**SWINDON SUPERMARINE FC 2024/25 - STAFF & PLAYER PROFILES**

STUART FLEETWOOD

**Head Coach**

**Previous Clubs:**

**Coach:** Gloucester City, Yate Town

**Player:** Yate Town, Swindon Supermarine, Redditch United, Merthyr Town, Weymouth (loan), Bath City, Sutton United, Forest Green Rovers (loan), Eastleigh, Luton Town, Hereford United, Exeter City (loan), Brighton (loan), Cheltenham Town (loan), Charlton Athletic, Forest Green Rovers, Accrington Stanley (loan), Hereford United, Cardiff City

**Profile:** Gloucester based Fleets first joined Marine in June 2018 and was captain of the team. He had played for Redditch United and Merthyr Town during the previous 2017/18 season and was with the Marine until the end of the curtailed 2019/20 season before joining Yate Town in the following 2020/21 season as player coach. He was with Yate for a couple of seasons before joining Gloucester City in 2022/23 as coach, before he was appointed Head Coach at Marine in September 2023 and led the team to Premier South survival. Fleets has now signed a 2-year contract with Marine until May 2026.

DAN GILLESPIE

**Assistant Head Coach**

**Previous Clubs:**

**Manager / Coach:** Shortwood United, Yate Town, Gala Wilton, Tytherington Rocks, Tuffley Rovers

**Profile:** Gloucester based Dan worked alongside Stuart Fleetwood at Yate Town under manager Peter Beadle before taking over at Shortwood United earlier in the 2023/24 season and took them to a healthy third position in the Hellenic League before accepting ‘Fleets’ approach of working with him at Marine in September 2023. He also managed Gala Wilton and Tytherington Rocks before joining Shortwood and he also played for Tuffley Rovers before turning to a management role and has now signed a 2-year contract along with Fleets.

LUKE PURNELL

**Goalkeeper**

**Previous Clubs:** Bridgewater United, Weston-super-Mare,

**Profile:** Luke is a very experienced keeper who signed for Marine in June 2024 from Bridgewater United, having signed for them from National South side Weston-super-Mare last season. He made no less than 355 appearances for Weston having signed for them for the 2013/14 season. He is an excellent goalkeeper who commands his penalty box with authority and has signed a contract with Marine that will take him to May 2025.

DAN BRABHAM

**Goalkeeper**

**Previous Clubs:** Cheltenham Saracens, Yate Town,Shortwood United, Chalford AFC

**Profile:** Dan signed for the club at the end of August 2023 after Luke Purnell was injured and played in the two FA cup ties with Poole Town and acquitted himself very well with two solid performances. A week later he made his league debut when he came on at half time after Luke Purnell suffered an injury and performed very well.

SAM TURL

**Defender**

**Previous Clubs:** Yate Town, Cinderford Town, Bridgewater Town, Bishops Cleeve, Slimbridge, Gloucester City

**Profile:** Cheltenham based Sam signed for Marine June 2022 after playing for Yate Town in the previous 2021/22 season. Sam spent two seasons with Yate Town having joined then in August 2020 from Cinderford Town where he had also spent two seasons. He has previously played for Bridgewater Town, Bishops Cleeve and Slimbridge after beginning his career with Gloucester City. Sam is a solid defender but likes to get forward to support the front players and is a player with good technical skills. Sam signed a contract extension with Marine until May 2025.

IOAN RICHARDS

**Defender**

**Previous Clubs:** Gloucester City, Yate Town, Taunton Town, Redditch United, Newport County and Cheltenham Town

**Profile:** Ioan is a Welsh born defender who was originally on a short-term loan from Gloucester City. He had signed at Gloucester City after a trial period in preseason, having previously been with Redditch United and Taunton Town amongst other and had a previous short spell with Gloucester City in 2019. He was initially on a one-month loan at Marine until mid-October 2023 but that was extended until the end of the season but come December 2023, he was released by Gloucester City and joined Marine permanently and signed a contract until the end of the 2023/24 season. He has now signed again for Marine for the 2024/25 season.

NICK PEARE

**Defender**

**Previous Clubs:** Cirencester Town, Yate Town, Cirencester Town, Yate Town, Mangotsfield United, Shortwood United, Swindon Supermarine.

**Profile:** Nick first signed for Marine back in the 2010/11 season but only made two appearances before leaving and spending much of his career with Cirencester Town and Yate Town. He signed for Marine for a second time in July 2024 having left Cirencester Town at the end of last season. Previously playing in midfield he is now accustomed to a central defensive role. He has also played for Mangotsfield United, Shortwood United, Taunton Town. Nick is very experienced at Southern Leage level and is a scorer of some spectacular goals from set pieces.

JAKE LEE

**Defender**

**Previous Clubs:** Cirencester Town, Swindon Supermarine, Yate Town, Weston-super-Mare, Shortwood United, Bishops Cleeve, Thurrock Town (loan), Bishops Cleeve (loan), Cirencester Town (loan), Cheltenham Town

**Profile:** Stroud based Jake first signed for Marine 2020 from Cirencester Town but the re-signed for them a few months later after making eleven appearances for Marine in the 2020/21 season. He returned to Marine, re-signing in June 2024. His career began at Cheltenham Town as a 9-year-old in their Academy set-up and went through the ranks to make four appearances for the first team after making his debut at Yeovil Town in 2009 having scored regularly for the Cheltenham Town Youth side. Jake then had loan spells with Cirencester Town, Bishops Cleeve and Thurrock Town. After leaving the Robins in 2011 he played for then Southern League sides Bishops Cleeve and Shortwood United before joining Weston-super-Mare. He had always played as a striker before joining Bishops Cleeve, but manager Alex Sykes moved him back to play as a central defender where he excelled in his new role. He then followed Sykes to Shortwood United before Jake joined Yate Town in the summer of 2019, where he had an excellent season as a central defender.

JOSH BLYTH

**Defender**

**Previous Clubs:** Swindon Supermarine U18s

**Profile:** Josh first signed for Marine in November 2023 and made his debut in the Wiltshire Premier Shield win at Melksham Town shortly afterwards and then came off the bench in the final against Chippenham Town. He has been training regularly with the first team and after several successful appearances preseason he has now signed a Southern League registration form for the 2024/25 season.

LIAM ANGEL

**Defender**

**Previous Clubs:** Merthyr Town, Yate Town, Cinderford Town, Newport County, Cardiff City

**Profile:** After a two week wait for his international clearance Liam officially signed for Marine on the September 21st, 2024, from Merthyr Town, where he had captained the side in the previous seasons and helped them finish in 6th place in the 2023/24 season. He joined Merthyr from Yate Town and before that he played for Cinderford Town, Newport County and Cardiff City. Marine Head coach Stuart Fleetwood said after signing Liam, “Ange is a player I’ve played with and coached. He is a terrific defender at this level and he will suit our style and our club principles. He’s a real leader who will give everything to the cause. We have gained an excellent addition to an already talented squad. I’m very excited to welcome Liam to the club”.

JAMIE EDGE

**Midfielder**

**Previous Clubs:** Gloucester City, Hereford, Weston-s-Mare, Cirencester Town, Hereford United, WBA, Arsenal, Cheltenham Town

**Profile:** Jamie joined the club on November 16th, 2018, from Gloucester City. He is a ball playing midfielder who joined Gloucester from Hereford FC in September 2017 after helping them win the Southern Premier Division title. He was once on the books of Arsenal, with manager Arsene Wenger personally overseeing the acquisition of Jamie from Cheltenham Town. After attending Hartpury College his subsequent career has also seen him play for Cirencester Town and Weston-super-Mare. Jamie has now taken on a coaching role and signed a contract extension that takes him to May 2025.

RYAN CAMPBELL

**Defender / Winger**

**Previous Clubs:** Chippenham Town, Chippenham Park

**Profile:** Ryan joined Marine at the end of December 2016 after signing from Chippenham Town where he had spent the previous two seasons having joined then from their nursery side Chippenham Park. He is an attacking left sided player with an excellent left foot which helped him win the goal of the season award in 2018/19. Over the past eight seasons he has scored some vital goals and established himself with a regular place in the team, playing the 2023/24 season at a more withdrawn left back position and scooped all the end of season awards. He has now signed a contract extension until May 2025.

LIBAN IBRAHIM

**Midfielder**

**Previous Clubs:** Yate Town, Paulton Rovers

**Profile:** Liban signed for Marine in late July 2023 after a successful trial at the Webbswood Stadium during preseason. After scooping player of the season and supporter’s player of the season at Paulton Rovers in the 2021/22 season he moved to Yate Town at the start of the 2022/23 season. He is an enthusiastic midfielder who shows a great desire to improve and is an energetic box to box player. Liban has now signed a contract until May 2025.

TOBY HOLLAND

**Midfielder**

**Previous Clubs:** Bishops Cleeve, Cinderford Town, Highworth Town, Swindon Town

**Profile:** Toby signed for Marine in July 2024 from Southern League Division One South side Bishops Cleeve where he scored over 20 goals for them from midfield. He started his career at Swindon Town in the Academy before being released and signed for Highworth Town in 2022. He then left Highworth to join Cinderford Town in 2023 before joining Bishops Cleeve at the start of last season. Unfortunately, Toby suffered a season ending ACL injury in the second game of the season at Basingstoke Town.

ANTON DWORZAK

**Midfielder**

**Previous Clubs:** Swindon Town, Highworth Town (loan)

**Profile:** Anton signed on a initial months loan on August 19th 2024 from our EFL neighbours Swindon Town, having joined the Town Academy as a youngster. He made his debut in the home draw with Havant & Waterlooville a few days after signing on August 24th and two days later, on the Bank Holiday Monday, he scored our second goal at Hungerford Town and was voted Marine's star man. He has an excellent all-round game, with good passing skills and he can put in a tackle as well, along with a great energy to get around the pitch and can score the odd goal or two. He is a great addition to the squad and will hopefully be with Marine longer than a month.

JOSE MARQUEZ

**Midfielder**

**Previous Clubs:** Forest Green Rovers

Jose signed on a initial months Work Experience on September 9th 2024 from our National League side Forest Green Rovers, having joined them as a youngster. He made his debut for Marine when he came on in the home defeat to Merthyr Town 24hrs later. He has good passing skills and can score the odd goal or two, along with a great energy to get around the pitch. He is an excellent player to have in the squad and will hopefully be with Marine longer than his initial month.

GABE REIVERS

**Midfielder**

**Previous Clubs:** Swindon Supermarine U18s

**Profile:** Gabe first signed for Marine in November 2023, making one substitute appearance in the Wilts Premier Shield but unfortunately never made his Southern League debut for Marine last season. He has been training regularly with the first team ever since and after several successful appearances this preseason he has once again signed a Southern League registration form for the 2024/25 season.

ZACK KOTWICA

**Midfield / Striker**

**Previous Clubs:** Gloucester City, Salisbury FC (loan), Tamworth, Cinderford Town (loan), Gloucester City, Cirencester Town (loan), Evesham United (loan), Gloucester City (loan), Bishops Cleeve (loan), Cheltenham Town

**Profile:** Zack signed for Marine in May 2020 having begun his career with his hometown club Cheltenham Town. He had several loan spells in the following years which included two spells at Gloucester City. After his release from Cheltenham in 2016 and following brief spells with Tamworth and Salisbury, he returned to Gloucester City midway through the 2019/20 season and has made over a hundred National League and Football League appearances.

OLLY MEHEW

**Striker / Midfield**

**Previous Clubs:** Merthyr Town, Weston-super-Mare, Tiverton Town, Yate Town, Forest Green Rovers, Taunton Town (loan). Dorchester Town (loan), Cirencester Town (loan), Salisbury (loan), Mangotsfield United (loan), Forest Green Rovers, Bristol Rovers

**Profile:** Olly signed for Marine in June 2024 from Merthyr Town, having spent a season with the Welsh club having joined them at the start of last season from Weston-super-Mare. Olly began his career with Bristol Rovers Academy before signing for Forest Green Rovers. Whilst with FGR he had loan spells at Taunton Town, Dorchester Town, Salisbury and two spells with Mangotsfield United. Leaving FGR in 2018 he signed for Yate Town before spells at Tiverton Town and Weston-super-Mare before joining Merthyr. Olly is a skillful and intelligent player who can play either up front or a withdrawn role behind the front players. He has signed a contract with Marine until May 2025.

DAVE SIMS-BURGESS

**Striker**

**Previous Clubs:** Taunton Town, Bath City, Yate Town (2), Paulton Rovers (2), Chipping Sodbury

**Profile:** Dave joined Marine on loan at the start of November 2023 from Taunton Town and made the move permanently in early January after his release from Taunton having signed for them at the start of the 2022/23 season and was their leading goalscorer with ten goals in his first season. He had joined Taunton from Bath City and prior to that he was also leading scorer at Yate Town where he played a key part in their 2021/22 promotion winning campaign to the Premier Division South. Dave was a product of the youth system at Filton College and his first club was Chipping Sodbury Town where he spent two seasons and helped them gain promotion to the Western League before he secured a move to Southern League side Paulton Rovers for the 2017/18 season. Dave then moved to Yate Town the following year where he finished as the Bluebells top scorer before returning to Paulton Rovers and scoring 16 goals. He then headed back to Lodge Road, Yate for a second spell and impressive displays grabbed the attention of Bath City who snapped him up in November 2021 and he joined Taunton the following summer. He played a huge part in our Premier Division South survival last season with 15 vital goals and has now signed a contract extension until May 2025 with Marine.

HARRY WILLIAMS

**Striker**

**Previous Clubs:** Salisbury, Gloucester City, Swindon Supermarine, Gloucester City, Sacramento Republic (USA), Gloucester City (loan), Evesham United (loan), Farnborough (loan), Cheltenham Town

**Profile:** Harry first signed for the club from National League South side Gloucester City in March 2019 having joined them at the start of the 2018/19 season after playing in the USA with Sacramento Republic. He began his football career with Cheltenham Town when he was 9 years old before going on to make 13 Football League and one FA Cup appearance for the Robins before leaving in 2016. During his time with Cheltenham, he had loans spells with then Conference club Farnborough, Evesham United and Gloucester City in 2014 and 2015. He has been an excellent addition to our attacking options and none more so than in the 2022/23 season as he contributed with 37 goals and was joint Golden Boot League winner. At the start of the last season, he joined former club Gloucester City before departing for Salisbury in November 2023 before re-joining Marine for his second spell at the club in February 2024.

MICHAEL FERNANDES

**Striker**

**Previous Clubs:** Hayes & Yeading United, Hungerford Town, Farnborough, Salisbury (loan), Leatherhead (loan), Dartford (loan), Colchester United, Farnborough, Hampton & Richmond Borough

**Profile:** Michael signed for the club in early March 2024 and has a wealth of experience, having signed from Hayes & Yeading United. He also had previous spells with National South side Farnborough, Football League side Colchester United along with Hungerford Town, Dartford and Hampton & Richmond Borough and also loan spells at Leatherhead and Salisbury. In the short time with Marine last season, he managed to score six vital goals in nine starts along with some vital assists which were instrumental in our relegation survival come the final day of the season. Michael has now signed a contract extension until May 2025.

LUCIAS VINE

**Striker**

**Previous Clubs:** Rayners Lane, Southall, Hartley Wintney (loan), Aldershot Town, Brentford B

**Profile:** Lucias is a former Brentford B and Aldershot Town striker who signed for the club at the end of October 2024 having played a couple of games for Rayners Lane in the Isthmian Premier Division earlier this season. In 2022 he was with Brentford B before he had trials with Bristol City, Bolton and Swindon Town after his release at the end of the 2022/23 season. He then signed for National League side Aldershot Town and spent a loan spell with Hartley Wintney before leaving the Shot's at the end of last season. At the start of this season, he signed for both Southall and Rayners Lane.