

# WALTHAMSTOW FC

2024-25 *match programme*



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# WALTHAMSTOW FC

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## CLUB MANAGEMENT

**President:** June Brazier

**Chairman & Secretary:** Andy Perkins

**Vice Chairman:** Steve Howe

**Company Secretary:** Vacant

**Treasurer:** Vacant

**Communications Manager & Assistant Secretary:** Andrzej Perkins

**Football Secretary:** Adam Richardson

**Club Historian:** David Chapman

**Charter Standard Secretary:** Tony Brazier

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## MEMBERSHIP

Affiliated to the Essex County FA

**First Team:** Isthmian League Div One North

**Reserve Team:** Essex Alliance Senior Division

**Youth Teams:** Eastern Junior Alliance and Hackney Marshes Saturday League

## FIRST TEAM MANAGEMENT

**Manager:** Vinny Murphy

**Assistant Manager:** Tony Murphy

**Physiotherapists:** Becky Dibble & Lucelta Eugene

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# CLUB HONOURS



## As Leyton FC (1868-1880)

FA Cup Second Round: 1875/6

FA Cup First Round: 1874/5, 1876/7, 1878/9

## As Matlock Swifts (1890-1895)

Essex Junior Cup Winners: 1893/4

London Junior Cup Winners: 1894/5

Leyton & District Alliance Champions: 1892/3, 1893/4

Herald Cup Winners: 1891/2

## As Leyton FC (1895-1904)

Essex Senior Cup Winners: 1896/7, 1897/8, 1899/0, 1900/1, 1901/2, 1902/3

London Senior Cup Winners: 1903/4

South Essex League Champions: 1895/6, 1876/7, 1899/0, 1899/0

Walthamstow Charity Cup Winners: 1896/7

Walthamstow Charity Cup Runners-Up: 1897/8, 1901/2

## As Leyton FC (Professional) (1904-1912)

FA Cup Third Round: 1909/10

FA Cup First Round: 1910/1, 1911/2

## As Leyton FC (1919-1976)

FA Amateur Cup Winners: 1926/7, 1927/8

FA Amateur Cup Runners-Up: 1928/9, 1933/4, 1936/7, 1951/2

FA Cup Second Round: 1925/6, 1929/30, 1951/2

FA Cup First Round: 1927/8, 1928/9, 1952/3, 1955/6

Athenian League Champions: 1928/9, 1965/6, 1966/7

Essex Senior Cup Winners: 1929/30, 1930/1, 1934/5

Essex Senior Cup Runners-Up: 1932/3, 1949/50

London Senior Cup Runners-Up: 1933/4, 1937/8, 1945/6

London Challenge Cup Runners-Up: 1927/8

London League Champions: 1923/4, 1925/5, 1925/6

Essex T'side Trophy Winners: 1951/2, 1963/4, 1966/7, 1992/3

East Anglian Cup Winners: 1972/3

Grays & Tilbury Cup Winners: 1939/40, 1941/2 (shared)

London Charity Winners: 1934/5, 1936/7

West Ham Charity Cup Winners: 1929/30

Leyton & Walthamstow Hospital Cup Winners: 1925/6

## As Leyton-Wingate FC (1976-1992)

FA Cup First Round: 1985/6

Athenian League Champions: 1981/2

Athenian League Division One Champions: 1976/7

Essex Senior Trophy Winners: 1984/5

Isthmian League Division Two (N) Champions: 1984/5

Waltham Forest Darts League Division Two Champions: 1992

## As Pennant FC and Walthamstow Pennant FC (1965 - 1995)

London Senior Cup Runners-Up: 1990/1

London Junior Cup Winners: 1974/5

SW League Junior Cup Winners: 1968/9

SW League Intermediate Cup Winners: 1969/70

SW League Senior Cup Winners: 1970/71

SW League Premier League Winners: 1972/3

London Metropolitan League Winners: 1974/5

London Met League Runners-Up: 1978/9, 1979/80, 1981/2

London Met League Int. Cup Runners-Up: 1977/8, 1978/9

Spartan League Winners: 1990/1

Spartan Reserve League Winners: 1980/1, 1990/1

Spartan Reserve League Cup Winners: 1980/1, 1988/9, 1990/1

## As Leyton Pennant FC (1995-2003)

London Challenge Cup Runners-Up: 1995/6, 1996/7

Essex Senior Trophy Winners: 1995/6

Eastern Floodlit Cup Winners: 1997/8, 1998/9

Essex & Herts Champion's Cup Winners: 1996/7

Essex & Herts Border Comb Cup Winners: 1996/7

All-England Veterans Cup Winners: 2001/2

## As Waltham Forest FC (2003-2018)

Essex Senior Cup Winners: 2005/6

All-England Veterans Cup Winners: 2003/4

Suburban League Division Winners: 2005/6

Essex Veterans Cup Winners: 2017/8, 2018/9

## As Walthamstow FC (2018-Present)

Len Cordell Trophy Plate Winners: 2020/1

Essex Senior League Winners: 2021/2

## Recent Youth Teams

EJA Under 18s Trophy Winners: 2003/4

Conference Youth League: Winners: 2005/6

Essex Pelly Cup Runners-Up: 2005/6

EJA Under 15s League Cup Winners: 2021/2

JPL Under 15s National Cup Winners: 2021/2

## Awards

Essex County FA Website of the Year: 2012

Essex Senior League Programme of the Year: 2017/8, 2021/2

Soccer Swap Shop League Programme of the Year: 2018/9,

2020/1, 2021/2, 2022/3 (Runner-up 2019/20)

## Supporters' Teams

Waltham Forest Darts League Division Two Champions: 1992

Chaos Cup Wooden Spoon: 2023, 2024

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Welcome to Wadham Lodge for today's exciting FA Trophy clash between Walthamstow and Real Bedford FC! As we gather for this knockout encounter, there's a sense of anticipation in the air, with both teams eager to make their mark in this prestigious competition.

Walthamstow, the home side, have been in solid form this season and will look to carry that momentum into today's cup tie. Known for their organized defense and clinical attack, they have the tools to go far in this competition. With the support of their loyal fans, Walthamstow will be determined to put in a commanding performance and advance to the next round of the FA Trophy.

Real Bedford FC, however, are no strangers to big occasions. They arrive at Wadham Lodge full of confidence, knowing that anything can happen in cup football. Their free-flowing, attacking style makes them a dangerous opponent, and they'll be aiming to spring an upset and continue their own FA Trophy journey.

With both teams hungry for success and the knockout nature of the competition adding to the drama, today's match promises to be a thrilling contest filled with intensity and passion. Get ready for a fantastic afternoon of football as these two teams battle for glory. Enjoy the game!



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Date	H/A	Opponent	Competition	KO/Score	Attd	Scorers
<b>Sat 10 Aug</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Gorleston</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>(1) 1 - 2 (1)</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>Johnson</b>
<b>Sat 17 Aug</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Saffron Walden Town</b>	<b>FA Cup P</b>	<b>(2) 3 - 2 (0)</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>Moses-Songolo (2), Thomas</b>
Sat 24 Aug	A	Brentwood Town	Isthmian North	(2) 2 - 3 (1)	292	Thomas (2, 1 pen)
<b>Mon 26 Aug</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Waltham Abbey</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>(0) 0 - 1 (0)</b>	<b>397</b>	
Sat 31 Aug	A	Gorleston	FA Cup 1Q	(0) 0 - 1 (0)	129	
<b>Wed 4 Sep</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Grays Athletic</b>	<b>Velocity Cup 2</b>	<b>(0) 1 - 1 (1)</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>Njie</b>
<i>Grays Athletic win 4-2 on penalties</i>						
<b>Sat 7 Sep</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Real Bedford</b>	<b>FA Trophy 1Q</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
<b>Tue 10 Sep</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Tilbury</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>7.45pm</b>		
Sat 14 Sep	A	Concord Rangers	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 21 Sep</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Ipswich Wanderers</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 28 Sep	A	Newmarket Town	Isthmian North	3pm		
Sat 5 Oct	A	Witham Town	Isthmian North	3pm		
Tue 8 Oct	A	Cambridge City	Isthmian North	7.45pm		
<b>Sat 12 Oct</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Mildenhall Town</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 19 Oct	A	Felixstowe & Walton United	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 26 Oct</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Basildon United</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 2 Nov	A	Brightlingsea Regent	Isthmian North	3pm		
Tue 5 Nov	A	Tilbury	Isthmian North	7.45pm		
<b>Sat 9 Nov</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Concord Rangers</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 16 Nov	A	Ipswich Wanderers	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 23 Nov</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Newmarket Town</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
<b>Sat 30 Nov</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Wroxham</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 7 Dec	A	Heybridge Swifts	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 14 Dec</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Sporting Bengal United</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 21 Dec	A	Grays Athletic	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Thu 26 Dec</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Haringey Borough</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 28 Dec	A	Gorleston	Isthmian North	3pm		
Wed 1 Jan	A	Waltham Abbey	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 4 Jan</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Maldon &amp; Tiptree</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 11 Jan	A	Redbridge	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 18 Jan</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Bury Town</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
<b>Sat 25 Jan</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Heybridge Swifts</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 1 Feb	A	Wroxham	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 8 Feb</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Witham Town</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
Sat 15 Feb	A	Mildenhall Town	Isthmian North	3pm		
<b>Sat 22 Feb</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>Felixstowe &amp; Walton United</b>	<b>Isthmian North</b>	<b>3pm</b>		

## Isthmian League - North Division

		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
	1 Bury Town	4	3	0	1	8	4	+4	9
	2 Basildon United	3	3	0	0	5	1	+4	9
	3 Gorleston	3	3	0	0	5	2	+3	9
	4 Witham Town	3	2	1	0	8	4	+4	7
	5 Maldon & Tiptree	4	2	1	1	7	4	+3	7
	6 Felixstowe & Walton United	3	2	0	1	11	5	+6	6
	7 Brightlingsea Regent	3	2	0	1	5	4	+1	6
	8 Waltham Abbey	3	2	0	1	3	2	+1	6
	9 Sporting Bengal United	4	2	0	2	5	5	0	6
	10 Brentwood Town	3	2	0	1	8	9	-1	6
	11 Redbridge	4	2	0	2	7	8	-1	6
	12 Tilbury	3	1	1	1	3	3	0	4
	13 Cambridge City	4	1	1	2	6	7	-1	4
	14 Grays Athletic	4	1	1	2	4	5	-1	4
	15 Ipswich Wanderers	3	1	1	1	2	3	-1	4
	16 Concord Rangers	2	1	0	1	5	4	+1	3
	17 Heybridge Swifts	3	0	3	0	3	3	0	3
	18 Mildenhall Town	3	0	1	2	3	6	-3	1
	19 Walthamstow	3	0	0	3	3	6	-3	0
	20 Haringey Borough	3	0	0	3	2	6	-4	0
	21 Newmarket Town	2	0	0	2	3	9	-6	0
	22 Wroxham	3	0	0	3	2	8	-6	0

## Club History

Founded in 2002 in Bedford, Bedford FC (now Real Bedford FC) was born from the merger of two clubs: Bedford United and US Valerio. Today, the club competes in the Pitching In South Central Division One and plays at the Ledger Stadium..

### Bedford United

Bedford United traces its origins back to 1957, when it was established as a staff team for the printing firm Diemer & Reynolds. The club made its competitive debut in the United Counties League's Division Three in 1971, which was later re-branded as Division Two. After nearly a decade, Bedford United left the league in 1979, joining the Bedfordshire County League, where they clinched the Division One title in the 1979-80 season.

In 1989, Bedford United joined the South Midlands League's Division One and became part of the Senior Division following the league's reorganization in 1993. A standout third-place finish in the 1995-96 season earned the club promotion to the Premier Division. The merger of the South Midlands League and the Spartan League in 1997 placed Bedford United in the newly-formed Spartan South Midlands League's Premier Division North. Although they finished in fourteenth place in the first season, they were repositioned to the Senior Division the following year. Another strong third-place finish in 1999-2000 saw them promoted back to the Premier Division.

Bedford United's early matches were held at the company grounds, but the team later moved to Cople village and subsequently returned to Bedford, playing at various locations, including Allen Park and Fairhill on Clapham Road. It was at Fairhill that Bedford United set their record attendance of 1,500 during a South Midlands League match against Bedford Town. The club eventually settled at McMullen Park in 1996, named in honor of Jim McMullen, one of the club's founders.

### US Valerio

US Valerio, originally known as Unione Sportiva Valerio, was founded in 1985 by Nicola Valerio, with the name reflecting its Italian roots, meaning "Sporting Union." The club began its journey in the Michael Peters Sunday League, achieving considerable success, including winning the Harrison & Rowley Cup in the 2005-06 season.

### The Merger

In 2002, Bedford United and US Valerio merged to form Bedford United & Valerio, taking Bedford United's place in the Spartan South Midlands League

Premier Division. The merged club faced challenges, finishing second-from-bottom in the Premier Division in 2004-05, which led to relegation to Division One. A series of name changes followed, becoming Bedford Valerio United in 2006 and then simply Bedford FC in 2007.

The club saw a resurgence in the 2014-15 season, finishing third in Division One and earning promotion to the Premier Division. However, they faced relegation the following season after finishing at the bottom of the table.

#### Recent History

In April 2022, podcaster and journalist Peter McCormack took over the club, setting an ambitious goal of reaching the Premier League. The club rebranded as Real Bedford and appointed Rob Sinclair as first-team manager before the 2022-23 season, which marked the beginning of a new era of success. That season, the team won the Bedfordshire Senior Trophy and the Division One title, securing promotion to the Spartan Premier League.



## WALTHAMSTOW

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### MANAGER

VINNY MURPHY

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## REAL BEDFORD

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### MANAGER

ROB SINCLAIR

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