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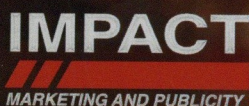
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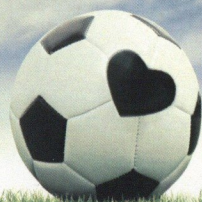
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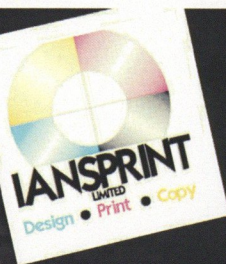
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**Today, Saturday the 7th of
December, Alfreton Town Football
Club are pleased to welcome 10
individuals from the Oyster Club.**



Alfreton Town were knocked out of the FA Trophy by Nuneaton Town at the Impact Arena, just four days after the Warwickshire outfit had beaten the Reds in a league game.

Manager Nicky Law made five changes, with two of them necessitated through injuries to skipper Nick Fenton and top scorer Job Ayo Akinde, being replaced by Michael Wylde and new loan striker Jonathan Hooper respectively.

Other changes saw Paul Clayton start instead of Daniel Wishart, whilst Alastair Taylor replaced Tom Shaw in midfield and Connor Franklin was given valuable match time at left back with Lathaniel Rowe-Turner unable to play against his parent club Luton Town next week.

There was to be a further injury problem for Law to contend with when son Josh limped out of the game in the 63rd minute, then Wishart pulled up in pain immediately after taking the field to replace Hooper but managed to run off the effects.

Theo Streete was given a warm welcome back to the ground where he had helped Alfreton win the Conference North title, having been unable to line up against the Reds in midweek through injury.

The goal itself was somewhat contentious, with Wylde being penalised for a tackle on David Hibbert that was interpreted as a foul six or seven yards outside the area, former Reds' loanee Louis Moulton smashing home the free-kick in the 53rd minute.

A tentative approach to the tie left reporters with a blank sheet until the 18th minute when Moulton's shot from Danny Sleath's cross was held by Reds' keeper Ross Atkins, then three minutes later Clayton's header just looped over the bar from Taylor's cross.

Law's free-kick was held by Nuneaton keeper Kelle Roos on 30 minutes, then Moulton screwed his shot wide from a good position after being played through by Hibbert.

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The neatest move of the first half saw Law spray the ball out to Clayton before the latter's 33rd minute shot was held low by Roos, then a mundane opening period petered out with a tame Moulton chip comfortably held by Atkins and mercifully no added time indicated by the fourth official.

The second half could only be brighter, although it was hardly outstanding, but an angled drive by Taylor just 50 seconds after the restart needed fielding by Roos.

Six minutes after the decisive goal Taylor's cross was helped on by Hooper for Clayton to go close with a header, then Atkins misread a Moulton corner at his near post and had to rely on Chris Westwood's diligence before Phil Trainer's follow-up was blocked in a crowded goalmouth.

Adam Walker fired wide from the edge of the area for the visitors on 62 minutes, then Roos just beat Clayton to another Taylor cross following a swift clearance by Daniel Meadows.

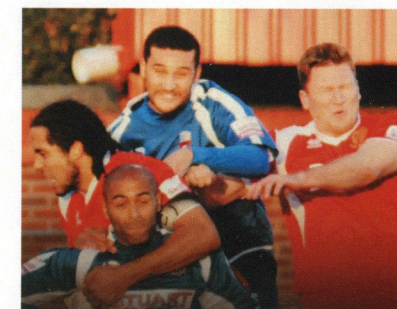
A low Hibbert drive from all of 30 yards was not far off target with 20 minutes left on the clock, then Wylde tried a similar effort for the Reds seven minutes later with the same outcome.

Tom Shaw was next to try from outside the area with Roos equal to his 88th minute effort, then Sleath's weak chip was held by Atkins after being sent through by Moulton.

Midway through four minutes of added time Shaw's close range stab was held by Roos after Clayton's accurate overhead kick from a Bradley Wood cross had been blocked by Gareth Dean.

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MAN OF THE MATCH:

MICHAEL WYLDE

Kept matters simple and should not have finished on the losing side.



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From The Manager

Welcome to the Impact Arena for today's game versus Luton Town FC.

Our last two games against Nuneaton Town were disappointing to say the least but credit goes to them they out performed us over the two fixtures. The first was the more disappointing not just the goals we conceded but the whole nature of the performance was below what we expect and would like and our performances prior to that in a run that saw us push into the play-off spots.

The second game if honest, although we didn't have a true threat, we didn't deserve to be beaten but you do not always get what you deserve nor do you win games scoring zero and conceding poor goals. To be contenders you have to be consistent and that if honest is something we struggle with. If you look at the leaders of any league, they week in week out do not concede goals at the rate others do and they can out score their opposition on a regular basis and that is what makes them the stand out teams.

At the minute we cannot win a game ugly, we either run out convincing winners or lose games conceding poor goals or with a disappointing performance we have no in-between and that is something we have to come to terms with and improve upon if we are to push and improve on our previous years efforts. I made the comment recently that whilst your scoring freely that's fine the game is easier and you will win games but when the goals are not there you will struggle, it's all up hill, we all know that and you have to depend upon the team being better defensively and grinding points out in ones and be harder to beat but we are three or nothing and we have to change that.

If we do not improve our game management things will not change it may have to be we set up more defensively which is not my style but it may have to happen my thoughts are that if your struggling to score for whatever reason and you take a more negative approach and go behind what's plan b?

I feel a big factor to our recent dip in form is obvious, when you lose someone of the calibre of Speight who had five in five and the services of Akinde who hasn't been fully fit then you are not going to push the top spots that's fact, all the top teams have the 20 goal a season players and that's what makes them different and contenders in Speight and a fit Akinde we had that.

Also I think that they were as good a front pair as any at this level and for us to lose both is a disaster because you do not replace these types without big money. I honestly do not feel there is much in this league barring the top three or four and they will be there because of they are the ones with the finances available to them which enables them to have the said players and a deep enough squad of players that are the level or above to call upon when they have injuries suspensions or players that purely just need a rest that privilege the rest which is the majority just do not have that.

With a sixteen or seventeen player squad the same players have to perform on a regular basis and that's a tough shout over 40 plus games a season for any player let alone ones who also have jobs away from football and do not train full time, but such is this division, there's such divides you have the haves and do not haves, but we are not complaining just enjoying the challenge week in week out and I suppose its progress when your disappointed to be out of the play offs and just a reminder of what's been achieved here over recent years.

As always give your great support to the lads.

Nicky Law
Manager



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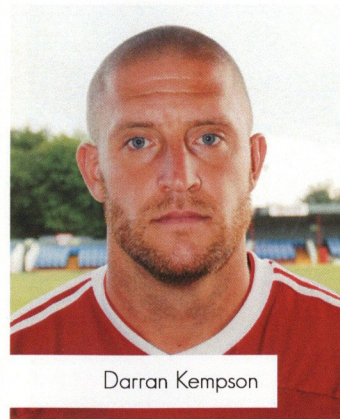
Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen
and welcome to today's game hosting
Luton.

Enjoy the game, get behind the lads
and let's hear you in them stands.

Darran Kempson
Captain

A warm welcome goes to John still and
his Luton side, I hope you all have a
safe journey home after the game.

Today should prove to be a tough fixture.
Luton are doing well this season and
will be looking for all three points to
add to their promotion push. We have
been a little indifferent recently and will
be looking to turn things round and get
the Christmas period off to flyer with
a solid home performance and victory.



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From **The** Chair

Good afternoon and welcome to the Impact Arena for today's Skril Premier League fixture against Luton Town.

Please join me in making most welcome Chairman, Nick Owen, his fellow directors, club members, staff and guests to our humble home.

A lack lustre team performance on Saturday past saw our visitors Nuneaton move on into the next round of the FA Trophy. I am still not sure which was the biggest disappointment on the day. The teams defeat or the attendance of just 343.

Town folk have been patting themselves on the back, since the attendance achievement of 904 against Braintree.

You can now hear a pin drop in and out of the Arena!

Self-sustainability for the football club took another giant step backwards with that attendance figure on Saturday past. I fear more significantly that I am alone in the recognition of that point.

Today's visitor attraction and the travelling numbers, should cumulate to make today the best gate of the season and, as such, we will move forward.

We reduced the entrance price for the previous game, we played fellow Conference Premier League opposition. Our visitors totalled circa fifty, that leaves us with a core support level of 293.

Am I missing something? If I am someone please enlighten me.

In my book we are going the wrong way. It was always going to be a hard uphill struggle to take Alfreton Town FC into the competitive world of the top half of the Skril Premier Division.

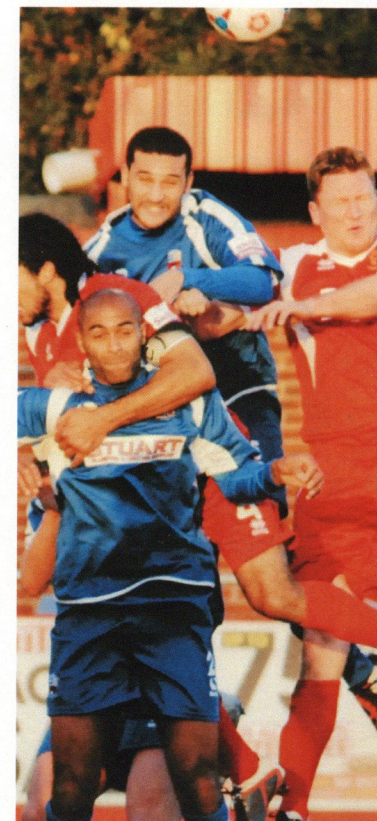
I am up for that constant fight.

I fear too many are joining us only on the downhill ride.

Thank you to those who attended the fixture last Saturday and for your continued support. Enjoy the fixture today. Three huge points are up for grabs to the team who can engineer their way past the other. The team as always will need you to play your part. Be loud, be supportive, be appreciative of the clubs family values. Please refrain from the chanting of foul and abusive language. Offenders will be subject to club discipline.

If you do enjoy your day please tell your friends. If you do not, let me know.

Wayne Bradley
Chairman



Pictured herewith: John Glasby presenting Sean Egan with his Vice Presidency Award for this service and commitment to the football club over the last 20 years.

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An Alternative Viewpoint

Luton Town and Eric Morecambe were a great double act in the 70's. Sadly Eric is no longer with us and the Hatters are somewhat below the level they once were. All credit to the Club and Fans though for sticking with it, so a big Derbyshire welcome to you all, it's sure to be a big crowd today and an even bigger atmosphere.

A proper, top of the table clash sees Luton in 2nd with 41 points and Alfreton with 34. This is (insert football cliché) a 6 pointer, a must win game.

It's amazing to look back and realise that in 1988 Luton beat Arsenal in the League cup, depending on your age that could have been known as any of the following, Carling/Rumbelows/Milk/Capital One/Worthington/Coca-cola/Littlewoods cup. Makes you think that sponsorship really works or at least needs some work putting into it. The Hatters date from 1885 and are reputedly the oldest pro team in the South of England, which I must admit surprised me, especially when you think of the big London clubs. They probably hold another record in sport, the worst relegation run, by a professional team. In 2007 they were relegated from Division 2 (the championship) the following year relegated again to the 4th division and again the year after to the Conference. The fans must have been a little disconsolate during that period, but as I said they are still supporting their team in good numbers, home crowds of over 6,000 are figures that Wayne and the board can only dream of.

Not surprisingly their history has dictated that they've had one or two good players, Malcolm MacDonald, Bruce Riach, Mick Harford and Les Sealey are just a few that spring to mind. Even the Chairman Nick Owen is easily recognisable and quite famous, not anywhere near as funny as Eric was, but not a bad newsreader. Bring me sunshine. Apart from having a big airport Luton boasts its own exit on the M1 as well as being the birthplace of Mick Abrahams a guitarist with Jethro Tull (sorry that's as good as it gets). I've been intrigued by the pandemonium about the sledging in Australia, it's not new, here are a few of my favourites; Rodney Marsh to Ian Botham as the England star took guard: "So, how's your wife and my kids?"

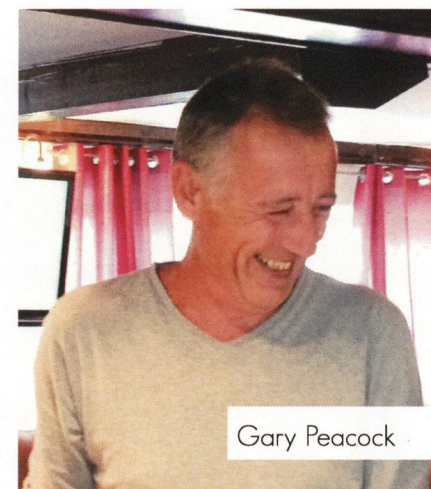
England's Jimmy Ormond only played in two Tests, but his witty retort to Mark Waugh in the 2001 Ashes was pretty good. Waugh politely asked the bowler: "Mate, what are you doing out here? There's no way you're good enough to play for England." Ormond, referencing the fact that the visitors were captained by Waugh's twin brother Steve, instantly replied: "Maybe not... but at least I'm the best player in my own family."

As Daryll Cullinan was on his way to the wicket, Shane Warne told him that he had been waiting two years for another chance to humiliate the South African. The batsman's response? "Looks like you spent it eating."

During an England, Pakistan test match, Frank Tyson managed to get an outside edge off a Pakistani batsman after the batsman had been frustrating them on a hot sweaty day. The ball went right through the hands of Raman Subba Rao who was standing in first slip and through his legs. After the over Raman heads over to the bowler and says, "Sorry Frank, I should've closed my legs." Frank Tyson, who didn't find any of this amusing, quipped back, "No, you bastard, your mother should have."

And the best 'til last, after the Zimbabwe batsman Eddo Brandes played and missed, McGrath enquired: "Oi, Brandes, why are you so fat?" The cutting reply was "Cos every time I shag your wife she gives me a biscuit." And finally let me apologise in advance if you've heard this, but when asked on their thoughts on Britain's number 1 diver announcing he was gay, Manchester United said that they were pledging their support to Ashley Young during this difficult time.

Gary Peacock



Gary Peacock

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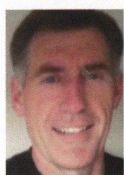





















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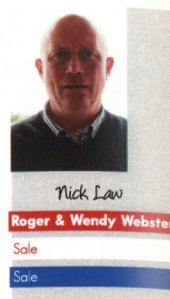
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100 BRITISH FOOTBALL GROUNDS TO VISIT BEFORE YOU DIE

A project is underway to find the nation's favourite football grounds – and your nominations are needed.

Recently, I read an article about Nantwich Town of the Northern Premier League. A photo of their neat main stand drew me in, to the point where I found myself thinking, "I wouldn't mind going there to watch a match". In itself, this is a fairly unspectacular anecdote, were it not for the epiphany it inadvertently gave me.



Even if I were a dedicated traveller, there would never be enough time to visit the several thousand grounds that constitute our football landscape. As such, one sometimes has to be more selective. And here is where the epiphany kicked in. What if there were a bucket list, a holy grail if you like, of the top 100 British grounds to visit before you die? Who would be on it? Why would they be on it? And then it occurred to me: why not find out and write a book about it?

The problem is, where do you start with something so vast? It would be pointless for me to draw solely on my own experiences as I have only visited around 90 grounds, some of which have been positively awful. Besides, writing something so subjective on the basis of one person's opinion is riddled with folly. No, the correct thing, indeed the only thing, is to throw the matter open to a public vote. During my years following football, I have had the privilege to meet a diverse spectrum of fans and aficionados, from season ticket holders in the Premier League through to non-League groundhoppers.

It is this eclectic mix of venues that makes our football heritage so rich and rewarding, something the book will ultimately aim to capture in all its glory. So this is very much where I hand over to you, the person reading this article. In an attempt to try and bring this altogether, I am asking fans to nominate up to five of their favourite British grounds visited. They do not need to be submitted in order of preference, as each ground submitted will receive one vote. However, each vote should be accompanied by a brief explanation. Not only does this give the nomination credibility, but it allows the book to reference those who have actually visited the grounds.

You can nominate any existing ground at any level of the football pyramid in England, Wales or Scotland. In terms of individual selection criteria, this is fairly open. It could be anything from architecture, location, atmosphere, historical significance, the warmth of welcome or quality of food. Selections that are too partisan should probably be avoided. For example, 'because they're my club' or 'because we won the league there' don't really constitute solid enough justification for entry.

Votes can be submitted by emailing 100groundsproject@gmail.com. Closing date for entries will be January 1st 2013 (though this may be pushed back depending on work commitments nearer the time).

If you poll two different sample pools at two different points in time you are likely to get two different outcomes. But then this isn't a referendum on the laws of the game or a thesis on financial governance. First and foremost, this is supposed to be a bit of fun. And if it introduces fans to grounds or clubs they were hitherto unaware of, it can only be a good thing.

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Mike Bayly

Meet Our Visitors



Luton Town

Luton Town Football Club is based since 1905 at Kenilworth Road, Luton, Bedfordshire. Affiliated to the Bedfordshire County Football Association, it was founded in 1885. Its tortuous history includes several financial crises, numerous promotions and relegations, and some sporadic spells of sustained success. The club was perhaps most prominent between 1982 and 1992, when it was a member of English football's top division, then the First Division; the team won its first major honour, the Football League Cup, in 1988. During the 2012/13 season, the team is contesting English football's fifth tier, the Conference National.

The club was the first in southern England to turn professional, making payments to players as early as 1890 and turning fully professional a year later. It joined The Football League before the 1897-98 season, left in 1900 because of financial problems, and rejoined in 1920. After some decades of unexceptional performance, Luton reached the First Division in 1955-56, and contested a major final for the first time when playing Nottingham Forest in the 1959 FA Cup Final. The team was then relegated from the top division in 1959-60, and demoted twice more in the following five years, playing in the Fourth Division from the 1965-66 season. However, it was promoted back to the top level by 1974-75.



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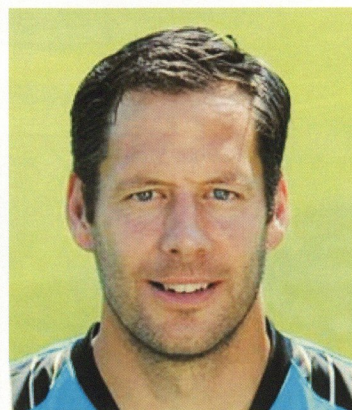
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Manager: Paul Buckle

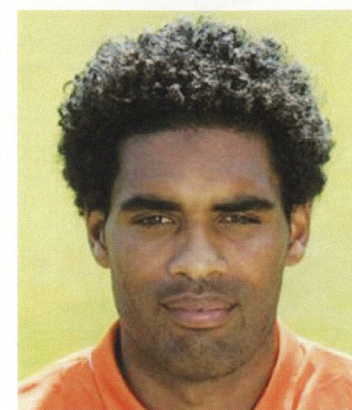
Luton Town's most recent successful period began in 1981-82, when the club won the Second Division, and thereby gained promotion to the First. Luton defeated Arsenal 3-2 in the 1988 Football League Cup Final, and remained in the First Division until relegation at the end of 1991/92. Between 2007 and 2009, financial difficulties caused the club to fall from the second tier of English football to the fifth in successive seasons. The last of these relegations came during the 2008-09 season, when 30 points were docked from Luton's record for various financial irregularities. This ended the club's 89-year spell as a member of The Football League; it has been in the Conference National since the start of the 2009-10 season.

Ones to Watch



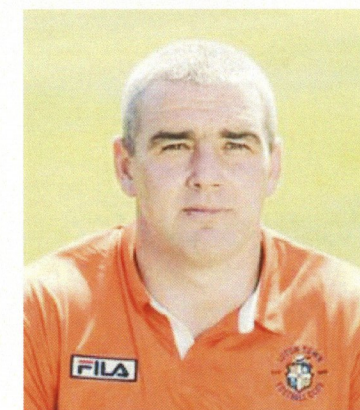
Mark Tyler
Goalkeeper

Hugely experienced goalkeeper who signed a one-year contract extension in May 2013. On the verge of 700 senior appearances.



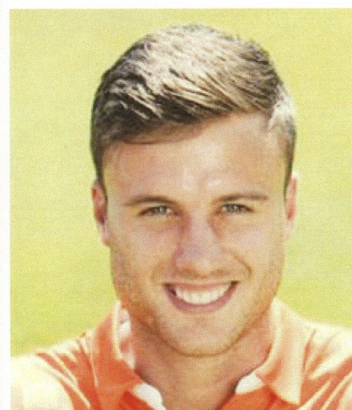
Anthony Charles
Defender

Experienced centre-half who signed a one-year contract with the Hatters in June 2013 following his release from Plymouth Argyle.



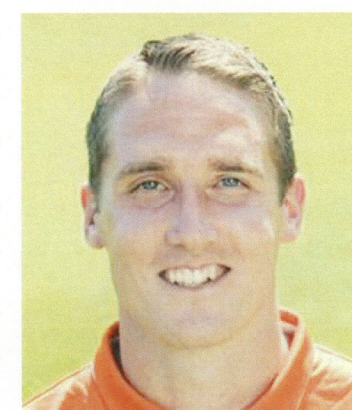
Steve McNulty
Defender

Experienced centre-half who signed a new deal with the Hatters after a string of accomplished performances for the club during 2012/13.



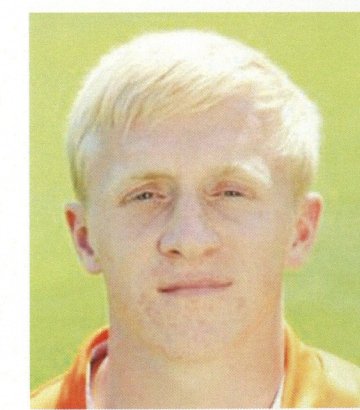
Jonathan Smith
Midfielder

Combative central midfielder signed from York in January 2013 for £50,000 following a successful loan spell.



Jon Shaw
Striker

Prolific centre-forward who the Town beat off stiff competition to sign on a two-year contract in June 2012.



Mark Cullen
Striker

Young striker signed on a two-year deal following his release from Premier League-bound Hull City.

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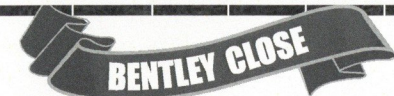
Geoff 15p Greenwood	Jeff 30p Clarke	John 10p Walker	Ian £1 McRoy	Rachel 10p McRoy	Nigel 10p Holmes	Mark 25p Thorpe	Brian 20p Thorpe	Craig 50p Birch	Tom 50p McRoy
Geoff 20p Leech	Peter 25p Bamford	Steve 10p Hardy	Richard 25p Walker	Tony 20p Pursglove	Derrick 10p Smith	Roy 10p Curzon	Ian 10p Priest	Shane 25p Maltby	Nigel 10p Flint
Steve 10p Leveridge	Lee 20p Olney	Alan 25p Williams	Ian 20p Dandy	Doug 10p Trotth	Julie 10p Sutcliffe	Terry 50p Booth	Dave 10p Prime	Jim 50p Glassbrook	Malcolm 10p Gabbittas
Dave 50p Dovey	Dave 50p Cunningham	Kim 20p Holmes	Greta 20p Thornton	Robert 20p Brooks	Peter 20p Hill	Dave 10p Hevins	Dave 50p Redlow	Peter 10p Roughton	Malcolm 50p Bagley
Pam 10p Gabbittas	Kim 10p Sims	Dave 20p Smith	Gary 20p Smith	Gary 20p Hunting	Lawrence 25p Lunn	Gavin 20p Atkinson	Warren 10p Baines	Jon 10p Hughes	Kevin 10p Salmon
Dick 20p Webster	Angela 25p Lunn	Phil 20p Howe	Steve 50p Burton	Dave 10p Wallis	Tony 20p Henson	Colin 20p Butler			

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Michael Wylde

Position: Central Defender, Squad number: 5

Date of birth: January 6th, 1987

Joined Alfreton Town: June 14th, 2013

Experienced 6'2" defender Michael Wylde joined Alfreton on a one-year deal in mid-June, 2013.

Wylde is a former England C international and began his career as a trainee with Cheltenham Town in January 2006 before moving on to Kidderminster Harriers on loan.

He moved to Tamworth and was part of the Lambs' Conference North title winning side in 2008-09.

After three seasons at Tamworth he joined Cambridge United on a free, penning a two-year contract with the U's whom he captained, but after an injury-hit spell at the Abbey Stadium he had a short loan spell at AFC Telford United before being released in January 2013.

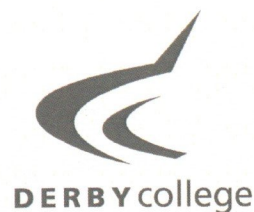
He returned to Tamworth to see out the remainder of the 2012/13 campaign.

& Appearances

DATE	OPPONENTS	HOME/AWAY	SCORE	POINTS	ATT	TEAM
AUGUST						
10 Aug 13	DARTFORD	(a)	1 - 0	0	1202	RA BW CF
13 Aug 13	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	(h)	3 - 1	3	722	RA BW CF
17 Aug 13	SALISBURY CITY	(h)	3 - 2	3	463	RA BW CF
24 Aug 13	GRIMSBY TOWN	(a)	1 - 3	0	3245	RA BW CF
26 Aug 13	HEREFORD UNITED	(h)	2 - 1	3	740	RA BW CW
31 Aug 13	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	(a)	1 - 3	0	1027	RA BW CF
SEPTEMBER						
07 Sep 13	WOKING	(h)	3 - 1	3	628	RA BW MW
14 Sep 13	MACCLESFIELD TOWN	(a)	0 - 1	3	1272	RA BW MW
17 Sep 13	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	(h)	1 - 1	1	731	RA BW MW
21 Sep 13	BARNET	(h)	3 - 1	3	783	RA BW MW
24 Sep 13	SOUTHPORT	(a)	1 - 2	0	726	RA BW MW
28 Sep 13	BRAINTREE TOWN	(a)	1 - 3	0	927	RA BW MW
OCTOBER						
05 Oct 13	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	(h)	3 - 2	3	582	RA DB BW
08 Oct 13	CHESTER	(h)	0 - 1	0	743	RA MW CF
12 Oct 13	GATESHEAD	(a)	3 - 0	0	778	RA CF JL
19 Oct 13	ALDRSHOT TOWN	(a)	2 - 3		1732	MW JL DB
26 Oct 13	NORTH FERRIBY UNITED	(a)	1 - 3	3	735	RA BW CW
NOVEMBER						
02 Nov 13	FC HALIFAX TOWN	(h)	3 - 0	3	900	RA JL DB
09 Nov 13	WREXHAM	(a)	1 - 3		2415	RA BW LRT
12 Nov 13	TAMWORTH	(a)	0 - 1	0	716	RA BW LRT
16 Nov 13	BRAINTREE TOWN	(h)	3 - 1	3	904	RA JL MW
23 Nov 13	HYDE	(a)	1 - 2	3	448	RA JL MW
26 Nov 13	NUNEATON	(a)	3 - 0		715	RA LRT JL
30 Nov 13	NUNEATON	(h)	0 - 1		343	RA BW MW
DECEMBER						
07 Dec 13	LUTON TOWN	(h)				
14 Dec 13	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	(a)				
21 Dec 13	DARTFORD	(h)				
26 Dec 13	WREXHAM	(a)				
28 Dec 13	SOUTHPORT	(h)				
JANUARY						
01 Jan 14	WREXHAM	(h)				
04 Jan 14	BARNET	(a)				
11 Jan 14	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	(a)				
18 Jan 14	TAMWORTH	(h)				
25 Jan 14	WELLING UNITED	(a)				
FEBRUARY						
01 Feb 14	HYDE	(h)				
08 Feb 14	SALISBURY CITY	(a)				
15 Feb 14	ALDRSHOT TOWN	(h)				
22 Feb 14	GATESHEAD	(h)				
MARCH						
01 Mar 14	LUTON TOWN	(a)				
08 Mar 14	LINOLN CITY	(h)				
15 Mar 14	CHESTER	(a)				
22 Mar 14	FC HALIFAX TOWN	(a)				
29 Mar 14	NUNEATON TOWN	(h)				
APRIL						
05 Apr 14	WELLING UNITED	(h)				
12 Apr 14	WOKING	(a)				
19 Apr 14	GRIMSBY TOWN	(h)				
21 Apr 14	HEREFORD UNITED	(a)				
26 Apr 14	MACCLESFIELD TOWN	(h)				

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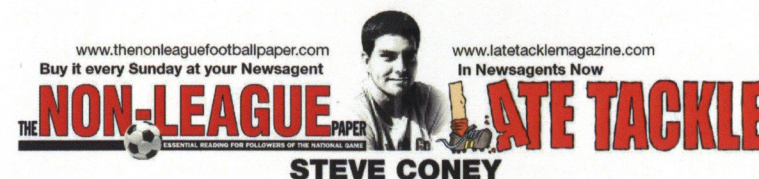


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Non-League Paper Programme Column



LAST Saturday's FA Trophy programme threw up a good few shocks but also raised even more questions after some worryingly low attendances.

Boston United adorned our Non-League Paper front page after a great 2-1 win at Southport while Bradford Park Avenue stunned Kidderminster and Coalville Town grabbed a replay against Grimsby among others.

But the biggest takeaway from the competition's first round has to be the gates, or lack thereof.

Hyde were, maybe not surprisingly, knocked out by North Ferriby but just 256 watched on - less than half of their 598 Skrill Premier average.

Alfreton lost to Nuneaton for the second time in a week with just 343 at the Impact Arena, again less than half than their league average.

There were also low turnouts at Gateshead, Dartford and Braintree which somewhat marred the day following some great results. This is, after all, Non-League's premier cup competition but the attitude towards it has always been questioned.

Moving the final to March was a move from the FA to get clubs to take it more seriously but it's clear to see that it hasn't worked, at least for the fans on the terraces. Would reducing admission prices really make much of a difference? I'm sure clubs would tell you it's difficult enough as it is financially at the moment, and why should they have to for Non-League's top trophy? If you ask Wrexham or York fans, the winners

from the past two seasons, they'll tell you the Trophy is the stuff of dreams, and it can be. It's just a shame more aren't aware, or at least enticed by the prize. It's not fair just to pick on the Trophy, though. Low attendances seem to be an indictment of this country's general views on cup competitions.

Even the FA Cup suffers. After round three, all we have to look forward to is watching Man United's reserves on TV - hardly something to get the pulses racing. And then you have the Johnstone's Paint Trophy and Capital One Cup - both merely allow Football League clubs to give their academy kids a run out.

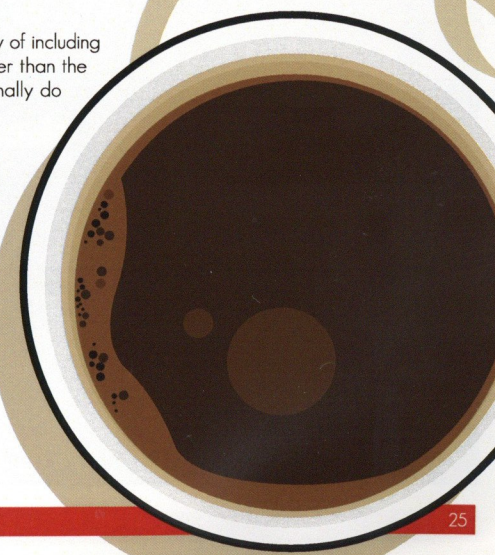
It's maybe ironic that the only FA cup competition that seems to have survived the changes in attitude is the FA Vase. Attendances are normally very impressive for Steps 5 and 6. Clubs do everything they can to win, not only to boost their coffers but to also extend that Wembley dream.

There have been rumours lately of including Step 4 teams in the Vase rather than the Trophy, a move which I personally do not agree with.

The Vase has a certain charm and adding Step 4 sides would only help to dilute that. Yes, the Northern League have dominated in recent years but Tunbridge Wells made it all the way to the final last year and their players aren't paid a penny.

The Trophy can elicit the same joys as the Vase - watching your team play at Wembley, as I personally know, is one of those moments everybody should experience in their lifetime. It's just a shame more don't seem interested in chasing it.

By Steve Coney



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Skrill Conference Premier Table

	Position	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
>	1	Cambridge	20	13	6	1	33	9	24	45
>	2	Luton	21	11	8	2	38	19	19	41
>	3	Kidderminster	20	12	3	5	37	23	14	39
>	4	Grimsby	19	11	3	5	29	18	11	36
>	5	Nuneaton	21	10	6	5	31	27	4	36
>	6	Alfreton	21	11	1	9	34	33	1	34
>	7	Barnet	21	8	9	4	31	22	9	33
>	8	Salisbury	20	10	3	7	30	27	3	33
>	9	Braintree	21	9	5	7	28	22	6	32
>	10	Gateshead	20	10	2	8	31	26	5	32
>	11	Halifax	21	9	4	8	38	32	6	31
>	12	Forest Green	21	9	3	9	39	33	6	30
>	13	Welling	20	8	5	7	29	26	3	29
>	14	Wrexham	21	8	4	9	34	32	2	28
>	15	Macclesfield	20	7	5	8	28	28	0	26
>	16	Lincoln City	20	7	5	8	20	22	-2	26
>	17	Hereford	21	6	7	8	25	27	-2	25
>	18	Southport	21	6	3	12	18	34	-16	21
>	19	Woking	20	5	5	10	23	31	-8	20
>	20	Tamworth	20	5	5	10	20	32	-12	20
>	21	Aldershot	21	8	5	8	28	29	-1	19
>	22	Chester	21	4	7	10	17	30	-13	19
>	23	Dartford	22	5	3	14	20	42	-22	18
>	24	Hyde	21	0	3	18	18	55	-37	3



Terry Booth

Welcome to another article in our series of match day programme features where we continue to introduce Alfreton Town fans to each other through their individual views and thoughts on all things Red.

Today, we catch up with long-standing supporter TERRY BOOTH who is aged 56 and who has been following the club for close on 50 years.

He can remember watching the Reds for the first time around 1964. "My first Alfreton game was against Scarborough and we drew 2-2" says Terry (it was on April 27th, 1964 in front of 1,155 with Morris and Nevin the Reds scorers, ed.)

Terry was born in Swanwick, raised in Somercotes, and now lives in Alfreton with partner Tina. He has three sons, David, Christopher and Aaron.

By day, Terry works at Thorntons, and he says his hobbies outside the game are music and playing guitar badly! His other favourite football club is Leeds United.

His playing days were confined to Sunday League level where he described himself as a midfield-winger, "fast in my day, wish I was now, ha ha".

by Kev Miles

TERRY BOOTH

Fanorama Interview

PERSONAL VIEWS:

Are you a season ticket holder? No

Are you a member of the supporters' association? Yes

Do you have any match day jobs with the club (eg steward). Yes, I open the ground, I am a match day safety steward. I also lock up and hope you have had a good day. Please come again!

Which part of the ground do you watch home games from? As a steward, any place I need to be!

Do you prefer to stand or sit to watch the Reds: Stand

Do you sing at Reds games: At away games when I can get.

Favourite away ground: Has to be Elland Road, Leeds.

Favourite away: Any away day is a good day!

Team most like playing: Barrow

Team like playing least: Telford

If you could play any position in this team where would it be and why? Left wing.

Favourite current player: Anyone who puts on an Alfreton shirt and gives 100 per cent effort.

Favourite All-Time Alfreton Town Player: Goalkeeper Lee Butler. "We always got on really well when I was kit man"

Most memorable Alfreton Town game: Beating Barrow for the first time at Barrow on a Tuesday night at their place. Chris Dolby getting the winning goal. I had waited years for that victory!



Results Prediction League

Name	Guess the Result (Home win, Away win or Draw)	Exact Score	Points
Lottie Bradley	13	3	110
Wayne Bradley	7	3	80
Lawrence Lunn	10	2	80
Sophia Ward	9	2	75
Brandon Haslam	8	2	70
Paul Haslam	11	1	70
Joel Davis	10	1	65
Peter Halloran	7	2	65
Sarah Haslam	10	1	65
David Allsopp	6	2	60
Tony Hall	9	1	60
Tomie Bradley	5	2	55
Mick Pollicott	10	0	50
David L Prime	7	1	50
David Prime	6	0	30

SHORTS:

Nickname = **Tezz and others!**

Favourite music = **70'S Glam Rock**

Favourite Group = **Marc Bolan and T Rex**

Favourite Artist = **Marc Bolan**

Favourite holiday destination = **What's a holiday!?**

TV Soaps = **Coronation Street**

Chinese or Indian food = **Give me English every time!**

Favourite drink = **Cider**

Which daily newspaper = **The Sun**

Sweet or savoury food = **Savoury**

Tea or coffee = **Any**

Red or brown sauce = **Brown**

Favourite colour = **Yellow**

Favourite all time film: **War Of The Worlds**

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ASSISTANT MANAGER



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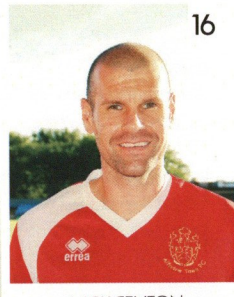
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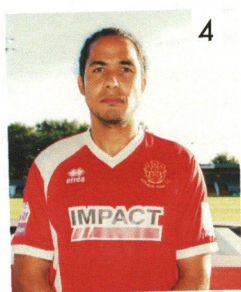
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DEFENDER



CONNOR FRANKLIN
DEFENDER



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CENTRAL DEFENDER



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CENTRAL DEFENDER



JOSH LAW
RIGHT-BACK



DANIEL MEADOWS
CENTRAL MIDFIELD



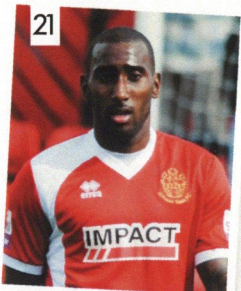
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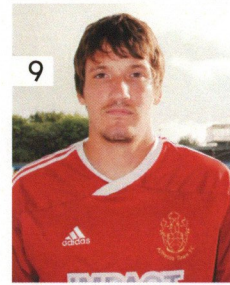
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DEFENDER



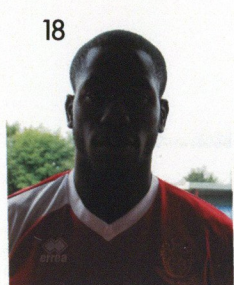
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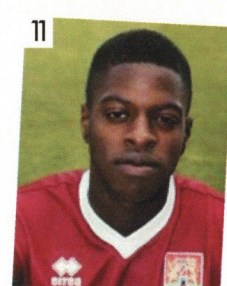
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Every clean sheet earns more than points

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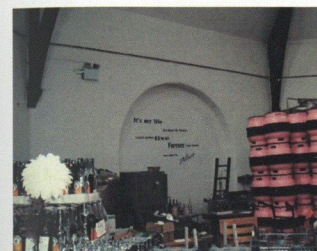
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With The Supporters Association

Good Afternoon and welcome to the Impact Arena.

Today we welcome Luton to Derbyshire and we hope that they enjoy their brief stay with us and have a safe return to Bedfordshire.

Fixtures for the Red's really don't come any bigger than this and we can certainly be sure of a bumper attendance today for the visit of the Hatters.



Last Tuesday 3rd December saw the Supporters Association reach the milestone of Ten years and is an achievement that we can all be proud of, and on behalf of myself and my fellow executive and Committee members may I thank you sincerely for unstinting support during that period.

We shall certainly be celebrating this achievement and certainly today after the game we will be toasting the Association with a drink or two whilst enjoying the music and craic with friends; please come along and join us; it is after all your Supporters Association.

As we approach the festive period, Association meetings have been suspended until the New Year, but that is not to say that work will have ceased also, far from it; we will continue to plan events and fundraisers to carry us as a club forward well into 2014.

We will of course keep you up to date on all matters Red in this column and all the usual media outlets.

The next meeting of the Supporters Association is on Wednesday 15th January 2014 and will be held in Bluey's Bar with proceedings commencing at 19:30pm. Hope you can join us there.

Remember, any paid up member of the Supporters Association can request copies of the meeting minutes by applying to the Secretary at mcroyian17@googlemail.com.

The same email address can also be used for your memories not only over the last decade of the Association, but for any period in the history of the Club.

Voting papers for the Hall of Fame will be on sale today priced at just £1 with all participants placed into a free prize draw for a signed football and other Red goodies.

Teams for the new Pontoon Buster are also on sale today costing £1 per week per team purchased, and as usual all participants will be placed in the free draw for a signed football, courtesy of sponsors Labtech UK; the latest draw will take place today following the game.

Until the next time.

Regards
Ian McRoy
ATFCSA Secretary.
Pictures Durham, Farningham, Barrow, Newport.

Just a sample of a decade of support.



Our visitors have a rich and varied history behind them and for older Red's like myself today's encounter is the stuff of dreams and just a little surreal, the Red's against Luton at the Impact for bread and butter league points; it really does not get any better than this; ok, the sight of Edgar Davids having his picture taken with Julie and Viv et al is clearly up there; but you know what I mean.

The message for the stay away fans, for yes there are still those yet to visit the Impact on a matchday; you are really missing the real deal; and to quote the jargon of the moment, never let it be said that this column is behind the times; a visit to see the Red's play is real!

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Around the Non-League Grounds

A series of articles which provides an inside look at the Non League Stadia's around the Country.

Focus Three:

Lancaster City FC – Giant Axe Stadium & Bamber Bridge FC – QED Stadium & AFC Fylde- Kellamergh Park

Lancaster City FC- Giant Axe Stadium

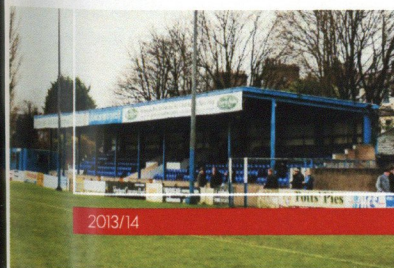
Lancaster City Football Club play their football at the Giant Axe, and have done since the formation of the club all the way back in 1905, and it is without doubt one of the finest grounds in the Northern Premier League.

The Giant Axe layout consists of the 513-seat Main Stand, named the John Bagguley Stand after the clubs late president. Alongside the main stand are the players and officials changing facilities, supporters bar, toilets, club shop and Dolly's Diner refreshments bar, which I must say does great food which really fills a hole, and in general the club is the perfect day out for every football fan.

The open West Road Terrace is situated behind one goal and a covered terracing called The Shed at the other. Opposite the Main Stand is the Long Side, an open terrace that also plays host to the directors lounge, a raised sponsors hospitality box and the dugouts. The club offices are now placed in the club car park behind the West Road Terrace, making it a ground worthy of a club leagues above the Lancashire club.

The ground has real personality and surpasses the level of football often on show and since redevelopments now has a maximum capacity of, 3500, and has a pitch of a superb quality, allowing some free-flowing attacking football

The stadium is located close within a five-minute walk from Lancaster railway station, making it literally impossible to get lost unlike the maze of alleys you often have to go down in search of non-league football grounds.



Bamber Bridge FC- QED Stadium

Sandwiched between the Baxi factory and the rail and road links into Preston you find the QED Stadium, the home of Bamber Bridge. The ground, surprisingly, is fairly big, and has covered terracing behind both goals and the main stand which runs the length of one touchline. The other side is open, with scope for improvement

It was previously known as Irongate, before the new name was adopted in a sponsorship deal, which despite the protest which often come from supporters is becoming more and more common in football as clubs seek more ways to save money, and balance their books.

The club originally bought the land in 1983 and spent the next four years developing it into a football pitch, naming it Iron Gate after the local area, and that's the sort of feel the club gives off, a local club for local people.

The first game was played in August 1987 and since then the stadium has seen a number of developments. Floodlights were installed in the early 1990s, to make sure the ground was suitable for higher division football in the future.



AFC Fylde- Kellamergh Park

Kellamergh Park was previously known as the Birley Arms ground, and is located in the village of Warton, Lancashire.

They previously played in Kirkham at Coronation Road, but in 2005 bought land in Kellamergh with a view to developing their own ground to allow them to develop a higher level of facilities.

This makes Fylde a fancier ground to visit, rather than before at Kirkham where you would come away soaked through, that is never ideal.

The new ground was purpose built to meet the requirement for playing in the North West Counties League, at a cost of £150,000, but as a reward now have a stadium of a high quality.

Despite rather low capacity of 1950 it is a fantastic ground now to visit if you get the chance, and in truth is perfectly sized for the teams needs, which I like considering some of the horrendous mismatches between teams and their stadiums you often see across football.

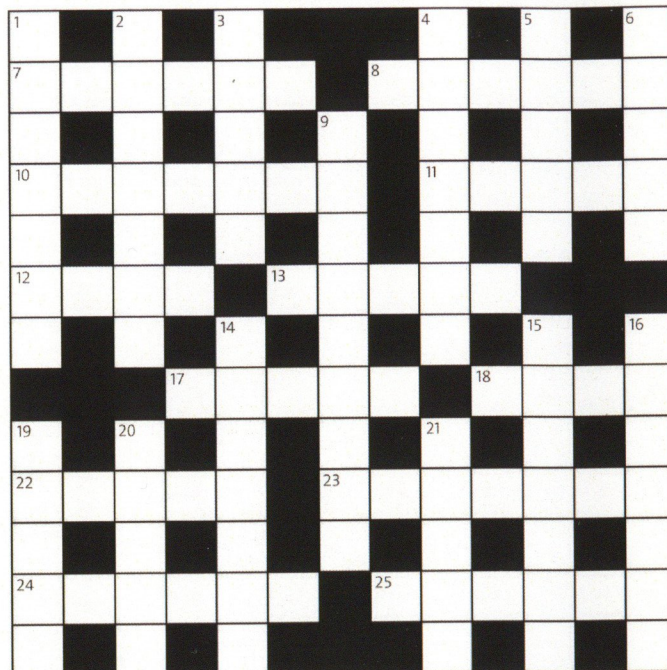


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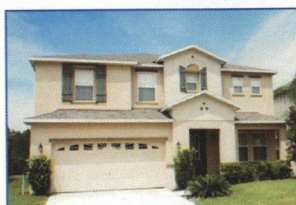


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Did You Know?

Non League to Football League: Grant Holt

In our latest Non League to Football League feature, Daniel Briggs reflects on the career of former Norwich City and current Wigan Athletic forward, Grant Holt.

"I never dreamed when I strolled round the pitch at Holker Street (Barrow) that at some point I'd maybe be one place away from being called up to the European Championships."

Grant Holt's story is really quite remarkable. From suffering rejection as a youngster at Halifax Town, dealing with the sad passing of his father, and plying his trade in non-league, Holt was on the fringes of Roy Hodgson's England squad for the 2012 European Championship finals in Poland and Ukraine.

It has been some rise for the 32 year old, who has only ever wanted to enjoy his football. But during his early days that simply wasn't the case.

At 12 years of age, Holt joined boyhood club, Carlisle United, but struggled for appearances and left for Worthington. A run of 11 goals in 12 appearances caught the eye of Halifax and Holt moved to West Yorkshire but things didn't go according to plan.

"I didn't really get the game time (at Halifax) that I really needed," said Holt. "It was unfortunate that my dad sadly passed away, which made a massive dent in my performance there. It kind of knocked me for six really. A week and a half after, Mark Lillis got the sack so it was kind of a double whammy really."

"I managed to get a loan move to Workington and it just kind of dawned on us really that if I was to do my dad proud I had to knuckle down and try and work my way back into the team. I came back (to Halifax) and spoke to Paul Bracewell (then manager) and he said I had no future at the club without seeing me kick a football."

"I went away to Barrow to enjoy my football and show them (at Halifax) that they had made a massive mistake. It's probably the best decision I ever made."

"I was playing, really enjoying it. I went on a couple of trials and I got a little bit fed up to be honest. But I was like, 'no, just enjoy my football, don't get caught up in chasing that dream.' And then one night, I was told off the manager, 'you're not playing tonight.' I was like, 'why not? I've told you I'm not going on any more trials.' And he said, 'you might want to go on this one, it's Sheffield Wednesday.'"

Holt jumped at the chance to join the Yorkshire club in 2003 but was used only fleetingly and left for Rochdale a year later. An impressive return of 42 goals in 83 appearances put Holt on the footballing map and he signed for then League One giants, Nottingham Forest, in 2006.

Despite scoring 18 goals and winning player of the year in 2006-07, Holt was moved out of position the following year. No longer enjoying his football at the City Ground, he made the move to Shrewsbury Town for a club record £170,000 transfer fee. Disappoint. His impressive goalscoring exploits earned him a move to Norwich City in the summer of 2009 and it was at Carrow Road, under the astute management of Paul Lambert, where his career well and truly took off.

"It was just one of them clubs where as soon as I went, everything fitted," Holt commented. "I enjoyed living

there, I enjoyed playing. My family loved it. It was just a fantastic football club. "He (Lambert) tried to sign me at Colchester so when he got the job I was delighted because I knew somebody was coming in who wanted me in the first place. As soon as he comes in he makes me captain, puts real faith in me. As a manager I thought he was fantastic. I enjoyed every minute of him being there."

After earning promotion from League One is his first season, the following year Holt

realised a life-long ambition when Norwich beat Portsmouth 1-0 to reach the Premier League.

"It was surreal to be honest. You see Match of the Day and you're like 'oh my god' I've watched this programme for like 15 years and now myself is on there. When you look a few years down the line you will never forget that."

Holt's maiden year in the top flight was one of the stories of the season. He scored 15 goals and there was even talk of an England call up.

"It would have been an unbelievable achievement to be called up but it wasn't meant to be. Just to be mentioned in that same breath is a fantastic achievement for myself. To get that cap would have been unbelievable, but it didn't happen and you move on."

Holt enjoyed four fantastic years at Carrow Road. He earned the club's player of the year award three years running and scored 78 goals in 168 matches, including strikes at the Emirates, Stamford Bridge, and in front of the Kop at Anfield.

"To achieve what we did when I first went (to Norwich), to achieve back to back promotions and scoring 15 goals in the premier league, I could never dream that's how well it would have went."

After departing Norwich this summer, Holt moved to Championship outfit, Wigan Athletic. "I just thought I was ready for a new challenge. I spoke to Wigan and Owen Coyle, they were in Europe, which I had never done before and wanted to get involved in. I just thought I was a fantastic challenge and hopefully I can return to Premier League with them."

Daniel Briggs



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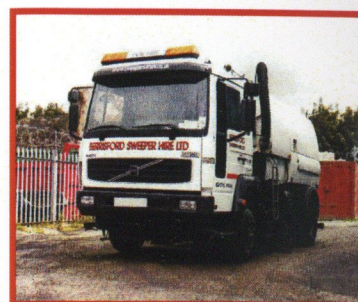
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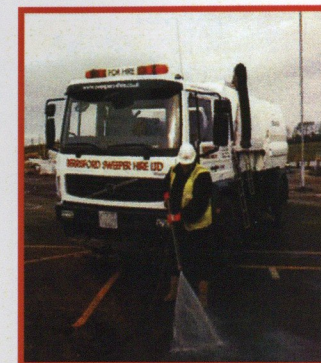
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