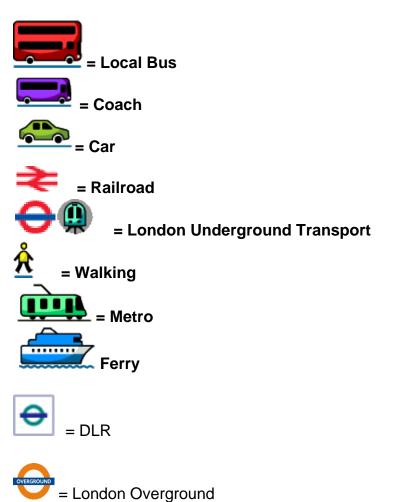
# National League 2024/25



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Here new guide book to the football grounds of the Football National League, the guide this year incorporates what transport you can use and how to get there by the quickest way although it may be different from your area and this guide was incorporated with the Non-League to Level 5 to Level 6 of the League Pyramid. We also have a the extreme Ground hoppers guide on Level 1 to 12 from doing the 92 which has been updated for the 2024/25 and that is in its 50 year.

The symbols are:



John Aitken The Editor

Front Cover - The Dolls House Bradford Park Avenue FC



Promotion to the Football League Division Two and bottom four relegated to either National League South or National League North Leagues

# **AFC Fylde**

Ground - Mill Farm Sports Village, Coronation Way, Wesham PR4 3JZ

Telephone - 01772 682593
Capacity: 6,000 (2000 seated)
Team Nickname: The Coasters
Year Ground Opened: 2016
Pitch Size: 110 x 75 yards
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Vet Plus

**Kit Manufacturer**: Under Armour **First Kit**: All White with dark blue trim

Away Kit: Orange shirts black shorts Orange and black socks

Website: www.afcfylde.co.uk

Programme: £3



# **Ground Guide**

The new ground was officially opened on 5 August 2016. When they moved four miles from there old ground which was a surprise after they had turned their old ground from a field into a National League ground but the club aspire to get to the Football League.



They sold off part of the stands and seats to local football and hockey clubs, The thing that strikes you about the new Mill Farm Stadium, it certainly has not been built 'on the cheap.'



Although currently with structures only on three sides, with the North End just having a small open flat standing area, there is plenty of space at that end for future expansion. The stadium is dominated on one side by the large Main Stand, which towers over the rest of the stadium. With a capacity of 2,000 seats, housed within a single tier, the stand is covered by a large

roof, which is semi-circular in appearance. The roof is placed quite high above the seating area, as above the seating section, there are two floors fronted by large glass windows. These areas are surrounded by black cladding, whilst further above there is a large clock, flanked in large white lettering; spelling out AFC Fylde.

Opposite is a small covered terrace, which runs the full length of the pitch. In keeping with the design of the Main Stand, it also has a curved roof. What is most striking feature of this side are the four large curved floodlight pylons that extend from behind the stand over the roof. These are quite unusual seemed to resemble a wave in outline. The remaining end is a fair sized covered terrace that like the rest of the ground is free any supporting pillars meaning that you can get a good view of the playing action.

Most fans are housed in the South Stand but are given Block A in the Main Stand if the support is big and have electronic ticket gates with food in the ground

# **Driving to the Ground**



Leave the M55 at Junction 3 and take the A585 towards Kirkham. After one mile you will reach the Mill Farm Stadium on your right. The entrance to the complex is just off the roundabout by the Aldi store. There is a fair-sized car park at the stadium itself. Don't be tempted to park in the nearby Aldi Store as parking restrictions during the day if full go down past the cemetery and park on Mowbeck Way.

# **Public Transport & Walking**



Take Northern trains to **Kirkham & Wesham Railway Station** and then walk 800 yards to the ground straight up Fleetwood Road and when you get to the roundabout go straight on past Aldi and the ground is on the left or take the **Preston Bus 76** from outside the station which drops you outside the ground.

#### Admission

Adults £15 OAP's/Students £9 Under 16's £6

## **Where to Drink**

The Royal Oak and the Stanley serve good pub and has a good stock of beers. The food inside the ground is well priced and of excellent quality

# **Aldershot Town**

Ground - ESS Stadium (The Recreation Ground), High St, Aldershot, GU11 1TW

Main Telephone No: 01252 320 211

**Fax No**: 01252 324 347

Capacity: 7,100 (Seated 2,136)
Team Nickname: The Shots
Year Ground Opened: 1926
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Bridges
Kit Manufacturer: Adidas

First Kit: Blue and Red stripes with Blue Shorts and blue socks

Away Kit: White shirts blue shorts Red and blue socks

Website: www.theshots.co.uk

Programme: £3



#### **Ground Guide**

The interior of the ground hasn't changed since the days of Aldershot FC who went bust in 1992. A new Club was born a few weeks later called Aldershot Town, who took over the Recreation Ground.



The ground has plenty of trees visible around its perimeter boundary and on the side is the North End is the Main Stand, which was built in the late 1930's. This is partly covered to the rear, having small sets of steps in front of it. It once was all terraces, but a number of seats have now been added to the middle portion of the stand, with terrace still present on either side.



Opposite is the South Stand, which is another covered seated stand, which looks a lot more modern than its age suggests (it was built in 1929). This stand only runs for around the half the length of the pitch, sitting astride the halfway line.

At one end is the East Bank covered terrace. This stand has a classic looking barrel shaped roof and has a number of supporting pillars running across the front of it.



Opposite is the High Street End. Until 2013 this area was unused for spectators having just a narrow path and some advertising hoardings. However to help the Club comply with League rules stipulating the number of seats that a ground must have, then a small prefabricated covered area was erected on one side of this end (towards the Main Stand).

Called the Community Stand it comprises just four rows of seats and only runs from the corner flag to the goal area. It has a total seating capacity of 250. On the other side of this end is a two storey green portakabin that serves as a Police Control Box, otherwise this end is unused for spectators.



The ground benefits from an impressive set of floodlights and in September 2013 the ground was renamed the Electrical Services Stadium in a three year corporate sponsorship deal.

# **Driving to the Ground**





From M25 Junction 10 then take A3 towards Guildford. At Guildford, turn off onto the A31 (Hog's Back) leading to Farnham (the exit is on the crest of a hill just past BP garage). From the A31 Hog's Back, take the A331 towards Camberley and turn off at Aldershot (the first exit). Follow the A323 towards Aldershot town centre, and once past Manor Park (on the left) continue on under the bridge. The Recreation Ground is just past the bridge on the right.

# South



Leave the M3 at Junction 4 and take the A331 towards Farnborough/Aldershot. Continue towards Aldershot passing the North Camp turn off. At the next junction (Aldershot South) turn right at the roundabout towards Aldershot Town Centre (A323). Keep straight on this road and after going under a railway bridge, the ground is visible on your right.

#### South West



Take the A358 then the A303 and just past Popham Airfield merge onto the A30 then the A3 just before junction 6 and follow the above directions from the south

# **Public Transport**



Take the South West Trains to **Aldershot Railway Station** which is less than a ten minute walk away from the ground. Upon leaving the train station, go down the station approach and turn right into Arthur Street. Continue down Arthur Street, then turn right into Victoria Road, at the bottom of the road you will see floodlights of the Recreation Ground in front of you cross over the High Street at the pedestrian crossing the ground is in front of you. Or you can go down Windsor Way into Victoria Street.

#### Admission

Adults £17,

Concessions £13,

Under 16's £9,

Under 16's £6

Family Tickets: 1 Adult + 1 under 16's £20, 1 Adult + 2 under 16's £23

## Where to Drink Locally

The Beehive Aldershot is an away friendly pub is located at 264 High Street three minutes from the station just turn right and walk down the High Street friendly staff and decent food

The Crimea Inn on Crimea Rd is 200 yards away from the Station Friendly family run pub close to the football ground with a pool table, 2-3 ales on tap and well-priced pub grub available.

# **Altrincham**

Ground - Moss Lane Altrincham, Cheshire WA15 8AP

Telephone - 0161 928 1045 Capacity: 6,085 (1,154 seated) Year Ground Opened: 1910 Team Nickname: The Robins

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: J Davidson Scrap Metal

Kit Manufacturer: Adidas

First Kit: White and Red stripes with Black Shorts and blue socks

**Away Kit**: Yellow shirts Black shorts Red and White socks **Third Kit**: Grey shirts Black shorts Red and White socks

Website: www.Altrinchamfc.com

Programme: £3



## **Ground Guide**

The ground has a capacity for 6,085 of which over the ground there are 1135 seats the Golf End and opposite the stand at The Popular End have covered enclosure that runs the full length of the pitch, made unusual by having a section in the middle that has a higher roof compared to either side beside the stand but the Moss Lane is uncovered but there are plans to cover this with a seated stand to bring capacity up. If it's a local derby match and the Police ask on segregation then the Away fans get the Hale End and part of the main stand in the ground.

# **Driving to the Ground**



#### From The South:

Leave the M6 at Junction 19, and take the A556 towards Manchester Airport. At the large roundabout junction with the M56, turn right onto the M56, still heading towards Manchester Airport then leave at Junction 6 and take the A538 towards Hale Barns/Altrincham. After two miles you will go through the traffic lights that is the junction with the A5144 Delahays Road. After these traffic lights take the third right into Westminster Road. Carry straight on down Westminster Road, which becomes Bancroft Road and then Moss Lane. The ground is down on the right.

#### From The North:



Leave the M6 at Junction At junction 30, exit onto M61 toward Manchester/ Bolton/ Leeds/ Blackburn/ M62/ M65 Keep right at the fork, follow signs for M60/ M62/ M6/ Ring Road West/ Ring Road South/ Manchester Airport/Trafford Park/ Liverpool/ Birmingham and merge onto M60 At junction 5, exit onto Princess Parkway/A5103 toward Chester/ Birmingham/ M6/M56/Manchester Airport then take the A560 ramp to Sharston/ Altrincham/ Baguley.



**Main Stand** 

At the roundabout, take the third exit onto Altrincham Rd/A560 at the second roundabout take a left into Thorley Lane then after one roundabout take the second on the right into Grove Road and at the crossroads take a right into Moss Lane the ground is on the left. There is limited parking at the ground so find a place in the local streets around the ground.



Golf Road End

# **Public Transport**



Train to Manchester Piccadilly Railway Station then walk out to Piccadilly Metro Stop and take the Purple Line Tram to Altrincham Metro Stop walk down to the next junction then turn left into Cross Street over the bridge past Tesco walk straight down the road its about 20 minutes the ground is on the left.

#### **Admission**

Adults £15 Over 65's/Students £10 Under 16's £5

## Where to Drink

The George Hotel in Moss Lane is the best of both worlds good food and is close to the ground about five minutes. Other good pubs not far from the ground are The Victoria at 29 Stamford Street, Station Hotel at 44 Stamford New Road and The Slug & Lettuce at 31 Stamford New Road all sell a good range of beers and ciders as well as wine.

# **Barnet**

Ground - The Hive London Camrose Avenue, Edgware, HA8 6AG

**Main Telephone No** - 020 8381 3800

Capacity: 5,634 (Seats 3.434)

Team Nickname: Bees

Year Ground Opened: 2013

Pitch Size: 102m x 66m Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Cannon Kit Manufacturer: jako

**First Kit**: Gold Shirt with Black Shorts and black socks **Away Kit**: White shirts White shorts White socks

Website: www.barnetfc.co.uk

Programme: £3



# **History Facts & Records**

**Founded** - 1888

First Admitted to the Football League - 1991

First Official Floodlit Match – August 1976 Underwood Park

**Highest Attendance –** 11,026 v Wycombe Wanderers FA Amateur Cup 4th round 1951–52

**Underwood Park** 

**Highest Score for –** 7-0 v Wycombe Wanderers Conference League 15/9/87, 7-0 Blackpool Division Three 11/11/2000

Highest Against - 1-9 Peterborough United Division Three 5/9/1998

**Highest Scorer in a Season –** 56 Arthur Morris in Athenian League 1929/30

Highest Scorer Overall - 413 Arthur Morris 1927 - 36

Player with most First Team Appearances - 648 Leslie (Les) Eason 1965 - 78

## **Ground Guide**

The Hive Stadium first opened in 2013, and had been home to Barnet Football Club ever since. Capable of accommodating 5,634 supporters including 3,434 of those seated have spent 106 years at Underwood Park.

The stadium itself is located within a sizeable park/playing fields area, with a London Underground line running behind one side of the ground on a raised embankment. When walking down through the park towards the stadium from the direction of Canons Park station, then you can see the Arch over Wembley Stadium in the far distance.



On one side of the ground is the West Stand which is the largest at the ground and is all seated single tiered stand that houses just fewer than 2,700 fans. On the opposite side is the East Stand. It is an office building that has had its roof extended outwards towards the pitch, and then had six rows of seats installed in front of it, leaving a large back wall exposed of the office building. Oddly the roof doesn't extend the whole length of the stand, meaning that some of these seats are uncovered.

Both sides of the stadium have small electronic scoreboards mounted at the back. At the South End of the ground is a small covered terrace which is only a few rows high and has a capacity of around 800..The Hive Stadium is completed with a set of odd looking floodlights.

The new North Stand with 1,890 people covered where the away fans will be housed permanent with part of the main stand if the opposition is big enough but it will only be two sections.



**North Terrace** 

# **Driving to the Ground**

## North



Take the M1 to Junction 4 onto Edgware Way/ Watford By-Pass/ A41 Harrow/ Edgware then after a mile take the third exit at the roundabout onto Spur Road and then at the next roundabout take the first exit onto Stonegrove Drive the High Street to the lights at the crossroads just before the Community Hospital (on the Left) there take a right into Camrose Avenue the entrance to the ground is on the right and is signposted Barnet Training ground and take the road up between the houses.

## South/South West



From the South take the M25 to Junction and join the M4 and from the South West take the M4 and from there take junction 3 of the M4 take the A312 exit to Harrow/ Hayes/ Hounslow/ Heathrow Airport then at the roundabout take the first exit onto the Parkway.

Follow the A312 through the next five roundabouts till you get to Northolt Park Station take the right fork into Northolt Road (A349) go straight on at the next two roundabouts following the A349 to Harrow on the Hill just before the rail station at the Hill roundabout take the second exit into Lowlands Road and continue down this road past the hospital and University of Westminster Campus (on the right) to Gayton Roundabout there take the second exit into Kenton Road after a mile and a half you will come to traffic lights with Magnet showroom on your left take a left into Charlton Road.

At the next roundabout keep to the right hand lane and take the third exit into Taunton Road this becomes Camrose Avenue and the ground is signposted on the left so take a left down to the training ground

# **Public Transport & Walking**



The nearest tube station to the ground is **Cannons Gate Underground Station** on the Jubilee Line turn left and walk down Whitechurch Lane after 200 yards cross the road take the path between the houses down past the Training pitches to The Hive which is on the right and the entrance to the ground is just past the banquet hall.



East Stand

#### **Admission**

Adults £17, Concessions £13, Under 12's £8

#### Where to Get a Drink

Take a right out of Cannons Gate station and few yards is Moranos a family oriented Irish pub with good food and friendly staff and there are 6 pubs on Edgware High Street will meet any neutral or away supporter.

Away supporters are treated to their own bar within the stadium, behind the Main Stand. This spacious well-presented bar which serves real ale has screens showing BT & Sky Sports and

serves food such as chilli and rice. The bar is open throughout the game and for a short time after the final whistle.

# **Boston United**

Ground - The Jakemans Community Stadium Pilgrim Way Boston PE21 7NE

Telephone No: 01205 364406 Team Nickname: The Pilgrims Year Ground Opened: 2023

Ground Capacity: 6,000 (3,000 Seated)

Pitch Size: 110 x 78 yards Undersoil Heating: Yes

**Shirt Sponsors**: Kia Drayton Motors

Kit Manufacturer: Adidas

First Kit: Gold & Black Shirts Black Shorts Black Socks Away Kit: White Shirts Black Shorts Black Socks

Website: www.Bostonunited.com

Programme: £3.00



## **Ground Guide**

After 130 years Boston moved out of the old ground and have moved to a purpose-built ground with a 3,000 seated stand with three small covered stand ends with the away end when

finished will be beside the Costa Coffee shop end which is the Southern end of the ground with the home at the North end with both sets of fans if need sharing the river end.

# **Driving to the Ground**





Travel down the A1 and take the exit for Coddington, at the t Junction turn left for Coddington, at the Winthorpe roundabout take the third exit ono the A17, just before Swineshead Bridge take a left onto the A1121, at the roundabout take the third exit onto Broadsides, then second exit at the next roundabout onto the A52, then cross the river and take the first exit at the next roundabout onto West End Road, just past Jennys Wood take a left into Tytton Lane, then do a left and right at the T Junction, then at the T Junction join the A16 and then at the roundabout take the first exit and the ground will be in front of you.



Main Stand

#### South



Take the A1 (M) (signs for A47Peterborough/ Leicester) and leave at that junction, at the roundabout take the first exit and go straight on at the next roundabout onto the A47, continue on to junction 19 and having crossed the A15 by going straight on at the roundabout at the next roundabout take the first exit onto the A16 and stay on A16 and follow the road to Boston and at the Pilgrim roundabout take the third exit and the ground will be in front of you.



# **Public Transport & Walking**











17 minutes

Train to **Boston Train Station**, then walk out of the station and walk straight down Station Road and then take third left into Tower Street and walk into the bus station and from platform 4 take the **Black Cat Travel B13 bus** to Drenfield Road, then walk back and turn right into the Quadrant and walk straight along and will see the ground after ten minutes.

#### **Admission**

Adults £17 Over 65's/Students £10 Under 16's £5

#### Where to Drink

The Coach and Horses on Main Ridge and serves the excellent Batemans ales which are locally brewed' if it's over crowded as this is a smallish pub then carry on down Main Ridge to the Wellington, a larger quieter pub serving hand pulled Mansfield Bitter.

# **Braintree Town**

**Ground** - The Cressing Road Stadium Clockhouse Way, Braintree, Essex CM7 3RD **Telephone** - 01376 345 617

Capacity: 4,151 (553 Seats)
Pitch Size: 110 x 70 yards
Team Nickname: The Iron
Year Ground Opened: 1923

Founded: 1898

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Adreas Carter Sport

Kit Manufacturer: Hummel

**First Kit**: Orange Shirt with Blue Shorts and Orange socks **Away Kit**: sky blue shirts yellow shorts Orange socks

Website: www.braintreetownfc.org.uk

Programme: £3

# **Ground Guide**



Quag End

The ground is surrounded by trees and a 4,000 capacity the main stand this runs for around half the length of the pitch and it contains 550 seats and has open terracing to either side. Like stands of its age have a number of supporting pillars running along its front. Opposite the main stand is the Cressing Road Terrace. This small covered terrace has the team dugouts located in front. Both ends are fairly new terraces, the most recent of which the Quag End was replaced in 2012. Both ends are uncovered and the smaller Social Club End, which can accommodate both home and away fans.



The Main Stand

Opposite is the Cressing Road Terrace. In a former life the framework for this stand was the old Main Stand at Bedworth United. This pitch roofed covered terrace has the dugouts located in front. A total of 1,130 can be catered for on this side, with 755 of them under the cover.



Cressing Road Sam TSB

Both ends are uncovered and the Clubhouse End (capacity 1,131), is split into two blocks of terracing with a gap in the middle that leads to the bar, main exit and excellent supporters club shop (an Aladdin's Cave of programmes, badges, and ephemera).

# **Driving to the Ground**



Take the M25 to Junction then journey down the M 11to Junction 8 then drive to Braintree and use the bypass. From the Braintree bypass (A120) turn into Braintree at Galley's Corner

Roundabout (the McDonalds roundabout) and follow signs for the East Braintree Industrial Estate down Cressing Road. The floodlights will be visible on the left, just past the Orange Tree pub. The entrance to the ground is the next turning on the left in Clockhouse Way, then left again.

# **Public Transport & Walking**



Train to **Braintree Freeport Railway Station** (Greater Anglia) then turn left out of the station and walk up Charter Way then left into Century Drive then take the first right and walk up the roundabout then walk across the road and walk up the lane past the tennis courts and take the gap in the hedge row and walk across the park the ground is in front of you. First train back to Liverpool Street is at 17.02 then the next is at 18.02

## **Admission**

Adults £17 OAP's £10 Under 16's £5 Under 11's £3

# Where to Drink

For Good food just past the ground at the bottom of Cressing Road is the Fowlers Farm good food as well as well stocked for all your drink needs? Across from the ground is The Orange Tree which has just been refurbished and you can use the online menu to order your food before you arrive and is well priced and they also have good selection of drinks.

# Dagenham & Redbridge

Ground - Victoria Road, Dagenham, RM10 7XL

Telephone No: 0208 592 1549

Fax No: 020 8593 7227

**Ticket Office**: 020 8592 1549 (ext. 21)

Capacity: 6,000 (2,200 Seats)

**Pitch Size:** 112 x 72 yards **Team Nickname:** Daggers

**Year Ground Opened:** 1917 (Sterling Works FC)

Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: West and Coe

Kit Manufacturer: nike

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

Away Kit: white shirts White shorts crimson socks

Website: www.daggers.co.uk

Programme: £3



Football Tripper

# History Facts & Records

**Founded** – 1992 (merger of Dagenham FC & Redbridge Forest)

**Years at Today's Ground** – 60 years (Dagenham FC)

First Admitted to the Football League – 2007

First Official Floodlit Match – Aug 1963 (Dagenham FC)

**Highest Attendance –** 5,949 v Ipswich Town Third Round FA Cup 05/01/2002

**Highest Score for –** 8–1 v Woking Football Conference1993–94 season

**Highest Against –** 0–9 v Hereford United Football Conference 2003–04 season

Highest Scorer in a Season – 27 Danny Shipp in 2001/02

Highest Scorer Overall - 102 Danny Shipp from 1997 - 2004

Player with most First Team Appearances – 545 Anthony (Tony) Roberts 2002 - 2012

#### **Ground Guide**

The stadium has been finished with the construction at the Pondfield End (Traditional Builders Stand), which replaced a small open terrace that had been there since 1960. This new all seated stand which was opened during the 2009/10 season, as has room for 1,200 spectators and this is where all the away as to be found. The stand is covered, raised above pitch level and has windshields to either side.

On one side is the Main Stand, which was opened in 2001. Sponsored by Carling, this 800 capacity stand with the team dugouts situated at the front of it. The stand comprises of six rows of seating and has a small executive area at the back of it. The stand, which is free of supporting pillars, is elevated above pitch level which means that supporters have to climb small sets of steps at the front of it, to gain access.



The stand though, only runs for three quarters of the length of the pitch and at one end towards the Traditional Builders Stand, another separate stand exists. This stand which is called the Barking College Family Stand is a small covered, seated stand. It is smaller in height that the Main Stand and contains around 200 seats, with some supporting pillars running along the front of it. Again it is raised above pitch level and is accessed via a small staircase.

The rest of the ground is terracing, with a small open terrace behind one goal and a covered terrace one side. The home end, the Bury Road End (or the Clock End), has a small basic electric scoreboard situated above it. This area also contains the club shop and Police control box.

The North Terrace, which runs along one side of the pitch, is known affectionately by the Dagenham fans as 'The Sieve' as apparently at one time it was famed for its leaking roof. This old fashioned looking terrace is partly covered to the rear and has a number of supporting pillars. It also has a television gantry perched upon its roof. Unusually the teams emerge from not from the main stand, but from a tunnel located in the new Marcus James Stand at one end of the ground.



**Bury Road End** 

#### **Driving Directions**



#### North:

Leave the M25 at Junction 27 and take the M11 towards London. At the end of the M11 continue onto the A406 towards Docklands (A13) and London City Airport. At the junction with the A13, turn onto this road in the direction of the Dartford Crossing. Then at the junction with the A1306, leave the A13 and join the A1306 towards Dagenham. At the third set of traffic lights turn left just before the McDonalds into Ballards Road and follow this until you reach a roundabout opposite a petrol station. At this roundabout (known as the Bull roundabout) at which you turn left, into Rainham Road. Go up Rainham Road passing Dagenham East tube station on the left and Victoria Road is a quarter of a mile further on, on the same side of the road.



#### South:

Leave the M25 at Junction 31 and take the A13 towards Central London. After approximately 4.6 miles, exit the A13 onto the slip road (signposted Dagenham/ Dagenham East). At the end of the slip road at the double roundabout turn right, then going under the A13. At the T-junction turn left onto the A1306. At the second set of lights turn right onto the B178 (Ballards Road), and follow this until you reach a roundabout opposite a petrol station and then at this roundabout (locally known as the Bull roundabout) at which you turn left, into Rainham Road. Go up Rainham Road passing Dagenham East tube station on the left and Victoria Road is a quarter of a mile further on, on the same side of the road. There is no parking available at the ground itself. However there is plenty of street parking, some of which is available on the main Rainham Road.



**North Stand** 

#### Public Transport & Walking



Train to **Dagenham East Underground Station** then turn left as you come out of the station and walk down Rainham Road the ground is clearly sign posted and only five minutes' walk away.



#### Admission

Adults £17, Concessions £13 Under 16 £11 Under 11 Free

## Where to have a Drink

There Social Club at the ground welcomes away supporters and costs 50p to enter. It is fairly basic, but comfortable and shows SKY Sports television. If you are attending a local Derby games against Leyton Orient or Southend then you may be refused entrance to the Social Club at the ground in which case, you're interests will be better served by one of the many local pubs.

The Eastbrook Pub located past Golds Gym on Rainham Road is probably the closest to Victoria Road with other options further away on the tube including The Barking Dog (Barking tube station) and The Lord Denman (Dagenham East). Both pubs are Weatherspoon's which serve good stock of beer.

# Eastleigh

Ground - Silverlake Stadium Ten Acres Stoneham Lane Eastleigh Hampshire SO50 9HT

**Telephone** - 02380 613 361 **Capacity** - 5,500 (3,200 seated)

Nickname - The Spitfires

**Ground Opened** – 1957 (Swaythling Athletic FC)

Pitch Size: 111 x 75 yards Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Ultima Kit Manufacturer: macron

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

Away Kit: white shirts White shorts blue socks

Website: www.eastlieghfc.co.uk

Programme: £2



# **Ground Guide**

The club have played at the Silverlake Stadium since 1957 this was previously known as Ten Acres and later the Sparshatts Stadium, it has a capacity of 5,500.



Main Stand

To the right of this, behind the goal is the Silverlake Stand and in 2006, the roof was widened to cover the whole length of the stand, and 150 seats were added to the middle. Like the Grandstand, there is uncovered each side.



South Stand

A more substantial covered all seated stand has been built at the South End. The Mackoy Community Stand has a capacity of 2,290 replacing the small terrace and the East covered terrace which was purchased from Exeter RFC

Opposite the grandstand is the Premier Telecom stand and until 2006, this was just uncovered terracing backing into a hedge. During the summer of 2006, a metal back and roof were added, along with an electronic scoreboard on the roof. Opposite the Silverlake Stand, behind the other goal is the Clubhouse End.

# **Driving to the Ground**



From junction 13 of M3, turn right into Leigh Road, turn right at Holiday Inn, at mini roundabout take second exit, at the next mini roundabout take second exit, then next mini roundabout take first exit. Then take the first turning right (signposted) the ground is 200 metres on the left.



East Terrace Hampshire wanderer



From the M27 exit at junction 5 and take 1st exit (from the west) or 3rd exit (from the east) at roundabout into Stoneham Lane. You have to pass the ground and the road for the ground on your left, carrying on to the mini roundabout, turning back on the way you came and then turning right into the road some 150 yards away which you couldn't turn down in the first place (strange I know!). The ground is down this lane on the left. Car parking at the ground is free.

# **Public Transport**



Train to **Southampton Parkway Railway Station** over the foot bridge then its straight across the car park into Wide Lane pass the cricket ground along turn right at the first roundabout then walk up the road but there is no pathway (so at night games get a taxi) and at the next roundabout cross over turn right and go through the bushes the ground is in front of you.



Clubhouse End

#### **Admission**

Adults £17 OAP's/Students £10 Under 16's £4

# Where to Drink

The Cricketers Arms at 234 Chestnut Avenue North is only five minutes away from the ground and good food as well as beers and wine served there is the Concord club but that is to posh and the prices would make your wallet have a heart attack.

# **Ebbsfleet United**

Ground - Stonebridge Road, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent DA11 9GN

Main Telephone No: 01474 533796

**Fax No**: 01474 324754

Founded: 1946 (Gravesend & Northfleet United)

Capacity: 5,010 (Seated 2,179)
Team Nickname: The Fleet

Year Ground Opened: 1890 (Northfleet United)

Pitch Size: 112 x 76 yards Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Mitsubishi Kit Manufacturer: macron

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

Away Kit: Sky blue shirts White shorts White socks

Website: www.ebbsfleetunited.co.uk

Programme: £3



Tigers roar aerial

# **Ground Guide**

The ground has a capacity for 4,200 supporters new stand which was opened in November 2017, runs the full length of the pitch. It is unusual looking in that the roof is situated quite high above the seating area, with a tall back wall. The Main Stand roof also curves upwards in the middle over the halfway line. It has a capacity of 1,016 seats.



Swanscombe End

On the opposite side of the ground the wooden Main Stand and this single tiered covered stand, is all seated and runs for around half the length of the pitch. This stand has a fair number

of supporting pillars running along the front of it, although the seating is raised above pitch level with a small terrace in front of this stand.



Main Stand

At one is end is a covered stand, known as the Plough End, gaining its name from the former pub that was situated just behind it and the former covered terrace, which has since had 534 seats installed.



**New Stand** 

The opposite end, known as the Swanscombe End, is an open terrace, which is dominated by a huge electricity pylon which sits directly behind it. In 2018 this had a number safety crush barriers installed as well as an electric scoreboard at its rear.

# **Driving to the Ground**



## From the M25 (South)

Leave the M25 at Junction 2 and take the A2 towards Dartford/Canterbury M2 Then at the fourth exit take the M2 Canterbury. Merge on to the A2 continue down then take the slip road

for Gravesend and Northfleet follow the signs for the A2260 at the roundabouts towards Northfleet & Gravesend then at the lights turn left onto Thames Way. Keep on this road until you reach the second roundabout then take the second exit past the Kia garage and at the next roundabout the ground is in front of you.



**Plough End** 





Leave the M1 at Junction 6A for M25 After coming over the bridge keep to the left hand lanes and after passing through the toll booths turn left at the roundabout onto the At junction 1A, take the A206 exit to Swanscombe/Erith/Bluewater Then take the third exit onto Cotton Lane (B3328) at the lights take a left onto London Road (A226), towards Northfleet. At the second roundabout take the third exit (A226) down Galley Hill Road and go straight on keep on this road until you reach the ground on your left. There is some parking available behind the Swanscombe End at a cost of £3. Parking is available on matchdays in Car Park C at Ebbsfleet International rail station, which costs £2'. The car park is about a five minute walk away from the ground. Otherwise there is nearby street parking available.

# **Public Transport & Walking**

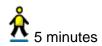




5 minutes

Train for **Northfleet Railway Station** which is the nearest station to the ground only a 5 minute walk away from the ground. Just come straight out of the station and turn left at the top of the road past the Plough Pub to the ground.





The alternative is to take the train to **Ebbsfleet International Railway Station** and it's also 5 minutes' walk to the ground straight up the road over the railway bridge and at the roundabout turn left past the Kia Garage and at the next roundabout the ground is in front of you, is across the road.

## Admission

Adults £17
Over 60's/Under 18's £10,
Under 13's £5, Under 5's Free.
And a extra £2.00 for the Main Stand

## Where to Drink

The fleet have their own Social Club and welcomes everybody and has Sky sports or just 600 yards away is The Plough Pub, The Old Leather bottle on the Dover Road, the Pavilion at The Grove and the Blue Anchor in Swanscombe Street.

# FC Halifax Town

Ground - The Shay Stadium, off Shaw Hill, Halifax, HX1 2YT

Telephone: - 01422 341222 Capacity: 10,561 (Seats 5,830) Team Nickname: The Shaymen Year Ground Opened: 1921 Pitch Size: 110 x76 yards Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Halifax bathrooms

Kit Manufacturer: Adidas

**First Kit**: Midnight Blue Shirt with Blue Shorts and blue socks **Away Kit**: Orange & Blue shirts Blue shorts Orange socks

Website: www.fchalifaxtown.com

Programme: £3

#### **Ground Guide**

The ground has a capacity of 10,561 with the ground having seating for 5,830 in the three stands and the one end being a standing covered enclosure and has a good club shop



On one side are new Main (East) Stand and this single tiered, covered, seated stand, opening in 2010. The stand has a capacity of 3,500 and has some corporate hospitality boxes located at the back of it. There are windshields to either side and has a large area for wheelchair supporters being incorporated half way up on one side. The stand disappointingly has a shallow angle, meaning that spectators seated at the back of the Stand are situated quite far away from the playing action.



#### **North Stand**

Opposite is the covered all seated Skircoat Stand which has a line of supporting pillars than run across the front of the stand. It doesn't run the full length of the pitch and so has grassy banks to either side. There are also a number of large trees that can be seen on the hill behind it, giving the ground a rural feel. Both ends are good sized covered terraces, both of which were built in the late 1990's.



Skircoat Stand

# **Driving Directions**



Take the M62 to junction 24, head towards Halifax on A629 and to the Town Centre. At the main roundabout follow the signs for A629 into Orange Street then follow the signs for Huddersfield up the hill into Cow Green and follow the road past the Victoria Theatre ground to HSS tools then at the traffic lights take a right Shaw Hill then at the T Junction take a left and just before the flats the entrance to the ground car park is on the left.

# **Public Transport & Walking**



This is a nine minute walk from **Halifax Railway Station**. Come out of the main entrance and through the car park, turn second left and into South Parade walk straight on at the crossroads into Shay Hill and the ground is on your right just after the bend at the sign of the Weavers turn up the path to the ground.

#### **Admission**

Adults £17 Over 65's/Students £10 Under 16's £2



Main and South Stand

# Where to Drink

The Three Pigeons Pub sells good beer and is only a few minutes' walk away from the stadium' and pub which is on Sun Fold Road is listed in the CAMRA Good Beer Guide.

Further up from the Three Pigeons is the Pump Room is friendly to away supporters'. Otherwise the ground is in easy walking distance of the town centre where there are plenty of pubs to be found. There are also plenty of pubs in the centre of the Town for neutral and away supporters.

# Forest Green Rovers

Ground - The New Lawn, Nympsfield Road, Forest Green, Nailsworth, GL6 0ET

**Main Telephone No**: 01453-834-860

Capacity: 5,140 (Seats 2,000)
Team Nickname: The Rovers
Year Ground Opened: 2006
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Ecotricity
Kit Manufacturer: Player Layer

First Team Colours: Green and Black Shirt, Shorts and Socks

Second Team Colours: All Black shirt, Short and Socks

Website: www.forestgreenroversfc.net

Programme: £3.00



# **History Facts & Records**

Founded - 1889 (Forest Green)

Years at Today's Ground – 11 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 2017/18 Season

First Official Floodlit Match – August 1990

Highest Attendance – 4,836 vs Derby County, FA Cup third round, 3 January 2009

**Highest Score for** – 8–0 vs Fareham Town, Southern League Southern Division, 1996–97, 8–0 vs Hyde, Football Conference, 10 August 2013

Highest Against - 10-0 v Gloucester, Mid-Gloucestershire League, 13 January 1900

Highest Scorer in a Season – 42 Pat Glover in 1926/27

Highest Scorer Overall - Karl Bayliss 93 goals 1995 - 97

Player with most First Team Appearances – 240 Alex Sykes 1996 – 2000 and 2001 – 04

# **Former Grounds**

Lawn Green 1889- 2006

# **Ground Guide**

The stadium has a capacity of 5,140 the Western Thermal Stand at one side of the pitch. This is a 2,000 all seated capacity stand, opposite is a small open terrace, which is only seven steps high.



North Terrace

At the Nympsfield Road end of the ground, is a covered terrace, the roof of which came from the Barnfield Road side of the Old Lawn ground. Opposite is the EESI Stand is a covered seated stand that is given to away supporters. This stand was transported from the Club's old Lawn ground a few hundred yards away and re-erected at the New Lawn. The Green Man Based accepts neutrals and away fans with scarves which is on-site at The New Lawn stadium complex and this is Forest Green Rovers very own public house and the venue for watching live sport and have selection of the finest Stroud Brewery Ales from Tom Longs to Stroud Organic; they rotate the products available on a weekly basis and the club have a marquee for away fans.

The alternative for away pub to drink there is The George and the Britannia which is in Newmarket Road, in Nailsworth then walk back up the hill with food from Walkers on Old Market about 100 yards past the Britannia pub then walk back up the hill.

# **Driving to the Ground**



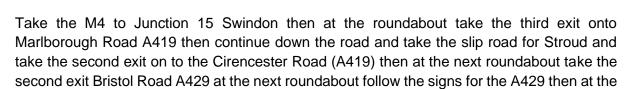
### From the M5

From the M5 and exit at junction 13 and head for Stroud on the A419. At Stroud you turn onto the A46 Nailsworth. At mini roundabout in the town turn up Spring Hill towards Forest Green (signposted) and the stadium is at the top of the hill after the second roundabout. Sat Nav users should enter GL6 0ET and not the mail post code. Please note on Matchdays there is a Temporary Traffic Order in place on the highway around the stadium. Car parking is available inside the stadium at £3 per vehicle.



Main Stand





next roundabout take the third exit for Stroud A419

Then at the end turn left and follow the signs for Stroud then turn left onto The Ladder this in parts has a 40mph speed limit when you get to the church follow the road round onto George Street over the bridge past the tyre garage and over the cattle grill then at mini roundabout at the clock take the second exit up Spring Hill the ground is signposted form here and the stadium is at the top of the hill after the second roundabout.



South Terrace

# **Public Transport**





→ 3 mins





→ 6 mins

Train to **Stroud Railway Station** then walk from the Station to Merrywalks Shopping Centre and take the **Stagecoach West 63 Gold bus** drops you of at Colliers Wood stop on Nympsfield Road within 6 minutes of the ground then have pint in the Green Man. It cost £8.00 return day ticket with Stagecoach West.

#### Admission

# EESI (South) Stand:

Adults £17 Over 65's £14, Under 21's/Students £10, Under 16's £8

# Gateshead

Ground - Gateshead International Stadium, Neilson Road, Gateshead, NE10 0EF

Main Telephone No: 0191 478 3883

**Fax No:** 0191 440 0404 **Capacity**: 11,800

**Team Nickname:** The Tynesiders or The Head

Year Ground Opened: 1955 Pitch Size: 100 x 68 yards Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Gateshead Central Taxis & Jos

Kit Manufacturer: Puma

First Kit: White Shirt with Black Shorts and black and white socks

Away Kit: sky blue shirts sky blue shorts crimson socks

Website: www.Gateshead-fc.com

Programme: £3

### **Ground Guide**

The 11,800 capacity all-seater International Stadium is located in the east of Gateshead it is primarily an athletics stadium until recently the only covered accommodation was in the Tyne & Wear Main Stand but a roof was constructed on the adjacent East End which has a capacity of 4,000. Behind both goals remain open and are unused on match days, the

stadium, which has a bowl-like effect, has a playing surface surrounded by international standard athletics track like some European Grounds.



South Stand

The Tyne & Wear Main Stand on the west side is a large all seated covered stand, which has a capacity of 3,227. The angle of the stand is quite steep and some distance from the pitch, the sight lines are very good. On one side of the Tyne & Wear Stand there is a covered Press Box while a new building was added to the south end of the stand and this incorporates a new stadium entrance, large cafe/bar area and, upstairs, new corporate board room facilities as well as Gym and Athletic facilities.



The location of away supporters is depending on the size of the away support. If they have a big support then they are housed in the East Stand for smaller supports then they are usually housed in North End of the Tyne & Wear Main Stand.



Tyne & Wear Stand

# **Driving to the Ground**

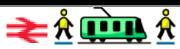


On the A1 (M1) at Junction 65, take Sliproad for the A194 (M) towards South Shields. At the end of the A194 (M) at the roundabout take a left and take the A184 towards Gateshead. At the next roundabout follow the signs for A184 the stadium is situated on the right-hand side so at the lights turn right into Nelson Road and left into the parking area.



East Stand

# **Public Transport**



Train to **Newcastle Central Railway Station** then walk down to the Metro and take it to the **Gateshead Stadium Metro Stop** come out of the station and turn right across the bridge and up St James Road, then turn right at the end of the road into Park Road walk down Park Road cross the road by the footbridge and when you past Speedy Cars turn left and the stadium is down the lane signposted.

# Admission

Adults: £17

Concessions: £10 Under 16's £2

# Where to Drink

The best place to have a pint is at Newcastle Station before getting the metro to the ground as there is a bar at the ground but they don't allow neutrals or away in.

# **Hartlepool United**

Ground - Victoria Park, Clarence Road, Hartlepool, TS24 8BZ

Main Telephone: 01429 272 584

Fax No: 01429 863 007

Capacity: 7,787 (Seats 4,180) Pitch Size: 113 x 77 yards Team Nickname: The Pool

Year Ground Opened: 1886 (Hartlepool RFC)

Shirt Sponsors: Workmen's Express & Ultra Tax Ltd

Kit Manufacturer: O Niels

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

Away Kit: Light Blue shirts Yellow shorts Yellow socks

Website: www.hartlepoolunited.co.uk

Programme: £3



# **History Facts & Records**

**Founded** - 1908

Former Names - Hartlepool United, Hartlepool FC

Years at Today's Ground – 106 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1921 Founder Member of Division Three South and Founder Members of Division Four 1958

First Official Floodlit Match – May 1965

Highest Attendance - 17,246 v Manchester United FA Cup Third round 05/01/1957

**Highest Score for –** 10-1 v Barrow Division Four on 4/04/1959

Highest Against – 1-10 v Wrexham Division Four on 3/03/1962

Highest Scorer in a Season – 35 goals Joe Allon in 1991/92

Highest Scorer Overall - 149 Bill Robinson 1919 - 1930

Player with most First Team Appearances – 544 Richie Humphreys 2001 – 2013

# **Ground Guide**

The four sides of the ground are known as the Town End Terrace (1,775), the Niramax Stand (1,617 seated and 1,832 terraced standing), the Cyril Knowles Stand (1,599) and the Rink End (1,033).

The Cyril Knowles Stand named in honour of one of their best managers is a modern all seater stand that is located on the east of the ground. The Rink End is also an all-seater stand containing 1,033 seats however this is the only stand containing some areas with an obscured view of the pitch, due to a number of supporting pillars. The Rink End is located at the north end of the ground and houses only away fans.



The Town End Terrace is a standing area behind the south goal; it is usually the most vocal area of the ground. The Niramax Stand (formerly the Millhouse Stand) is an all seating stand with a terraced paddock and it is located at the west side of the ground.



# **Driving Directions**



Exit A1 at junction 49 and follow the A19 towards Teesside. Exit the A19, onto the A689 dual carriageway, following the signs for Hartlepool. Continue over the next four roundabouts, following the signs for Town Centre. Go straight over the traffic lights by the Middleton Grange Shopping Centre (Signposted the North, Sunderland, Durham A179, A19). Continue past the Hartlepool Mail (on your left), and then take the left-hand lane into Clarence Road. The ground is about 200 yards along, on the left-hand side.



# From North



Take the A1 to Seaton Burn and at the roundabout take the first exit following the signs for the A19 and follow it through Newcastle. Exit A19 at the junction with the A179 (Hartlepool), and turn left at the junction follow the A179 towards Hartlepool. Continue straight on at a number of roundabouts, and then turn right into Easington Road at the third. Continue on the A179 (Town Centre), going straight over the next three roundabouts. Turn right into the new dock's development, at the next (4th) roundabout just after the railway bridge. As Clarence Road is one-way, it's best to head for the Jackson's Wharf car park. Therefore, go straight over the next roundabout, and you can't miss the car park and walk 5 minutes to the ground.

# **Public Transport & Walking**





→ 10 minutes

Train to **Hartlepool Railway Station** which is a ten minutes' walk to the ground. Leave the station up at the approach road, and then turn right and head up Church Street towards the church. At the end of this road at the junction, go straight across walk down Clarence Road and the ground is in front of you on the left- hand side of the road.

#### **Admission**

Adults £17 Over 60's/Students £10 Under 16's £7

# Where to have a Drink

The Jacksons Wharf is where the former Wanderers & Groundhoppers club members used to meet for the game next door to the Hartlepool Maritime Experience, (formerly known as Hartlepool Historic Quay) across from Asda. This friendly team at the Jackson's Wharf offer a warm and relaxing environment. They offer great pub food being served every day and full table service. Real ales are always on offer, with one of our most popular, Hobgoblin. The Jackson's Wharf offers traditional English 'Two for One' menu, along with excellent special's board for those who cannot make it back home the same day.

For something different, and for those travelling in via train there is the Rat Race Ale House micro pub on the railway station platform which exclusively and serves "Real Ale" or there is The Engineers Social Club opposite the police station on route to the stadium is a much more traditional establishment.

# Maidenhead United

Ground - York Road Maidenhead SL6 1SF

Telephone - 01628 636 314 Capacity: 4,550 (Seated 500) Team Nickname: The Magpies

Pitch Size: 112 x 75 m Year Ground Opened: 1871 Shirt Sponsors: Utility alliance

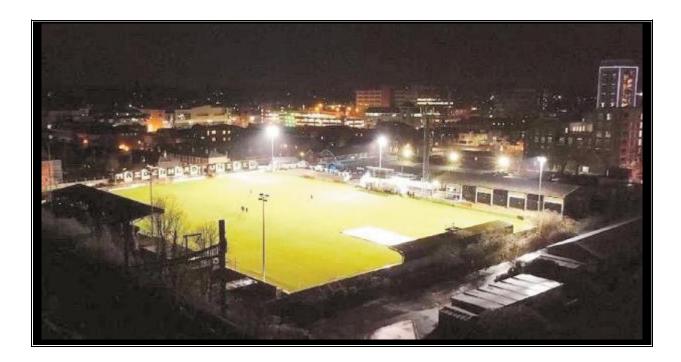
Kit Manufacturer: BLK

First Kit: Black & White Shirt with black Shorts and blue and white socks

Away Kit: Orange & white shirts White shorts Orange socks

Website: www.maidenheadunited.co.uk

Programme: £2



# **Ground Guide**

The main Stand is surrounded by trees and borders the railway with the main stand. This stand, which is known as the Railway Stand, is comprised of seven rows of seating and has a capacity of 550. The Bell Street end of the ground is a simply covered terrace which is split into two separate sections. It is quite eye-catching as 'Maidenhead United FC' has been painted onto the back wall of the terrace in large black and white letters. Opposite at the other end is the smaller East Terrace that does have some cover towards its middle. The other side of the ground which is small open terrace and the team dugouts

# **Driving to the Ground**



Take the M6 to just after Junction 5 and merge on to the M42 At junction 3A, exit onto M40 toward London/ Warwick/ Stratford, then at junction 4, take the A404 exit to High Wycombe/ Marlow/ Maidenhead, at the roundabout, take the second exit onto A404 At the roundabout, take the second exit onto Marlow Rd/A308 and continue to follow A308 down Gringer Hill and on into Marlow Road and at the roundabout go straight on at the lights just before the Odeon cinema.



**Bell Street End** 

Turn left into Broadway and park the car there. Come out of the car park walk through the shopping centre and turn left go past the Greyhound Pub when you get to the Honeypot Arms pub turn right and walk down York Road the ground is on the right, down the lane just before the Bowling Green

There is no parking at the ground or surrounding streets so use the following Stafferton Way, Grove Road, West Street or The Broadway Car Parks in the area.



**Main Stand** 

# **Public Transport & Walking**



The ground is a five minute walk away from the **Maidenhead Railway Station** when you come out of the station turn left and walk up King Street past the clock tower till you get to the Bell pub there cross the road and turn right into Queens Road when you get to the Honeypot Arms pub turn right and walk down York Road the ground is on the right, down the lane just before the Bowling Green. Those coming from the station should take the first right into Bell Street and use the turnstile in Bell Street for segregated games.



Bowling End/ York Road

### Admission

Adults £17 OAP's/Students £11 Under 16's £2

# **Programme**

£2.00

# Where to Drink

The Honeypot Arms at 81 Queen St, and The greyhound Pub at 86 Queen Street are one minute walk from the ground or the Bear at 1 High Street which is a three minute walk from the ground all well maintained with good food and The Greyhound and The Bear both in the CAMRA guide for real ale.

# **Oldham Athletic**

Ground - Boundary Park, Sheepfoot Lane Oldham, OL1 2PA

Main Telephone No: 0871 226 2235

Fax No: 0871 226 1715

Ticket Office: 0871 226 1653
Capacity: 10,638 (all seated)
Pitch Size: 106 x 72 yards
Team Nickname: The Latics
Year Ground Opened: 1906
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: RRG
Kit Manufacturer: O Niels
Website: oldhamathletic.co.uk

First Team Kit: Navy Blue Shirts, White shorts, Navy Blue & white Socks

Second Team Kit: Orange Shirts, Shorts and Socks

Programme: £3.00



# **History Facts & Records**

**Founded** - 1895

Years at Today's Ground - 121 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1907

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1961

**Highest Attendance –** 47,671 v Sheffield Wednesday FA Cup, Round Four 25 January 1930

**Highest Score for –** 11–0 v Southport, Division 4, 26 December 1962

Highest Against – 4–13 v Tranmere Rovers, Division 3 (North), 26 December 1935

Highest Scorer in a Season - 33 Tom Davis, Division 3 (North), 1936-37

**Highest Scorer Overall –** 141 Roger Palmer, from 1980–1994 **Player with most First Team Appearances –** 525 Ian Wood, from 1966–1980

# **Former Names**

Pine Villa 1895 - 99

# **Former Grounds**

Pine Mills 1895 – 99

# **Ground Guide**

The ground is comprised of the new Broadway Stand which has a capacity of 2,500 and will also have a health and fitness suite, supporters' bar and event facilities. At one end is the comparatively new Rochdale Road End, a single tiered covered stand with an electric scoreboard on its roof. Part of this stand is given to away supporters where up to 3,000 can be accommodated.



Vernon and George Hill Stands

Away fans are housed in the Chaddy Road End at one end of the ground. This stand has a capacity of around 1,600 fans and this is the opposite end to where the away fans have been housed for many years and has caused some upset with some Oldham fan, as this was always seen as the traditional 'Home' end.

The North Stand is the new part of home end which holds 3,000 fans and the facilities in this modern stand are fairly good, as are the acoustics. If you get chance, make sure to try one of the pies; Cottage, Steak & Pepper, plus Cheese & Potato (all £2.80).

For away fans take a pint The Clayton Green pub is two hundred yards from the corner of the Main Stand and the Chaddy End, on Sheepfoot Lane you'll find pub food as it should be with our everyday great value menu. You will need a drink if you have walked it from Block End or Oldham Werneth stations.

This used to have a paddock terracing in front, but has since been filled with seating. There is still some old unused terracing on the right side of this stand. The ground also benefits from four large traditional floodlight pylons.



Jimmy Fizzell Stand

# **Driving Directions**



Leave the M62 at Junction 20 and take the A627 (M) towards Oldham. Take the second exit off the A627 (M) following the signs for Royton (A663). At the top of the slip road you will find a large roundabout. Turn left at the roundabout onto Broadway towards Royton (speed cameras on this stretch). Take the next right hand turn into Carlton Avenue which will take you up to the large Club car park, situated behind the Broadway Stand. The cost of the car park is for cars £5 and minibus £10.



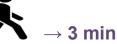
North Stand

# **Public Transport**











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Take the train Manchester Victoria Railway Station or Manchester Piccadilly Railway Station and then take the Pink Link for Rochdale and take it to Oldham King Street Metro Stop and then take a left and walk down King Street to just before the Mecca Bingo hall and there take the First in Manchester 409 bus to Royal Oldham Hospital then take the first left into Sheepfoot Lane and the ground is 500 yards up on the right.

# **Admission**

### Rochdale Road End:

Adults £17, OAP's £10 Under 16's £5

# Rochdale

Ground - Spotland, Sandy Lane, Rochdale, OL11 5DR

**Main Telephone No:** 0870 822 1907

**Fax No:** 01706 648 466 **Capacity:** 10,249

Team Nickname: The Dale

Year Ground Opened: 1906 Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: Crown Oil Kit Manufacturer: Errea

First team Kit: Black and Navy-Blue Shirts, Black shorts, Black socks

Second team Kit: All Yellow shirts, Shorts & Socks

Website: www.rochdaleafc.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



# **History Facts & Records**

**Founded** – 1907

**Years at Today's Ground** – 93 Years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1921 founder member Division Three North

First Official Floodlit Match - February 1954

Highest Attendance – 24,231 v Notts County Division Three North in 1949/50

Highest Score for - 8-1 v Chesterfield Division Three North 18/12/1926

Highest Against - 1-9 v Tranmere Rovers Division Three North 25/12/1931

**Highest Scorer in a Season –** 44 Albert Whitehurst in 1926/27 with 177 Appearances and 124 goals

**Highest Scorer Overall –** 119 Reginald Jenkins from 1964 – 73

Player with most First Team Appearances – 477 Gary Jones from 1998-2001 & 2004 – 2012

# **Former Grounds**

Riverside Athletic Ground (1907 – 15)

### **Ground Guide**

The ground had three new stands over a ten year period and it is quite picturesque, with a number of trees being visible behind the stands.

The last of these new stands to be opened was the Willbutts Lane Stand at one side of the pitch, which was opened in 2000. This single tiered stand replaced a former terrace and has a capacity of 4,000. On the other side is another single tier, the all seated Main Stand.

This has a number of supporting pillars and some executive boxes at the back. Away supporters are housed on one side of the Willbutts Lane Stand, where around 1,500 fans can be housed. If demand requires it, then the whole of this stand can be given to visiting fans increasing the allocation to 3,700. The stand is normally shared with home supporters with away fans being seated towards the Sandy Lane End.



Willbutts Lane Stand

This has a number of supporting pillars and some executive boxes at the back. Away supporters are housed on one side of the Willbutts Lane Stand, where around 1,500 fans can be housed. If demand requires it, then the whole of this stand can be given to visiting fans increasing the allocation to 3,700. The stand is normally shared with home supporters with away fans being seated towards the Sandy Lane End.

At one end the Pearl Street Stand is the third of the new stands. This is also all seated and serves as a Family Stand and It has a couple of supporting pillars that are right at the front of the stand.

The Sandy Lane End is the only terraced area remaining. It is one the small size but does at least benefit from having a roof. There is a Police Control Box located in one corner, between the Main & Pearl Street Stands. Spotland is shared with the Rochdale Hornets rugby league team.



For away fans at the ground itself, there are two bars to choose from, Studds is located underneath the Pearl Street Stand and is worth a visit, if only to sample the large range of tasty pies & pasties. The Ratcliffe Arms is located at the car park entrance to the ground, on Sandy Lane. This pub has SKY TV and on my last visit had a mixture of home and away fans.

If you arrive early, the Cemetery Hotel, located at the bottom of Sandy Lane at 470 Bury Road Great traditional, multi-roomed local with well-kept cask ales. Friendly and relaxed atmosphere also services food. Well worth a visit.



# **Driving Directions**



Exit the M62 at Junction 20 and take the A627 (M) towards Rochdale. At the end of the A627 (M) you should be in the lefthand lane to turn left at the traffic lights into Edinburgh Way. Now follow the road and with Tesco on your left, go straight through the next set of lights (approach in the middle lane) into Roch Valley Way. At the next crossroads (where the Cemetery pub is on the corner) go straight onto Sandy Lane, where the ground can be found after approx. 1200 yards on the right.

Car parking at the ground is now for permit holders only, as there is a "residents only" parking scheme in operation in streets around Spotland, continue on past the ground and at the crossroads take a left into Edenfield Road on the left is a car park for dental surgeons on the left which is quite big car park there its only 6 minutes from ground and is not used after midday on a Saturday and is at the entrance to Denhurst Park.

# **Public Transport & Walking**





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2 mins

Take Northern Railway train to **Bolton Railway Station** then walk three minutes to Ash Street and take the **471 First Bus** to Bury Interchange then the **468 Rosso Transport** to Sandy Lane and its two minutes to the ground



Sandy Lane End (Gibbo 92)









 $\rightarrow$  3 mins

Train to **Rochdale Rail Station** take a five-minute walk over to Station Road at Nye Bevan House and take the **438 First Bus** to Sandy Lane its two minutes to the ground.

# Admission

### Willbutts Lane Stand:

Adults £17, Concessions £12, Under 8's Free,

# Solihull Moors

Ground - Damson Park, Damson Parkway, Solihull, B91 2PP

Telephone No: 0121 705 6770 Capacity: 3,050 (Seats 280) Team Nickname: Moors Year Ground Opened: 1999 Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: John Shephard

Kit Manufacturer: SS

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

Away Kit: Red shirts Red shorts black and Red socks

Website: www.solihullmoorsfc.co.uk

Programme: £2

# **Ground Guide**

The ground has a capacity of 3,050 with the ground having seating for 280 in the main stand in the last couple of seasons albeit partly with temporary structures. At the DrainTech End of the ground, a small covered terrace was put in place at the end of 2016.

Although it is only seven steps high, it does run for the full width of the pitch and has a capacity of around 1,000 and if segregation is in place then this end is given to away supporters.



The Main Stand in effect is some seating located in front of the Social Club building, which also houses the team dressing rooms and has the team dugouts located out front. Above the seating areas, there has been constructed a viewing platform for club officials and sponsors, which gives it a strange look and in 2017 an additional bank of open seating was put in place on this Main Stand side towards the DrainTech End.



Drain Tech End

At the Damson Lane End of the ground is a small covered terrace, called the TC Cars Stand, it is known to the local fans as the 'Shed End'. The remaining side of the ground is mostly open to the elements and is known as the Airport side. In fact, you can see one of the nearby Birmingham Airport Conning Towers in the distance behind it. On one side is a small covered temporary seated stand, which was erected before the start of the 2016/17 season. In 2019 two additional blocks of seating comprising over 1,000 seats, albeit uncovered, were also installed on this side of the ground.



**Main Stand** 

# **Driving Directions**



Take the M6 to just past Junction 5 and merged onto the M42, then take the M42 to junction 6 and at the roundabout, take the fifth exit onto the A45 ramp to Birmingham/ Birmingham International Airport after approximate 1.5 miles take the left filter lane at the traffic lights for Land Rover and Damson Wood onto Damson Parkway the ground is on the right just before the lights for Land Rover.

# **Public Transport & Walking**



From **Solihull Rail Station** take the approach road turn left and then at the roundabout take the second left into Lode Lane then first right at the roundabout into Warwick Road, turn left at filter traffic lights leaving Warwick Road into Hampton Lane. Crossover next set of traffic lights and continue straight on along Damson Parkway. Go past BUPA Parkway Hospital and follow for just over 1 mile to the roundabout at Land Rover Works. Turn right at the roundabout and the ground entrance is 100 yards on your left. This is just under a mile walk and can be done in 18 mins.



TC Cars End

# **Admission**

Adults £17 Over 65's/Students £11 Under 16's £4

# Where to Drink

The Social club is the best place to drink you can even leave the ground and get a pint at half time then go back in and watch the second half.

# **Southend United**

Ground - Roots Hall, Victoria Avenue, Southend-On-Sea, SS2 6NQ

**Main Telephone No:** 01702 304050

**Fax No**: 01702 304124 **Ticket Office:** 08444 770077

**Capacity:** 12,392 (all seated) **Pitch Size:** 110 x 74 yards

**Team Nickname:** The Shrimpers

Year Ground Opened: 1900 (Victoria Avenue Ground)

Undersoil Heating: No Shirt Sponsors: C2C Kit Manufacturer: kappa

First team kit: Navy Blue Shirts, Shorts & Socks Second Team Kit: Red Shirts, Shorts & Socks

Website: www.southendunited.co.uk

Programme: £3.00



# **History Facts & Records**

**Founded** – 1906

Years at Today's Ground – 63 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1920 Founder Member of Division Three and Division Three South 1921/22

First Official Floodlit Match – July 1959

Highest Attendance – 31,033 v Liverpool, FA Cup, 10 January 1979

**Highest Score for –** 10–1 v Golders Green, FA Cup Round One, 24/11/1934; 10–1 v Brentwood, FA Cup Round Two 7/12/1968; 10–1 v Aldershot, Football League Trophy, Preliminary Sectional Round 6/11/1990

**Highest Against** – 1-11 v Northampton Town Southern League Division One 30/12/1909 **Highest Scorer in a Season** – 31 Jim Shankly in 1928/29, Jim Hollis in 1954/55 and Samuel (Sammy) McIlroy 1957/58

**Highest Scorer Overall –** 135 Roy Hollis from 1954–1960

Player with most First Team Appearances – 506 Alan Moody from 1972–1984

# **Former Grounds**

Victoria Road Ground (Old Roots Hall) (1906 – 14) Kursaal (1914 – 1950) Southend Stadium 1950 – 55

# **Ground Guide**

The East stand is the main stand at Roots Hall, running along one side of the pitch. Originally designed as a section of seating with paddocks of terracing below, it was converted to an all seater stand in the 1990s. The stand also contains executive boxes and, in the back, the Club offices. The dugouts are cut into the stand, covered by the main roof. The stand was originally much smaller and evidence of its extension along the touchline can be seen in the density of moss on the roof.



East Stand & North Stand

Originally a 72-step terrace, financial troubles in the mid-1990s saw the old terrace reduced dramatically before being replaced by a significantly smaller two-tier stand. The bottom tier forms part of the family enclosure, alongside part of the West Stand.



South Stand

The West was also formerly a terrace, though it was converted into a stand by bolting seat onto the existing structure, reducing the total capacity to 3,337. Originally the terrace only ran the length of the touch-line but when the ground was improved in the 1990s the north-west corner was filled-in. This section is sometimes used for away supporters, depending on

demand. The roof has a unique double-barrelled construction, originally the stand's cover was set back from the pitch, and when the Club constructed cover for the front section of the old terrace they built another identical span. A small section of the West Stand has been designated as the family stand, and Block W (at the North end of the stand) houses the 'Blue Voice' singing section.

The North Stand, also known as the North Bank, is another converted terrace. The roof has a semi-circular 'barrel' shape, similar to the West Stand's original roof, with a scoreboard in the centre. Part of the North Stand is designated for up to 1,200 away supporters, but if necessary the whole stand can be allocated to bring the allocation up to around 2,000.

For the away fans The Railway Tavern on East Street in Prittlewell is 100 yards from the station just walk up the station approach and onto East Street ideally placed next to the railway station then the Tavern does good ale, a big bar split into two with plenty of space. Landlord was helpful and chatty and the staff well attended. I'd recommend a stop off. Roots Hall is served by four bars around the ground in addition to the West Stand Bar which can be accessed through turnstiles 21-26.

# **Driving Directions**



From M25 take Junction 29 and follow the A127 to Southend. Continue towards the town centre, through the lights near to the Bell Pub. At the next roundabout turn right take the third exit into Victoria Avenue. The ground is on the right just past the next traffic lights. If you turn right into Fairfax Drive as you reach the ground, this will put you behind the away end where there is plenty of street parking to be found. Otherwise there is a car park at the ground, or there is the Southend High School on Prittlewell Chase which is the first right as you come down Fairfax Drive and 100 yards on the right also offers car parking for £5 per car.



West Stand

# **Public Transport**





 $\rightarrow$  5 mins

Train to **Prittlewell Railway Station**, about a five minute walk away. As you exit the station turn right into East Street, you will then come to a crossroads with traffic lights. On your right is the 'Fish House, turn right past the church cross the road then walk 100 yards and the ground is tucked away on your left.

#### Admission

Adults £17, Senior Citizens £12, Under 21's/Students £10, Under 16's £10, Under 8's £5

# **Sutton United**

Ground - The Borough Sports Ground, Gander Green Lane, Sutton, SM1 2EY

Telephone - 020 8644 4440 Capacity: 7,032 (Seated 765) Team Nickname: The U's

Year Ground Opened: 1900 (Sutton Athletic Club)

Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards Undersoil Heating: Yes

Shirt Sponsors: Angel Plastics Kit Manufacturer: O'Neil's

First Kit: Yellow Shirt with Black Shorts and Black socks

Away Kit: White shirts blue shorts blue socks

Website: www.suttonunited.net

Programme: £3

### **Ground Guide**

Gander Green Lane was originally a running track, although the running track is now long gone but its earlier presence is still quite evident by the curvature of the perimeter fence, which remains set back a little way from the playing area. The ground is dominated by the

large grandstand which when opened in 1953 at a cost of £3,000 in time for the Coronation, at that time seated just over 1,000 spectators.



Although the capacity is now reduced to around 750 it more than adequately meets Sutton's requirements today and affords a good view of the action from underneath its low roof. On either side is concrete terracing, extending 'round behind the Collingwood Road end on one side, and towards the Securicor Terrace at the other. The stand also houses offices, dressing rooms and clubhouse facilities.

The club have a large a car park was constructed on land adjacent to the neighbouring railway. In addition, work was begun on a new terrace at the Collingwood Road end which although this end of the ground remains uncovered and is some way from the pitch.



The grandstand

Opposite the stand is a further area of covered terrace, dating from 1986. Towards the Gander Green Lane End is a further newer area of uncovered terrace, whilst there is covered provision for disabled spectators near the corner flag at the Collingwood Road End.

In February 1997 construction work started on the Securicor Terrace at the Gander Green Lane end and was completed in late March of that year. This has brought spectators somewhat closer to the goal, and supporters were asked to help meet the costs of the work through a scheme called "Buy A Brick", which raised over £7,000. A list of contributors is preserved in a plaque attached to the back of the structure.

In the summer of 2000 new floodlights were installed at the ground to replace the originals and this has been particularly beneficial for spectators in the stand, as it spelt the demise of one pylon that stood immediately in front. There have also been other small changes to the ground in recent years, including the welcome Rose's Tea Hut on the far side, painted in Sutton's distinctive yellow and chocolate colours.



**Gander Green End** 

# **Driving to the Ground**

# South



Travel along the M25 to junction 8; follow the A217 for approx. 6 miles Signposted Sutton, at the Belmont roundabout turn left and follow the A217 Signposted London do not take the road to Sutton. Continue on the A217 until you pass the fire station on your right, and then take the right-hand lane and by the Gander Inn (on the left), turn right into Gander Green Lane. The Borough Sports Ground is about 200 yards up this road on the left hand side

North



Exit the M25 at junction 10, and follow the A3 Signposted Esher and Kingston until Tolworth, and then exit, the dual carriage way Signposted Sutton A240. At the roundabout, turn right to Sutton. Follow the A240 for approx. 2 miles, and then at the Organ Inn junction take the left hand turning on to the A24 Signposted London. Follow the A24 for approx 2 miles, going straight over the North Cheam cross-roads. Just after St Anthony's Hospital, turn right into Gander Green Lane. Follow Gander Green Lane, continuing straight over the traffic lights at the junction of the A217. The football ground is on the left hand side.

# **Public Transport & Walking**





### $\rightarrow$ 3 minutes

The ground is right beside **West Sutton Railway Station** it's come out of the station and then turns right and the ground is just up the lane.

#### Admission

Adults £17 OAP's/Students £10 Under 16's £6

### Where to Drink

Two hundred yards east of the ground is the Robin Hood Inn at 52 West Street is a friendly pub, serving real ale and good food as well as a car park, and 200 yards North of the ground in the Gander Inn at 2 St Dunstans Hill is just outside the centre of Sutton. Set in two sections, it is ideal for all occasions, whether it be quiet dining or atmospheric drinks before or after the game. There is sport being shown throughout the day, on the plasma screens, which can be seen from all areas of this pub. The Plough is 25 yards from the Railway Station on Gander Lane and is old traditional pub excellent beers and friendly staff and good pub grub.

# **Tamworth**

Ground - The Lamb Ground Kettlebrook Tamworth Staffordshire, B77 1AA

**Telephone**: 01827 65798

Fax: 01827 62236

Capacity: 4,100 (Seated 518)
Nickname: The Lambs
Year Ground Opened: 1934
Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards

**Undersoil Heating:** Yes Shirt Sponsors: Pure Water Kit Manufacturer: Macron

First Kit: Red Shirt with White Shorts and White socks

Away Kit: White shirts blue shorts blue socks

Website: www.tamworth.co.uk

Programme: £3

### **Ground Guide**

Although the ground is on the small side and gets its name from a former pub called the Lamb Inn, it is well maintained and has a capacity of 4,100. The Main Stand all seated covered stand that straddles the halfway line of the pitch and has a capacity of 526 seats.



The Main Stand

The other side is a small covered terrace, known by the fans as 'The Shed' which runs nearly the full length of the pitch and this terrace is used by the home support The Castle End is an open terrace, whilst the other end is a partly covered terrace. This end, the Meadow Street End, is given to away supporters. The ground is overlooked in one corner by the sizeable Tamworth Snowdome.

# **Driving to the Ground**



Drive down to Junction 35 and then take the third road and take the M18 Sheffield/ Scunthorpe the M18 merges with the M1 and take junction 23A on to the M42 then take junction 10 on to the A5/A51 to Town Centre, then follow the signs for Kettlebrook and Tamworth FC.



# North West

Take the M6 to junction 12 then take the A5 or you can take the M6 Toll road and get off at junction T4 and follow the signs for A5 and Tamworth then at Bonehill Roundabout go into to Tamworth and follow the signs for Tamworth FC and Snow Dome.



The Meadow Street End

# South East

Take the M1 to junction then at Junction 19 take the M6 for Birmingham then at Junction take the sign for the M42 and then junction 10 take the slip road for Tamworth and follow the above directions from the North East. There are car parking spaces at the back of the main stand and its £2.00 for cars and £10 for coaches

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# **Public Transport/Walking**

Train to **Tamworth Railway Station** leave the station and walk along the approach road to the roundabout, turn left then cross the road leading under the railway bridge, leaving Jewson's on your right, walk along Offa Drive continue past Aldi to a roundabout, turn left leaving Bolebridge Garage on your left, cross the river bridge with the railway viaduct on your left.

Then follow the footpath to the left into Amington Road, cross Amington Road when you reach the roadside railings cross the road but don't go under the arches, once across the road head up Kettlebrook Road and the entrance to The Lamb is 50 yards ahead on your right.

#### **Admission**

Adults £14 (B £12), Over 65's/Under 18's £9 (B £7), Under 16's £4 (B £3),

#### **Programme**

£2.50

#### **Where to Drink**

The Social club at the Lamb not only serves beers and spirits but does a brisk trade in good food and if you are coming from the Railway Station then Sir Robert Peel in Lower Gungate. There is also a pub, called the Bole Bridge at 8 Bolebridge Street, which is popular with both home and away supporters.

# Wealdstone

Ground - St. George's Stadium Grosvenor Vale, Ruislip, HA4 6JQ,

**Telephone**: 01895 637487

Fax: 0208 9074421

**Capacity:** 2,640 (Seated 329)

**Team Nickname**: The Stone, The Royals **Year Ground Opened**: 1938 (Runslip Manor)

Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Brunell University

Kit Manufacturer: Kelme

First Kit: Blue and White Shirt with Blue Shorts and Blue socks

Away Kit: yellow shirts White shorts White socks

Website: www.wealdstonefc.com

Programme: £2



# **Ground Guide**

The Vale continues to be improved with the introduction of new terracing, safety barriers and in 2009 a new covered stand ('Brian Collins' Corner). In the Summer of 2012 a new club shop was added, along with a new Tea Bar located behind the dug-outs on the half-way line as well as additional raised terracing. In the Summer of 2013, the Supporters paid for and built a new mobile stand ('Bulla Stand') which has been positioned behind the goal at the old 'Tea Bar' end and more cover has been added at the Gun Turret End ('Roy Couch' stand) providing further covered accommodation for the fans.



# **Driving to the Ground**



From the M1 follow the signs for Heathrow Airport on the M25 then come off at Junction 16 onto the A40, then come off at the Polish War Memorial junction for the A4180 sign posted to Ruislip, continue on West End Road, right into Grosvenor Vale after approx. 1.5 miles, the ground is at the end of the road. From the M25 take Junction 16 off the M25 onto A40. Then follow the above directions.



# **Public Transport & Walking**





Using the Metropolitan, and Piccadilly lines to **Ruislip Manor Station** turn left out of the station, then first right into Shenley Avenue, third left into Cranley Drive, the ground is 50 yards on the left.

From **Ruislip Underground Station** (Metropolitan Line) Turn left and walk up the stairs turns left again and go over the bridge into West End Road, walk down approx 200 yards and turn left into Grosvenor Vale.

From **Ruislip Gardens Underground Station** (Central Line) turn right into West End Road and keep going for approx 1/2 mile turn right into Grosvenor Vale, the ground is at the end of the road.

## **Admission**

Adults £17
OAP's/Students £10
Under 16's £2

# **Where to Drink**

Two minutes from Runslip Station is Sweeney's at 101 High Street where good beer and ale are had with friendly staff and heading towards the ground is the Bell Inn at 298 West End Road from Runslip Gardens Station which is a eleven minutes' walk from the ground and has a good restaurant as well as selling good beer and is rustic from the outside.

# Woking

Ground - Kingfield Stadium Kingfield Road, Woking GU22 9AA

Telephone - 01483 772 470
Capacity: 6,000 (2,500 Seated)
Team Nickname: The Cardinals
Year Ground Opened: 1922
Pitch Size: 114 x 76 yards
Undersoil Heating: No

Shirt Sponsors: Boz Fruit and Veg

Kit Manufacturer: Adidas

First Kit: Red and White Shirt With Black Shorts And Red And White Socks

Away Kit: Yellow Shirts Blue Shorts Blue Socks

Website: www.wokingfc.co.uk

Programme: £2



## **Ground Guide**

The ground has an impressive and has a capacity for 6,000 and a modern looking single tiered stand at one end of the ground called the Leslie Gosden Stand, towers above the rest of the stadium. At the other end is a small covered terrace, called the Kingfield Road End, whilst on one side there is a small open terrace, called the Chris Lane Terrace. On the other side are a couple of small covered seated stand, with terracing beside the, called the Moaners End one nice feature is the abundance of greenery, with lots of trees surrounding the stadium.



Leslie Gosden Stand from the Tennis Courts

# **Driving to the Ground**

# North



Exit M25 Junction 11 takes the A317 and then the A320 towards Woking. Continue on the A320 through Woking town centre. Then follow the road left over the Railway Bridge and passing a Woking Community Hospital on your left you will come to a fork in the road, take the left fork into Claremont Road towards Old Woking then at the bottom of Claremont Road turn left onto Kingfield Road and the entrance to the ground is down on the right opposite the Leisure Centre.



Chris Lane Terrace

# South



Exit M25 Junction 10 and follow A3 towards Guildford. Leave at next junction onto B2215 through Ripley and join A247 to Woking. Turn right at the roundabout into Wynch Hill Lane, towards Old Woking and this road leads into Kingfield Road and the entrance to the ground is down on the right opposite the Leisure Centre.

# **Public Transport & Walking**



Train to **Woking Railway Station** which is about a mile away from the ground and is around a 15-minute walk. Exit the station on the opposite side of the station to the town (Station Approach/Oriental Road side). Turn Right down Station Approach and at the bottom, turn left onto Claremont Road. At the end of Claremont Road turn left on Wynch Hill Lane, which then becomes Kingfield Road when you cross the bridge then cross the road and go down Westfield Avenue past the Rifle Club on your left and the ground is 200yards down the left. Or continue and take a right into the Car Park and walk up to the ground.



The Main Stand

#### **Admission**

Adults £17 Over 65's/Students £10 Under 16's £5

# **Where to Drink**

The Cardinals Bar situated behind the Main Stand where away and neutral fans are normally welcome and there is usually a good and lively atmosphere there'. It also has a large screen television showing Sky Sports. However, away and neutral fans are only allowed in when there is non segregation of fans for the forthcoming match.

The nearest pub to the ground is the Kingfield Arms. It is located about 400 yards from the ground down Kingfield Road towards Old Woking. The landlord is friendly and caters for Football fans. There is also the Crown & Anchor at 100 High Street Old Woking which is 700yards past the ground both pubs are in the Camera guide for ale drinkers.

# Yeovil Town

Ground - Huish Park, Lufton Way, Yeovil, Somerset, BA22 8YF

Main Telephone No: 01935 423 662

Fax No: 01935 473 956

Capacity: 9,665 (Seating 5,212)
Pitch Size: 115 x 72 yards
Team Nickname: Glovers
Year Ground Opened: 1990
Undersoil Heating: No
Shirt Sponsors: Bradfords
Kit Manufacturer: Hummel

First Kit: Green & White Shirt with White Shorts and Green and white socks

Away Kit: Yellow shirts Yellow shorts Yellow socks

Website: www.ytfc.net

Programme: £3



# **History Facts & Records**

**Founded** – 1890

Years at Today's Ground -26 Years

First Admitted to the Football League - 2005

First Official Floodlit Match - October 1960 Huish Athletics Ground

**Highest Attendance –** 17,123 v Sunderland, in the FA Cup Fourth Round 29/ 01/1949 Huish Athletics Ground

Highest Score for - 17 - 1 v Yeovil GWR Somerset Senior Cup 1901

Highest Against - 0-6 v Stevenage, 14 April 2012

**Highest Scorer in a Season & Highest Scorer Overall –** 57 Johnny Hayward 1906/07 548 goals (1906–28)

Player with most First Team Appearances – Len Harris, 691 (1958–72)

# **Former Names**

Yeovil FC, 1890 - 95 Yeovil Casuals, 1895 - 1907 Yeovil and Petters United 1907 - 1947

# **Former Grounds**

Dorchester Road (1895 - 1902)

The Huish Athletics Ground (1902 - 1990) \*\*

#### **Ground Guide**

The move to a new ground in 1990 from the old Huish Athletic Ground which had a large slop from one side to another, that slope has gone, but the team have continued to impress by reaching the second tier of football for the first time in 2013.

Both sides of the ground are similar looking stands and are of the same height. They are both cantilevered, covered single tiered stands that are all seated. Each stand has windshields to either side. The only differences between these stands, is that the Augusta Westland Community Stand has some executive boxes running across the back of it, plus the dug outs and players tunnel.



Opposite is the Screwfix Community Stand has a press box suspended from beneath its roof and a small simple looking electric scoreboard. At one end is the medium sized Thatchers Gold Stand Terrace, which is covered and for home supporters and again has windshields to either side.

Opposite is the Copse Road Terrace, which is given to away fans. This is smaller and uncovered. Oddly the steel work is in place at the back of this stand to incorporate more terrace space, but the concrete rows have so far not been added. Perched above the rear of this stand is a large electric scoreboard.



# **Driving Directions**



Leave the M5 at Junction 25 and take the first exit onto the A358 (Signposted Yeovil/ Weymouth) drive down this to the next roundabout (with burger King on the right) take the first exit onto the A303. At the second roundabout called the Cartgate roundabout and take the second exit onto the A3088 towards Yeovil. Follow the road for around four miles until you reach a roundabout with the Westlands Airfield in front of you. Take the first exit at this roundabout and then continue straight on, crossing a number of roundabouts. As you pass the entrance to an Asda superstore, take the next left for the ground, which can be seen from the road. There is a fair-sized car park at the ground, which costs £2. Otherwise there is plenty of street car parking to be had on the roads leading down to the ground.

# **Public Transport/Walking**









Train to **Yeovil Junction Railway Station** then take **South West Coaches 68 bus** to the bus Station then take the **Busses of Somerset 51 bus** to Forde Way at Ford Park then walk to the end of the street and turn left into Western Avenue then take first right into Corspe Road and follow it left to the ground

# **Admission**

Screwfix Stand (Seating): Adults £17, Over 65's £10, Under 22's £10, Under 16's £6 Copse Road (Terrace): Adults £16, Over 65's £14, Under 22's £12, Under 16's £5



Away End

# Where to have a Drink

The Bell" on Preston Road which is 25 minutes away from the ground but I love the bell. Food is very good and very reasonably priced. The staffs are helpful the wine is always at the right temp and the beer also. The whole place has a really nice atmosphere and I love the way it is divided up into several different areas. It's so much better than the Airfield Tavern, Both in food quality and price. To get there quickly take the train to Taunton then walk up to the parade and then take the First in Bristol, Bath & the West Bus 54 Yeovil Hospital on Kingston and its five minutes to the pub.

There is also the Airfield Tavern, Alvington Lane and the Anvil which is beside Preston Primary School and not too far from the ground but Yeovil FC have often been known to erect a large marque for certain matches, allowing fans to shelter slightly from the elements and purchase a drink from a limited range of beer. Inside the concourses of the ground fans can also enjoy the expected range of drinks.

# York City

Ground - The LNER York Community Stadium, Monks Cross, York, YO32 9LF

**Main Telephone No**: 01904 624447

Fax No: 01904 631457

Capacity: 8,000 (Seated 3,409) **Pitch Size:** 115 x 74 yards

**Team Nickname:** The Minstermen **Year Ground Opened:** 2020

**Undersoil Heating**: No **Shirt Sponsors**: Titan Wealth

**Kit Manufacturer**: Hummel **First Kit**: Red Shirts White Shorts and White socks **Away Kit**: White shirts Royal Red shorts White socks

Website: www.yorkcityfc.com

Programme: £3



# **History Facts & Records**

Founded – 1902 (Reformed 1922) Years at Today's Ground – 83 years

First Admitted to the Football League – 1929 for Ashington FC

First Official Floodlit Match – October 1959

Highest Attendance – 28,123 v Huddersfield Town, FA Cup Sixth round 5/03/1938

**Highest Score for –** 9-1 v Southport Division Three North 2/02/1957

**Highest Against –** 0-12 v Chester City Division three North 1/02/1936

Highest Scorer in a Season - 56 William (Bill) Cowie 1928/29

Highest Scorer Overall – 143 Norman F Wilkinson 1954-66

Player with most First Team Appearances – Charles B (Barry) Jackson 1958 – 70

#### **Former Grounds**

Minster Fields (1902 – 17) Fulfordgate (1922 – 32) Bootham Crescent (1932 – 2020)

## **Ground Guide**

The stadium has all-seated capacity of 8,000, it comprises four stands; the East Stand (Main Stand), the West Stand, the North Stand and the South Stand. The three-floored East Stand is to accommodate hospitality guests, players, officials and the media, and will be connected to the adjacent retail and community facilities.



Main Stand & South (Cinema End)

The East and West stands stretch the length of the playing field, and each corner will host stadium facilities, including match day emergency services, stewarding, groundsman accommodation, plant space and a fan zone. The seats will be coloured red, white, yellow and blue, a combination of the colours of York City and York City Knights RLFC teams.

The pitch was laid with reinforced natural grass, with provision to counter frost. The dimensions for football matches will be 105 by 68 metres (115 by 74 yards), with 3-metre-wide run-offs on the sides and 6.5- metre-wide run-offs behind the goals, which will meet Grade 4 FIFA recommendations. The dimensions for rugby league matches will be 100 by 68 metres

(109 by 74 yards), with 6-metre in-goal areas, and 3-metre-wide run-offs on the sides and after the dead ball lines.

Adjoining the stadium will be the leisure complex, which will include a 25-metre, six-lane swimming pool, a sports hall for netball, badminton and basketball, a gym with dance and spinning studios, an adventure sports zone and three 3G five-a-side pitches. A community hub will house health and well-being services for York residents and visitors, including clinical services, an independent living assessment centre and a library



**North End** 

# **Driving Directions**

# South



Take the A1 (M1) to Junction 44 and merge onto the A64 for 18 miles to Huntington Roundabout keep in the two left lanes and take the first exit at the roundabout and at the next roundabout take the first exit onto the A1036 then take the 4<sup>th</sup> exit at the Jockey Lane roundabout and at the next go straight on then at Aldi take a left into Kathryn Lane and the ground is in front of you away support take the second exit everybody else take the first exit plenty of parking

# North



From the A1 take junction 47 and take the first exit onto the A59 till Poppleton roundabout then take the first exit onto the A1237 and go straight on at the next four roundabouts and at the Monks Link roundabout take the third exit and straight on at the next roundabout and at the junction takea right drive up to Aldi then take a left into Kathryn Lane and the ground is in front of you away support take the second exit everybody else take the first exit plenty of parking

# **Public Transport & Walking**



Leave York Railway Station and take the First Bus in York 9 or 12 to Monks Cross and drops you of at Huntingdon House and it's a short walk down Kathryn Lane to the ground

# **Admission**

Popular Side (Seating)

Adults £17, Concessions £10

## Where to drink

There is a supporter's club Bar, which is situated on one corner of the ground that overlooks the away end. City allows away supporters. Otherwise the nearest pub to the ground is the Hogshead on Huntingdon Road or the Blacksmith Inn in the Old Village on the Huntingdon Road both are 30 minutes walks so take a pint in the city centre then take the bus to the game.