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Sevenoaks Town FC Directors and Trustees are responsible for the Club's compliance with the child protection and welfare issues that are related to running a youth football club.

The Club Welfare Officers are responsible for the welfare and safeguarding of all our club members. Three of the club's codes relate specifically to club welfare issues:

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- Child Protection Policy
- Complaints and Disciplinary Procedure
- All team managers and coaches must complete the following before taking charge of a team:
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 - have or be working towards a minimum FA Introduction to football coaching qualification
 - FA Safeguarding Children Training
 - FA Introduction to First Aid in Football

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The club has four Welfare Officers: Sean Jarvie, Shannon Hyner, Darron Mace and Jennifer Mason. The Board Champion is Paul Lansdale who can be contacted on 07876444274. You can also email welfare@sevenoakstownfc.co.uk

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From the manager's desk

'Like us, they can compete and outwit any team ...'



A warm welcome to Chris Simmons and the rest of his Broadbridge Heath management team, officials and supporters.

Similar to us they have had ups and downs this season, and not the consistency but shown that on their day - again like us - they can compete and outwit any team.

With that in mind it makes today's game have the feel of being a very competitive affair.

As against Herne Bay it is another mid-table contest, but still very important to both sides who want the three points. We won the reverse fixture with a great performance, but they are a side, with the way Chris has them set up, and the ability of their players well suited to our surface.

I think they will be much better than when we played them at Christmas which makes our challenge more difficult.

We have shown though over the last three months that the best version of ourselves is good enough to compete against anybody.

The crowds have been good in our two recent home games, and we hope that continues today.

As always we hope to get the result we can celebrate together later.

Marcel

The Paul Lansdale Column

And here we are then - Easter Monday and our penultimate home game of the season.

It really does not seem that long since we trekked over to East London to begin our FA Cup campaign at Athletic Newham.

It has been eight months of highs and lows- I suppose most seasons are - on the cusp of going second in the table in mid September only then to rub shoulders with the bottom four as Christmas beckoned.

However a chilly night in mid-December provided an unexpected turning point as we dove home from Hastings reflecting on a 3-2 win.

Little did we know then that result would trigger an unbeaten run that went a long way to



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preserving our Step 4 status.

We have beaten Sittingbourne and Whyteleafe here - seconds away from winning the return at the former - then going so close to upsetting Three Bridges.

Wins against Hastings and Herne Bay - great to see us scoring five goals at home for the first time since being promoted took us to 11th place ahead of the trip to Crowborough - on Saturday.

These notes were written before that game - and today's programme is online only, due to Easter printing deadlines

Those recent results have been gained against the back drop of our impressive new clubhouse which grows by the week and offers us so much optimism and hope moving forward as we look ahead to year three of the plan put in place when Marcel was appointed.

And despite April Fools jokes -taken very seriously by some people I gather - he is still very much part of our club.

May I welcome all connected with Broadbridge Heath and to the three officials appointed for today's game.

Wishing you all a safe journey later - enjoy the game.

Paul



First half goals by Yannick Vochyan and Harry Bunclark helped Oaks Reserves lift the town's Senior Charity Cup - beating Kings Hill Reserves 2-0 at Green Court Sports Club.

Bunclark had already been denied the opener when he linked up with Vochyan to put them ahead after 13 minutes.

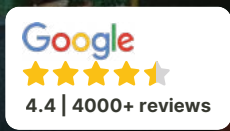
Jack Tickle went close to a second four minutes later, before Bunclark

doubled the lead just after the half hour.

Kings Hill rallied in the second half, and created several chances, Oaks keeper Denny McConnell making two important saves - before hitting bar with 16 minutes left.

Oaks host Smeeth and Brabourne in the quarter-finals of The Leckie Family Cup next weekend.

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STFC Club News

Sevenoaks Town Football Club and Sevenoaks Town Council are working in partnership to deliver the exciting new Community Sports Pavilion.

The club is actively engaging with local businesses and sponsors to support this important project.

The club has received a generous commitment from Premier Alarms, who has offered to provide both the fire alarms and intruder alarms for free.

This not only helps to reduce the overall project costs but also ensures that the new pavilion will be equipped with high-quality safety and security systems.

Local businesses play a vital role in supporting community facilities. Sevenoaks Town FC and Sevenoaks Town Council are grateful for Premier Alarm's contribution.

Paul Lansdale, Chairman of Sevenoaks Town FC, said, "This kind of support makes a real difference to community projects like this. We're incredibly grateful to Premier Alarms for their generosity and commitment to Sevenoaks – it's partnerships like these that help us create facilities the local community can be proud of."

Sarah Humphreys from Premier Alarms said, "We are delighted to support and protect Sevenoaks Town FC with our contribution.

"Premier Alarms was started by my father Vince Humphreys 40 years ago in Sevenoaks, and the town remains at the core of our client base to this day.

"We are proud of the town in which we have started and grown our family business, and being able to serve the local club and community in this way is really important to us."

Oaks On The Radio

West Kent Radio are featuring Sevenoaks Town on their Saturday afternoon sports programme.

The show runs from 2pm to 6pm and includes three reports - preview, half-time and full time on all the club's matches, as well as midweek matches in breakfast sports bulletins the following morning.

The station is broadcast on 95.5, 106.7 and 107.2 and is available online, via smart speakers, app and DAB which is available in Sevenoaks from February 1.



Isthmian round-up

Good Friday April 3rd

Ashford United Moses 74	1	0	Faversham Town	711
Beckenham Town	0	7	Eastbourne Town Davies 2, 18, Greig 10, Rogers 14, 51, Waters 44, 66	298
Hassocks Wilkes 37, Finney 95 pen	2	1	Hastings United Stone 81	675
Sheppey United Marsh 63	1	2	Three Bridges Adeyinka 11, Hallard 14	447

Saturday 4th April 2026

AFC Whyteleafe	0	2	Margate Olutade 29, Garande 40	476
Broadbridge Heath	0	3	AFC Croydon Athletic Grant 51, Kedwell 60 pen, Bremang 92	125
Crowborough Athletic Ayoola 22, Duncan 41	2	0	Sevenoaks Town	285
East Grinstead Town	0	3	Sittingbourne Foxley 12, 68, Asamoah 40	193
Herne Bay Caney-Bryan 17, 33	2	3	Erith Town Dyer 5, 46, Taylor 11	508
Merstham Olugbodi 94	1	1	Deal Town Davies 24	1,377
VCD Athletic	0	4	Jersey Bulls Bickley 11, 20, Carvalho 57, Kilshaw 79	100

Easter Monday's Fixtures

AFC Croydon Athletic v AFC Whyteleafe
Deal Town v VCD Athletic
Eastbourne Town v Crowborough Athletic
Erith Town v Beckenham Town
Faversham Town v Sheppey United
Hastings United v Ashford United
Jersey Bulls v East Grinstead Town
Margate v Herne Bay
Sevenoaks Town v Broadbridge Heath
Sittingbourne v Merstham
Three Bridges v Hassocks



Isthmian round-up

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Three Bridges	38	28	4	6	113	39	+74	88
AFC Croydon Athletic	38	26	4	8	89	49	+40	82
AFC Whyteleafe	38	24	6	8	103	39	+64	78
Jersey Bulls	38	20	12	6	73	35	+38	72
Sittingbourne	38	21	9	8	77	46	+31	72
Faversham Town	38	18	12	8	77	54	+23	66
Margate	38	19	9	10	80	60	+20	66
Deal Town	38	19	6	13	85	62	+23	63
Ashford United	38	17	7	14	82	60	+22	58
Merstham	38	16	8	14	62	55	+7	56
Sevenoaks Town	38	15	5	18	61	73	-12	50
Eastbourne Town	38	14	7	17	56	73	-17	49
Crowborough Athletic	38	14	7	17	55	76	-21	49
Broadbridge Heath	38	14	5	19	75	82	-7	47
Herne Bay	38	13	8	17	58	72	-14	47
Sheppey United	38	12	7	19	59	82	-23	43
Hastings United	38	12	6	20	49	62	-13	42
Erith Town (-1)	38	10	12	16	60	75	-15	41
Hassocks	38	10	8	20	48	69	-21	38
VCD Athletic	38	7	8	23	52	91	-39	29
Beckenham Town	38	6	11	21	48	89	-41	29
East Grinstead Town	38	1	3	34	27	146	-119	6

Includes this weekend's results



They look happy: have they just been told this is our biggest win in the Isthmian era? The Oaks report - page 18 . Picture by Matt White

Sevenoaks Town Fixtures & Results 2025-26

KEY:
 1 = Goal Scored
 * Player subbed
 ■ = Red Card
 + = Own goal
 ^ At Margate
 ^^ At Chichester

p = Bognor won 7-8 on pens
 ISE = Isthmian SE
 FAC = FA Cup
 FAT = FA Trophy
 KSC = Kent Senior Cup
 TBC = To be confirmed

All Saturday home fixtures kick off at 3pm
 Wednesday fixtures at 7.30pm unless stated

	DATE	V OPPONENT	COMP	RES	ATT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub 1	Sub 2	Sub 3	Sub 4	Sub 5
AUG	Sat 2	Athletic Newham	FACEP	3-1	54	Perrin	KD	Dickens	Hanfrey1*	Sawyer	Jonah	Stone*	Wisson	Mfula 1	Burnett 1*	Doughty*	DD	Bernal	Jeffrey	JHM	
	Sat 9	AFC Croydon Ath	ISE	0-2	189	Perrin	Burnett*	Dickens	Diomande	Doughty*	Hanfrey	JHM	Jonah	Mfula	WPB	Wisson*	Jeffrey	Borders	Sawyer	Bunclark	
	Tue 12	Ashford United	ISE	2-2	506	Perrin	Burnett*	Dickens	Diomande	Doughty*	Hanfrey*	Jeffrey*	Jonah	Mfula	Sawyer 1	Wisson 1	WPB	JHM	Borders	Bunclark	
	Sat 16	Corinthian Casuals	FACP	5-3	302	Perrin	KDI	Dickens1	Hanfrey*	Sawyer	Jonah 1	Stone*	Wisson	Mfula	Jeffrey*	Doughty*	DD1	Burnett	Borders	Bernal	JHM
AUG	Sat 23	Crowborough Ath	ISE	1-0	222	Perrin	KD	Dickens	Wisson	JHM	Jonah	Stone*	Burnett	Mfula*	DD1*	Doughty*	Carney	Borders	Hanfrey	Sawyer	
	Mon 25	East Grinstead T	ISE	2-0	212	Perrin	KD	Dickens	Hanfrey*	Sawyer	Jonah	Stone 1	Burnett	Mfula*	DD*	Carney*	Borders	Hanfrey	Doughty 1	JHM	
	Sat 30	Folkestone Invicta^	FACIQ	0-3	218	Perrin	KD	Dickens	Hanfrey	Sawyer	Jonah	Stone*	Burnett*	Mfula	DD	Doughty*	Jeffrey	JHM	Bernal		
SEPT	Sun 7	Bognor Regis T^^	FATIQ	2-2p	232	Perrin	Doughty	Dickens	Hanfrey	JHM	Jonah	Stone 1	Burnett*	Mfula	DD 1*	Carney*	Green	Bernal	Morrison		
	Sat 13	Sheppey United	ISE	3-0	178	Perrin	Majek	Dickens 1	Jackson	JHM	Jonah	Carvalho*	Burnett	Mfula 1	Stone 1*	Doughty*	DD	Borders	Carney	Doughty	Sawyer
	Wed 17	Merstham	ISE	1-4	202	Perrin	Majek	Dickens	Jackson*	JHM*	Jonah	Carvalho	Burnett 1*	Mfula*	DD	Stone	Wisson	Carney	Doughty	JHM	
	Sat 20	Margate	ISE	3-4+	408	Perrin	Majek ■	Hanfrey	Jackson	Sawyer	Jonah	Doughty*	Burnett*	Stone	DD*	Carvalho*	Carney	Mfula 1	Wisson 1	Doughty	JHM
SEPT	Tue 23	AFC Whyteleafe	ISE	0-4	224	Perrin	Majek	Wisson	Jonah*	JHM	Stone	Jackson*	Mfula	DD*	Carvalho*	Burnett	Jenkins	Sawyer	Doughty		
	Sat 27	VCD Athletic	ISE	2-3	172	Perrin	Dickens	Hanfrey	Wisson 1	JHM*	Sawyer	Doughty*	Jackson*	Mfula	Stone	Jenkins*	DD	Burnett 1	Carvalho	Itauma	
	Sat 4	Deal Town	ISE	0-2	411	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens	Jackson	JHM	Jonah	Jenkins*	Wisson*	Stone	DD*	Carvalho	Burnett	Doughty	Mfula		
OCT	Tue 7	Faversham	KSC	2-1	224	Perrin	Majek	Dickens	Jackson	Sawyer	Hanfrey	Jenkins 1*	Wisson 1	DD	Burnett*	Doughty*	Itauma	JHM	Thomas		
	Sat 11	Hassocks	ISE	4-2	183	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens*	Jackson*	JHM	Hanfrey	Jenkins 1	Wisson	Mfula*	DD 1	Stone 2	Majek	Jonah	Burnett		
	Tue 14	Merstham	ISE	2-5	380	Perrin	Majek	Dickens	Jackson	Sawyer	Jonah*	Jenkins 2	Wisson	Mfula*	DD	Stone	JHM	Doughty			
	Sat 18	Beckenham T	ISE	1-3	210	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens	Jackson	JHM	Hanfrey	Jenkins 1*	Wisson	Stone	Burnett*	Carvalho*	Mfula	Doughty	Bunclark		
NOV	Sat 1	Jersey Bulls	ISE	0-1	915	Perrin	KD	Dickens	JHM*	Sawyer*	Hanfrey	Carvalho	Perez*	Stone	DD	Jenkins*	Itauma	Majek	Wisson	Mfula	
	Wed 5	Sittingbourne	ISE	1-0	297	Perrin	KD ■	Dickens	Perez*	Sawyer	Wisson	Jenkins 1*	JHM	Mfula*	DD*	Carvalho	Itauma	Andrews	Majek	Borders	
	Sat 8	Erith Town	ISE	1-2	118	Perrin	KD*	Dickens	Perez	Sawyer	Wisson	Jenkins 1	JHM*	Mfula	DD	Carvalho*	Borders	Itauma	Majek		
	Wed 12	Ashford United	ISE	1-2	257	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens*	JHM*	Wisson	Hanfrey*	Jenkins	Borders	Mfula 1*	DD	Carvalho	Majek	Chiabi	Perez	Sawyer	
	Sat 15	Faversham T	ISE	0-4	405	Perrin	Diomande	Dickens	Wisson*	Jenkins	JHM*	Mfula	DD	Itauma	Perez	Hanfrey	Chiabi	Jonah			
NOV	Sat 22	Eastbourne T	ISE	3-1	129	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens	JHM	Jonah	Hanfrey	Borders	DD	Mfula	Eruotor	JA 1	Jenkins 1	Chiabi 1	Majek		
	Sat 29	AFC Croydon Ath	ISE	1-4	131	Perrin	Diomande	Dickens	JHM	Jonah	Hanfrey	Eruotor*	Perez*	Chiabi*	DD*	JA	Jenkins	Borders	Itauma	Mfula 1	
	Wed 3	Gillingham	KSC	0-2	402	Perrin	Itauma	Jonah	JHM	Sawyer	Hanfrey	Jenkins	Majek*	Mfula*	DD	Bunclark*	NAA	Vochyan	Tickle		
	Sat 13	Three Bridges	ISE	0-5	177	Perrin	Diomande	Dickens	McLeod*	Jonah	Hanfrey	Eruotor*	Borders	Chaibi	JA	Perez*	Jenkins	JHM	Itauma		
	Sat 6	Hastings United	ISE	3-2	445	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens	McLeod 1	Sawyer	Hanfrey 1	Perez	JHM*	Mfula	Eruotor	JA*	Borders	Jenkins	Diomandel		
DEC	Sat 20	AFC Whyteleafe	ISE	2-1	197	Perrin	Itauma 1	Dickens	McLeod	Sawyer	Jonah	Perez*	Borders 1	Mfula*	Eruotor*	JA*	Chiabi	Diomande	JA	JHM	
	Sat 27	Broadbridge H	ISE	3-1	139	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens	McLeod*	Sawyer	Perez	Borders*	Mfula	Eruotor 2*	JA 1*	Hanfrey	DD	Chiabi	JHM	Diomande	
	Sat 3	East Grinstead	ISE	4-2	191	Perrin	Itauma 1	Dickens	McLeod	Sawyer	Jonah	Perez	Borders*	Mfula 2*	Eruotor*	JA 1*	Taylor	Chiabi	JHM	Diomande	Hanfrey
	Sat 10	Herne Bay	ISE	1-0	363	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens	Perez*	Sawyer	Jonah	JHM*	Borders	Mfula 1*	Eruotor*	JA	Wisson	Hanfrey	Diomande	Chiabi	
JAN	Sat 17	Margate	ISE	1-1	255	Perrin	Diomande*	Dickens	Wisson*	Jonah	Hanfrey	Itauma	Borders	Mfula	Eruotor*	JA 1	DD	Chiabi	JHM		
	Sat 24	Hassocks	ISE	1-0	348	Perrin	Diomande	Dickens	Wisson*	Sawyer	Jonah	Itauma	Borders	Mfula 1	Eruotor*	JA*	Chiabi	DD	JHM		
	Sat 31	Deal Town	ISE	2-3	188	Perrin	Diomande	Dickens	Wisson*	Sawyer	Jonah	DD 1*	Borders*	Mfula	Eruotor*	JA 1 ■	Perez	Chiabi	JHM		
	Sat 7	VCD Athletic	ISE	3-1	106	Perrin	Diomandel	Hanfrey	Perez*	Sawyer	Jonah	DD *	Borders*	Mfula*	Eruotor 1*	Chiabi	Wisson	Itauma 1	NAAA	JHM	
FEB	Sat 14	Beckenham T	ISE	1-1	188	Perrin*	Diomande	Hanfrey*	Perez	Sawyer*	Jonah	DD*	Borders	Mfula	Eruotor 1	Chiabi	Taylor	Itauma	JA	Dickens	JHM
	Sat 21	Sittingbourne	ISE	3-3	326	Ellis	Diomande	Dickens 1	Dupray*	Hanfrey*	Jonah	Itauma	Perez*	Mfula	Eruotor*	JA 1	JHM	DD 1	Borders	NAAA	
	Sat 28	Jersey Bulls	ISE	0-1	246	Perrin	Diomande	Dickens	Borders	Sawyer	Jonah	Perez	Itauma*	Mfula*	Eruotor	JA	DD	Hanfrey			
MAR	Sat 7	Erith Town	ISE	1-1	102	Perrin	Diomande*	Dickens	Borders	Sawyer	Jonah	Perez	Itauma	Mfula 1*	Eruotor*	JA	Dupray	DD	NAAA	Hanfrey	
	Sat 14	Three Bridges	ISE	1-2	254	Perrin	Itauma	Dickens*	Dupray*	Sawyer	Jonah	Perez	Borders	Mfula	Eruotor*	JA*	Diomande	Chiabi	DD	Tickle	
	Sat 21	Hastings United	ISE	2-0	303	Perrin	Diomande 1	Dickens	Dupray*	Sawyer	Jonah	Borders	DD*	Mfula*	Eruotor	Itauma	JHM	Carney 1	Bunclark	Tickle	
	Sat 28	Herne Bay	ISE	5-2	212	Perrin	Diomande 1	Dickens	Perez 1	Sawyer	Jonah	Borders	DD 1*	Mfula*	Eruotor 1*	JAI*	AM	Bunclark	NAAA	Tickle	
APR	Sat 4	Crowborough Ath	ISE	0-2	285	Perrin	Dimoande	Itauma	Perez*	Sawyer	Dickens	Borders*	DD	Mfula	Eruotor*	JA*	Bunclark	Chiabi	AM	Tickle	
	Mon 6	Broadbridge H	ISE																		
	Sat 11	Sheppey United	ISE																		
	Sat 18	Faversham T	ISE																		
Sat 25	Eastbourne T	ISE																			

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Broadbridge Heath History

Broadbridge Heath Football Club was founded in **1919** by local ex-members of the armed forces, who had just returned from the 1914-1918 Great War. In the very first season of competitive football, with only 12 registered players, the club won the Horsham & District Championship and Challenge Cup.

In **1970-71** the Horsham League amalgamated with the West Sussex Football League and Heath joined Division 3. Promotion was won to Division 2 the following season. In **1978-1979** following promotion from the Premier Division of WSFL, Broadbridge Heath joined the Southern Counties Combination League which at that time was a feeder to the Sussex County Football League. The SCCL amalgamated with the County League in **1983-1984** with Heath becoming founder members of Division 3.

The club moved to the Broadbridge Heath Leisure Centre in **1987** where we had exclusive use of the stadium pitch, bar & social area.

At the end of the **1987-1988** season the club were promoted to senior football for the very first time and remained in senior football for 20 years. Despite succeeding on the pitch, off field events deteriorated when the club's landlord decided not to renew the clubs lease to run the bar and social area and for several years with no home and no assets, the club struggled to survive.

At the end of the **2007-08** season Heath were relegated to Division 3, things got even worse for the club when the team finished 2nd to bottom 2 years later and only avoided relegation because there weren't enough clubs in the feeder leagues with facilities to satisfy County League requirements.

Season **2010-11** saw an improvement in the clubs' fortunes with the team finishing in 6th position and a year later they finished one place higher behind some

very good intermediate sides. As a result of restructuring in the leagues above and despite finishing 5th, Broadbridge Heath were promoted back to senior football at the end of the **2011-12** season.

Back in Division 2 after a 5 year break the team finished in 6th place and reached the final of the SCFA RUR Cup, narrowly losing 1-0 to Division 1 runners up East Preston. A year later the team finished runners up to Eastbourne United AFC and were promoted back to Division 1 for only the 2nd time in the clubs history.

In the first 2 seasons in Division 1 (now the Premier Division) the club finished 9th and a year later in 8th place. In **2017-18** a slight dip saw the team finish in 15th place, but bounced back a year later to finish in 6th place, at the time our highest ever finish.

Things also improved off the pitch when, on 2nd August **2019**, the club took possession of their new purpose built facilities, a ground to satisfy the grading requirements for Step 5 football with two further pitches for use by our adult and youth teams for matches and training.

In January **2020** former Heath player Chris Simmons took over as First Team manager, initially on an interim basis, but with performances improving he was offered the position on a permanent basis three months later. COVID then struck and two seasons became null and void.

After his first full season in charge the team finished in 7th place and at the end of the **2022/23** season were crowned Southern Combination Football League Premier Division champions with promotion to the Pitching In Isthmian League South East division, a new challenge and experience for everyone at the club.

In their first two seasons at this level, Broadbridge Heath finished ninth and thirteenth respectively.



Jaden Perez Interview



Excuse me, are you Jude Bellingham? Jordan Perez bestriding the midfield away at VCD. Picture by Matt White

Jaden Perez admits scoring his first goal for the club is long overdue. The 24-year-old midfielder – a body double for England star Jude Bellingham – netted the opener in the 5-2 Pitching In Isthmian League South East win over Herne Bay.

Perez broke his duck in his 20th game for the club with a spectacular free kick that Bellingham would have been proud off to put Oaks level, before four second half goals saw them complete the victory.

Perez said: "It's been a long time coming, I have had a lot of chances in games recently, it's good to get the first one, and hope for a few more before the end of the season."

But what if a shot or a cross?

"I could stand here and lie and say I went for goal, but it came off my big toe and ended up in the top corner, you take them all day."

Perez fired Oaks level three minutes after defender Joe Tyrie headed Bay in front, after they had already been denied by both posts in a bright opening.

Perez added: "Since the turn of the year, our performances have been, as a whole, pretty good and a result like this has been coming.

"It was nice to do it in front of our own fans, and we now want to kick on and see how many points we can get.

"We have got a great changing room – they all want to win."

Boss Marcel Nimani said: "I am pleased for Jaden, he has been putting in some tremendous performances, I enjoy working with him, the way he takes on instructions and conducts himself.

"His quality always shows – as well as his ability to read a game – I have got a lot of time for him – and so pleased he finally got his reward."

The Oaks Report

The Oaks continued their good record in recent contests against old rivals Herne Bay. It was a fourth win in five meetings – and the second time in two seasons they have scored five against them.

They recovered from a shaky start to come good in the second half, scoring five at home for the first time to record the club's biggest win at Bourne Stadium as a Step 4 club.

Bay pair Kamani McFarlane and skipper Harvey Brand hit both posts early on, before former Tonbridge defender Joe Tyrrie headed them in front.

Jaden Perez's 20-yard plus free-kick could not have been more precise to level three minutes later.

Referee Brendan Bradley was forced to retire at half-time with calf problems, assistant Jack Healy replacing him, overseeing a lively second half, with Football Association match observer Ian Bentley acting as stand-in assistant.

Dan Duncanson put Oaks in front four minutes after restart, before ex-Oaks man James Jeffrey swept home Bay's second 12 minutes later – his first for the club Kevin Diomande's second in two games netted Oaks third, with Rodney Eruotor adding the fourth after another swift break.

Jefferson Aibangbee then won and converted the stoppage-time penalty to complete the victory.

Bay appointed former boss Ben Smith as their new manager last week. He succeeds Liam Friend.

Referee: Brendan Bradley (Sussex) – replaced at half-time by Jack Healy (Surrey)

Attendance: 212:

HT: 1-1 46:19

FT: 5-2 95: 09

Sevenoaks Town: Jordan Perrin, Kevin Diomande, **Charlie Dickens 90**, Jaden Perez, Ryan Sawyer, Tolu Jonah, Jed Borders,



Dan Duncanson, Warren Mfula, Rodney Eruotor, Jefferson Aibangbee.

Substitutes: Ayo Majekodunmi (Dan Duncanson 83 mins), Harry Bunclark (Warren Mfula 87 mins), Nana Agyemang-Arthur (Rodney Eruotor 90 +1), Jack Tickle (Jefferson Aibangbee 90+5)

Herne Bay: Archie Burford, Matty Holness, **Rhys Wyborn 90**, Harvey Brand, Cain MvCarthy, **Joe Tyrrie 87**, Kamani McFarlane, Hamilton Antonio, Rushaar Samuel-Smikle, Alfie Hill, Emmanuel Robe.

Substitutes: James Jeffrey (Alfie Hill 52 mins), Zaid Al Hussaini (Emmanuel Robe 64 mins), Johan Caney-Bryan (Rushaar Samuel-Smikle 77 mins), Joe Denny (Hamilton Antonio 95 mins)

MATCH STATS:	
SEVENOAKS	HERNE BAY
Shots on Target: 7	3
Shots off Target: 3	5
Corners: 1	3
Free Kicks Conceded: 4	13

* The Oaks suffered a disappointing 2-0 defeat at Crowborough Athletic on Saturday, going down to first-half goals from Ayola and Duncan. A full report will appear in the Faversham programme.

Oaks 5 Herne Bay 2



Jefferson Aibangbee scores the fifth, against the backdrop of an increasingly large main stand, before receiving the plaudits from his team mates. Pictures by Matt White.



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William Dupray

Rodney Eruotor

Dan Duncanson

Sam Itauma

Troy Chiabi

Jaden Perez

Jefferson Aibangbee

Archie Howard

Jahmal Howlett-Mundle

Harry Bunclark

Jack Tickle



Alfie Hadfield

Luke Straight

Charlie Gibson

Salvatore Marino

Lewis Hyde

Jay Richardson

Charlie Connell

Matthew Hay

Louis Evans

Yuvi Mann

Luke Bejashvili

Byron Napper

Elliott Romain

Mason Doughty

Charlie Pitcher

Sean Terry

Brad Peters

Stanley Williamson

Neo Wooster

Zac Young

Manager: Marcel Nimani

Colours: Black/blue shirts, black shorts, black socks

Managers: Chris Simmons

Colours: White shirts, red shorts, red socks



Match Officials:
 Referee: Harry Yellen
 Assistants: Jordan Crichlow & Gavin Farrington
 Next home match:
 Saturday 18th April 2026, 3pm vs Faversham Town,
 Pitching In Isthmian South East Division

