



BEACONSFIELD TOWN – OPPOSITION PREVIEW **by Corey Eaton-McKnight.**

Originally formed as Beaconsfield SYCOB, they changed to Beaconsfield Town in 2017 and in the same year they were battling with ourselves for promotion to the Southern Premier.

Having only been relegated to the Spartan League once, they ended the Southern League Division One South & West on 5 wins during 2006/07 but bounced back straight away, accumulating 98 points and 31 wins.

In the FA Cup the Rams' best performance was in 2016/17 reaching the 4th Qualifying Round versus Brackley Town. They do have a one Berks and Bucks Senior Cup title to their name winning the competition in 2012/13.

We are no strangers to The Rams having played a considerable amount of our matches at Holloways Park during the 2016/17 season due to our ground failing the required certification after the council originally advised we could move home.

The Rams went on to lift the League title the same season, scoring 99 goals in the process under the guidance of Gary Meakin, who was previously manager of Egham Town. Two mid table finishes and a 17th place finish meant the Rams have been steady at step 3 ever since.

The address: Holloways Park, Windsor Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 2SE.

Admission prices:

£10 Adults

£6 Concessions **

Free for under 12s accompanied by a paying adult.

**** OAP's and Under 16s.**

By Car: From the Hayes & Yeading ground Holloways Park is a short 14 mile drive and with no traffic should take between 20 and 30 minutes via the A40 and M40.

The car park has a capacity of 80 spaces so if driving, you are recommended to arrive early. The services opposite offers free parking for three hours.

By Public Transport: The ground is a little more difficult to reach by public transport. They advise to get the Elizabeth Line to Slough and then get the X74 from Wellington Street Bus Stop G to Beaconsfield Services and then walk three minutes.

Alternatively you can go from Uxbridge High Street and get the 101 bus to the Saracens Head Stop K but the walk from here is 16 minutes.

Where to eat & drink:

There is a variety of food options within the Beaconsfield Services across the road from the ground and there is also a Wetherspoons.

However, if you are more willing to drink in town and you can either grab a taxi for a six minute drive, 11 minute journey on the 103 Chiltern Bus or alternatively a 31 minute walk.

The Beech House is a six minute walk from the railway station. The Royal Saracens Head is a fifteen minute walk from the ground and beside the aforementioned bus stop K.

Close to the Royal Saracens head you've got The Swan & The White Horse.

Last time out:

Beaconsfield Town 3-0 Bracknell Town
(Kpohomouh 4, Yearwood 24, Gosling 25)

Line up: Matt Rowley, Luke Neville, Jacques Kpohomouh, Dan Bradshaw (Dan Roth 60), Asher Yearwood, Jake Gosling, James Dobson, Tom McElroy (Adanioritsewo Okorogheye 70), Sean Fraser, Joel Rollinson (Ben Van Aurich 86), Josh Payne. Unused subs: Sam Togwell, Tommy Dymott.

Last 5 results:

Beaconsfield Town 3-0 Bracknell Town
Beaconsfield Town 0-0 Salisbury
Merthyr Town 2-3 Beaconsfield Town
Beaconsfield Town 3-4 Swindon Supermarine
Hanwell Town 2-0 Beaconsfield Town

Player to Watch:

Ashley Yearwood - Midfielder: Currently has nine goals in 29 games for Beaconsfield in the League this season, joining in the summer from Spartan League side Risborough Rangers where he was deadly in front of goal, scoring 28 goals from midfield and collected their Supporters' and Players Players of the Year awards. Scored a brace against us in the reverse fixture this season.

Played for both:

Liam McDevitt: Captain, leader & legend. There are not enough superlatives to describe the role Liam McDevitt played in one of the most successful eras we have seen thus far as a club, captaining us to a League title, three FA Cup first round appearances in a row and a play-off final.

Despite only scoring one goal during his 124 appearances for the club. He led in style and wore the badge on his sleeve throughout his stay.

Following our title victory, Liam left for Biggleswade Town before returning in August of the same year, he went out on loan to Beaconsfield briefly in 2022, before being re-called ahead of the run in.

Also had a stint at Hemel Hempstead during Covid-19. With a change in family circumstances and jobs, he had to leave the magic hat behind and focus on playing locally near to where he lives again, joining Biggleswade Town where he still is now.

Previous meetings:

30.09.23 Hayes & Yeading 1-3 Beaconsfield Town
07.01.23 Beaconsfield Town 5-2 Hayes & Yeading
27.08.22 Hayes & Yeading 2-2 Beaconsfield Town
27.12.21 Hayes & Yeading 2-1 Beaconsfield Town
30.08.21 Beaconsfield Town 0-2 Hayes & Yeading
10.10.20 Beaconsfield Town 0-0 Hayes & Yeading
07.01.20 Hayes & Yeading 1-1 Beaconsfield Town
21.12.19 Beaconsfield Town 2-3 Hayes & Yeading
21.04.18 Beaconsfield Town 0-1 Hayes & Yeading
28.11.17 Hayes & Yeading 0-2 Beaconsfield Town