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**FRENFORD FC**

Saturday 23rd November 2023 | 15:00  
Essex Senior League

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# WELCOME TO THE HAWTHORNS HOME OF STANWAY ROVERS

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*Good Afternoon.*

Welcome to back to The Hawthorns for today's Essex Senior League fixture, this evening we entertain, Frenford FC. We extend a very warm welcome to their Players, Staff and Supporters who have made the trip to be with us.

Frenford arrive here today 18th in the Essex Senior League, with 21 points from 22 games played. 6 wins, 3 draws and 13 defeats. Recent form has been 2 wins, a draw and 3 defeats, with the most recent being a 4-0 away defeat to West Essex.

The Rovers shared the points with Sporting Bengal on Saturday after a 1-1 draw. Stanway currently sit 17th in the league with 21 points from 20 games played - 6 wins 3 draws, and 11 defeats.

The first team are next at home Wednesday 27th December as we welcome, West Essex FC to the Hawthorns, for a 19:45 kick-off.

Enjoy the game and Up The Rovers!



# ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

# LEAGUE STANDINGS



| POS | TEAM                           | P  | W  | D | L  | GD  | PTS |
|-----|--------------------------------|----|----|---|----|-----|-----|
| 1   | SPORTING BENGAL UNITED FIRST   | 22 | 13 | 5 | 4  | 13  | 44  |
| 2   | TILBURY FC                     | 19 | 13 | 3 | 3  | 31  | 42  |
| 3   | WOODFORD TOWN FC               | 22 | 11 | 7 | 4  | 22  | 40  |
| 4   | ROMFORD FIRST                  | 22 | 12 | 4 | 6  | 15  | 40  |
| 5   | HALSTEAD TOWN FC               | 23 | 11 | 5 | 7  | 6   | 38  |
| 6   | WEST ESSEX FC                  | 20 | 10 | 5 | 5  | 21  | 35  |
| 7   | ATHLETIC NEWHAM FC             | 21 | 11 | 1 | 9  | 7   | 34  |
| 8   | GREAT WAKERING ROVERS FC       | 19 | 9  | 5 | 5  | 19  | 32  |
| 9   | HULLBRIDGE SPORTS FC           | 21 | 9  | 4 | 8  | -1  | 31  |
| 10  | BARKING FC                     | 21 | 8  | 6 | 7  | -3  | 30  |
| 11  | LITTLE OAKLEY FIRST            | 21 | 7  | 6 | 8  | 1   | 27  |
| 12  | SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN FIRST      | 18 | 8  | 2 | 8  | -4  | 26  |
| 13  | FC CLACTON FIRST               | 21 | 7  | 5 | 9  | -6  | 26  |
| 14  | WHITE ENSIGN FC                | 19 | 6  | 7 | 6  | -1  | 25  |
| 15  | TAKELEY FC                     | 21 | 6  | 6 | 9  | -11 | 24  |
| 16  | BUCKHURST HILL FC              | 21 | 7  | 2 | 12 | -16 | 23  |
| 17  | STANWAY ROVERS COMMUNITY FIRST | 20 | 6  | 3 | 11 | -3  | 21  |
| 18  | FRENFORD FC                    | 22 | 6  | 3 | 13 | -18 | 21  |
| 19  | ILFORD FC                      | 23 | 4  | 4 | 15 | -33 | 16  |
| 20  | COGGESHALL TOWN FC             | 22 | 2  | 3 | 17 | -39 | 9   |

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# THE HISTORY OF STANWAY ROVERS FC



Records show that the current Stanway Rovers reformed on Tuesday 10th July 1956. However local newspaper cuttings tell us that there was a football club operating in the Stanway area in the early 1900's.

We were accepted into Division 2 of the Colchester & East Essex League, and by 1960 we had gained promotions to the Premier Division.

In 1967/68 the Rovers won the Colchester & East Essex League, and the 1973-74 season saw Stanway Rovers enjoying their most successful season to date when they won the League title and all the other competitions trophies.

1975-76 season saw the first team join the Essex & Suffolk Border League playing in Division 1.

In 1979, the 'home' of the Rovers was subject of discussion with the Local Authority, who agreed to lease the Club 4.6 acres of land in New Farm Road for a 99 year period. Stanway Rovers finally had its own home – and the first wooden Clubhouse was opened on 18th November 1982, carrying the name of The Hawthorns after the shrub which grew prolifically in the area at the time.



Despite failing to receive a grant from the National Lottery, the Club finished the rebuilding of its current Headquarters at the Hawthorns – the Members Bar, Committee/Board Room and the Hawthorn suite of function rooms being officially opened on 28th March 2001 by Colchester MP Bob Russell.

In November 2003 Jim McIntyre was appointed Manager with Ian 'Dan' Daly joining him assistant a few months later They set about assembling a good squad of players and after 14 seasons in Division One, in 2006 the Rovers were crowned Division 1 Champions and promoted to Step 5 for the first time in our history where we have remained ever since



The 2017-18 season saw major changes take place with the departure of the Chairman and the FA decision to move the club to the Essex Senior League.

A new management team of Fisher and Jones took charge of the team but following the appointment of a new Chairman, in the form of Dave Jones, Angelo Harrop returned to the club as Director of Football and he and Jones appointed a new manager; Terry Spillane. Spillane guided Rovers to safety before leaving the club.

The 19-20 season heralded a new era under Danny Slatter and a return to the Eastern Counties league but unfortunately both the 19/20 and 20/21 were aborted due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

The 21/22 season saw the club move sideways back into the Essex Senior League under the continued leadership of Chairman Dave Jones and Manager Danny Slatter. At the beginning of the 2022/23 season Dave Jones stepped down and remained as Trustee, Kev Mather took the role as Chairman moving forwards.

# THE HISTORY OF FRENFORD



The football club was established during World War II by the Frenford Sports and Social Club under the name Frenford Senior.[1] They later joined the Ilford and District Football League, and were Premier Division champions in 1975–76.[2] In 1995 the club joined Division Two of the Essex Intermediate League, going on to win the division at the first attempt and earning promotion to Division One.[3]

In 1997–98 Frenford were Division One runners-up. They won the league's Senior Cup in 1999–2000 and the Senior Challenge Cup the following season.[4] The 2003–04 season saw them win the Essex Premier Cup and the Capital Counties Feeder League Trophy.[5] They finished second in Division One again in 2004–05, after which the league was renamed the Essex Olympian League. The club were Division One runners-up for a third time the following season. In 2006–07 they won the Senior Challenge Cup,[4] and from 2007 Division One was renamed Premier Division.[3]

Frenford were Premier Division runners-up in 2008–09. In 2010–11 the club won the Essex Premier Cup, and the following season saw them become Premier Division champions. They retained the title in 2012–13, [3] also winning the Senior Cup and the Senior Challenge Cup.[4] The club went on to win the Senior Challenge Cup again the following season and the Essex Premier Cup in 2015–16. In 2017 the club dropped Senior from their name, and the 2017–18 season saw them win the league's Senior Cup.[4] They moved up to the newly-formed Division One South of the Eastern Counties League the following year.