

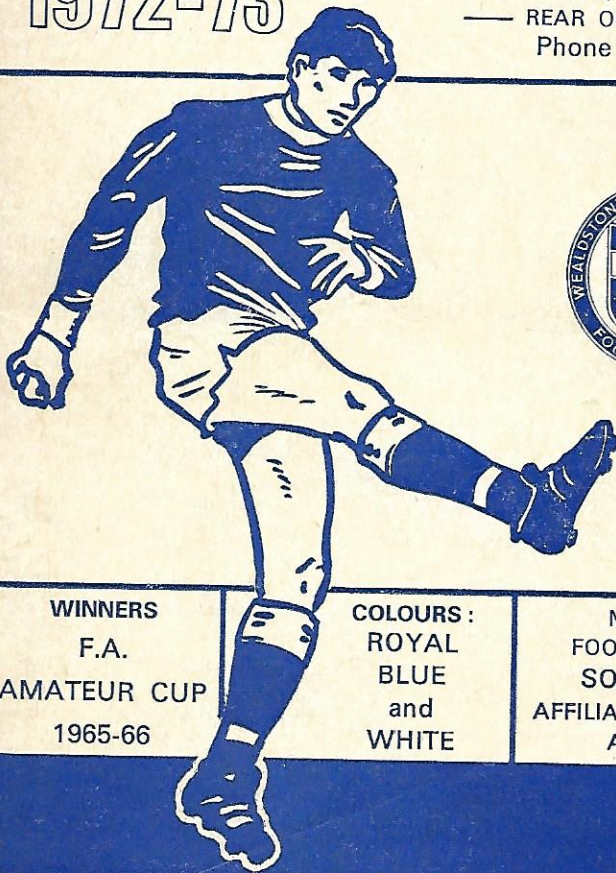
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<b>1972</b>	<b>1973</b>
<b>August</b>	<b>January</b>
12 Bath City	6 Bexley United
15 Dunstable Town	13 Hastings United (FA3)
19 Tonbridge	20 Bideford (CT2)
22 Stevenage (SLC)	27 Ashford Town
26 Gravesend Northfleet	
28 Stevenage (SLC)	<b>February</b>
<b>September</b>	3 Crawley Town (FA4)
2 Bideford	10 Andover (CT3)
5 Dunstable Town	17 Crawley Town
9 Waterlooville (CT)	24 Hastings United (FA5)
16 Windsor & Eton (FA1Q)	<b>March</b>
19 Maidstone United	3 Salisbury
23 Bexley United	10 Minehead (CT4)
25	17 Metropolitan Police (FA6)
30 (CT1Q)	24 Basingsstoke Town
<b>October</b>	31 Canterbury City (CTSF)
14 Minehead	<b>April</b>
21 Salisbury (FA3Q)	7 Trowbridge Town (FASF)
28 Basingsstoke Town (CT2Q)	14 Winchester City
<b>November</b>	20
4 Metropolitan Police (FA4Q)	21 Dorchester Town
11 Gravesend N'thfleet (CT3Q)	23 Bletchley Town
14 Maidstone United	24 Bath City
18 Dorchester Town (FA1)	28 F.A. Trophy Final
25 Canterbury City	
<b>December</b>	
2 Bognor Regis Town (CT1)	
9 Winchester City (FA2)	
16 Trowbridge Town	
23 Bognor Regis Town	
26 Bletchley Town	
30 Tonbridge	

For your information the code letters should be interpreted as follows:  
FA1Q = F.A. Cup 1st Qualifying Round  
CT1Q = Challenge Trophy 1st Qualifying Round  
FA1 = F.A. Cup 1st Round Proper  
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SLC = Southern League Cup  
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## Club Notes

Hello again, and welcome to Lower Mead Stadium for our first home game of the new season! It's nice to have you all back (and a lot of newcomers, we hope!) and we sincerely hope that we can offer you rather better entertainment than we did last season. Our switch to the Southern Section of the Southern League means that for the second successive campaign, we shall be entertaining, and making, new friends from the Southern and Western half of the country.

Some of our supporters believe it was a pity that we opened the new season with such a tough one at Bath City last Saturday and Bath richly deserved their 3-1 win. I fancy Bath will be well in the running for a quick return to the Premier Division. We found them a most delightful and hospitable club, with an excellent set-up administration-wise; to say nothing of the fact that they can play a bit too!

However, our convincing 3-0 win at Dunstable on Tuesday has put the side in good spirits, and it was particularly good to see old favourite Micky Brown regaining his appetite for goals. No matter how good or bad the opposition, three goals away from home can't be bad and manager Sid Prosser is only too well aware that what our supporters want is goals. Four in the first two matches, when the settling-in process is still taking place, is a reasonable enough start and we shall be well away if we can consolidate today.

Incidentally, talking of Bath reminds me. Their supporters must surely have been worth a goal start to them, for they gave the side tremendous vocal support, and when they scored their first goal the roar must have been heard miles away. How about a spot of enthusiasm for the 'Stones today? It spurs them on to much greater effort, you know, so let's give them a bit of a verbal shove today!

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There has been some talk in the district that striker Bill Byrne is joining Hayes. Bill went off on holiday early in the morning after the Harrow Borough trial match and assured Mr. Prosser that he would be available for next Tuesday's home League Cup match against Stevenage (7.30).

Hayes DID want to sign him, but after talking with our manager, Bill gave the above mentioned assurance and as he only returns from Spain today, we have no reason to believe the position has changed. At the time of writing this, George Duck is doubtful after Tuesday's severe knock, but physiotherapist Jim Sparks has been working overtime to get him fit for today.

By the way, Alick Brown is on holiday and returns next Saturday.

Stevenage manager Bill Coldwell tells me that his side's lowest gate so far (including trial games) has been 1,600 and says while he is happy with his attack, his defence bothers him a little. They led Kidderminster 3-0 the other evening but finally drew 3-3. So Tuesday's first leg match here should be a most exciting affair for they have made several close-season signings, including Ricky George, hero of Hereford's F.A. Cup run last season.

Colin Pope.

### Welcome to Tonbridge

We are delighted to welcome Tonbridge to Lower Mead Stadium for the very first time and hope they enjoy their first visit. They could hardly have made a better start to the season, for in the opening match they beat near-neighbours Hastings 2-1 and followed up with a 3-2 victory over Metropolitan Police on Monday.

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Everyone connected with the Club will be distressed to learn of the recent passing away of Mrs. Barbara Boyle, wife of second team manager Les to whom our very deepest sympathy is extended, together with his daughter Gillian and two sons. There is nothing that Les would not do for Wealdstone F.C. and we all feel for him in this time of sorrow. Les asks us to thank all concerned for their tributes, and expressions of sympathy.

## Sports shorts . . .

Mike Barnard, a representative with B.E.A. has replaced George Young on the Club's Management Committee.

Doing a magnificent job as dressing-room attendant and ground maintenance man is long-standing supporter John Murray. John, although only officially engaged part time, is sufficiently keen to do anything up to a 50 hour week. John says we shall soon have the smartest ground in the League !

Don't forget, Bingo continues in the Social Club every Wednesday, at 8 p.m. A much more intimate atmosphere is possible compared to the massive sessions held elsewhere, and with excellent refreshments available, everyone has a good time. Why not give it a try ?

Elsewhere in this programme you will read about our Development Fund. We lag way behind every other Club in this respect and our income is a pittance compared to the majority of Southern League Clubs. At 5p a go, you can't lose much, but stand to win really costly prizes, and the odds against such a win are very low !

Any suggestions (critical or otherwise) regarding this programme, Public Relations Officer Colin Pope will be delighted to hear them. Let him know what you would like to read in it. A full page biography of every player (one every programme) will commence shortly.

Within the next week or so, we shall be numbering our first team squad from 1-15 and they will wear these numbers every week, as did England in the World Cup. This will be a quick aid to identification and in keeping with modern trends. Anyone against the idea ?

As you can see, largely thanks to Mick Mylcreest a start has been made on painting the Elmslie Stand. Anyone willing to give a hand on Sunday morning will be made most welcome.

You will see that during the close season the North tea bar has been re-designed, and the Supporters Club office considerably enlarged and modernised. Construction was by that well-known firm of Jack Palmer and Jim Brigden, with the Supporters Committee doing interior decorations. And they've done a grand job . . .

To keep you in the picture . . . Vic Reynolds cannot be considered for selection until his clearance from the Australian F.A. has been received. This is expected daily.

## Supporters Club Notes

Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen. Welcome back to Lower Mead Stadium for our first competitive home match of the season. I trust you have all summered well, made a few centuries, taken a lot of wickets, won more sets than the others or merely collected a good sun-tan! Things have now returned to normality, with two games a week !

It was truly pleasing to see so many of you at both Bath and Dunstable. Your vocal support worked wonders for the team at the end of last season so let's continue where we left off.

Today we welcome newcomers to Lower Mead Stadium Tonbridge F.C. who are old hands at the Southern League game finishing sixth in the Southern Section last term. Nicknamed 'The Angels' their manager John Gilchrist has made several close-season signings including our old friend Dave Bielkus and look a formidable combination this year.

On Tuesday we are hosts to our old friends Stevenage in the first leg of the Southern League Cup, and your support will be appreciated to help build a big lead to take to their ground the following Monday, (7.30).

Next Saturday we resume our league campaign at Gravesend and the usual coach service for Supporters Club members will operate. Please make your bookings through Barbara Robson either in the club office or by telephone (422 0799). Of course you can also book for the away leg of the Stevenage game.

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Peter Fuller, Publicity Officer.

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