest of the four single tiered stands. The stand has a middle-seated area of the stand which is situated at a lower level than either of the wings. There is an executive area above this with seating outside and yet further above is a television gantry, set into the red panelled wall. The other sides of the stadium are much smaller in size. Both ends are virtually identical, except that the Morrison's (South) Stand has a small electric scoreboard situated at the back of it.

The Ben Bennett (East) Stand, which is slightly less tall than both the ends. This stand has two large areas built into the front of the stand for the use of disabled supporters and they get a great view of the game.

Away fans are normally housed in the Morrison Stand at one end of the stadium, where around 2,500 supporters can be accommodated and tickets can be obtained at the Away ticket office in the Morrison Stand. On the roof of the East Stand are two futuristic looking floodlight pylons that are supplemented by a row of lights above the West Stand.



South & West Stands

For the away fans the Bluecoat pub at The Crofts are three hundred yards away from the station having visited before I knew that this is one of the better Weatherspoon where the staff seems to be fairly well clued up. Surprise, surprise, the Real Ale was served at a more ambient temperature and in decent condition, therefore much more acceptable. The only disappointment was that I thought the beers on offer were not as interesting however this obviously depends on personal taste.

The Bridge Inn, in Greasbrough Road, which is located quite close to the railway station turn right out of the station and then cross the bridge and the pub is across the road in front of you. This pub which is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide serves beers from the Old Mill Brewery as well as guest beers and a real cider. This pub has a warm welcome for all fans and it wasn't too bad to get served inside.

Alcohol is also available inside the stadium in the form of: Fosters, John Smiths (Both £3 a pint), Bulmer's (£3 a bottle), plus Red, White and Rose wines (£3.90 small bottle).

Driving Directions



From the North:

Don't use the postcode for sat nav use Main Street Rotherham. Leave the M1 at Junction 34 and take the fourth exit at the roundabout onto the A6178 towards Rotherham. At the third roundabout (Ickles Roundabout) take the first exit onto Centenary Way (Signposted Doncaster) cross over the bridge, you will see the stadium on your right and at the next roundabout (Masbrough roundabout) turn right onto Main Street and the entrance to the stadium is down on the right down New York Way.



From the South:

Leave the M1 at Junction 33 and take the third exit onto the A630 towards Rotherham. After a few yards at the next roundabout take the first exit and at the next take the second exit onto Centenary Way and go straight on at the next roundabout you will reach the stadium on your right and at the next roundabout (Masbrough roundabout) turn right onto Main Street and the entrance to the stadium is down on the right down New York Way. Car parking at the stadium is for permit holders only. However, there are a number of pay & display car parks located around the town centre. Otherwise there is some street parking available around the area of the old Millmoor ground, which is around a 10 minutes' walk away to the ground.

Public Transport





→ 5 mins

Train to **Rotherham Central Railway Station** and a five-minute walk to the ground just walk down the canal to Main Street take a right and walk down to the ground.



North Stand

Admission

Morrison's (South) Stand:

Adults £28, Concessions £15, Under 16's £6

Stevenage

Ground - Broadhall Way, Stevenage, SG2 8RH

Main Telephone No: 01438 223223

Fax No: 01438 743 666

Capacity: 6,920 (Seating 3,412) Pitch Size: 110 x 70 yards

Team Nickname: Boro

Year Ground Opened: 1961 (Stevenage Athletic)

Pitch Size: 110 x 70 yards Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Burger King Kit Manufacturer: Errea

Website: www.stevenagefc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1976

Years at Today's Ground – 33 Years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2010

First Official Floodlit Match – Aug 1980

Highest Attendance – 8,100 v Newcastle United FA Cup Fourth Round 25/01/1998 **Highest Score for** – 13-2 v Exmoor Wanderers FA Vase Preliminary round 1981

Highest Against - 0-7 v Tilbury Athletic Isthmian League Division One 1988

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 40 Martin Gittings in 1991/92 plus 209 goals from 1980 – 95

Player with most First Team Appearances - 466 Mark Smith 1992 - 2004

Former Grounds

King George V Playing Fields 1976 – 1983

Former Names

Stevenage Athletic FC 1976 – 78 Stevenage Borough FC 1978 – 2010

Colours



Ground Guide

The ground's pitch includes four stands – the East Terrace, the North Terrace, the Main Stand, and South Stand. The Main Stand is all-seated and covered, and covers the length of the pitch, although it has open corners to either side of the stand.



Main Stand

At the back of the stand there are a number of glass—fronted areas to various club offices and executive boxes. The club shop is situated next to the Main Stand, opposite to the club's official car-park. Opposite to the Main Stand is the East Terrace, which is a covered terrace for home supporters. The terrace has a gable with a clock sitting on its roof above the half-way line, as well as holding a television gantry on its roof.

The North Terrace where away fans are housed with a capacity of 1,700 seat stand. Opposite the North Terrace is the South Stand, which is a single tiered, all-seated covered stand and is reserved for away supporters and can hold a capacity of 1,400.



South Stand

For away fans Our Mutual Friend' pub in Broadwater Crescent and this pub which is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide offers seven beers on hand pump, plus real cider. The Roebuck Inn on London Road, about a ten-minute walk away from the away end is certainly worth a visit. It's an old Tudor building pub with a Best Western Hotel attached. It serves real ale and, on my visit, it was quite easy to get served and there is a good bar at the ground where serves home and away fans.



North Stand

The stand also has an electronic scoreboard in the centre of the roof, which was installed in 2001, making it visible to home supporters. The scoreboard was replaced in October 2011. Behind the stand is the supporters' club and a new set of floodlights were installed before the start of the club's 2007–08 campaign.

Driving Directions



Leave the A1 (M) at Junction 7 and take the A602 towards Stevenage (First Exit from North and Third exit from South). Go straight across the three roundabouts and go straight along Broadhall Way and just after Greenside School (on the left) take the first right then you will

see the entrance on the left to the large official car park which is free. The car park though has only one entrance/exit, this is a bottleneck after the game has finished.

Public Transport & Walking





→ 15 mins

Train to **Stevenage Railway Station** which is about one mile away from the ground. Leave the station booking hall and turn left towards the town onto Lytton Way then at the roundabout which has the police station on the right turn left into Six Hills Way, cross the road and walk up to the next roundabout go left continuing along the Monkswood Way, after passing the retail parks you will arrive at a roundabout and the ground will be opposite you on the other side of the road. Bar at the ground is the Boro own social club nice price for beer and wine and friendly.



East Terrace

Admission

Adults £20 (£18), Concessions £17 (£15), Under 21's £15 (£12), Under 12's £10 (£8)

Stockport County

Ground - Edgeley Park, Hardcastle Road, Stockport, SK3 9DD

Main Telephone No: 0161 286 8888

Fax No: 0161 429 7392
Capacity: 10,832 (all seated)
Team Nickname: The Hatters
Year Ground Opened: 1902
Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards
Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Calm **Kit Manufacturer**: Puma

First Kit: Blue Shirt with blue Shorts and blue and white socks

Away Kit: White shirts blue shorts blue socks

Website: www.stockportcounty.com

Programme: £2



Ground Guide

Edgeley Park has 11,000 all seated capacity. The large Cheadle End Stand which towers over the rest of the stadium and was opened at the beginning of the 1995-96 season is two-tiered, covered and all seated and it has a large lower tier, with a smaller upper tier above. Opposite, is the Railway End, a former open terrace which was converted to a seating area in 2001 and above the Railway End is a small electric score board.

The Danny Bergara Main Stand is only about two thirds the length of the pitch and straddles the halfway line and was opened in 1936. Originally it had a paddock terrace at the front but this was filled with seating in the 1980s. It is particularly striking when viewed from outside, with its bright blue and white colours. On the other side is the Popular Side, known as the Vernon Stand, a former covered terrace which is now all-seated some of this stand dates back to the late 1920's.



Cheadle Park End

Driving to the Ground



Exit the M6 at Junction 19 (sign-posted 'Manchester Airport, Stockport A55, M56 East') and at the roundabout turn right onto the A556. At the Bowden roundabout after 4.2 miles, turn right (sign-posted 'Manchester M56) onto the M56. Exit the M56 after 6.9 miles (sign-posted 'Stockport M60, Sheffield M67') onto the M60. Exit the M60 at Junction 1 ('sign-posted 'Stockport Town Centre and West').



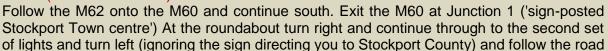
Hardcastle and the Railway End

At the roundabout turn right and continue through to the second set of lights and turn left (ignoring the sign directing you to Stockport Co.) and follow the road to the left, which is Chestergate. At the lights turn right up King Street, past the fire station on the right to the top of the hill, turn right at the roundabout signed Edgeley. Continue down Hardcastle Street turning left after the bus stop signed Caroline Street. At the end of Caroline Street turn right where you will see the main car park on the left. (Not available on Match Days)



Main Stand

North (M62 from Leeds):



to the left, which is Chestergate. At the traffic lights turn right up King Street, past the fire station on the right to the top of the hill, turn right at the roundabout signed Edgeley. Continue down Hardcastle Street turning left after the bus stop signed Caroline Street. At the end of Caroline Street turn right where you will see the main car park on the left. (Not available on Match Days)

Public Transport/Walking





11 mins

Trains to **Stockport Railway Station** and then from the railway station, come out of the station and turn left up Station Road, and continue up the hill the turn left into Shaw Heath towards the roundabout and then go straight on at the roundabout and turn first right into Mercian Way and then take the third on the left into Caroline Street for the ground and at the bottom of the street the ground is in front of you.

Admission

Adults £22 Concessions £16 Under 18's £12 Under 13's £8

Where to Drink

The Sir Robert Peel 83 Castle Street 'The Armoury' a Robinson's pub situated at 1 Castle Street and is excellent for away fans. The Robinsons beers are excellent which the pub is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide, also CAMRA Good Beer Guide listed is the Olde Vic at 1 Chatham Street. The Grapes were also a good pub to go to but has been up for sale for a while.

Wimbledon

Ground - New Plough Lane Ground, Plough Lane, Wimbledon London SW17 0BL

Main Telephone No: 020 8547 3528

Main Fax No: 0808 280 0816

Capacity: 9.500

Pitch Size: 110 x 75 yards

Team Nickname: The Dons or Wombles

Year Ground Opened: 2020 Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Football Manager

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

Website: www.afcwimbledon.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 2002

First Admitted to the Football League – 2006

First Official Floodlit Match – Aug 1989

Highest Attendance – 4,722 v St Albans City Isthmian Premier League 25/04/2009 (Kingsmeadow)

Highest Score for – 9–0 v Chessington United Combined Counties League Premier Division 14/02/2004, v Slough Town, Isthmian League Premier Division 31/03/2007

Highest Against – 0-5 v York City, Conference Premier 7/04/2010

Highest Scorer in a Season – 49 Kevin Cooper in 2002-03

Highest Scorer Overall - 104 Kevin Cooper from 2002 -04

Player with most First Team Appearances – 192 Sam Hatton from 2009 – 2012

Former Grounds

Kingsmeadow 2002 - 2020

Colours



Ground Guide

The new ground has a capacity of 9,500 with good banqueting facilities and the main stand has a capacity of 3,500 with the Riverside Road End holding 1,500, the away end on Copperside Road has a capacity of 1,500 with the Railway End has like the main stand has dedicated for familys



Main Stand and Riverside Road End

Driving to the Ground

Take the M25 to junction 10 then take the A3 for Guuilford and at the roundabout take the first exit on to the A3 from the West and third exit from the east and continue to Raynes Park then take the A298 for Wimbledon.



Copperside and Railway End

Follow the road onto the A298 and just before Wimbledon Range Rover at the lights take a right into Grand Drive and go past Raynes Park Railway Station and just before the library take a left and then first left and then first right and continue into Worple Road till the Francis Road mini Roundabout there take the third exit then first left into Francis Road and go past Wimbledon Underground Station and go straight on at two mini roundabouts.

At the third roundabout take the second exit into Leapold Road and go straight on through two roundabouts into Plough Lane and the ground is on the left-hand side.

Public Transport







 \rightarrow 3 mins

Take the train to **Tooting Broadway Underground Station** then take the **London Bus 493** to Haydon Road and its three minutes' walk to the ground.





→ 15 mins

From the North is to take the train to **Luton Railway Station** and then take the Thameslink to **Haydon Park Railway Station** and then take a right and walk up to the main road take a right walk across the river bridge into Plough Lane and the ground is on the left after a 15 minutes' walk.

Admission

Adults £25, Concessions £17, Under 18's £10

Where to Drink

It best getting off at Earslfied Station to the right is the Wandle or on the left is the Halfway House and it's a 10 minutes' walk to the ground for those that get off at Haydon Road then walk up to the crossroads then turn left cross the road and go to the RBS on Gap Road.

Wigan Athletic

Ground - DW Stadium, Loire Drive, Wigan, WN5 0UZ

Main Telephone No: 01942 774 000

Fax No: 01942 770 477

Ticket Office: 0871 663 3552
Capacity: 25,023 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 60 metres
Team Nickname: The Latics
Year Ground Opened: 1999
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: DW Fitness
Kit Manufacturer: Puma
Website: HTAFC.co.uk

Programme: £3

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1932

Years at Today's Ground – 16 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1978 for Southport FC

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1965 Springfield Park

Highest Attendance – 27,500 v Hereford United, FA Cup Round 2 12/12/1953 Springfield Park

Highest Score for – 12–0 v Stubshaw Cross, Lancashire Combination Cup, 15 September 1954



Highest Against – 1–9 v Tottenham Hotspur, Premier League, 2009 **Highest Scorer in a Season –** 31, Graeme Jones, 1996–97 **Highest Scorer Overall –** 70, Andy Liddell, from 1998–2004 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 317 Kevin Langley from 1981–1986 & 1990–1994

Colours



Former Grounds

Springfield Park (1932 – 2000)

Ground guide

The Club moved from its former home of Springfield Park, where it had been in residence since the Club's formation in 1932 to the DW Stadium in 1999. The four separate stands are of roughly the same height and are all single tiered. They are also quite steep meaning that fans sit quite close to the playing action, although the stands themselves are set back a fair distance from the pitch boundary and The Latics share the ground with Wigan Warriors RFC.

both the side stands have large supporting steel frameworks visible above their roofs, with the ground doesn't have the large corporate areas and executive boxes it has less than most modern grounds. There is an electric scoreboard above the Boston (East) Stand, on one side of the ground.

The stadium was originally named the JJB Stadium under a sponsorship deal was lasted for 10 years. This was replaced by a new deal in August 2009, which saw the stadium being renamed the DW Stadium in partnership with DW Sports Fitness.

Outside the ground is Robins Park, where Wigan play their reserve games and athletics meetings are held. There is quite a sizeable stand on one side of the Park, as is used by Wigan Robin Park FC.



Wheelchair users:

Each stand at the DW Stadium has two designated disabled platforms with catering and toilet facilities available, along with a lift to each concourse and direct access to the platforms. These platforms are designated for people totally confined to a wheelchair with personal Assistant seats, if required, are allocated at the side of each platform. There are additional facilities for wheelchair supporters at the front of the West Stand and as wheelchair spaces are limited, these will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Supporters using this facility will be charged the relevant price, with their personal

assistant being free of charge.

Driving Directions



Leave the M6 at Junction 26 take the M58 exit to Skelmersdale/ Southport. From the South get in the right-hand lane and follow the road markings for the A577 round the roundabout under the M6, from the North take the M58 exit to Skelmersdale/ Southport then at the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto A577. Follow the road down and then turn right onto Orrell Road and follow the signs for Wigan town centre then at the roundabout take the first turn left into Robin Park Road and continue into Scot Lane with the ground is on the right down Scot Lane.

Public Transport







ightarrow 5 mins

Train to either **Wigan North Western & Wallgate Railway stations**, from Wallgate Station walk down to Stop A at North Western Railway Station and from North Western walk two minutes over to Stop A and then take the **Stagecoach in Manchester 4 bus** to Montgomery Avenue cross the road and walk down the boulevard to the ground.

Admission

Adults £25, Concessions £18 Under 16 £10

Where to have a Drink

The Berkeley on Wallgate near the railway station visited this place admittedly after seeing it listed in good beer guide but from outside it looks far too trendy and lively to be the pub, then I walked in and discovered a sixteen-barrel beer fest with beers straight from the barrel Otherwise alcohol is available inside the stadium with a dedicated away bar and the Jacobs Well Pub a good mix of away supporters serves five ever changing real ales

Wycombe Wanderers

Ground - Adams Park, Hillbottom Road, High Wycombe, HP12 4HJ

Main Telephone No: 01494 472 100

Fax No: 01494 527 633 Ticket Office: 01494 441 118

Capacity: 10,300

Pitch Size: 115 x 75 yards **Team Nickname:** The Chairboy's

Year Ground Opened: 1990 Undersoil Heating: Yes

Shirt Sponsors: Cherry Red Records and Utilita

Kit Manufacturer: O'Neill's

Website: www.wycombewanderers.co.uk

Programme: £4.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1887

Years at Today's Ground – 26 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2004

First Official Floodlit Match – September 1963

Highest Attendance – 14,000 Loakes Park

Highest Score for – 18-1 v Staines Town Great Western Suburban League 27/12/1909

Highest Against - 1-10 v High Wycombe Rovers 1/12/1887 FA Cup Qualifying Round 1

Highest Scorer in a Season, Highest Scorer Overall & Player with most First Team

Appearances 60 Anthony (Bodger) Horseman in 1966/67 with 450 goals & 749

Appearances 1961 - 78



Nick

Former Grounds

The Rye (1887 – 91)

High Wycombe Cricket Ground (1891 – 94)

Spring Meadow (1894 – 95) Loakes Park (1895 – 1990) **

Colours



Ground Guide

Adams Park built in 1990 which Wanderers shared with London Wasps till they moved to Coventry and is now also used by Reading WFC.



The North Stand (Beechdean Stand) has a capacity of 1,267, all seated. There is additional space for 232 standing spectators in the paddock at the front of this stand, for London Wasps matches only. For Wycombe Wanderers matches, spectators may only stand here if they already have a valid seat ticket. The stand also contains the club offices, changing rooms, club shop, and catering facilities. The Vere Suite, located in the Beechdean stand, is named after the Vere family who own and run the Verco Furniture Company based in High Wycombe.



Dreams Stand

The East Stand became all-seater in 1996 before being doubled in size to the current 2,053 all-seated capacity, with a space for 10 wheelchairs. This stand is designated as the away end for football matches. For teams with a larger following then 350 seats are also made available in the Main Stand, increasing the total allocation to 2,403. For away fans take The Hourglass Sands at 144 Chapel Lane Sands on your way walking to the ground this friendly is only 11 minutes from the ground Large, bright open plan pub with largely modern decor and very friendly staff.



Main Stand

The South Stand originally a single level terrace, this stand was expanded into a two-tier unit in 1996. Now with a capacity of 4,990 (2,842 in the Upper Tier, 1,738 plus 50 wheelchair spaces in the Lower Tier) the South Stand contains boxes for corporate hospitality and is designated as the stadium's Family Stand. The Woodlands Suite is situated on the Executive Box level of the South Stand.

With a capacity of 1,974 the Green King IPA terrace is the home supporters' end for football matches, and the only remaining terrace in the stadium. The ground also contains a bar, called

Scores, and since 2006 a club shop in the corner of the ground between the Beechdean and Dreams Stands.



Driving Directions



Leave the M40 at Junction 4 and take the A4010 towards Aylesbury then turn left at the 4th roundabout into Mill End Road and the end of the road do a left into New Road then a right into Lane End Road at the mini roundabout then at the bend turn right into Hillbottom Road and the ground is at the end of the road.

Public Transport & Walking





4 mins



36 38 102 or X74



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6 mins

Train to **High Wycombe Railway Station** then walk down to Easton Place and take the **36 38 102 or X74** buses to the Bus Station and take the **Arriva Shires 32 bus** to Hillbottom Road on Lane End Road and the Hour Glass Pub its six minutes to the ground and they run every fourteen minutes

Admission

Adults £20, Concessions £16, Under 26's £14, Under 19's £11 Under 16's £7