

THE VILLAGER



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LONG MELFORD
VS THETFORD TOWN

Thurlow Nunn Premier Division
3pm, Saturday 28 August 2021

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WELCOME TO STONEYLANDS

Let's start by welcoming the players, officials and supporters from Thetford Town and hope they enjoy their short stay with us. We also extend a warm welcome to today's match officials.

It's fair to say both teams on show today will be disappointed with the way they have started the new season. However, there is a very long way to go and to use the old cliché a football season is a marathon not a sprint.

Certainly, both teams will be looking to register their first win today so it should make for an entertaining match.

Off the pitch, as you will see today the new clubhouse is close to completion. After five long years of planning, fundraising and building, it really will be a dream come true when the excellent new facilities open to the public in the coming weeks.

LONG MELFORD FOOTBALL CLUB

Stoneylands Stadium, New Road, Long Melford, Suffolk, CO10 9JY

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HISTORY

Long Melford Football Club has a long and illustrious history as one of the country's oldest clubs, with records dating back to 1868.

Looking back, history tells us that the first record of the Club that year was a 5-1 victory over Ipswich Rangers in a game that was played on the Church Green.

More than 150 years later, the club is still going strong, and continues to grow.

You can read all about the different stories from the club's history on our website, and if you have any of your own Long Melford tales, have pictures, or artefacts, we'd love to hear from you.

Drop us a line via our website contact form to help us keep Long Melford's history alive...



HONOURS

- Eastern Counties First Division (1)
- Eastern Counties League Challenge Cup (1)
- Suffolk Senior Cup (8)
- Essex & Suffolk Border League (5)
- Essex & Suffolk Border League Cup (3)



LAST TIME OUT

Wroxham 7 - 1 Long Melford

Thurlow Nunn Premier Division, 14 August

This was a very comprehensive victory for Wroxham who even at this early stage of the season look odds-on to get promoted.

After only 49 seconds the rampant home team went ahead RYAN MILES charged at the Melford defence evading three tackles to score from ten yards out.

On 9 minutes from what to many looked an offside position striker JOE TAYLOR replicated the first goal. Ten minutes later JOE TAYLOR added a third for the home team.

The Villagers under siege mounted the odd attack but it was all about trying to defend wave after wave of Wroxham pressure. On 38 minutes a mistake in defence allowed RYAN MILES to score the fourth goal for the home team.

Into the second period and Melford looked a slightly improved team and gave Ollie Sutton in the Wroxham goal the odd bit of work to do.

The fifth goal came on 51 minutes SHAUN TAYLOR ran some thirty yards evaded several tackles to fire past Matt Walker in the Melford goal.

Melford got a goal back on 64 minutes when BEN JUDGE ran though the Wroxham defence to side foot home.

On 70 minutes RYAN MILES scored his hat trick with a header from a rebound. Just time on 76 minutes for RYAN MILES to add his fourth and make the tally seven for the home team. CHENOBERET

LONG MELFORD: Matt Walker, Callum Hemson (11 minutes injured), Will Wingfield, Jake Jackson, Ross Waugh, Sam Mills, Ben Judge, Alfie Parnell (65), George Day (65), Jacob Brown (c), Hassan Ally

Subs: Ismail Marshall (11), Tyrese Williams (65), Elliott Walker (65)

Attendance: 123

AROUND STONEYLANDS

Reserves Ready For Kick-Off

After a long pre-season and a delayed start to their league campaign, Dave Hennessey's reserve team get the real business under way next week when they travel to Diss Town for their Thurlow Nunn Reserve League opener.

Having wrapped up their friendly fixtures this afternoon at Clare Town, Dave's boys - featuring a number of new faces for the season - can't wait to start playing for points again.

After the trip to Diss, they are again on the road the following week when they go to Saffron Walden Town, before returning to Stoneylands for their first home league game against Hadleigh United on 18 September.

With the first team away at Mildenhall that day, if you are looking for your local football fix, pop along and give the boys a cheer.



Under-18s Manager Appointed

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Nathan Bartlett as the new manager for our Under-18s team at Long Melford.

A former player at Stoneylands, Nathan was with the U18s initially before progressing to the reserves. He also made a handful of first team appearances.

Having coached for over 12 years at a variety of age groups, Nathan was most recently involved at Haverhill Rovers.

Long Melford chairman Geoff Thomas was delighted to welcome the latest addition to the club.

"Nathan is passionate about developing young talent and is keen to help players move on into reserve and first team football," he said.

"This is something that we firmly believe in as a club and feel sure that Nathan will be a great asset to Long Melford."



FROM THE DUGOUT



League football returns to Stoneylands after what feels like a lifetime as we welcome Thetford Town this afternoon.

We've had some very memorable games with the Brecklanders down the years, some we've won, some we haven't, but they have always been competitive games played in a great spirit.

We'll remember the final game of the 2018-19 season when we won 3-1 at Mundford Road to secure our place in the Premier Division for another season, a few days before we went on to lift the league cup.

Thetford will remember their last visit to Stoneylands a few months later when they ended our eight game unbeaten run. It is always a good game when we meet.

It's fair to say the season hasn't really got going for either club yet. Thetford have picked up one point from their four games, while we've been beaten in our two league outings by two of the current top three. We then had last week's game postponed, so picking up points today will be a big step forward for either side. Hopefully we are able to get the edge.

It's been a difficult pre-season for a number of reasons, but once the games get going properly, things will start to take shape. We haven't played for two weeks, but in the next fortnight we would have played four more times, so things are starting to get back to some normality.

We'd like to thank you all for your support today and wish you a safe journey home after and hope to see you here again on Wednesday!

Enjoy the game.
The Management

THE VILLAGERS SQUAD

Meet the Long Melford management and players...

Jamie Bradbury (Manager) – Now in his fifth season as manager, Jamie guided the club to its highest ever Step 5 points total in 2017/18 and a League Cup Final victory in 2019.

Steve Chisholm (Player/Assistant Manager) – A former Long Melford Youth player who has also played at AFC Sudbury, now combining playing with a management role.

Jonathan Brown (Coach) – A new addition to the coaching team last season, previously with Mildenhall Town.

Brian Dunster (Physio) – A former Melford player and now a very experienced physio, in his 11th season at the club. Previously with Cornard United and Halstead Town.

Matt Walker (Goalkeeper) – Experienced keeper who signed in September 2019 on a dual registration from Coggeshall Town, has also played for Halstead Town.

Steve Adams (Defence/Forward) - Club Captain for several years who lifted the First Division title in 2015 and League Cup in 2019. Began in the Under 18s and has now played 250 senior matches.

Dan Smith (Defence) – Previously with AFC Sudbury, a regular in the team in recent years approaching 150 appearances for the club.

Sam Mills (Defence) – Signed last summer from Haverhill Rovers in a season cut short due to Covid, has also played for Whitton United and AFC Sudbury.

Ross Waugh (Defence) – Ross is now in his ninth season at the club, making well over 250 appearances and chips in with the occasional goal.

Dan Swain (Defence/Midfield) - Over 150 appearances for the club and is comfortable at left back or in midfield. Previously with Cornard, Sudbury and Whitton.

Jake Jackson (Defence/Midfield) - Jake is in his eighth season with the club since joining from AFC Sudbury, a versatile player comfortable at the back or central midfield.

Evan Culmer (Defence/Midfield) – New signing last summer after impressing in pre-season, he had been out of the game for a season or so having previously played at Wivenhoe Town.

Callum Hemson (Midfield) – Joined in 2017 from the AFC Sudbury Academy. Callum has impressed over the last couple of seasons at right back or a more advanced wide role.

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Elliot Walker (Midfield) - Previously played for Border League side Boxted Lodgers, made a successful step up to this level making 50 appearances. Now on his way back from a serious knee injury.

Jacob Brown (Midfield) - Signed in December 2018, the experienced former AFC Sudbury and Mildenhall Town man was influential in the battle to avoid relegation and win the League Cup in 2019.

Ben Judge (Midfield) - Former AFC Sudbury Academy player with a promising future. Supporters' Player of the Season 2019/20.

Archie Pether (Midfield) - A regular in the Under 18s in recent seasons, with good technical ability who impressed in his appearances for the 1st Team last season.

Alfie Parnell (Midfield/Forward) – Impressed in the Reserves last season, previously played youth football at Needham Market Academy. Scored his first senior goal in the FA Cup tie at Kirkley.

Kyle Hurley (Forward) - Signed in 2019 from Cornard United. A wide player who likes to run at defenders.

Will Wingfield (Forward) - Stepped up from Under 18s and scored on his debut in the FA Vase win at Woodbridge in 2012, then had spells away at University, has now scored nearly 50 goals.

Jamie Griffiths (Forward) - A welcome return to the club from Needham Market in 2019, a prolific scorer and Supporters' Player twice in 2015 and 2016.

Hassan Ally (Forward) - A regular in recent years apart from a brief spell with Whitton United. Entertaining player who won the Supporters' award in 2018.

James Dormady (Forward) – Under 18s player who has impressed in pre-season while playing for the Reserves and First Team.

George Day (Forward) – Returns to the club this summer. A prolific scorer in local football with Cavendish, has also played Thurlow Nunn football for Stanway and Whitton.

TODAY'S OPPOSITION



Thetford Town



Frank Gammon - Goalkeeper in his second season at the club. Previously played for Mundford, Lakenheath and Fakenham. Dominates the box and very vocal as good keepers should be.

Sam Bond - Team captain long serving defender who gives 100% every game. A favourite with both sets of fans and referees. Sponsored by Alan Churchley

Matt Morton – Player-manager who spent 10 years at Walsham before joining Town. A no nonsense defender centre half who can play at right back

Andrew Cusack - Defender who likes to get forward has played at this level for several seasons and was part of the Norwich United league winning side.

Luke Bailey - Another long serving defender who can play at centre half or left back. Good in the tackle, a twitter poll voted him towns fans favourite playing in last 40 years great in the air and can ping a decent long pass.

Nathan Clarke – Defender who is known as “The Shark”. Takes no prisoners but also an excellent footballer previously at Walsham, Sudbury and Newmarket.

Bernardo Felgueiras – Young and skilful midfielder a great prospect second season at club Small in size but gets stuck in.

Ross Bailey – Midfielder and younger brother of Luke. Covers every inch of the pitch and probably the best passer of the ball at the club.

Elliot Smith - Normally plays in midfield but can also play at centre half. A great tackler who rarely loses a 50/50. Also represents the RAF team.

Joao Varela – Second season at the club for this promising youngster. A hard-working and skilful attacker who can also fill in as right back.

Ryan Fuller - Second spell at the club for the big centre forward. Has bags of skill and a very long throw. Sponsored by Steve Forde

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Michael Campbell - Another RAF player who is very strong with lots of pace. Can play out wide or up front. A regular goal scorer.

Jack Delaune - Striker rejoins the club after a spell with Long Melford

Artur Visocanskis - Stepped up from the reserves quick with great skills scores his share of goals.

Josh Mann - Youngster previously with Wroxham U18s first season at club plays on the left either in midfield or defence .

Jake Mann - Another player to join the club this season plays in centre midfield good tackler and passer of the ball

Johnny Conroy - Has been at the club for several seasons quick skilful plays out wide.

John Taylor - First team coach, lots of experience a legend at Cambridge Utd. Made over 500 league appearances for several clubs scoring over 150 goal Should be a great asset to the club

Craig Bibby - Club coach who joined the club last season when Matt Morton took charge. Well qualified with the youth module 1-2-3 and UEFA B license. Previously at Mundford, Attleborough, Acle and Whitton.

Jay Dennis - Experienced coach who came to the club with Danny White. Has stayed on to help out with the new management team.

Todd Rae - Coach - former head coach of Loughborough University futsal team. Keeps statistics during the matches



Thetford Town Fact File

Founded: 1883 **Nickname:** The Brecklanders

Club colours: Claret & Blue **Ground:** Mundford Road

Record home attendance: 394 v Diss Town (1991)

Selected honours: Norfolk Senior Cup, Norfolk & Suffolk League

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Thurlow Nunn Premier
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FIRST TEAM LATEST

Date	Home	KO/RES	Away	League	Ground
03/08/2021	Newmarket	3 - 0	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	The Tristell Stadium
07/08/2021	Kirkley	1 - 1	Long Melford	The Emirates FA Cup	Walmer Road
11/08/2021	Long Melford	0 - 4	Kirkley	The Emirates FA Cup	Stoneylands
14/08/2021	Wroxham	7 - 1	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Trafford Park
28/08/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Thetford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
01/09/2021	Long Melford	7:45 pm	Woodbridge	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
04/09/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Swaffham	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands

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1	Wroxham	6	6	0	0	25	18
2	Gorleston	5	5	0	0	15	15
3	Newmarket Town	5	5	0	0	8	15
4	Mulbarton Wanderers	4	2	2	0	6	8
5	Hadleigh United	5	2	2	1	5	8
6	Walsham Le Willows	4	2	1	1	4	7
7	Mildenhall Town	4	2	1	1	0	7
8	Brantham Athletic	4	2	1	1	-1	7
9	Whitton United	3	2	0	1	0	6
10	Kirkley & Pakefield	4	1	2	1	2	5
11	Norwich United	4	1	1	2	-2	4
12	Woodbridge Town	4	1	1	2	-2	4
13	Haverhill Rovers	4	1	1	2	-3	4
14	Lakenheath	4	1	1	2	-5	4
15	Ely City	4	1	0	3	-3	3
16	Fakenham Town	5	1	0	4	-10	3
17	Thetford Town	4	0	1	3	-8	1
18	March Town United	4	0	0	4	-7	0
19	Long Melford	2	0	0	2	-9	0
20	Swaffham Town	5	0	0	5	-15	0



JOIN THE TEAM AT LONG MELFORD FC

Do you love football? Are you keen to work within the game? Are you interested in digital media? Would you love to help out on matchday?

If so, Long Melford wants you...

We're on the lookout to add to our team off the pitch to support the club in a number of different capacities.

As the club continues to grow, these responsibilities are also key in helping the First Team, Reserves and Under-18s sides.

The roles we are currently keen to recruit for are;

- Assistant to the Secretary
- Video Manager
- Social Media, Marketing and Content
- Programme Editor
- Matchday Volunteers

Like everyone at Stoneylands, these positions are voluntary, unpaid roles, but will give you the opportunity to work within the game at Step 5 and play an important part in our growing club.

If you are interested in any of the above roles, please contact us via the contact form on our website at www.longmelfordfc.com



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THETFORD TOWN

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Sam Bond
Andrew Cusack
Luke Bailey
Nathan Clarke
Elliott Smith
Ross Bailey
Bruno Felgueiras
Ryan Fuller
Artur Visocankis
Joao Varela
Josh Mann
Jack Delaune
Michael Campbell
Matt Morton
Jake Mann



Manager: Jamie Bradbury
Assistant: Steve Chisholm
Coach: Jon Brown
Physio: Brian Dunster



Player/Manager: Matt Morton



MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Jake Dods

Assistants: Paul Reilly and Keith Ross