

# Epsom and Ewell FC's first home game of 2026 drawn

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Epsom & Ewell FC 0 v Camberley Town FC 0 14th March, Chalky Lane, Chessington Combined Counties Premier League

We finally saw our first home game of 2026 at Chalky lane after a stop start preparation.

After several hours of work in the morning, the referee passed the pitch fit for play in the morning but then on arrival required four further inspections. The club carried out additional work to make the surface playable, forcing kick off to be delayed until 3:10pm.

Courtney Swaby came in for his debut in the number 10 position, with Callum O'Keeffe moving to right back and Ore Allen back into centre midfield. Jason Vincent also returned to the club up top.

Both sides started brightly, with the Salts striking the crossbar early on through a long-range effort from Brendan Murphy-McVey and could have had 3 or 4 goals in the first half an hour as Camberley arrived to park the bus.

The match then took a dramatic turn when a dangerous high boot saw Camberley's Mo Black sent off, while the Salts Stefan Aiwone suffered a serious head injury and had to be withdrawn. Luke Miller came on to make his 150th appearance for the Salts. The score remained goalless at half-time.

In the second half, Epsom & Ewell made a series of changes to try to find a way through Camberley's obdurate defence and keeper who was having a blinder.

Tom Smith was replaced by Ali Fofahan on 63 minutes then Anthony Nazareth made way for Karl Bailey on 74 minutes. New signing Courtney Swaby was replaced by Ryley Merrett and captain Brendon Murphy McVey was substituted for Leo Cunningham late on.

The Salts created several chances and had a strong penalty appeal, but despite their pressure—and the man advantage—the match finished 0-0.

On the plus side another clean sheet in short order which will please the management, but the inability to turn chances into goals remains a frustration. Teams around us in the league continue to slip up and provide some breathing space, but The Salts will be looking to Tuesdays' home match against Redhill as a chance to finally hit the back of the net.

We would also like to thank our mascots from BMM Sports Coaching and Epsom & Ewell Colts for your support; we hope you enjoyed the afternoon!

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