## Latest Round-ups:

Midweek Action: In the pick of Tuesday evening's Premier Division ties, Ivybridge Town pulled off an improbable comeback win over Liskeard, recovering from a three-goal deficit to win 4-3 at Erme Valley. Following on from their 7-3 win at the weekend, Liskeard looked to be brimming with confidence and led 2-0 early in the second half thanks to a brace from former Ivybridge frontman Bailey Mabin. A hat-trick goal from Mabin then seemingly put the result beyond doubt, before a red card for Matt Andrew gave the hosts a potential opening. Ivybridge burst through, and after quickly pulling a goal back, they then got within one of their visitors thanks to a Charlie Menear effort five minutes from time. Menear's goal kick-started the dramatic finale, and after Connor McAuley headed home from a free-kick to make it three-apiece, it was Ethan Rowe who scored the winning goal, completing a remarkable 20 minute burst to maintain Town's impressive home start. In another high-scoring encounter, Bridgwater recovered from an early red, and an early deficit to win 4-2 away at Brislington. Things couldn't have started much worse for the away side, who saw Shea Mannings dismissed in the fourth minute, before then conceded to Matt Groves with less than 15 on the clock. A thunderbolt late in the first half gave United back on level terms, with Sam Beresford then striking two minutes after the break to turn the game on its head. A smart finish from Haydan Chambers extended the lead further, with Jordan Scadding hitting back a few minutes later to give Brislington late hope. However, it was the ten-man United who scored the sixth and final goal of the evening, with an unmarked Beresford completing his match-winning double by clipping the ball home during stoppage time. In the Somerset Derby, it was the Cobblers from Street who took home local bragging rights after bouncing back from a tough fortnight by beating Wells City 1-0. It was Theo Worth's first goal of the campaign which settled the contest in Street's favour, but he would share the plaudits with goalkeeper Finlay Croft who saved a Jacob Reader penalty midway through the second half to keep his clean sheet intact at the Athletic Ground. Another side to win on their travels was Torpoint, with Owen Haslam scoring in either half of their 2-0 victory at Sidmouth, while Charlie Johansen also struck twice during Brixham's 3-0 defeat of Bovey Tracey.

In the First Division, Tuesday saw another strong showing from Longwell Green Sports, with a three-goal burst before half-time leading them to a 3-1 win over Mendip Broadwalk. In an incredible start to the game, Sonny Passco burst through before scoring after just 20 seconds to hand the hosts a dream opening. The early league leaders then struck twice more through Jabar Ngozi and Sam Whitson to build a 3-0 halftime lead, with Mendip threatening a fightback after the break via Mickey Gough, but that was as good as it got for the visitors. Oldland Abbotonians also started September with an impressive home victory, running out into a three-goal lead, and then holding off a late burst from Calne Town to win 3-2 at the Aitchison Playing Field. Elsewhere, second half goals from Mickey Parsons and Luke Osgood helped lead Bitton to a 2-0 win over Almondsbury, while Odd Down secured a 2-1 victory away at Keynsham courtesy of goals inside the opening half an hour by Alfie Andrews and skipper Ryan Gay. There was a 1-1 draw in Bristol, where Avonmouth's Kyle O'Donovan levelled things in the closing stages to deny Warminster, with Cadbury Heath and Bristol Telephones then also sharing the points after their stalemate on Wednesday evening.

FA Cup: **Portishead Town** are the last remaining Western League side in this season's FA Cup, with an upcoming replay at home to **Wimborne** deciding their fate in the competition. It was a goalless draw between the two sides in Dorset on Saturday which has led to a second leg being required, with Portishead hoping that home advantage will give them the edge to book their spot in the next qualifying round. The other three sides who reached this round all fell to defeats, with **Wells** conceding twice in either half of their 4-0 loss at home to **Hungerford Town**. Early season standouts **St Blazey** were unable to hold on to a lead in their 2-1 defeat against **Tiverton**, conceding twice in the final 13 minutes against the Somerset outfit. Having gone ahead in first half stoppage time through Olly Redd, the Blaze had put themselves in pole position, but it then unravelled in the closing stages, with visiting player-manager Asa Hall completing the comeback five minutes from time. **Brixham** also fell short by the odd goal, with a red card at the end of the first half denting their hopes during a home tie with **Dorchester Town**. In what was a goalless opening 45 minutes, the late dismissal swung the pendulum in Dorchester's favour, with the visitors then going ahead on the hour mark. Plenty of late drama then ensued, and after James Moxon had got the Fishermen back on level terms, the away side from Dorset struck twice in quick succession to steal a march. Callum Rose did then score in stoppage time to give Brixham late hope, but there wasn't enough time find an equaliser, with the Devonians seeing their cup run come to an end.

## Podcast Episode 5

On this week's podcast, **Brislington** manager Josh Egan, reflects on their challenging start, before explaining how a couple of cup wins came on the back of some strong performances.

Ian is then joined by **Calne Town**'s Craig Kent, with the Lilywhites boss detailing why he is pleased with their progression from last season, and is looking forward to a positive First Division campaign.

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Premier Division: **Bridgwater United's** unbeaten start to the season continued at home to **Saltash**, with a second half fightback helping them prevail by two goals to one. The Ashes have enjoyed a fruitful start themselves, and they took a slender lead to the break at Fairfax Park after the in-form Henry Donovan struck in the 25th minute. The hosts did all the heavy lifting of their fightback during the early stages of the second period, and after levelling affairs through Shea Mannings, it was then Sam Beresford who scored the winner, with United now enjoying a four-match winning run. Another side to pull off a second half comeback were **Newquay**, with three different goalscorers leading them to a 3-1 defeat of **Shepton Mallet.** Having fallen behind to Sam Hodges' close range opener, the North Cornwall side made amends in the opening moments of the second half with Jacob Kevern making it one-apiece. A Matt Searle goal on the hour mark then turned the game in Newquay's favour, with the scoring completed five minutes from time by Louis Price.

The standout individual performance of the afternoon came from Street's Theo Worth, with his hat-trick of goals leading the Cobblers to a stunning 5-3 win at Ivybridge. On the heels of their derby heroics during the week, Street didn't start well in Devon, finding themselves two goals down within the opening eight minutes courtesy of strikes from Connor McAuley and Jacob Pickavant. The visitors, and Worth in particular, then started to find their grove, with the star man scoring twice in the space of eight minutes to bring the game level after half-an-hour of action. An Eddie Townsend goal then handed Street their first lead of the afternoon, with a fourth coming midway through the second half from Preston Hopwood as the game totally flipped in the away side's favour. Worth was then on hand to complete his treble 15 minutes from time, with the Ivies ending the game with some cheer thanks to a late penalty from Jake Lane. The remaining four games all ended with the away side coming out on top, including in Bristol, where James Lorenz's dramatic 85th minute winner saw Liskeard topple Brislington 1-0. There was also a one-sided victory for Bovey Tracey at Wellington *(pictured, left),* with Stu Bowker and Louis Roberts each scoring twice during the game which finished 8-0, while Clevedon moved up to second after beating Torpoint 2-1 in Cornwall. After going in front through Lucas Vowles during stoppage time at the end of the first half, the Seasiders were pegged back four minutes after the restart following a chipped finish from Torpoint's Dave Barker. The visitors then made sure they would end the afternoon with all three points, after a brilliant over-the-shoulder finish from Charlie Saunders helped them complete the 2-1 victory. Meanwhile, West beat East down in Devon, with Tavistock overcoming an early deficit to inflict a 3-1 defeat on Sidmouth Town *(pictured, right, courtesy of Freya Warren).* Having fallen behind to Cholwe Hachipuka's opener, Tavistock then struck twice in quick succession towards the end of the first half through Shane White and Gene Prive to turn the game in their favour. With that double at the end of the first period turning the game around, Tavistock didn't rest on their laurels, adding to their advantage five minutes after the break with Ryan Smith finding the back of the net with a well-placed header.






First Division: AEK Boco were the only home side to suffer defeat on Saturday afternoon, with their first loss of the campaign coming at the hands of Almondsbury. The last remaining unbeaten side came unstuck against the in-form Almonds, with star frontman Liam Nicholls scoring the only goal of the game late in the first half to help the visitors gain revenge over the 6-1 mauling suffered at the hands of Boco less than a month ago. The remaining seven fixtures all went the way of the home teams, including in Bath, where a back-heeled finish from Charlie Saunders led Odd Down to a slender 1-0 win over Wincanton Town *(pictured, right).* There was also a 2-0 victory for Radstock over Keynsham, courtesy of first half goals from Stan Ford and Lewis Wheeler, while in South Gloucestershire, Harrison Kyte's screamer helped lead Cadbury Heath to a 3-2 defeat of Oldland. The Abbots enjoyed the best of the opening half, twice going in front, but goals from Zac Tucker and Callum Ball helped Cadbury Heath respond on each occasion to make it two-apiece at the break. The deciding goal in the contest then came less than 60 seconds into the second half, with Kyte's belting long-range finish leading the Heath to their first league win in 30 days. An incredible finish to the game at Longwell Green saw the hosts net four goals in the space of six minutes to complete a 6-0 romp over Calne Town. After goals midway through either half from Matt Brown and Tyler Wood had put the league leaders two-up, a bonkers finale saw Calne capitulate in the closing stages. Sonny Passco was the main beneficiary, scoring a quickfire brace to make it 4-0, with Nico Baird and Isaac Wong then completing the scoring during injury time. Another side to score six were Shirehampton, with five different goalscorers helping them beat strugglers Welton. First half strikes from Louis Snailham and Oscar Sealey put Shirehampton in a commanding position, before Ciaran Wall extended the lead to three midway through the second half. It was then Scott Bamford's turn to join in on the fun, with his goal making it 4-0, prior to a late double from Ryan Radford which preceded a consolation goal during stoppage time from Billy Ransome. Elsewhere, Bristol Telephones beat Avonmouth to leapfrog their visitors up into third, with Liam McCracken, Leon Britton and Ryan Crawford all striking for the hosts. There was also a last gasp win for Warminster over Nailsea, with Charlie Walton's injury time penalty leading Town to a 3-2 victory. Having lost the reverse fixture 3-2 on the opening day of the season, it looked like Warminster would be denied any kind of revenge after twice seeing their lead disappear on Saturday afternoon. Goals from Matt Morris and Paul Braithwaite had put Town in front, but the Somerset side responded on each occasion, with the second equaliser coming just ten minutes from time. It was Walton and Warminster who had the final word however, with his calmly taken spot kick putting the hosts ahead, and allowing no time for a third Nailsea comeback.



# Recent Results

## Tuesday 1st September 2026

### Premier Division

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Brislington | 2-4 | Bridgwater United |
| Brixham | 3-0 | Bovey Tracey |
| Ivybridge Town | 4-3 | Liskeard Athletic |
| Sidmouth Town | 0-2 | Torpoint Athletic |
| Wells City | 0-1 | Street |

### First Division

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Avonmouth | 1-1 | Warminster Town |
| Bitton | 2-0 | Almondsbury |
| Keynsham Town | 1-2 | Odd Down |
| Longwell Green | 3-1 | Mendip Broadwalk |
| Oldland Abbotonians | 3-2 | Calne Town |

## Wednesday 2nd September 2026

### First Division

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|---|---|---|
| Cadbury Heath | 0-0 | Bristol Telephones |

## Saturday 5th September 2026

### FA Cup – First Qualifying Round

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| **Brixham** | 2-3 | Dorchester Town |
| **St Blazey** | 1-2 | Tiverton Town |
| **Wells City** | 0-4 | Hungerford Town |
| Wimborne Town | 0-0 | **Portishead Town** |

### Premier Division

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bridgwater United | 2-1 | Saltash United |
| Brislington | 0-1 | Liskeard Athletic |
| Ivybridge Town | 3-5 | Street |
| Newquay | 3-1 | Shepton Mallet |
| Sidmouth Town | 1-3 | Tavistock |
| Torpoint Athletic | 1-2 | Clevedon Town |
| Wellington | 0-8 | Bovey Tracey |

### First Division

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| AEK Boco | 0-1 | Almondsbury |
| Bristol Telephones | 3-0 | Avonmouth |
| Cadbury Heath | 3-2 | Oldland Abbotonians |
| Longwell Green | 6-0 | Calne Town |
| Mendip Broadwalk | P-P | Bitton |
| Odd Down | 1-0 | Wincanton Town |
| Radstock Town | 2-0 | Keynsham Town |
| Shirehampton | 6-1 | Welton Rovers |
| Warminster Town | 3-2 | Nailsea United |

# Upcoming Fixtures

## Tuesday 8th September 2026

### Premier Division

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bovey Tracey | vs | Tavistock | 19:30KO |
| Brixham | vs | Sidmouth Town | 19:30KO |
| Liskeard Athletic | vs | Torpoint Athletic | 19:30KO |
| Saltash United | vs | Newquay | 19:45KO |
| Shepton Mallet | vs | Bridgwater United | 19:30KO |
| Street | vs | Brislington | 19:45KO |

### FA Cup – First Qualifying Round Replay

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| **Portishead Town** | vs | Wimborne Town | 19:45KO |

## Wednesday 9th September 2026

### Premier Division

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| St Blazey | vs | Ivybridge Town | 19:30KO |
| Wellington | vs | Buckland Athletic | 19:45KO |

## Friday 11th September 2026

### FA Vase – Second Round Qualifying

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| **Clevedon Town** | vs | **Odd Down** | 19:30KO |

## Saturday 12th September 2026 (3pm kick off unless noted)

### Premier Division

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| Buckland Athletic | vs | Wells City |
| Wellington | vs | Liskeard Athletic |

### First Division

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|---|---|---|
| Bristol Telephones | vs | AEK Boco |

### FA Vase – Second Round Qualifying

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Avonmouth** | vs | Roman Glass St George |
| **Bridgwater United** | vs | **Saltash United** |
| **Brislington** | vs | Sharpness |
| **Brixham** | vs | Wendron United |
| **Calne Town** | vs | Highworth Town |
| Devizes Town | vs | **Cadbury Heath** |
| Elburton Villa | vs | **Sidmouth Town** |
| **Ivybridge Town** | vs | **Tavistock** |
| Longlevens | vs | **Radstock Town** |
| **Longwell Green** | vs | Thatcham Town |
| Malmesbury Victoria | vs | **Portishead Town** |
| **Newquay** | vs | Cullompton Rangers |
| **Shepton Mallet** | vs | **Nailsea United** |
| **St Blazey** | vs | Millbrook |
| **Street** | vs | Ilminster Town |
| **Torpoint Athletic** | vs | Honiton |
| **Welton Rovers** | vs | Tuffley Rovers |

# League Tables

| | PREMIER DIVISION | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | GD | Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Bridgwater United | 7 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 19 |
| 2 | Clevedon Town | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 15 |
| 3 | St Blazey | 5 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 13 |
| 4 | Saltash United | 8 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 13 |
| 5 | Portishead Town | 5 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 12 |
| 6 | Liskeard Athletic | 7 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 12 |
| 7 | Newquay | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 11 |
| 8 | Brixham | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 10 |
| 9 | Buckland Athletic | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 10 |
| 10 | Bovey Tracey | 9 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 10 |
| 11 | Shepton Mallet | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 10 |
| 12 | Ivybridge Town | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | -3 | 10 |
| 13 | Street | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 | -1 | 9 |
| 14 | Torpoint Athletic | 7 | 3 | 0 | 4 | -1 | 9 |
| 15 | Tavistock | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| 16 | Wells City | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | -1 | 7 |
| 17 | Brislington | 8 | 2 | 0 | 6 | -4 | 6 |
| 18 | Sidmouth Town | 7 | 0 | 2 | 5 | -12 | 2 |
| 19 | Wellington | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | -35 | 0 |

| | FIRST DIVISION | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | GD | Points |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Longwell Green Sports | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 14 | 19 |
| 2 | Odd Down | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 18 |
| 3 | Bristol Telephones | 7 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 14 |
| 4 | Avonmouth | 8 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 14 |
| 5 | AEK Boco | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 13 |
| 6 | Nailsea United | 7 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 12 |
| 7 | Shirehampton | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 12 |
| 8 | Cadbury Heath | 9 | 3 | 3 | 3 | -2 | 12 |
| 9 | Almondsbury | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4 | -8 | 12 |
| 10 | Calne Town | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | -4 | 10 |
| 11 | Keynsham Town | 8 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 9 |
| 12 | Warminster Town | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | -1 | 8 |
| 13 | Oldland Abbotonians | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | -3 | 7 |
| 14 | Bitton | 8 | 2 | 1 | 5 | -7 | 7 |
| 15 | Wincanton Town | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | -5 | 6 |
| 16 | Radstock Town | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| 17 | Mendip Broadwalk | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | -9 | 3 |
| 18 | Welton Rovers | 8 | 0 | 0 | 8 | -16 | 0 |


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