Latest Round-ups:

Midweek Action: There was a mix of league and cup games during the week, with Ivybridge and Brixham becoming the latest teams to reach the second round of the Les Phillips Cup. For the Ivies, it took a comeback win at Saltash to progress, with goals from Joe Cook and Dan Tate helping them overcome George Powell's second minute opener. Meanwhile, Brixham came through an 11-goal thriller away at Sidmouth, eventually securing a 6-5 victory against an opponent who finished the game with nine-men. A couple of early goals from Cole Harford gave Brixham a strong start, with Sidmouth responding courtesy of Nathan Cooper and Dan Western. A Lewis Hill then put the hosts 3-2 up, before Harford's hat-trick strike and a Mario Dache strike handed Brixham a slender half-time lead. Despite starting the second half without the dismissed Cooper, Sidmouth surged back into the game and levelled things up at four-apiece thanks to another direct free-kick from Western. Brixham then started to take control against their ten-man hosts, with Reece Somers making it 5-4, before sub Shay Corrick slotted home their sixth from the spot. A second-yellow for Aidan Whitfield saw him join Cooper in receiving red, with the undermanned hosts managing to get a late consolation courtesy of Michael Benyon in the fourth minute of stoppage time.

There were also plenty of goals in Tuesday's Premier Division tie, with Portishead putting 11 past a depleted Brislington outfit. After building a four-goal half-time lead, Portishead's Laurent Davis-Wilson continued the scoring after the interval, claiming his hat-trick goal two minutes into the second half. Town pushed on from there, adding further goals through Ollie Woodhouse and Kyle Egan, with Davis-Wilson's fourth of the afternoon helping push the lead up to eight. Ethan Feltham's second of the evening then saw the score reach double-figures, before Bris duo Frankie Chillcott and Matt Redman struck in quick succession to give the hosts a ray of hope at the end of a tough evening. 24 hours later, Jacob Reader's first half strike led Wells City to a slender 1-0 win at Wellington, while Newquay claimed a dominant 5-0 victory over Tavistock *(pictured, right).* The Peppermints had five different scorers in the big win, with Callam McOnie, Jack Bray-Evans, Matt Searle, Louis Price & Tim Nixon all getting in on the action at Mount Wise.



In the First Division, league leaders **AEK Boco** suffered a tough defeat at **Shirehampton**, going ahead early on before succumbing to a 3-1 reverse. After Adam Buckley had put the Bears in front on 15 minutes, they then found themselves back level following a thumping header after half-an-hour from George Thomas. Shirehampton then completed their turnaround in the closing stages, with Patryk Kosciolek's brilliant strike making it 2-1, before a close range finish from Oscar Sealey wrapped things up in the closing stages. There was also late drama at **Keynsham**, where the home side stunned **Mendip Broadwalk** thanks to a pair of last-gasp goals. Having trailed for much of the evening courtesy of Bertie Lucas' 7th minute opener, the K's then had Joss Lynden to thank for their dramatic comeback, with his leveller in the 88th minute followed up in added time by the game-winning strike.

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FA Vase: There will be five Western League sides in the draw for the third round of the Vase after they overcame tough encounters over the weekend. Starting on Friday night in the first all-Premier Division tie, **Bridgwater** left it late before claiming a come-from-behind 2-1 win at **Shepton Mallet**. After falling behind to Tom Ovigne's opener at the beginning of the second half, Bridgwater only got back on level terms ten minutes from time courtesy of Ryan Crawford. The turnaround was then complete in stoppage time, with Jake Llewellyn smashing home to secure United's passage through to the next round. On Saturday, there were two more contests involving a pair of Western League sides, with both decided by the smallest of margins. In Devon, **Bovey Tracey** held off the challenge of **Brixham**, winning by three goals to two over their county rivals. The hosts enjoyed the best of the opening half, and after going in front through Stu Bowker, they then doubled their advantage on the stroke of half-time through Ollie Aplin. Another Bowker goal early in the second half put Bovey three-up, before an Albie Baker-inspired Brixham side gave them a late Halloween scare. Baker struck twice in quick succession during the final ten minutes to set up a nervy finale, but the hosts had just enough in the tank to claim the 3-2 win.

Portishead were the other victor over league-mates Clevedon Town, with a Kyle Egan strike ten minutes after half-time sealing the 1-0 victory. Egan's powerful finish was the only goal of the afternoon, but things weren't straightforward for the home side, who had to battle for more than a half with just ten men following a red card to Matt Britton. The remaining ties both went the way of top-half Premier Division teams, with Buckland finishing strongly to claim a 2-0 win away at Cowes Sports, on the Isle of Wight. With little separating the sides, it was a Josiah McKayle goal midway through the second half which helped edged the Bucks in front, before an 83rd minute penalty from Toby Pullman completed the victory. Also winning on their travels were St Blazey, with a double from Kai Burrell helping to lead them past Wantage Town in Oxfordshire. Having gone ahead early on through Tallan Mitchell, the Blaze then doubled their lead shortly after half-time thanks to Burrell's first of the game. A strong response from the hosts saw them get back into the game, but Burrell quickly restored the advantage by making it 3-1 15 minutes from time. A late header from a corner gave Wantage more late hope, but it will be the Cornishmen who hear their names called in the third round draw.

League Action: With the top three all in Vase action, Liskeard missed out on the opportunity to gain ground on those sides directly above them in the Premier Division after squandering a lead in their 2-1 defeat to Wells. Having gone ahead five minutes into the second half through Jack Crago, Liskeard had put themselves in position to move two points off the top, but couldn't hold on against an in-form City side. Wells have now won five of their last six in the league, with Alfie Clark and Jacob Reader both scoring in the final half-hour to cap an excellent away showing from the rapidly-improving promoted outfit. That Wells victory was one of many for away teams on Saturday afternoon, including Street who were victorious on their trip to Brislington. Having gone ahead thanks to a third minute header from skipper Callum Laird, the Cobblers finally wrapped things up towards the end of the contest, with Theo Worth making it 2-0 late on. Sidmouth scored twice in either half to claim a 4-1 win at Wellington, with Nathan Cooper's header helping them pull away from their Somerset hosts *(pictured, left).* After going in front through Louis Spalding, Town were then pegged back by a headed finish from Welly's Glen Wright, before going back ahead late in the first half through Jack Drew Cull. Cooper's goal then finally put the visitors two clear, before a Ryan White effort confirmed the destination of the points.



Elsewhere, a Ryan Downing hat-trick paved the way for Torpoint to register an impressive 4-2 win away at Tavistock. In a game which came to life late on, Torpoint had led 1-0 for much of the afternoon courtesy of a James Rowe goal, with Downing only getting on the scoresheet 20 minutes from time to double the visitor's advantage. A Scott Piper goal then got the Lambs back into the game, before Downing quickly restored the two-goal advantage to seemingly end any chance of a late collapse. However, the Lambs flew forward once more, cutting the deficit in half again through Piper, but the frantic finale had one more twist and turn, with Downing completing his treble in the third minute of added time. There was also a surprising goalless draw between Newquay and Saltash, with the visitors battling hard to secure a point following the 53rd minute red card to Lee Britchford.

All six First Division contests were incredibly tight affairs, with two ending level, and the others only decided by a single goal difference. New table-toppers Bristol Telephones slipped past Oldland Abbotonians, with a stoppage time goal from Leon Britton leading them to a 1-0 win. Following more than 90 minutes of goalless action, Britton struck with the final kick of the game to hand the Phones all three points to help them climb to the league summit. Dropping down into second spot are AEK Boco, with a 1-0 home defeat to Warminster giving them their second of the week. Having won the reverse fixture a fortnight ago, Boco were unable to break down the visiting defence this time around, meaning that Charlie Walton's goal on the hour mark was enough to end Warminster's three-match league losing streak. Cadbury Heath were the other 1-0 winners, with a free kick from Jalyn Johnson leading them to victory over Mendip Broadwalk at Springfield, while Nailsea United claimed their first win in five, overturning an early deficit to beat Shirehampton 2-1.

In the first of two drawn contests, Radstock and Calne shared early goals in their 1-1 stalemate at the Springfield Rec, with Jake Curtis handing the Miners the lead, before Francis Abijo scored after 26 minutes for the Lilywhites. There was also an exciting 2-2 draw between Almondsbury and Welton, with Nick Taylor's long-ranger rescuing a point for the Green Army. Goals in either half from Kieran Burpitt had twice given the Almonds a one-goal advantage, with Kieran Smith bagging Welton's first equaliser in the 19th minute. Then, having fallen behind again, Taylor fired the ball home from 25 yards out to land Welton their second point of the season.

Recent Results

Tuesday 27th October 2026

Premier Division

Brislington	2-11	Portishead Town

First Division

Keynsham Town	2-1	Mendip Broadwalk

Les Phillips Cup – First Round

Saltash United	1-2	Ivybridge Town
Sidmouth Town	5-6	Brixham

Wednesday 28th October 2026

Premier Division

Newquay	5-0	Tavistock
Wellington	0-1	Wells City

First Division

Shirehampton	3-1	AEK Boco

Friday 30th October 2026

FA Vase – Second Round

Shepton Mallet	1-2	Bridgwater United

Saturday 31st October 2026

FA Vase – Second Round

Bovey Tracey	3-2	Brixham
Cowes Sports	0-2	Buckland Athletic
Portishead Town	1-0	Clevedon Town
Wantage	2-3	St Blazey

Premier Division

Brislington	0-2	Street
Liskeard Athletic	1-2	Wells City
Newquay	0-0	Saltash United
Tavistock	2-4	Torpoint Athletic
Wellington	1-4	Sidmouth Town

First Division

AEK Boco	0-1	Warminster Town
Almondsbury	2-2	Welton Rovers
Bristol Telephones	1-0	Oldland Abbotonians
Cadbury Heath	1-0	Mendip Broadwalk
Radstock Town	1-1	Calne Town
Shirehampton	1-2	Nailsea United

Upcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Les Phillips Cup – First Round

Bridgwater United	vs	Buckland Athletic	19:45KO
Brislington	vs	Wincanton Town	19:45KO

Saturday 7th November 2026 (3pm kick off unless noted)

Premier Division

Bovey Tracey	vs	Bridgwater United
Brixham	vs	Brislington
Clevedon Town	vs	Liskeard Athletic
Saltash United	vs	Buckland Athletic
St Blazey	vs	Sidmouth Town
Street	vs	Portishead Town
Torpoint Athletic	vs	Shepton Mallet
Wellington	vs	Ivybridge Town
Wells City	vs	Newquay

First Division

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

Podcast Episode 10

On this week's Podcast, **Wells City** boss, Steve Murray, joins the show to talk about the transition from Step 6 to Step 5, and how he's prepared his team to compete in this season's Premier Division.

Ian is also joined by **Mendip Broadwalk** manager, Ryan Perrett, who looks back on their tough start, before then detailing how they've turned a corner in recent weeks.

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League Tables

	PREMIER DIVISION	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Clevedon Town	15	12	0	3	32	36
2	Bridgwater United	15	11	2	2	21	35
3	Portishead Town	12	10	1	1	44	31
4	Liskeard Athletic	17	10	1	6	17	31
5	Newquay	16	9	3	4	19	30
6	St Blazey	13	8	4	1	16	28
7	Buckland Athletic	15	7	3	5	9	25
8	Tavistock	18	7	3	8	-3	24
9	Torpoint Athletic	16	7	2	7	1	23
10	Wells City	18	7	2	9	-3	23
11	Bovey Tracey	17	6	1	10	-7	19
12	Street	15	6	1	8	-12	19
13	Saltash United	14	4	6	4	2	18
14	Sidmouth Town	16	5	3	8	-5	18
15	Shepton Mallet	15	5	3	7	-9	18
16	Brixham	15	5	2	8	-4	17
17	Ivybridge Town	14	5	1	8	-15	16
18	Brislington	16	3	2	11	-20	11
19	Wellington	17	0	0	17	-83	0

	FIRST DIVISION	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GD	Points
1	Bristol Telephones	17	11	3	3	16	36
2	AEK Boco	17	10	3	4	22	33
3	Avonmouth	16	9	5	2	14	32
4	Odd Down	16	9	3	4	2	30
5	Longwell Green Sports	15	9	2	4	28	29
6	Nailsea United	15	9	1	5	18	28
7	Shirehampton	17	8	1	8	2	25
8	Warminster Town	16	7	3	6	8	24
9	Almondsbury	15	7	2	6	-5	23
10	Bitton	15	6	2	7	0	20
11	Cadbury Heath	17	5	4	8	-11	19
12	Radstock Town	12	4	5	3	0	16
13	Oldland Abbotonians	12	4	4	4	0	16
14	Wincanton Town	13	5	1	7	-7	16
15	Keynsham Town	16	5	1	10	-10	16
16	Calne Town	16	3	5	8	-17	14
17	Mendip Broadwalk	15	3	3	9	-12	12
18	Welton Rovers	18	0	2	16	-51	2


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