

WATERS

The official programme of Virginia Water FC



VWFC vs Edgware & Kingsbury

Saturday 10th January 2026

Arbour Park, kick off 3pm

Cherry Red Records

Combined Counties Premier Division North



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Please contact the club for more information:

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Chairman's View

A very warm welcome to the players, staff, officials and supporters of Edgware & Kingsbury Football Club. Welcome to Arbour Park, I hope you enjoy our facilities.



Back in the swing of things for everyone. Happy New Year, I hope you all had a good festive break. Personally, I'm glad to get back to a bit of a routine after the twilight period of not knowing what day it was.

I'm very excited to see what 2026 will bring both on and off the pitch. We have picked up some form since Macca came on board, and we are hoping for some good news on the new ground too.

Enjoy the game, up the Waters!!

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Our History

Founded in the 1919–1920 season, Virginia Water FC celebrated its centenary in 2020, marking 100 years of grassroots football. In its early days, the club received royal support from King Edward VIII and King George VI, who gifted the club its current ground—a legacy that continues to inspire.

Starting in the Woking & District League, the club progressed through the Surrey Intermediate and Spartan Leagues. A milestone came in 1969 when Sir Stanley Rouse, CBE, then FIFA President, opened the clubhouse at The Timbers, named in honour of founder Harry Timbers. Promotion to the Combined Counties League followed in 1970, along with qualification for the FA Vase. The 1980s brought challenges, including relegation, but the club bounced back in 1990/91, winning the Surrey Intermediate Cup and earning promotion. The mid-90s were a golden era, with three consecutive Surrey County Premier Cup wins and a League and League Cup Treble in 1997.

After stints in various Surrey leagues, the club joined the Surrey Elite League in 2010. Despite cup success, promotion remained elusive until the arrival of Ceri Jones in 2015–16, who guided the team to a fourth-place finish. Following Richard Banks being appointed as Head Coach together they led the club to back-to-back promotions into the Hellenic League Division One and then the Premier Division, capped by a cup double in 2016–17. Following consolidation in the Hellenic Premier, the club moved to the Combined Counties Premier League (North) due to league restructuring. In 2021–22, Ceri Jones became Director of Football, appointing Adam and Jake Bessent. Under their leadership, the club reached the Senior County Cup Final and achieved its highest-ever league finish of 7th place.

The 2023–24 season saw Adam Sams take over as First Team Manager, assisted by Ben Warren, leading the club to another 7th place finish and a League Cup Final appearance. In 2024–25, the team entered a ground share at Slough Town, finishing 9th and reaching the FA Cup First Qualifying Round, narrowly losing to Horsham FC.

At the end of July, Adam Sams stepped down, and Dan Bailey was promoted to Player Manager, supported by Ben Warren, Chris Ellis, and Dave Atkins. On 21 October, Dan Bailey and Chris Ellis stepped down from their roles. The club is now excited to welcome Paul McCarthy and Ryan Parsons as the new management team, supported by Dave Atkins and Ben Warren. Paul brings a wealth of non-league experience, having managed Ashford Town and worked with Chertsey Town, and is known for his strong leadership and success.

Off the pitch, Virginia Water FC continues to thrive. Plans are underway for a new ground development back in Virginia Water. The Youth Section is booming, with 27 teams (20 boys and 7 girls) and over 300 players. On Saturdays, the club runs three joiner classes—Wildcats, Squads, and Football Fanatics—welcoming 50 new players to begin their football journey.



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History of the Club

The club were founded in 1939 and played in the Middlesex Senior League until joining the Coronation League in the 1946–47 season. In 1948 they won the Middlesex Senior Cup. In 1963 the club transferred to Division One of the Athenian League. They

finished third in their first season, and were promoted to the Premier Division. In 1966–67 they finished bottom of the division, and were relegated to Division One. This was followed by a second successive relegation to Division Two as they finished bottom of the table again. In 1972 the club was renamed Edgware. When the Athenian League disbanded in 1984 they joined the London Spartan League before changing their name back to Edgware Town in 1987. They won the Premier Division of the Spartan League in 1987–88 and 1989–90, and after their second title win, were promoted to Division Two North of the Isthmian League. After league re-organisation in 1991 they were placed in Division Three, which they won the following season. They were relegated back to Division Three in 2001.

In 2006 the now-renamed Division Two was disbanded and Edgware were transferred to the Premier Division of the Spartan South Midlands League. They won it at the first attempt, also winning the Premier Cup and the Challenge Trophy. The club was promoted to Division One North of the Isthmian League, but folded at the end of the 2007–08 season due to lack of funds. In 2014 a group including Dan and Antony Manzi, Daz Bloor and Ken Batten secured the club's inclusion back into non-league football. After a shaky start to the 2014–15 season, the Wares finished a credible 9th and Middx Prem Cup Runners up after the management team of Michael Roche, Fabio Valenti and Peter Grant came in. The 2015–16 Season saw "The Wares" finish top with only 2 defeats, and lose in the Divisional Cup Final to Crawley Green.

The ground, Silver Jubilee Park has achieved a C grade rating with 3 new stands, new floodlights and extended changing rooms and new perimeter fence. The Ken Batten Stand should be in place shortly and then SJP will have 2 seated stands, 3 standing covered stands with a capacity just shy of 2000. Fabio Valenti took over as 1st team manager in June 2016. Fergus Moore took over the team in 2017 after the departure of Fabio Valenti, and after a difficult start the team finished 10th which showed a marked improvement from the season before. The 2018–19 season was another midtable finish with Fergus pretty much on his own but towards the end of the season he was joined by Joe Pascoe who came over from the Hendon U18's and that's how the 2019–20 season will begin.



The 2019-20 season was cut short because of Covid19 but before that happened the Wares were looking pretty good for a top 10 finish in the league, having started the season well the team went through a horrible period losing 13 of their next 14 games before recovering to win 6 of their next 9 games. The 2020-21 season starts with the return of our title winning manager Michael Roche as Fergus's assistant and also arriving on the coaching staff are Scott McGleish, Glen Parry and Julian Darby. 2020-21 was again brutally cut short with the season being abandoned in December but not before there was a managerial change with Rak Hudson replacing Fergus Moore and having had only three competitive before lockdown 2021-22 means Rak can start afresh with a brand new squad. 2021-22 Finally a complete season and our first in the newly formed Combined Counties Premier Division North, Rak assembled a brand new squad and in their first competitive match were beaten 3-0 by Hadley in the FA Cup but in the league they won 3 of their first 4 matches and drew the other to eventual runaway winners Hanworth Villa. The club finished a creditable 8th in the division and had a decent run in the League Cup where they reached the third round losing away at Cobham and but for a dreadful run at the end of the season they may have finished in the top 5.

The 22-23 season saw the club change its name from Edgware Town to Edgware & Kingsbury to reflect the area where our home ground is situated. The season itself saw the club finish 6th in the Combined Counties Premier Division North which was the highest finish since the club reformed. After a strong start the club went through a 9 game winless streak midway through the season but a few mid season changes saw the club finish the season strongly. The club also reached the 1st Qualifying round of the FA Cup knocking out step 4 side AFC Dunstable after a replay. The 23-24 season promised a lot with the majority of the squad that finished the previous season remaining and things did start well, a replay defeat to Waltham Abbey in the FA Cup who only equalized in the 95th minute in the first game to send it to a replay, and a decent start in the league, the club did not foresee the horrible run that ensued that saw us avoid relegation by a single point, lets hope there is no repeat.

The 24-25 season promised much but delivered little, the club went through four changes of manager which was the same amount as in the last 10 years since reformation and were bottom of the league for much of the season only saving themselves in the second last match. Rak started the season as manager but results did not go his way and he resigned, next up was Ray Dadzie and after a slow start things improved slightly but not enough and he also resigned, Scott Patmore came next and this was our best period of the season where we picked up 16 points in 9 matches which got us off the bottom of the table, but then Scott also resigned and Lee Grant was appointed manager and he, Cory and Ryan kept us up and now we look forward to a long relationship with these three.



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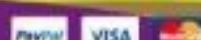
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From the Dugout

Good afternoon everyone. Welcome back to Arbour Park for this home game against Edgware & Kingsbury. We wish their club officials, management team and players a warm welcome.

Happy New Year to you all.

Against Ashford, I thought the boys were superb and carried out the game plan excellently. We nullified their threats, created some good chances and were eventually able to come away with a win.

We have another tough test today against Edgware & Kingsbury, which we've already seen in that crazy 4-6 game previously at their place. Hopefully I'll not have as many heart palpitations today, as we look to carry on the run that we're on.

As always, enjoy the game and I'll always be available in the bar after if anyone would like a chat.



Up the Waters!

Macca

Just For Fun

Can you guess the professional player from the clubs they have played for? Answer is on the last page!



Where are they now?

We catch up with some Waters' Alumni and ask them about their time at the club, and what they are up to now

Name: Gareth Morgan

Position: First Team Manager

Era(s) played at VW: 2007-10 I think!!



Gareth (centre) on a VWFC golf day with former players Anthony Brown (left) and Liam Hill (right)

player but we had some cracking players back in the day though.

Did you score any memorable goals?

Yeah, I got a couple. I had to play up top in a couple of games; the first one was due to traffic problems away to Battersea; I had to play myself and Banksy up top. We won 2-1 I got the first and Banksy the second. My

● In a nutshell, can you give a brief overview of your time at the club?

I was asked to come and reform the club into a competitive team and take the club back into senior football's upper divisions back on the non-league ladder.

● Who was your manager(s) at the club when you played?

I was manager and took my team of management from Englefield Green Rovers consisting of Matt Edwards, John Harris, Jon Watts and eventually Richard Banks.

● Did you win anything here?

We got promoted from a very competitive Surrey Elite League and won the Surrey County Cup.

● Who was your favourite/best teammate?

Couldn't possibly give a favourite



favourite though, was when I brought myself on away at Shalford in the cup. After Liam Hill had missed 2 pens, I came on to get the winner from the spot (our third pen of the game!). I turned around and my players ran away from me rather than celebrate with me. I can still hear the groans when it hit the net!! Form is temporary, class is permanent... they were taught!!

🏆 **Do you keep up to date with what Waters are doing nowadays?**

Yes, I always like to keep an eye out for the team on the socials and get to watch them a few times a year. It's lovely to see David Atkins still doing a great job filling the water bottles up - it's a job he did very well for me too... Also Glad to see how the club has grown since we left, under the great care of Ceri and his team. Well done all.

🏆 **Are you still involved in football in some capacity?**

No not now, I spend more time going to watch the mighty Liverpool FC home and away

🏆 **What was the standout memory for you during your time at Waters?**

I don't have a standout memory, I have too many memories from my time at the Waters; getting promoted in the first season, and winning the biggest cup we could win, the Surrey County Cup.

My favourite player memory outside of the game was a night the boys went on a road run for training, and I followed them in the car. After a mile I saw Martin Peters coming out of the 7/11 with a bag of crisps, a Wispa bar and can of coke!! Still, he got the winner in the cup final, so all was forgiven.

🏆 **If you could go back and change one thing when you played here, what would it be?**

I wouldn't change a thing about my time at VWFC, I met some mates for life there. Maybe just the penalty taker against Shalford...

Competition Info

Recent Results

02/01/26

PDN Hilltop 3-2 North Leigh

03/01/26

PDN Ashford Town (Middx) 1-0 Reading City

PDN Broadfields United 2-0 Wallingford & Crowmarsh

PDN Burnham 4-1 Ardley United

Fixtures Today

PDN Amersham Town v Hilltop

PDN Ardley United v Milton United

PDN Ashford Town (Middx) v North Greenford United

PDN British Airways v Wallingford & Crowmarsh

PDN Burnham v North Leigh

PDN Harefield United v Abingdon United

PDN Kidlington v Reading City

PDN Virginia Water v Edgware & Kingsbury

PDN Windsor & Eton v Holyport

League Table

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Broadfields United	24	13	7	4	28	46
2	Burnham	22	13	5	4	20	44
3	Wallingford & Crowmarsh	25	13	4	8	-1	43
4	Ardley United	20	13	2	5	22	41
5	Ashford Town (Middx)	21	12	5	4	19	41
6	Hilltop	28	12	3	13	9	39
7	Milton United	23	11	4	8	7	37
8	Windsor & Eton	17	10	6	1	21	36
9	Kidlington	20	9	7	4	8	34
10	North Greenford United	20	10	3	7	3	33
11	Wokingham Town	21	8	5	8	3	29
12	Reading City	17	8	4	5	13	28
13	Virginia Water	20	8	4	8	-2	28
14	Harefield United	23	8	3	12	-4	27
15	British Airways	20	7	4	9	-5	22 *
16	Abingdon United	19	6	3	10	-5	21
17	North Leigh	23	5	3	15	-21	18
18	Amersham Town	21	5	3	13	-27	18
19	Holyport	24	4	1	19	-44	13
20	Edgware & Kingsbury	24	2	2	20	-44	8

* adjustment made

Top Scorers

6 - Jojo Kinzonzi, Lewis Flatman

5 - Cal Hamiton

4 - Aiden Payne-James, Jack Mills

3 - Alfie Grant

The Teams

Virginia Water FC

Kit:

Maroon Shirts

Maroon Shorts & Socks

GK: Purple

Manager: Paul McCarthy

Asst. Manager: Ryan Parsons

Coaches: Dave Atkins, Ben Warren

Physio: Elisha Timms



Squad:

Freddie Babbage | Josh Baines | Ryan Blake | Emerson Butcher (gk) | Kai Boylan | Firas Chniba | Armani Church | Guy Davies | Aderi Dede | Jamie Di Giuseppe | Rayan Djouadj | Adam Dougui | Uriel Ekperuoh | Lewis Flatman | James Goodey | Cal Hamilton | Ash Hitchinson | Shay Honey (gk) | Shuaib Jalloh | Matthew Jones (gk) | Harry Kidd | Jehovany Kinzonzi | Harry Laflin | Eddie Lazarczuk | Conor Lee | Darnell Lemar | Jack Mills © | Billy Murphy | Kris Naicker | Albie Nolan-French | Aston Nunn | Jibril Sharmarke | Turnell Sinclair | Ikpemwinoghena "Pemi" Yakubu



Edgware & Kingsbury FC

Kit:

Pink & Navy Shirts

Navy Shorts & Socks

GK: Orange

Managers: Lee Grant, Pedro Pescheira

Physio: Blessing Babatunde



Squad:

Lincon Marques | Renzo Alves | Derion Wray | Bradley Gilmaney | Craige Tomkins | Youseff Enajer | Jonathan De Moura | Hussein Siklawi | Hamza Miezou | Romario Gittens | Claudio Kiala | Jade McCrea | Zaid Abdullah | Liam Goss | Lucas Luz | Marley Brydon-Campbell

Match Officials:

Referee: Ben Maskerey

Assistant Referees: Steven Monks, Harry Sweales