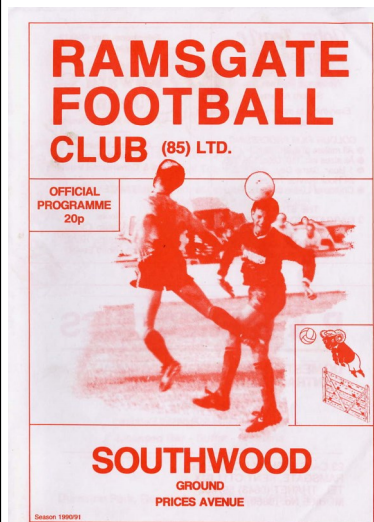


proud **past:1990/91**



The 1990/91 season was Bob Wickens' first pre-season in charge of the Rams, and saw the return of several former players, including Bob and Steve Miles, David Coles, Paul Fassam, Peter Hansen, Paul Hill and Richard Sullivan (the last three returning from Herne Bay, along with Bob's son Gary).

Moving in the other direction, to Winch's Field from Southwood, was one of the previous season's top Ramsgate scorers Mark Munday.

Another new face at Southwood was Mike O'Neill from Faversham, while off the pitch the new season saw Richard Lawson take over as Chairman.

During the early part of the season former Thanet and Folkestone midfielder Gary Miller joined from Canterbury, while striker Gary Kerr departed when his Royal Marines unit was posted elsewhere.

At the start of March Carl Scriven returned from Margate before Jon Mayall signed from Herne Bay, and by the end of the month Gary Pugh had returned to Whitstable and Karl Smith re-signed for the Rams.

In the Kent League campaign the Rams had 16 wins and 9 draws, for 57 points and a 10th place finish. The wins included doing the double over Danson, Met Police 4 Area and Sheppey United.

Home wins comprised Beckenham, Darenth Heathside, Deal Town, Faversham Town, Greenwich Borough, Slade Green, Thames Poly and Tunbridge Wells, with away victories over Crockenhill and Kent Police.

In the League Cup Ramsgate beat Crockenhill 4-0 in the first round, and dispatched Deal Town 2-1 in the 2nd round, before a 2-0 home defeat to Darenth Heathside in the quarter-final.

Ramsgate drew Margate at home in the 1st Preliminary Round of the FA Cup, for the first truly competitive Thanet derby for 17 years. A crowd of more than 750 saw the visitors take an early lead, with the Southwood faithful's hearts breaking when Margate defender Colin Ford broke through to score the only goal of the tie from 25 yards. The Rams battled hard for an equaliser but it was not to be, although

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there was little between the two sides at the final whistle (below).



Ramsgate fared slightly better in the FA Vase, with a victory over Hartley Witney at home in the Preliminary Round at Southwood.

The 1st Qualifying Round saw a visit from Merstham, and after a 1-1 draw the replay in Surrey ended in the same score. A 2nd replay was held, back at Southwood, but on this occasion the visitors won 2-0.

In the Kent Senior Trophy the Rams were drawn away at southeast London side Sangley Sports, in their only season of senior football, and suffered a surprising 6-1 defeat at Flamingo Park, Sidcup (now the proposed site of Cray Wanderers' new stadium).

Ramsgate welcomed Margate back to Southwood on 6 May for the Isle of Thanet Gazette Cup, for the benefit of St John's Ambulance Brigade, which the Rams won 1-0 (but I haven't been able to confirm who scored the goal – yet).

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First Team goal scorers for 1990/91 were:

Gary Pugh	10
Paul Hill	9
Peter Hansen	8
John Munday	8
Stuart Wells	6
Paul Lamb	4
Karl Smith	3
Scott Forbes	2
Gary Kerr	2
Gary Miller	2
Mike O'Neill	2
David Coles	1
Ali Hume	1
Gerry Jordan	1
Jon Mayall	1
Steve Miles	1
John Rigden	1
Gary Wickens	1
Own Goals	6

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