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Norwich are a team with many new faces this season, so they are also going through a process of adaptation. It will be key to have the support of our fans.

Winning builds confidence and reinforces what you're doing well. We have a very young team and winning will help them to loosen up. We're going to give 100% to achieve it.



SNAPSHOTT

Giorgi Chakvetadze will miss tonight's game against Norwich City but is being eyed up to return to action next month.

The Georgian schemer is working under the guidance of a foot specialist to solve a complex issue that has sidelined him since April. He will undergo a six-week period of non-impact work and hopes to be available by the end of September.

"Chakvetadze is an asset to the club," said Paulo Pezzolano. "We look forward to him being fully recovered before he can return to action."

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IRITRIBUTE

Watford FC is saddened to learn of the death of former player Bernard 'Bunny' Larkin, who passed away on August 9, 2025, aged 89.

Bunny spent three seasons at Vicarage Road as a useful and experienced all-round wing-v or inside-forward.

Watford Football Club send our deepest condolences to Bunny's family and friends.



We will look to improve the team until the very last day of the window. It's true we have many young players but in football you can find leadership in a 20 year old.

We have some personalities who can step up, because they feel more responsible and can take charge. These young players are starting to be more vocal.

If you bring in someone who is 30 years old, it doesn't mean they have leadership. Most of the time you have it inside or you don't. That doesn't depend on the age. Paulo is giving the young players confidence to talk and be vocal.



Norwich is an important game.

We need to push to win it, so we can go into the next league game in a good way.

I felt strong out there against Charlton.

After missing some friendlies, it was good to be able to play in the first game.

It was only 20 minutes, but it felt good.

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WATFORD



Beat MK Dons 5-0 in first round and beat Plymouth 2-0 in second round. Lost 2-1 to Manchester City in third round.



Lost on penalties to Stevenage in first round (1-1 normal time).



22/23

Lost 2-0 to MK Dons in second round (bye in first round).



Beat Crystal Palace 1-0 in second round, bye in first round.Lost 3-1 to Stoke in third round.



Beat Oxford on penalties (1-1 in normal time) in second round, bye in first round. Lost 3-1 to Newport in third round.

NORWICH CITY



Beat Stevenage 4-3 in first round in 2024/25. Lost 4-0 to Crystal Palace in second round.



23/24

Beat Bristol City 1-0 in second round. beat QPR 1-0 in first round. Lost 2-1 to Fulham in third round.



Beat Birmingham on penalties (0-0 in normal time) in first round. Lost on penalties (2-2 in normal time) to Bournemouth in second round.



Beat Bournemouth 6-0 in second round. first round bye. Lost 3-0 to Liverpool in third round.



Lost 3-1 to Luton in first round.

20/21



MEMORABLE MOMENT

Dan Gosling scored the only goal when tonight's two teams faced off at Carrow Road in April 2021.

It was a crucial strike in the race for the Premier League, with the Hornets securing their promotion to the top flight just four days later.

Gosling was last week appointed as Lead Coach of Watford's Under-18s, moving on from his assistant role with the Under-21s which has been filled by club legend Adrian Mariappa.



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WATFORD



HEAD COACH PAULO PEZZOLANO

- 1 EGIL SELVIK
- JEREMY **NGAKIA**
- 3 MAX ALLEYNE
- KÉVIN KEBEN
- HECTOR KYPRIANOU
- 6 MATTIE POLLOCK
- 7 TOM INCE
- GIORGI CHAKVETADZE
- 9 LUCA KJERRUMGAARD
- 10 IMRÂN LOUZA
- 11 ROCCO VATA
- **12 NATHAN BAXTER**
- 14 PIERRE DWOMOH
- 16 MARC BOLA
- 17 MOUSSA SISSOKO
- 18 VIVALDO SEMEDO
- MAMADOU **DOUMBIA**
- JAMES MORRIS
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- ALFIE MARRIOTT
- OTHMANE MAAMMA

- JACK GRIEVES
- RYAN **ANDREWS**
- ZAVIER MASSIAH-EDWARDS
- JOSH MULLINS
- TRAVIS **AKOMEAH**
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- AMIN NABIZADA
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- IAN KAMGA
- NESTORY **IRANKUNDA**

OUR OPPOSITION

RORWICH CITY



HEAD COACH LIAM MANNING

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- 3 JACK STACEY
- 4 SHANE DUFFY
- 5 JAKOV MEDIĆ
- 6 HARRY DARLING
- 8 LIAM GIBBS
- 9 JOSH SARGENT
- 10 MATĚJ JURÁSEK
- 11 EMILIANO MARCONDES
- 12 GEORGE LONG
- **14** BEN CHRISENE
- 15 RUAIRI MCCONVILLE
- **16** JACOB WRIGHT
- 17 ANTE CRNAC
- **18** FORSON AMANKWAH
- 19 PAPA AMADOU DIALLO
- 20 ANIS BEN SLIMANE
- 21 BRAD HILLS
- 22 MIRKO TOPIĆ
- 23 23KENNY MCLEAN
- **24** 24JOVON MAKAMA
- **26** MARCELINO NÚÑEZ
- 27 JEFFREY SCHLUPP
- 29 OSCAR SCHWARTAU
- **30** MATHIAS KVISTGAARDEN

- 31 LOUIE MOULDEN
- 32 DANIEL GRIMSHAW
- 33 JOSÉ CÓRDOBA
- 35 KELLEN FISHER
- **38** DANIEL BARDEN
- 41 GABRIEL FORSYTH
- **42** TONY SPRINGETT
- 43 URIAH DJEDJE
- 44 ELLIOT MYLES
- 45 KEN ABOH
- **47** LUCIEN MAHOVO
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