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Guide to League One teams for 2024/25 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.



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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







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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.



West Stand

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)

Birmingham City

Ground - St Andrews Ground, Cattell Road Birmingham B9 4RL

Main Telephone No: 0844 557 1875

Fax No: 0844 557 1975

Ticket Office No: 0844 557 1875
Capacity: 30,016 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 115 x 75 yards
Club Nickname: The Blues
Year Ground Opened: 1906
Undersoil Heating: Yes
Shirt Sponsors: Undefeated
Kit Manufacturer: Nike
Website: www.bcfc.co.uk
Programme: £3.00

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1875 (Small Heath Alliance)

Years at Today's Ground – 112 years

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

First Official Floodlit Match - October 1956

Highest Attendance - 68,844 v Everton, FA Cup Fifth Round, 11/02/1939

Highest Score for - 12 - 0 v Walsall Town Swifts Division Two 4/01/1903, v Doncaster

Rovers Division Two 11/04/1903

Highest Against – 1 – 9 v Blackburn Rovers 11/04/1903, v Sheffield Wednesday

13/12/1930

Highest Scorer in a Season – 42 Walter Abbott 1898/99

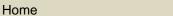
Highest Scorer Overall - 267 Joseph Bradford 1920 - 35

Player with most First Team Appearances – 551 Gilbert Harold (Gil) Merrick 1946 – 60



Colours







Away Kit



Alternative

Former Names

Small Heath Alliance 1875 - 1885 Small Heath 1885 - 1905 Birmingham FC 1905 - 1943

Former Grounds

Arthur Street (1875),

Ladypool Road (1876), Muntz Street, Small Heath (1876 – 1905)

Ground Guide

After the Hillsborough Disaster in Sheffield three quarters of the ground was rebuilt in the mid 90's. One large two-tiered tiered stand, incorporating the Tilton Road End and the old Spion Kop end, completely surrounds half the pitch and replaced a former huge Spion Kop terrace.



Spion Kop End

The new Tilton Road End was opened in 1995, with the new Spion Kop following in 1996. At the back of the Spion Kop Stand, which runs along one side of the pitch, are a row of executive boxes, as well as a central seated executive area which also incorporates the Directors 'box'.

The Railway End, recently renamed Gil Merrick Stand their appearances record holder of 551 between 1946 to 1960 was opened in February 1999. It is a large two-tiered stand and unusual in having quite a small top tier, which overhangs the lower area. Again, there is a row of executive boxes in this stand, housed at the back of the lower section.



Gil Merrick Stand

Away supporters are seated in the Gil Merrick Stand, in the section closest to the Spion Kop. Approximately a quarter to a half of the Lower Tier is reserved for away fans although for games when the away allocation is increased to 10% of the total capacity, the section extends down towards all but the last section of the lower tier. When coming to the ground you'll come to the away turnstiles first when walking up from the city centre. The quality of the seating and views of the game from the Gil Merrick Stand are both excellent, though there can be a problem with legroom in parts. And the top tier is smaller than the lower tier.

Pubs for away fans and neutrals are in the centre of town near New Street Station are the Briar Rose which is at 25 Bennett's Hill good food and friendly staff. Near St Andrews is the Cricketers Arms at 48 Little Green Lane it is vibrant and sociable pub popular with locals and visitors alike. Nearby to Birmingham New Street just off the ramp is The Shakespeare Victorian Pub and the Sun on The Hill which both stock a decent choice of real ales. Nearby to Snow Hill Station there is the Old Contemptible which is an Oak Bar, or the Jekyll & Hyde, the gin parlour which also stocks a variety of real ales.

Food on offer inside the ground includes a range of Pies; Steak and Ale, Chicken & Mushroom (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 Subway Meal from Birmingham New Street or walk over to Pauls or Sixteen Bakery only 160 yards from the station to get hot pies for £1.00.



Main Stand

The former Main Stand, which was opened in 1952, now the only part that remains of the former St Andrews Ground. This is a two-tier stand running along one side of the pitch and has a row of executive boxes running across its middle and is stand is the smallest at the stadium.

This stand which is now known as the Garrison Lane Stand also houses the press area, television gantry and has the team dugouts located in front of it. The team dressing rooms are now situated within the Gil Merrick Stand, which results in the teams entering the field of play from one corner of the stadium between this stand and the Garrison Lane Stand and there is

also in this area a large video screen that was erected in 2009.

Driving to the Ground



North/ South East

Leave the M6 at Junction 6 and take the A38 (M) the Aston Expressway for the City Centre. Continue past the first turn off and then take the next turn off, for the Inner Ring Road (Dartmouth Middleway).

Turn left at the roundabout at the top of the slip road and take the Ring Road East (Signposted Coventry/Stratford). Continue along the ring road for two miles, crossing straight across three roundabouts. At the fourth roundabout (there is a large McDonalds on the far-left hand corner) turn left into Coventry Road going towards Small Heath. Take a left into Cattell Road at the lights and City's ground is on your left. The ground is well sign posted on the Inner Ring Road. There is though plenty of street parking off the left-hand side of the ring road. Either around the small park at the third roundabout you cross or along the road next to and behind the BP garage before the fourth island. Bear in mind that if you arrive after 1.30pm these areas are likely to be already full. There are some local schools and firms that offer parking facilities for around £5. You can park next to the Cricketers Arms in Little Green Lane which is just of Cattell Road via Arsenal Street



South West

Take the M5 to junction 3 then take the A456 exit to Birmingham (W & C) then at the roundabout take the third exit onto Quinton Expressway/A456, go through two roundabouts and follow the signs for the A456 on the Middleway and follow this road for about five miles then take the left and follow the signs for Ring Road/ A38. At the roundabout take the third exit into Highgate Middleway and go straight on at one roundabout at the next take the third exit into Coventry Road then at the lights take a left into Cattell Road.

Public Transport



Train to **Birmingham New Street Railway Station** to walk out onto Station Road and take the **Diamond 16A bus** to the markets and walk over to Stop D2A Allison Street then take the **National Express West Midlands 17, 97 buses** to Coventry Road (St Andrews Stop) and it's a three minutes' walk to the ground.

Admission

Adults £30 (B £27) (C £25) (D £20) Senior Citizens/Students £18 (B £16) (C £15) (D £12) Under 18's £13 (B £11) (C £10) (D £7) Under 13's £7 (B £7) (C £5) (D £5)

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







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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**

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

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

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



From the South:

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.





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





→ 5mins

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.

Bristol Rovers

Ground - Memorial Stadium, Filton Avenue, Horfield, Bristol BS7 0BF

Main Telephone No: 0117 909 6648 **Ticket Office No:** 0117 909 8848

Match day Ticket Office No: 0117 909 8848

Capacity: 12,011(All Seated)

Team Nickname: Gasmen or Pirates

Year Ground Opened: 1893 (Clifton Rugby Club)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Ultima Shirt Manufactures: Macron Website: www.bristolrovers.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1883 (Black Arab FC)

Years at Today's Ground – 22 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 from the Southern League Founder Member Division Three (1920/21) & Division Three South (1921/22)

First Official Floodlit Match - September 1959

Highest Attendance – 38,472 v Preston North End, FA Cup, 30/01/1960

Highest Score for - 15 - 1 v Weymouth FA Cup Fourth Qualifying Round 17/11/1900

Highest Against - 0-12 v Luton Town Division Three South 13/04/1936

Highest Scorer in a Season – 33 Geoffrey Reginald William (Geoff) Bradford in 1952/53

Highest Scorer Overall - 242 Geoffrey Reginald William (Geoff) Bradford from 1949 - 64

Player with most First Team Appearances - 546 Stuart Taylor from 1966 -80

Former Names

Black Arabs FC 1883 - 1884 Eastville Rovers, 1884 – 1897 Bristol Eastville Rovers 1897 – 1900

Colours







Former Grounds

St Johns Ground Purdown (1883/84)
The Acres Ashley Hill, Eastville (1884-91)
Schoolmaster Cricket Ground (1891/92)
Durdham Down (1892 – 94)
The Ridgeway (1894 – 96)
Eastville Stadium (Gasworks Park) 1896 - 1996
Twerton Park, Bath (1986 – 1996)

Ground Guide

The Memorial Ground where the club moved to the stadium in 1996 and two years later bought the ground from the then owners Bristol Rugby Club and although the Memorial Stadium has seen some changes since the Rovers took up residence, it still has the feel of a rugby ground about it.



The Main Stand

On one side is the West Stand, which with its pavilion looks more like a cricket stand and it has a row of hospitality boxes across the top, with a few rows of seats in front. Below is the

Paddock area of terrace. Just under this stand's roof is a television gantry and a small electric scoreboard. The stand runs for about half the length of the pitch and straddles the half way line.



West Stand

On one side of it, towards the Blackthorn end is a small covered terrace, used as a family area, whilst the other side has a small covered area of temporary seating, called the South West Stand. Opposite is the Uplands Stand, taller than the West Stand, but similar in length. This stand has covered seating to its rear and terracing at the front. It has open terracing to either side, one of which is given to away supporters. The team dug outs are located in front of this stand, although the dressing rooms are located behind the West Stand. This leads to quite a procession of players and officials at half time and full time.



North Stand (Patrick Snowsell)

At one end is the unusual looking South Stand. This was originally erected as a temporary stand, to fill the previously empty end. It has now been opened for a number of seasons now, although it still looks, with its green seats and bright white roof, more suitable for an outdoor show jumping competition than a football ground. The stand only runs for just over half the

width of the pitch, has several supporting pillars running across the front and has been nicknamed 'the tent' by Rovers fans. Opposite is the Blackthorn End, which is a covered terrace for home supporters.



Driving to the Ground



From the West/East

Whether you're coming from east or west exit the M4 at junction 19 and join the M32. Travel along the M32 for just over 3 miles until you reach junction 2. Here, exit the motorway and take the third exit signposted Horfield and Southmead and follow the road through a division and a roundabout both of which have clear signs reading Memorial Stadium. Once through this area you join Muller Road and you should continue to drive along it for over a mile until vou come to a signal-controlled crossroads. Signposted right is Horfield Health Centre and Library. At this junction ignore the sign and turn left into Filton Avenue where the ground is located almost immediately on the left.



From the North/South

Exit the M5 at junction 16 (Signposted A38 Thornbury and Filton). At the roundabout head right signposted A38 Filton and join the A38. Travel along the A38 (Gloucester Road) for 4.3 miles as you enter the outer suburbs of Bristol. On your trip you'll pass Filton Airport on your right, the Royal Mail sorting office, an American Golf retail outlet on your left and the Royal George and Wellington pubs. At a set of traffic lights immediately past a small shop called Satellite Warehouse and before Polypipe Timber take an unsigned left turn into Filton Avenue where you'll see the ground is on your right after just a couple of dozen yards.

Airport & Public Transport





18, 73, 74, X73, 319 and 460



5 mins

Take the train to **Bristol Parkway Railway Station** walk over to the bus station and take the **First Bus 460 bus** to Hornfield Common at Churchfield Avenue and its three-minute walk to the ground or **First Bus 18, 73, 74 X73 and 319** to Gloucester Road.









→ 5 mins

Take the train to **Bristol Temple Mead Railway Station** the **First Bus 8 9 & 70 buses** go to the ground get off at Gloucester Road and Filton Avenue.

Admission

South Stand,

East Stand (Terrace):

Adults £18 (B £16), Under 22's £14 (B £12) Over 65's/Under 16's £10 (B £8)

South Stand (Seated):

Adults £21 (B £19), Under 22's £17 (B £15) Over 65's/Under 16's £12 (B £10)

Where to have a Drink

The Queen Vic pub on the Gloucester Road, which is around a five minutes' walk from the ground, although it does get busy A nice little pub, and always welcoming from the Gas Heads for neutrals and away fans but not City fans.

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

Website: www.burtonalbionfc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00

Kit Manufacturer: TAG



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



North

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.



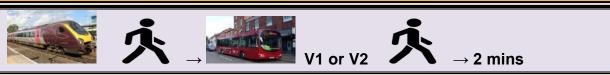
South

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



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.

Cambridge United

Ground - Abbey Stadium, Newmarket Road, Cambridge CB5 8LN

Main Telephone No: 01223 566 500

Fax No: 01223 729 220

Capacity: 9,617 (4,376 Seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 74 yards
Team Nickname: The U's

Year Ground Opened: 1931(Cambridgeshire Cricket Club)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Mick George Kit Manufacturer: Hummel

Website: www.cambridge-united.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1912

Years at Today's Ground – 83 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1971 for Bradford Park Avenue

First Official Floodlit Match – Sept 1963

Highest Attendance - 14,000 v Chelsea Friendly 01/05/1970

Highest Score for – 7 – 0 (v Weymouth, Conference Premier, March 2007, v Forest Green

Rovers, Conference Premier, September 2009

Highest Against - 0 - 7 v Sunderland, League Cup Second Round, 1/10/2002

Highest Scorer in a Season – 24 – David Crown in Division Four, 1985–86 **Highest Scorer Overall –** 319 JS Forfar from 1922 – 36 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 450 Steve Fallon 1974 – 86 with 27 goals

Former Names

Abbey United FC 1912 – 1951

Former Ground



Parkers Piece (1912 – 33) (The birth of Football Association Rules)

Colours



Ground Guide

The ground has four separate stands each with its own character. The big main stand dates back to the start of time and has been pencilled in for redevelopment in the past. The North

stand, also known as the Newmarket Road End is where the home fans congregate, with its social club in the corner.



Main Stand

Away fans are usually housed in the south stand known as The Marston's Smooth Stand which is an all-seated affair with a capacity of 1,600 which is quite uncommon within the lower leagues of English Football. The entrance to the away stand is located along a path through the common field, and once you are in the stand you will have decent views of the game with the stand being relatively modern.

For away fans The Earl of Beaconsfield Pub at 133 Mill Road with good food and an assortment of Ales and wines it's on the walk to the ground or The Devonshire Arms at 1 Devonshire Road pub shows BT & Sky Sports on large screens and has up to five real ales from the Milton Brewery; it is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide and The Kingston Arms at is a traditional pub award winning ales and first rate food in a cosy venue with beer and wines changing nearly every day to give you a more choice of what you would like to drink



South Stand

Driving to the Ground



From the North

Take the A1 to junction 14 at the Huntingdon Rd/A14 (signs for Cambridge/ A1307/ A10/ Ely/ Felixstowe/ Harwich) then drive for about three mile till you get to Murray College take a left into Victoria Road and follow the signs for the A1134 and at the roundabout take the third exit down Elizabeth Way then continue down to the next roundabout and take the first left down Newmarket Road then at the City Life Centre take a right up Coldhams Lane then at the roundabout go straight on and after the railway bridge take a left into Coldhams Road and leave the car there and walk back down to the Greyhound then walk to the lights and turn left and walk through the park under the railway bridge and follow the path to the ground.



From the South

Take the up the M11 until you reach junction 14. Take a turn onto the A14 East, passing the junction for Histon. Then exit the A14 at the fourth junction (situated east of Cambridge), up the slip road to the roundabout (signposted Stow-Cum-Quay). Turn right onto the A1303, and return westwards towards Cambridge. Go straight over the first roundabout, passing Marshall Airport to the left. Go straight over two sets of traffic lights to a roundabout.



The Ground's floodlights can be seen from here and McDonald's is on the right. Turn left onto the ring road. Turn right at the first roundabout (a large Sainsbury's is on the left here), and go along Coldhams Lane. After half a mile, immediately after the traffic lights (at the Greyhound Public House) turn right into Coldhams Road before the railway bridge.

There is no car parking at the ground and you will have to find a space in the nearby streets so park there and walk back down to the Greyhound then walk to the lights and turn left and walk through the park under the railway bridge and follow the path to the ground.

Public Transport & Walking







→ 2 mins

Train to Cambridge Railway Station then walk out of the station and at Stop 7 take the Stagecoach Cambridge Citi 3 to Ditton Walk on Newmarket Road it's a two-minute walk to the ground and get a Day rider ticket for £3.70

Admission

South Stand (Seating): Adults £19, Concessions £13, Under 18's £9 Habbin Terrace: Adults £16, Concessions £11, Under 18's £6

Charlton Athletic

Ground - The Valley, Floyd Road, Charlton, SE7 8BL

Main Telephone No: 020 8333 4000

Main Fax No: 020 8333 4001 Ticket Office: 0871 226 1905 Ticket Office Fax: 020 8333 4011

Capacity – 27,000

Pitch Size - 112 x 73 yards
Club Nickname: The Addicks
Year Ground Opened: 1919
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Spansors: KV

Shirt Sponsors: KV Kit Manufacturer: Nike Website: www.cafc.co.uk

Programme: £3



Colours



Alternative Away

History Facts & Records

Founded – 1905

Years at Today's Ground – off and on around 100 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1921 from Southern Football League Founder Member of Division Three South

First Official Floodlit Match - September 1961

Highest Attendance – 75,031 v Aston Villa FA Cup Fifth Round 12/02/1938

Highest Score for – 8 – 1 v Middlesbrough Division One 12/09/53

Highest Against – 1 – 11 v Aston Villa Division Two 14/11/59

Highest Scorer in a Season - Ralph Allan 33 in 1934/35 season

Highest Scorer Overall - Derek David Hales 168 from 1973 - 76 & 1978 -85

Player with most First Team Appearances - Samuel Bartram 623 from 1934 - 56

Former Grounds

Siemens Meadow Woolwich (1905 - 07),

Woolwich Common (1907 – 09)

Pound Park (1909 – 13),

Horn Lane Greenwich (1913 – 19),

The Valley (1919 - 23), (1924 - 85)

The Mount Ringstead Road Catford (1923/24),

Selhurst Park (1985 – 1992)

Boleyn Ground (1992)

Ground Guide

The club first move to the Valley Ground in 1919 and at one time had a capacity of 75,000 which was exceeded in 1938 in a FA Cup against Aston Villa when 75,031 watched the match but by the 1980's the old ground needed repair but there was no money at the club the club moved to Crystal Palace FC ground of Selhurst Park for the 1985-86.



West Stand

The club moved back to the Valley in 1992 and the club redeveloped the East Stand was constructed during the 1993–94 season and fully completed in 1994. As part of the first development to the ground and it replaced the massive east terrace, which had remained closed and prohibited from use since the mid-1980s after the Bradford City stadium fire. The East Stand consists of a single tier of 6,000 seats and houses the television gantry, and also has numerous executive boxes. Occasionally, for FA and League Cup matches, part of the East Stand is used to house away supporters if the demand for away team tickets is high.



East Stand

The West Stand with a capacity of 9,000 was built in 1998 after Charlton's first promotion to the Premier League and is also two tiered. This is the main stand at the Valley with the largest capacity, and also houses the club's offices, as well as the director's box, board room dugouts, changing rooms and the commercial centre (ticket office). There are also many conferencing rooms in this stand which are used for official and community events.

The North Stand with a capacity of 9,000 was built as a replacement for the 'covered end', and is still called by this name. It was built during the 2001–02 season as part of the developments to bring the Valley's capacity to 26,500 after promotion to the Premier League in 2000. The North Stand houses what is considered the most vocal supporters in the ground, along with restaurants and executive suites?

The Jimmy Seed (or South) Stand is the oldest part of the ground, and dates from the early 1980s. This stand is named after Charlton's manager, Jimmy Seed – with whom Charlton won the FA Cup in 1947. This stand has a capacity of around 3,000 and hosts the away supporters at games. It is also the only part of the Valley with a supporting pillar.

The stadium doesn't have any floodlight pylons as such, but has rows of small floodlights running across the tops of the stands with the stadium is overlooked by a block of flats at the South Stand and it is not uncommon to see fans out on their balconies watching the game for nothing.

In one corner of the stadium between the Jimmy (South) Seed & East Stands is a large video screen. Outside the ground there is a statue of Charlton's legendary former goalkeeper Sam Bartram.



Jimmy Seed Stand (Away End)

Driving to the Ground



Exit M25 at junction 2 and follow until the road becomes A102 (M). Continue along to the A102 (M), until you reach the exit sign posted Woolwich Ferry. Turn right onto the A206 Woolwich Road. At the first set of traffic lights turn right and Floyd Road is the 2nd turning on the left.

Parking at the ground is for permit holders only. There is street parking, but due to a local residents parking scheme, not in close vicinity to the ground. However, as you come off the A2 onto the A206, there is some parking to be had around the industrial estates in the area, in Westmoor Street, Eastmoor Street (the very road where the club was apparently formed 100 years ago!), Warspite Road and Ruston Road. If you are coming up the Woolwich Road from the Blackwell Tunnel, then as you go past the ground, the industrial estates are on the left-hand side.

Public Transport



From Charing Cross, Euston and Kings Cross Railway Stations then then walk over to the Underground station take the Northern Line direct to London Bridge Underground Station then then walk over to the railway station then Southern trains to Charlton Railway Station from Platform 1 and come out of the station into Charlton Church Lane and cross over to the other side and turn right into Valley Grove.



From the north take the train to **Luton Railway Station** then take the Thameslink Northern TI take it to the **Farrington Railway Station** then take the **Elizabeth Line to Woolwich Railway Station** then take a left and walk up to **Woolwich Arsenal Railway Station** from Platform 1 and take it to **Charlton Railway Station** come out of the station into Charlton Church Lane and cross over to the other side and turn right into Valley Grove.



For those coming from East Anglia alight at **Stratford Railway Station** and walk over to the **Stratford DLR Station** and take this to **Woolwich Arsenal DLR** then cross over to the Rail station and take the train to **Charlton Railway Station** and do the return it will save you waiting in the queue for those heading into central London and you will get home quicker.

From the west change at **Reading Railway Station** take the Elizabeth Line to **Woolwich Railway Station** take a left and walk up to **Woolwich Arsenal Railway Station** from Platform 1 and take it to **Charlton Railway Station** come out of the station into Charlton Church Lane and cross over to the other side and turn right into Valley Grove.

Admission

Adults £30 (£25), Over 60's £22 (£20), Under 18's £10, Under 11's £5

Where to have a Drink

The Antiglycan pub was the dedicated pubs for away fans but closed in 2018 for the away fans coming through Woolwich Railway Station then use the Gun Pit on the way to Woolwich Arsenal Railway Station for those using London Bridge Railway Station then use The Telephone Exchange in Quirk Street or Whisky Gin on Borough High Street both only 5 minutes from the station decent pint and grub and from Stratford Railway Station there is the Neighbourhood, Taps East, Milkmade and Bat and ball pubs all within 6 minutes of the station.

The Rose of Denmark 296 Woolwich Road is a very attractive looking pub. The pub is Charlton Athletic through and through, but don't let that put you off - it's a welcoming place for the neutral don't wear a scarf; there are three large television screens showing sporting events.

Crawley Town

Ground - Broadfield Stadium, Brighton Road, Crawley, RH11 9RX

Main Telephone No: 01293 410 000

Fax No: 01293 410 002

Capacity: 6,000 (3,295 Seated)
Pitch Size: 110 x 72 yards
Year Ground Opened: 1997

Team Nickname: The Red Devils

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Peoples Pension

Kit Manufacturer: Erra

Website: www.crawleytownfc.com

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded - 1890

Years at Today's Ground - 19 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2010

First Official Floodlit Match - October 1974 Town Mead

Highest Attendance – 5,808 v Reading FA Cup Third Round 05/01/2013

Highest Score for - 18 - 1 Andover Athletic Sussex Cup Round Three 1/1/1898

Highest Against – 1-16 v Hastings Rock (Hastings United) Sussex Cup Round Three 1/1/1902

Highest Scorer in a Season – 32 Terry Robbins 1984/85

Highest Scorer Overall - 89 Terry Robbins 1984 - 86

Player with most First Team Appearances - 448 Clifford Gant 1920 - 36

Former Grounds

Jordans Field (1896/97) Malthouse Farm (1897 – 1898) Malthouse Meadow (1898 – 1949) Town Mead (1948 – 1997)

Colours



Ground Guide

This Red Devils moved from Town Mead where they had played since 1948 to the new Broadfield Stadium which was opened in 1997. The stadium is dominated by the good sized West Stand on one side and runs for about two thirds the length of the pitch. It is raised above pitch level meaning that fans have to climb a small flight of stairs at the front to enter the seated area. The stand also has windshields to either side, plus three unusual looking floodlight pylons on its roof with a capacity of 1,150 seats.



The Main Stand and North Stand

Opposite is the new East Stand which was opened in April 2012. This semi-permanent all seated stand, accommodates 2,145 spectators in 12 rows of seating. The stand does though have a fair few supporting pillars running across the front of it that could impede your view. A pair of new floodlight pylons has also been erected to either side of the stand adding the lighting pylons on the West Stand.



The East Stand

The North & South ends are virtually identical; with Away fans are accommodated up to 1,750 in the North End. Both the North & South covered terraces that extend around both corners of the ground towards the West Stand, enclosing the stadium at those points. The stadium perimeter is surrounded on two sides by a number of trees and the club have raised the capacity to 6,134.

A range of Pies comes from the local supplier 'The Real Pie Company'. Priced at £3, they include a Chicken Balti Pie, Steak & Guinness Pie and a 'Monthly special' pie. There also offer Meat Pasties (£3), plus Cheese and Onion Pasties (£3). Additionally, you can buy 1/2 lb Double Burgers (£5.50 or with cheese £6), 1/4 lb Burgers (£4 or with cheese £4.50) and Jumbo Hot Dogs (£4). Although its best to go to BB Bakeries in the County Hall Mall there range of food and you get a good cup of tea or coffee.

For Away Fans the Half Moon pub on Brighton Road (A2219), this is about a five minute walk away you pass it on the way to the ground if walking. Another on the way down is The Downsman, which is on Wakehurst Drive, just off Southgate Avenue' If you are looking for a warm, friendly atmosphere, good fantastic food, then the Downsman is a perfect place for you to visit.

Driving Directions



From the M25 At junction 7, take the M23 (South) exit to Brighton/ Gatwick Airport. At the end of the M23 (before it becomes the A23) leave the motorway at the last exit, Junction 11 (Signposted A264 Horsham, Pease Pottage Services). At the roundabout at the end of the motorway slip road take the fourth exit onto the Brighton Road/ A23 going towards Crawley. The ground is down on the left just before the next roundabout. It is a little obscured by trees, so look for the large red and white football on the roundabout itself and you will see the stadium entrance. Turn left at the roundabout and then left again for the stadium car park, which costs £2. And there is an overflow car park in the offices at Broadfield Park, accessible from the A23 as you come down the hill from the motorway or otherwise street parking.

Public Transport & Walking







 \rightarrow 3 mins

Train to **Crawley Railway Station** and is just over a mile away from the stadium. The bus station is across the road, you can take a **Fastway bus number 10** to the ground with a three minute walk through the car park.

Admission

Adults £20, Over 65's/ Under 21's £13, Under 18's £4,

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.





ightarrow 8 mins

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 200yards 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



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



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'.



Tommy Johnston (South Stand)

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 west Stand (nickname the office Block)

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).



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









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.

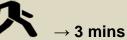




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The Alternative to is to take the Underground to **Walthamstow Central Underground Station** walk one minute to the bus station and take the London Bus 58 or 69 to Coronation Gardens on Buckingham Road then cross the road and turn right walk down Buckingham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

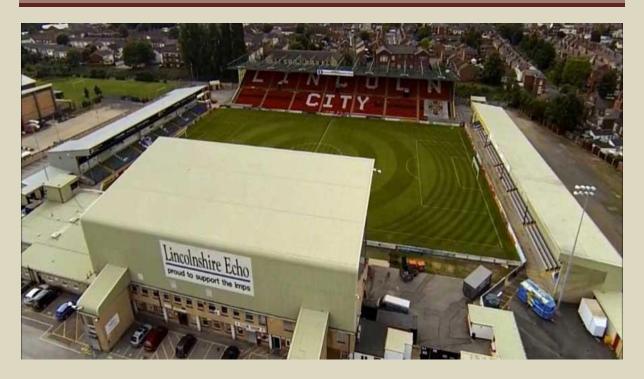
Lincoln City

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.

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



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

Colours



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 Ian 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





→ 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



Big ME aerial

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

Former Grounds

County Ground (1897 - 1994)



Colours



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.

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.



New Moy End (Motorpoint Stand)

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





 \rightarrow 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

Reading

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

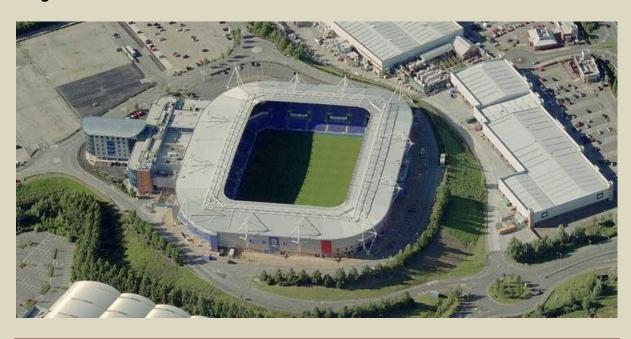
Main Telephone No: 0118 968 1100

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







→ 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

Shrewsbury Town

Ground - Greenhouse Meadow (The New Meadow), Oteley Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ST

Main Telephone No: 01743 289177

Fax No: 01743 246972 **Ticket Office**: 01743 273943 **Capacity**: 9,875 (all seated) **Pitch Size**: 115 x 77 yards

Team Nicknames: Shrews, Salop, Town or Blues

Year Ground Opened: 2007 Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Tuffins, Shropshire Homes

Kit Manufacturer: Errea

Website: www.shrewsburytown.com

Programme: £3.00



History Facts & Records

Founded – 1886

Years at Today's Ground – 7 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1950

First Official Floodlit Match – November 1959 Gay Meadow

Highest Attendance - 18,417 v Walsall Third Division 26 April 1961

Highest Score for - 21-0 v Mold Alyn Stars, Welsh FA Cup 1st round, 27 October 1894

Highest Against – 0–13 Small Heath XI, Birmingham League, 25 December 1895

Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall – 38: Arthur Rowley in 1958–59 & 152 goals from 1958–65 in 200 appearances

Player with most First Team Appearances – 418: (Sir) Mickey Brown from 1986–91, 1992–94 and 1996–2001 with 36 goals

Former Grounds

Racecourse Ground, Monkmoor 1886–1889 Ambler's Field, Copthorne 1889–1893 Sutton Lane, Sutton Farm 1893–1895 Barrack's Ground, Copthorne 1895–1910 Gay Meadow, Abbey Foregate 1910–2007 **

Colours



Ground Guide

The stadium was constructed by Hall Construction, a construction company who have built several Football League stadia and grandstands. It currently has a capacity of 9,875 seated spectators, accommodated in four stands having played at Gay Meadow in the Town since 1910.



West Stand

In addition, there are several corporate and hospitality suites, which the club uses both on match days and for general community use, therefore assisting the club in gaining revenue. Following consultation with supporters' groups, the stadium consists of blue seating, with the club's initials (STFC) spelt out in amber on each side of the ground. This is following considerable outcry when the club initially stated that seating would consist of the club's original blue and white colour scheme. Despite originally being blue and white, the club has adopted a distinctive blue and amber colour scheme since the 1970s, which many supporters feel is a unique and distinctive part of the club.



Pro Vision Stand (North Stand)

Like many modern football grounds, the ground has 'cashless turnstiles', meaning that no payments are accepted on the turnstile itself. To obtain access to the ground, non-season ticket holding spectators must purchase a ticket from the club in advance of the game, or on the day from ticket booths situated at the ground (away fans have their own designated ticket booth).

Town own the New Meadow, using the money raised selling the Gay Meadow to property developers to finance the purchase of the land and construction of the new stadium. The East and West stands face the length of the pitch; the South and North stands face onto the ends of the pitch. All stands are fully seated and covered; each stand also has its own catering (<u>licensed</u>) and at present the stands are detached from one another.



Each of the stands are simple single tiered stands, and each of the stands are 18 rows high, with Roland Wycherley Stand the East stand on one side, being the 'Main Stand', named after the present chairman; includes his stand has a slightly different layout to the others with a press area and eight corporate boxes at its rear, club offices, club shop, etc. and is entered through seating blocks 1-7.

The Salop Leisure Stand which is the South stand behind the goal, named after a local business sponsor entered by seating blocks 8-12 with the Pro-Vision CCTV Stand" - the North Stand which is opposite which is given in whole to the away supporters; also has the media box, resulting in fewer seats than the South stand and accessed by seating blocks 20-24.

An unusual feature of the stadium is that the areas for disabled fans are high up at the very back of the stands and are accessed by lifts and there is also a small electric scoreboard next to the away end.

For Away fans the Brooklands Pub on Mill Road if you're walking to the grounds then use the **Prince of Wales** 30 Brynner Street following the directions above then on Belle Vue Road take a first left down Trinity Street and third left in Brynner Street.

Very friendly community type pub, quite busy for a Saturday afternoon and it was lovely to sit outside on the decking area overlooking the bowling green. We tried the Hobsons Mild which was a bit too cold but the Salopian Golden Thread and the St Austell Tribute were both very good. Great beer, nice atmosphere and seemed to have a good following of regulars

From here to the ground then it walks to the end of the Street turn right walk down Sutton Lane over the railway bridge and at the main roundabout turn right and walk up to the next roundabout Mole Brace take the first left into Oteley Road and at the lights walk across the road then take the road to the ground.

Driving Directions



At the end of the M54 continue onto the A5. After about seven miles, there is a roundabout take the first exit following the A5. At the next roundabout take the third exit onto Thieves Lane. Continue along Thieves Lane going straight over two roundabouts and this will lead you into Oteley Road. At the lights take the left-hand lane up to the ground.

There is a large car park at the stadium, holding almost 700 cars; however, this is for permit holders only although if you are early you may be admitted for £7! Parking is prohibited in the nearby Retail Park and nearby streets, check though for any parking restrictions detailed on posts, before parking up. The best place to park is at the car park at the Meole Brace Bowling Club, which is at Meole Rise (Off Upper Road, SY3 9JF) which cost £5 per car and has a bar on site too. You just walk up Upper Road to the end and take a left walk down to the roundabout and take the second exit right and at the lights cross the road and walk up to the ground its 15 minute walk.

Public Transport & Walking





→ 5 mins



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→ 8 mins

Train to **Shrewsbury Railway Station** walk five minutes to the town centre bus station and from Stop C take the **Arriva in the Midlands 27 or 544** bus goes to BP Garage Meole Brace at the roundabout for it round and take the road sign for the Stadium and after the railway bridge to the ground which is on the right at the lights at Lidel.

Admission

North Stand:

Adults £24

Over 65's £17

Students £15

under 16's £11

under 11's £5

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 halfway 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.

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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.

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





\rightarrow 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

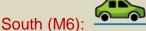
Edgeley Park has 11,000 all seated capacity. The large Cheadle End Stand which towers over the rest of the stadium and was opened at the beginning of the 1995-96 season is two-tiered, covered and all seated and it has a large lower tier, with a smaller upper tier above. Opposite, is the Railway End,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



Cheadle Park End

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.

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)



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Main Stand



North (M62 from Leeds):

Follow the M62 onto the M60 and continue south. Exit the M60 at Junction 1 ('sign-posted Stockport Town centre') At the roundabout turn right and continue through to the second set of lights and turn left (ignoring the sign directing you to Stockport County) and follow the road 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.

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







 \rightarrow 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

Wrexham

Ground - Racecourse Ground, Mold Road, Wrexham, LL11 2AH

Main Telephone No: 01978 262 129
Capacity: 10,500* (All seated)
Team Nickname: Red Dragons
Year Ground Opened: 1864
Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Expedia
Kit Manufacturer: kappa

First Kit: Red Shirt with White Shorts and red and white socks

Away Kit: Green shirts white shorts Red socks

Website: www.wrexhamafc.co.uk

Programme: £3



Ground Guide

The Racecourse has a a large home terrace, which was the Kop Terrace and is in the process of a new stand being built, the stadium also has a blend of the old and the new, with the Mold Road Stand, having a modern interesting design.



University Stand

At the other end is the Glyndwr University Stand is a two-tiered stands, and all seated, it also has an electric scoreboard on its roof. On one side is the Yale Stand and got its name from the Yale College, which was situated behind this stand and is given to the Away fans are now housed in the upper tier of the Stand, at one side of the pitch, towards the Glyndwr University Stand. It is a fair sized two-tiered stands, which is now all seated, having previously had terracing at the front. Opposite is the Mold Road Stand, this side of the ground has been unused it is semi-circular in design with a capacity of 3,500 seats and features an unusual roof design.



Driving to the Ground



Take the M6 to Junction 20A on to the M65 for North Wales/ Chester then at Junction 15 take the exit for Chester/ Wrexham then continue on to the A55 and at Junction 38 take the A483 towards Wrexham (this is the Wrexham by-pass). Leave the A483 at Junction 15 on to the A541 Mold Road. At the roundabout take the first exit on to Mold Road then go straight through the next roundabout and the ground is 200 yards from this junction on the left.





Take the M54 from the M6 (Junction 10A Northbound). Follow the M54 to the end of the motorway and join the A5 towards Shrewsbury. Continue on the A5 past Shrewsbury and Oswestry and then join the A483 towards Wrexham. Stay on the A483 as you reach Wrexham (this is the Wrexham by-pass). Leave the A483 at Junction 15 on to the A541 Mold Road. At the roundabout take the first exit on to Mold Road then go straight through the next roundabout and the ground is 200 yards from this junction on the left. There is also parking available at the nearby Glyndwr University (£3) or NEWI on the Plas Coch Retail Park which cost £2



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Public Transport & Walking





2 minutes

Train to Wrexham Railway Station is located next to the ground and is a two-minute walk to the ground.

Admission

Adults £22, Over 60's/Under 21's £12, Over 80's/Under 16's £9,

Where to Drink

The Plas Cochis a restaurant type pub, with a large beer garden, that is located past the ground going away from the town centre, near to the Sainsburys Petrol Station. It is about a five-minute walk away from the stadium'. The pub is on the Plas Coch Retail Park opposite NEWI, where you can also park for the afternoon, at a cost of £2.

The Golden Lion in Chester Road where the local beer from the Sandstone Brewery, Plassey Brewery and Wrexham Lager Brewery or on Hope Street is the Horse and Jockey which is

Wrexham's oldest surviving pub friendly conversation can always be found beneath the timbers of this historic inn in another fantastic oldstyle traditional pub.

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



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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

Former Grounds

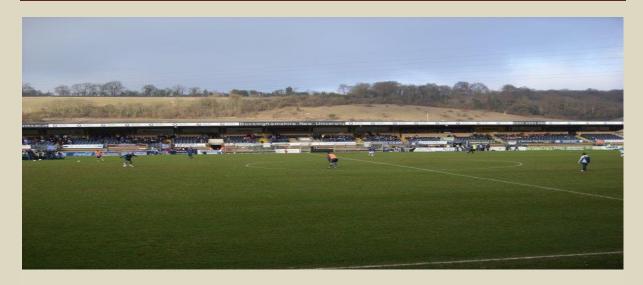
The Rye (1887 – 91)
High Wycombe Cricket Ground (1891 – 94)
Spring Meadow (1894 – 95)
Loakes Park (1895 – 1990) **

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



32



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