Latest Round-ups:

Midweek Action: **Portishead Town** produced another dominant performance to maintain their winning start, beating promoted outfit **Wells City** 5-1. Despite taking a fifth minute lead through Ethan Feltham, the hosts didn't have it all their own way and were pegged back by Wells' Raphael Oppong midway through the first half. A Kyle Egan penalty then put Portishead back ahead, with the same man finishing well shortly before half-time to make it 3-1 at the interval. A couple of goals in the final 15 minutes from Jack Thorne and Matt Britton added some gloss to the scoreline, with Wells still searching for their first point of the season. **Shepton Mallet** are another side who have started with two wins from two after they beat **Wellington** 4-0 on Tuesday evening. It was Matt Lee who got the ball rolling for the home side, striking after 16 minutes to put Mallet in front. Brad Pfupa and Ethan Cannings then added further goals before half-time, with Luke Wilkinson completing the scoring late on. There was also another victory for **Bridgwater**, with Will Collins heading home 13 minutes from time to snatch a 2-1 win at home to **Street.**

Down in Devon, **Ivybridge** bounded back from their heavy opening-day defeat by hanging on to beat **Brixham** by four goals to three. A strong start for the Ivies saw goals from Nick Salop and Chris Harvey put them two-up inside half an hour. Brixham then pulled a goal back through Charlie Johansen, before Dan Vile netted in added time to make it 3-1 at the interval. A late Josh Johnson strike looked to have put the game to bed, only for Brixham to score twice in stoppage time through Jonah Shaw and Toby Hard, but it was too little, too late and Town managed to hang on. **Liskeard** were the other side to register three points on Tuesday, with a pair of own goals putting them two-up after 45 minutes, before substitute Kai Gilbert wrapped things up late on in a 3-1 win over **Sidmouth**. A last-gasp equaliser from Josiah McKayle helped **Buckland** salvage a 1-1 draw away at **Bovey Tracey**, with the points also shared between **Tavistock** and **Saltash**. The Ashes had twice gone in front through Kieran O'Melia and Henry Donovan, but were pegged back by the Lambs with Tom Chastey producing two clinical finishes to salvage a point for the home side. Wednesday's action saw a pair of home wins, with **Newquay** easing past **Torpoint** to claim their first points of the campaign. After first half goals from Louis Price and Callam McOnie had put some distance between the sides, Allam Ahmed then rounded the keeper before slipping the ball home to complete the 3-0 win at Mount Wise Stadium. Elsewhere, **Clevedon** survived a late scare to beat **Brislington** 2-1. After Laurent Davis-Wilson's early header had edged Clevedon in front, Lucas Vowles then fired home to make it 2-0 in the 78th minute. Brislington's Mircea Ilea scored for the second game running, but there wasn't enough time for the visitors to get level, and they are still yet to get off the mark this season.

Premier Division: Shepton Mallet collected their third win in seven days to end top of the pile at the end of the first week of action, beating Sidmouth 2-0 on Saturday afternoon. After going ahead early on through off-season signing Harry Warwick, Mallet then struck again right at the beginning of the second half through Ethan Cannings to hold off their Devon opponents. The other side to register three wins on the bounce were Clevedon Town, with the Seasiders holding on to beat Tavistock 2-1 at Langsford Park. Having taken a tenth minute lead through Charlie Saunders, the visitors then added to their advantage shortly after half-time thanks to Laurent Davis-Wilson. The Lambs were willed on by a large home crowd, and finally got on the scoresheet in added time courtesy of a penalty finished off by Shane White. That goal nearly sparked a dramatic fightback, but both Jacob Bowker and Ryan Smith were thwarted in the dying embers, with Clevedon doing just enough to register the victory. Having only played twice, St Blazey are the other side to retain their 100% record after winning 4-2 away at Street. After Olly Redd had seen his early opener cancelled out by Cobblers frontman Tom Stone, a brilliant finish from Kai Burrell then quickly restored the Blaze's advantage to hand them a 2-1 lead at the interval. Redd's second goal of the afternoon extended the visitor's lead, with Street hitting back once again through Jordan Hayman, before a smart finish in added time from Harry Blows wrapped up the Cornishmen's win. Outside of those two away wins, visiting sides didn't have too much success on Saturday, with Newquay coming closest to victory, before eventually 2-2 in Bridgwater. An entertaining first half twice saw the away side go in front through Callam McOnie and Jack Bray-Evans, with the in-form Will Collins grabbing United's first equaliser. There was then just eight minutes remaining before Bridgwater salvaged a share of the spoils, with substitute Mark Armstrong finding the back of the net to make it two-apiece. The other draw of the day saw both Wells and Brixham grab their first points of the campaign, with Raphael Oppong striking first for City, before Brixham's Charlie Johansen levelled things up in the opening stages of the second half.

Fast-starting Portishead suffered their first setback of the young season, falling to a 2-1 defeat away at Saltash United. Following 75 goalless minutes, the Ashes finally made the breakthrough, with Henry Donovan netting for the third consecutive game. Teammate Joe Preece then quickly added a second for the home side, and that goal proved crucial in the final running, with Jamie Adams heading home Portishead's consolation goal during stoppage time. The game of the day saw Liskeard beat Brislington 4-3 to continue their encouraging start to the season. Having led in the fourth minute through Callum Merrin, Liskeard were pegged back in injury time at the end of the first half following Jordan Scadding's equaliser. The game then quickly turned in Bris' favour thanks to Tyller Davis-Whitlock's early second half strike, with James Lorenz getting Liskeard back on level footing around the hour mark. Another Lorenz strike then made it 3-2 to the hosts, before Bailey Mabin added the Blues' fourth of the afternoon. Brislington's George Jones set up a grandstand finish, cutting the deficit to one, but Liskeard held out for victory to earn all three points at the end of a pulsating tie.

Buckland Athletic came from behind to beat Torpoint 2-1, earning their first win of the campaign. A close range finish from James Rowe had edged Torpoint in front, before Buckland got on level footing courtesy of a strike on the half-hour from Rafa Beadman. The game remained one-apiece until the 70-minute mark, with Buckland's Sammy Stayt scoring the winner and giving the hosts victory in their season debut at Homers Heath. Ivybridge made it two wins on the bounce, beating Wellington 3-1 thanks to a strong first-half showing. After Nick Salop scored his second goal of the week to make it 1-0, CJ Pritchard then doubled the hosts lead just after the half-hour mark. Connor Pengelly gave the Somerset side late hope, but that was soon extinguished when Owen Howard struck for the Ivies at the beginning of the stoppage time period.



First Division: On an opening day involving no draws, Cadbury Heath enjoyed their trip to Mendip Broadwalk, registering a comprehensive 4-0 win. Despite losing keeper Kai Wilson to injury inside the opening quarter-hour, the Heath pulled clear of their hosts during the second half, with Cory Langdon and sub Harrison Kyte both scoring doubles in Bristol. Another side to lay down an early-season marker were Longwell Green Sports, with Will Cains plundering a hat-trick in their 5-2 win away at Almondsbury. After Liam Nicholls had edged the hosts in front, Cains then struck twice towards the end of the first half to put Longwell Green 2-1 up. Almondsbury managed to restore parity in first half stoppage time, with Paolo Pali converting from the penalty spot after he had been hauled down inside the area. From the moment Cains completed his treble ten minutes into the second half, Longwell Green powered to victory, with further goals from Matt Brown and Noah Eddols, both part of Sonny Passco's four assist game, giving the visitors a big opening day win. In Bath, Odd Down scored twice in the final 15 minutes to come from behind and beat Radstock by two goals to one. After Joe Gurner had opened the scoring eight minutes into the second half, home skipper Ryan Gay made it 1-1 with a penalty 15 minutes from time. Odd Down then completed their comeback as the game headed into the final ten, with Alfie Andrews slotting home to turn the game in his side's favour.



Elsewhere, there was a 3-2 win for **Nailsea** in their home opener against **Warminster**, while **Avonmouth** edged to a 1-0 victory over **Bitton** courtesy of a third-minute strike from Kyle O'Donovan. 1-0 was also the winning margin for **AEK Boco**, with Jack Jones scoring early on in their defeat of **Calne Town**, where the home side were forced to play much of the game with just ten men. First half goals from James Fortune and Mason Kelsey led **Keynsham** to a 2-0 win away at **Wincanton**, with **Bristol Telephones** enjoying victory by the same scoreline after goals either side of half-time from Jamie Gregory and Liam McCracken helped them beat relegated side, **Oldland.** On a day where visiting sides enjoyed plenty of success, **Shirehampton**'s frontline flourished in their 3-0 win away at **Welton Rovers**. Harry Peglar's goal late in the first half set Shirehampton on their way, with Louis Snailham and Ryan Radford completing the scoring during a one-sided second half.

Podcast Episode One

In the first episode of the Podcast, **Bovey Tracey** boss, Ben Gerring, looks ahead to the Moorlanders' debut season in the Premier Division. Ian is also joined by Social Media manager, Andy Stone, with the pair looking back on the opening week of the campaign before previewing the matches to come, as well as the media content the Western League have planned for the upcoming season.
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Latest Results

Tuesday 28th July 2026
Premier Division

Bovey Tracey	1-1	Buckland Athletic
Bridgwater United	2-1	Street
Ivybridge Town	4-3	Brixham
Portishead Town	5-1	Wells City
Shepton Mallet	4-0	Wellington
Sidmouth Town	1-3	Liskeard Athletic
Tavistock	2-2	Saltash United

Wednesday 29th July 2026
Premier Division

Clevedon Town	2-1	Brislington
Newquay	3-0	Torpoint Athletic

Saturday 1st August 2026

Premier Division

Bridgwater United	2-2	Newquay
Buckland Athletic	2-1	Torpoint Athletic
Ivybridge Town	3-1	Wellington
Liskeard Athletic	4-3	Brislington
Saltash United	2-1	Portishead Town
Shepton Mallet	2-0	Sidmouth Town
Street	2-4	St Blazey
Tavistock	1-2	Clevedon Town
Wells City	1-1	Brixham

First Division

Almondsbury	2-5	Longwell Green Sports
Avonmouth	1-0	Bitton
Calne Town	0-1	AEK Boco
Mendip Broadwalk	0-4	Cadbury Heath
Nailsea United	3-2	Warminster Town
Odd Down	2-1	Radstock Town
Oldland Abbotonians	0-2	Bristol Telephones
Welton Rovers	0-3	Shirehampton
Wincanton Town	0-2	Keynsham Town

Upcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 4th August 2026

Premier Division

Brixham	vs	Liskeard Athletic	19:30KO
Ivybridge Town	vs	Saltash United	19:30KO
Portishead Town	vs	Brislington	19:45KO
Shepton Mallet	vs	Wells City	19:30KO
Torpoint Athletic	vs	St Blazey	19:30KO

First Division

Bitton	vs	Shirehampton	19:30KO
Longwell Green	vs	Wincanton Town	19:30KO
Odd Down	vs	Nailsea United	19:45KO
Radstock Town	vs	Bristol Telephones	19:45KO

Wednesday 5th August 2026

Premier Division

Buckland Athletic	vs	Wellington	19:30KO
Clevedon Town	vs	Bridgwater United	19:30KO
Newquay	vs	Bovey Tracey	19:30KO

First Division

Cadbury Heath	vs	Welton Rovers	19:30KO

Friday 7th August 2026

First Division

Wincanton Town	vs	Shirehampton	20:00KO

FA Cup – Extra Preliminary Round

Ascot United	vs	**Clevedon Town**	20:00KO

Saturday 8th August 2026 (3pm kick off unless noted)

First Division

Almondsbury	vs	AEK Boco
Cadbury Heath	vs	Radstock Town
Calne Town	vs	Nailsea United
Keynsham Town	vs	Longwell Green Sports
Odd Down	vs	Bristol Telephones
Oldland Abbotonians	vs	Avonmouth
Warminster Town	vs	Mendip Broadwalk
Welton Rovers	vs	Bitton

FA Cup – Extra Preliminary Round

Ardley United	vs	**Portishead Town**
Bovey Tracey	vs	Exmouth Town
Buckland Athletic	vs	Barnstaple Town
Ivybridge Town	vs	**Torpoint Athletic**
Liskeard Athletic	vs	**Bridgwater United**
Saltash United	vs	**Brixham**
Shepton Mallet	vs	Bashley
Sidmouth Town	vs	**Street**
Tavistock	vs	**St Blazey**
Thornbury Town	vs	**Brislington**
Wells City	vs	Aylesbury Vale Dynamos
Willand Rovers	vs	**Wellington**