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“Write a bit for the programme. “they said”

“Like what?”

“You know “the usual stuff, tell them something interesting about us. How fantastic we were.”

So, okay here we go, it shouldn't take long.

First of all – it's a real pleasure to be sponsoring a match with a great local club.

One thing you should know is, the older we get the better we were. We can all tell stories of how we glided down the wing before cutting inside and blasting in a volley from 25 yards. And there's no Facetube, Instantgram or Tikitty Tokitty to dispute this.

What we are is a bunch of aging blokes with impeccable footballing pedigree: Sunderland; Derby; Man City; Leicester; Grimsby; West Ham all of these teams are supported by someone in our group.

Twenty-five years we've been strutting our stuff around the parks and leisure center's of Derby, probably had over 100 players over this time aged between 15 and 61 on our five a side pitch, Power league was our spiritual home for years, until they sold their soul to “Paddle tennis”- what sort of made-up sport is that? If you're going to turn a major footballing facility into anything, chose a proper sport like snooker or darts!

Anyway, I digress and it's not good for my blood pressure!

Lockdown was a challenge!, our form dipped as footy was replaced by a Zoom quiz with a keg of Dancing Duck each and the post lockdown, group of 6, 2m apart challenged our skills – record of 3 keepy uppys. Improved to 5 when social distancing was abolished. We thought that might be the time to hang up our boots, but no we persevered.

Springwood leisure center is our new spiritual home. It has it's advantages; no roof so we get a rest every few minutes when a wayward shot or clearance goes into Oakwood's equivalent of Row Z.

Anyway, that's us, we're still going after numerous transformations, although as we move on, the post-match pint in the Exeter is becoming more important than the footy.

Come on Sports! Enjoy the match!

HOPING FOR A TURNAROUND



It's another big game for us, so a warm welcome to you all.

Today we welcome Kettering Town, a club with a glorious 152 year history. Not so long ago (2008) they won the Conference North, and four times they won the old Southern League. So while this season hasn't been too great for them so far, nobody is writing them off. So welcome to their players, fans and officials.

I actually really enjoyed looking up their former managers, the likes of Tommy Lawton, Derek Dougan, Ron Atkinson, Kevin Wilson, Paul Gascoigne (ever so briefly) , Graham Westley and John Beck. What a list!

Today, it's Vince and Julie Thornton, who travel all the way from London to support our club, can you believe that? Vince is a huge Spurs fan, so feel free to discuss our club President Steve Perryman with him, but try not to mention our famous supporter Charlie George, you don't want to ruin his day!

The last week saw two huge disappointments to me. A four-one loss to mid-table Royston saw us slip back in the promotion race. But I'd like to thank the Red Army for their incredible support, especially Steve and Mark, No surprise our fans were named man of the match! And of course the England team's collapse in India. Some have been blaming VAR (Hawkeye) but they lost 20 wickets in all, for too few runs. "Bazball" can be entertaining but let's not turn it into Kamikaze cricket lads! Hopefully things will improve, but India in India is about the toughest opponent in the game at present.

I was delighted that both the Rams and Burton Albion won last Saturday. I have so much respect for Chairman Ben Robinson at Burton and my friend Paul Warne at Derby and hope to see both continue to succeed.

Finally today a look at Don's old, old calendar.

On this day in 1974, Pakistan finally recognised the country of Bangladesh (formerly East Pakistan). In 1965, the Beatles began filming "Help" in the Bahamas after asking if it could be filmed there so they could also enjoy a holiday in the Sun. In 1950 the Labour Government was re-elected by a wafer thin five seat majority. And in 1944 General Juan Peron led a coup in Argentina to seize control, before winning an election exactly two years later.

That's it for today, be loud and proud and let's lift the lads today!

Regards,

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TODAY'S LINEUPS

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Dan Bradley
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Joe Bateman
Rhys Dolan
Ryan Wilson (c)
Andy Dales
Ben Sault
Oliver Greaves
Will Atkinson
Will Trueman
Marcus Barnes
Stuart Beavon
Brandon Ferron
Sam Tomlinson
Matty Bowman
Lewis Cunningham
Toby Smith
Oliver Bosworth
Blaine Rowe
Will Bapaga
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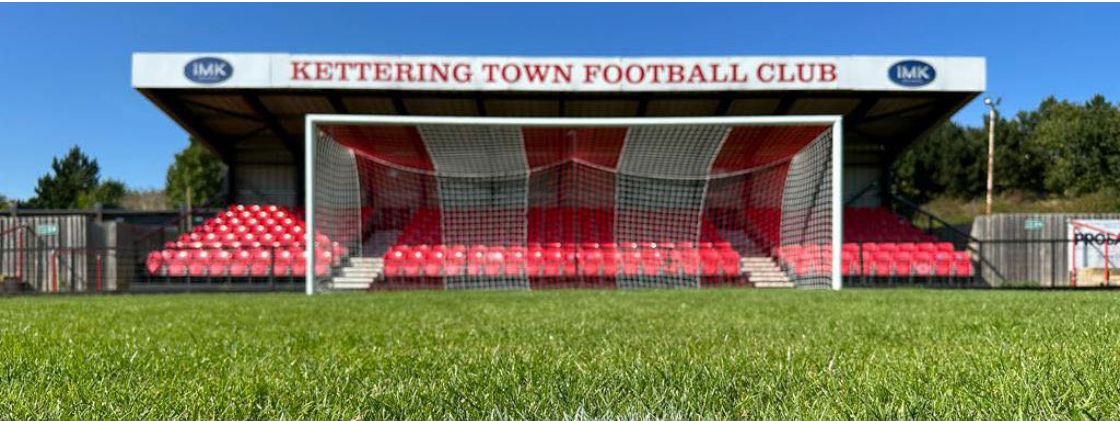
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A WARM WELCOME TO KETTERING TOWN



TODAY'S OPPONENTS



Kettering Town were originally formed in 1872, turning professional in 1891. The club graduated through twelve different leagues from 1892 until they became founding members of the Alliance Premier League in 1979. The club maintained its status in the top flight of semi-professional football until the 2000–01 season.

Many honours have found their way to Rockingham Road, winning the Midland Football League title in 1896 and 1900. The Southern League Championship was won on three occasions by the club, in 1928 and 1957 under Tommy Lawton and in 1973 under the guidance of Ron Atkinson. In the 1930s the club won the East Midlands League and in 1948 the Poppies became Birmingham League Champions.

In a Southern League game against Bath City on 24 January 1976, Kettering became the first British club to play with a sponsor's name printed on their shirts after signing a deal with local firm Kettering Tyres. The deal was brokered by chief executive and manager Derek Dougan. Four days later, The Football Association ordered the club to remove the slogan, but Dougan changed the words on the shirts to "Kettering T", and claimed that the T stood for "Town". Nonetheless, the FA ordered the club to remove the words, which the club did due to the threat of a £1,000 fine. Shirt sponsorship was eventually legalised within the English game in 1977. Kettering are also the first ever British team to have their initials on their

ground's floodlights.

The club finished runners-up in the Football Conference in 1981, 1989, 1994 and 1998. The GMAC Cup, (the non-league, league Cup) was won in 1987 and the Poppies were runners-up in 1995, then known as the Bob Lord Trophy. County competitions have been won regularly by Kettering Town, with the Northants Senior Cup won on 28 occasions and the Maunsell Cup 13 times.

The FA Cup has brought success and publicity to Rockingham Road with the first round proper being reached on 41 occasions. In 1901 the club reached the last sixteen and in more modern times the Poppies reached the fourth round proper in the 1988–89 season and also the third round in 1991–92 only to lose to Kenny Dalglish's Blackburn Rovers. During the 1994–95 season the club made their debut live on Sky TV in a first round tie against Plymouth Argyle, soon followed by another appearance against Wrexham at Rockingham Road. As of 2013 (June) the Poppies had scored more goals than any other team in the FA Cup history, with 846 goals scored.

Wembley has been reached on two occasions before. The Poppies lost 2–0 to Stafford Rangers in the 1979 FA Trophy Final. More recently, the FA Trophy Final in 2000 saw the Poppies lose a closely fought final with Kingstonian 3–2. Most recently, the club were narrowly relegated on the last day of the 2000–01 season which ended 30 years in the top flight of non-league football. The Poppies made a quick return to the Conference in the 2001/02 season winning the Southern Football League with a last-day victory at Tiverton Town under Carl Shutt, his first full season in charge.

Season 2005–06 was to be one of massive change at Rockingham Road. In October 2005 it was announced that long-serving Chairman Peter Mallinger was to hand over the reins to a consortium consisting of Imraan Ladak, Mick Leech and England legend Paul Gascoigne. Gascoigne was installed as manager, replacing Kevin Wilson, and ex-Arsenal stalwart Paul Davis was recruited as assistant manager. The eyes of the world were on Gascoigne and the Poppies, and media interest was massive. However, for a variety of reasons, Gascoigne was only to remain in the job for thirty-nine days. Kevin Wilson was given his old job back, but only held onto it for two months as a run of one win in twelve games saw the Poppies slump into the bottom half of Conference North.

Chairman Imraan Ladak installed former Tamworth manager Mark Cooper as the new Kettering Town manager for the 2007–08 campaign. The club finished the season as Conference North champions, breaking several records along the way (including seven consecutive wins at the start of the season, 29 wins overall, and a divisional record of 97 points). As a result, the club was promoted to the Conference National.

In the 2008–09 season, Kettering Town beat Lincoln City, Notts County and Eastwood Town to reach the fourth round of the FA Cup, where they faced Fulham at home. While twice pulling even with the Premier League squad and looking like they could possibly produce a draw late in the second half, they gave up two goals and ultimately lost the spirited match, 4–2.

Creditable finishes were achieved in the Blue Square Bet Premier League, until a disastrous move in 2011 from Kettering to Nene Park, the former home of Rushden and Diamonds, saw the Club in financial turmoil and relegation of two divisions followed a bottom of the table finish and the declaration of a CVA. In February 2012 George Rolls took over control of the club from Imraan Ladak, although Rolls wasn't officially the Kettering Town owner he was involved in the day to day running of the club and John Beck was appointed Manager. On the 6th June 2012, George Rolls was suspended from football for five years after breaches of Football Association betting laws were proven, Rolls was also fined £10,000, and this led to the appointment of Ritchie Jeune as Chairman.

In September 2012, Imraan Ladak the owner of the Club assumed the role of Interim Chairman after a dispute. John Beck who had been appointed as Manager in June 2012 was asked to leave the premises just before a game against Bashley on 6th October. On 8th October, the lights were switched off at Nene Park and several games were postponed by the Southern League in order that the Club could find new investors. On 10th November 2012, Kettering recommenced their fixtures by playing Redditch United at Corby's Steel Park with Alan Doyle as Caretaker Manager. Volunteers, led by Northampton businessman Ritchie Jeune, ran the Club in the absence of the majority shareholder and Director with the support of the Kettering Town (Poppies) Supporters Trust.

Thomas Baillie, the former head of the Youth set up, took over as Manager in February 2013 with Alan Doyle becoming Football Technical Director, and the experienced Dean Thomas arrived to become Assistant Manager. The inevitable relegation followed another season of turmoil and the club was placed in the Southern League Division One Central, with Dean Thomas assuming the Manager's role and Thomas Baillie reverting to become Assistant Manager. The Poppies moved again to Latimer Park ground sharing with Burton Park Wanderers.

After a disappointing start to the 2013-14, Kettering whose Chairman was now Ritchie Jeune, went on a record 21 game unbeaten league run, following that up with 10 consecutive victories (9 in the league) in April to create a National record, ending the season in third place just, 2 points behind Champions Dunstable Town and losing to Slough Town in the Calor League Division One Central Play-off final in front of 2,331 at Latimer Park, the club's most successful season in the last four campaigns. Sensationally though Dean Thomas stood down as manager of the club in mid-May 2014, leaving his assistant Thomas Baillie to return as joint manager along with Scott Machin.

The combination of the joint managers reaped the benefits from the previous season as the 2014-15 Evo-Stik Southern League Division One Central Championship was won in style, at their first attempt, winning the division by 11 points. But the club wanted a sole manager for the 2015-16 season, Tom Baillie soon resigned and few after that shock so did Scott Machin, paving the way for the return of Marcus Law to become the club's 57th manager. Marcus led the club to within one point of the play-offs in the Evo-Stik Premier in his first season back at the club and 9th place was achieved in 2016-17, with the Northamptonshire Hillier Senior Cup returning to the Club for the first time since 2001, after the

Poppies were victorious over Corby Town in a thrilling final, winning 7-6 on penalties (after the game ended 1-1) at Sixfields, Northampton.

The 2017-18 season saw the Poppies win the Maunsell Cup (for the 16th time) with another penalty shootout success against Northampton Town after the game ended 1-1, at Wellinborough Town's Dog & Duck. Marcus Law's side had a good season finishing 4th in the Evo-Stik Premier Division with 97 points and 122 goals (the highest tally since 1933-34), but lost out 1-3 in the play-off semi-final to Slough Town. The Poppies also retained the Northants Hiller Senior Cup with a 2-1 win over Brackley Town. 2018-19 will see the club enter a new division, the Evo-Stik League Southern Premier Central.

The 2018-19 season saw manager Marcus Law guide the Poppies to the Evo-Stik League South Premier Central title, winning the league by a massive 14 points and promotion back to the Vanarama National League North. But Marcus resigned his position in June 2019, paving the way for former Poppy Nicky Eaden, to guide the club for the 2019-20 campaign. After an opening day win against AFC Telford United, 11 games later Eaden's side found themselves bottom of the league and after an embarrassing FA Cup exit, led to the dramatic departure of the former full back. Academy coach Steve Kinninburgh and player Luke Graham took temporary charge until former Poppy and ex Mansfield Town, Eastwood Town, Torquay United, Guiseley and Barrow manager Paul Cox, came in to save the sinking ship. After 31 games the season was declared null & void (due to the Covid-19 pandemic), while league placings were decided on a points per game ratio. Kettering finished 18th. The following season was even shorter, just 14 games for the Poppies, as financial implications due to the continued restrictions on fans in the ground, lockdown and the Covid-19 pandemic, again made the season null & void after a vote in the National League North to discontinue (well the majority of clubs) the campaign.

Cox embarked on the 2021-22 season, technically having not managed a game for the club, while the Poppies were still the Evo-Stik Southern League Champions from 2018-19! With the season half way through and with the Poppies in 8th position in the league, Cox and his managerial team shocked the club in late January, when he/they resigned on a Friday afternoon to take on the vacant managers position at Boston United. Academy Director Luke Graham and Technical Director Alan Doyle took the team away at Bradford (Park Avenue) in an interim capacity, before another shock announcement was made on the Sunday afternoon that former Kings Lynn Town duo, Ian Culverhouse and Paul Bastock had been appointed manager and assistant manager of the club, with their first game against highflying Kidderminster Harriers on the Tuesday night. An amazing 24 hours in the Poppies history. Culverhouse strengthened the side and in the 18 games he was in charge saw the club finish in a creditable 8th position chasing for the play-offs in the Vanarama National League North, right up to the final day of the season.

Two weeks later though Culverhouse and his staff, to the surprise of most people left the club, which led the way for Lee Glover to become the Poppies 61st manager for the onset of the 2022-23 season.

SELECTED

PEN PICS



DAN JEZEPH GK

First choice goalkeeper Dan Jezeph came from Nuneaton four weeks ago. He was at Alvechurch last season, where he had spent two seasons since arriving from Worcester City. He is a former Walsall youth player and has also played for Tamworth

BEN TOSELAND DEF

Ben originally joined the Poppies from Northampton Town in July 2017. He had been at the Cobblers since he was 9 years old going through their youth and academy teams. In 2016-17 he was in the running for the goal of the season in the League Football Education division when he scored a wonder goal against AFC Wimbledon. Ben made impressive strides soon becoming a first team regular at the Poppies, while also scoring another wonder goal this time against Farnborough. Ben had a great season capped by being selected by the Jamie Vardy V9 Academy during the summer of 2018. He was a member of the 2018-19 Championship despite spending a period on loan at St Ives Town. He joined Peterborough Sports in June 2019 before returning to the Saints. Ben made a surprise return to the Poppies in June 2022 but after 12 games he went back on loan to St Ives.

KELVIN LANGMEAD DEF

Kelvin was manager Andy Leese's first signing for the club, a centre back with a vast amount of experience who started his career as a forward. He has played for Preston North End, Carlisle United, Shrewsbury Town, Northampton Town, Peterborough United, Ebbsfleet United, Nuneaton Town, Harrogate Town, Brackley Town (also loan spells at Tamworth and Kidderminster Harriers), and Banbury United where he featured in their 2022-23 Vanarama National League North campaign.

GEDEON OKITO DEF

Gedeon Okito is a left-back who came through the MK Dons U18's Academy. He has played for Dunstable Town, Banbury United, Stratford Town and AFC Dunstable.

HARRY REILLY MID

Harry is a midfielder, and previously has played for Banbury United, Stratford Town, Daventry Town and the University of Rio Grande's 'Red Storm'. He joined the Poppies in July 2022 starting off the season, but a bad injury curtailed his progress. After rehabilitation Harry joined Redditch United on loan, but back into the new squad.

DAN JARVIS MID

Dan, a central midfielder who joined the Poppies in August 2023 after previously playing for Stoke City U21, Wrexham, Gateshead and Hereford in the Vanarama National leagues. Dan scored on his debut in the 2-2 draw against Halesowen Town with an excellent strike, hopefully more to come.

HUW DAWSON MID

Huw, a midfielder graduated from the St Albans City youth teams to the Saints first team where he played regularly last season in the Vanarama National League South. His move to the Poppies coincides with his studies at Nottingham University.

LUCA MILLER FOR

Luca, a young forward is a product of the Kettering Town Youth Academy who also played for Desborough Town in the UCL last season scoring 11 goals in 27 appearances. Currently on loan at Harborough Town.



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SPORTS SOUNDLY BEATEN AT ROYSTON

BY PETER SCHERER (PHOTOS: STEVE INGERS)



Despite a consolation Andy Dales goal in the second half, Mickleover were soundly beaten on their visit to Royston Town, after three defensive blunders.

Starting line-up: 1-Lewis Ridd 2-Jake Bennett 3-Ryan Wilson 4-Dan Bradley 5-Will Tamen 6-Ethan Mann 7-Andy Dales 8-Will Trueman 9-Tyrell Waite 10-Wil Bapaga 11-Marcus Barnes. Subs: Oli Greaves, Stuart Beavon, Kyle Rowley, Brendon Daniels, Will Atkinson.

Mickleover were first to get a shot in when Dales had a second minute attempt blocked on the edge of the box.

But play soon switched to the other end, with a Bennett clearance giving Royston the first corner of the game. As the ball came in from the right, the defence were left flat footed and Ridd failed to move off his line, seeing the ball almost roll into the goal on his inside post from Johnson's effort and it was 0-1 after just three minutes.

Over the next 10 to 15 minutes Mickleover continued to look vulnerable to any attack, as they struggled to break out of their own half.

Ridd handed Royston another chance when a poor free kick to Trueman put the midfielder under immediate pressure, but fortunately they weren't able to capitalise on the opportunity.

Mickleover had one good move led by Bennett after 14 minutes. Having reached the edge of the box, a sequence of excessive passing lost the chance and the ball was cleared.

Barnes did manage to create some space and did have a shot a minute later, just wide of the left-hand post. Bennett then attacked again down the right, set up Bapaga for the cross, which was cleared for a corner.

Wilson put his corner close into the keeper, causing Chadwick to punch the ball away under pressure.

The referee seemed to be giving an excess of free kicks, with the majority against Mickleover, but fortunately the hosts failed to create much from them. There was also a penalty shout when Esan dived into the box.

After 28 minutes there was another shot just over the bar for our hosts after Bapaga lost out in midfield. But Royston were shooting on sight, unlike Mickleover who had a more skilful build up, but failed to get a shot in on most occasions.

Apart from the sloppy early goal the back four of Bennett, Mann, Tamen and Wilson had coped with any forays into their territory, with both Bennett and Wilson trying to build the attacks down the wings.

Bapaga had started well but faded and despite Trueman's hard work the midfield were struggling to progress.

After 30 minutes Dales put in a good cross from the left and Waite's follow up shot was blocked, before the following corner was easily cleared.

Five minutes later a long ball out of defence by Tamen found Barnes, he tried a shot on target, but it failed to trouble Chadwick again.

For the last 10 minutes of the first half their seemed more urgency from Sports and after some nice interplay on the left between Wilson and Dales, the ball fell to Bradley, but an awkward bounce at the critical moment saw his effort go wide of the right-hand post.

Bennett and Waite both fired in shots that were blocked and then a late free kick was headed clear by Royston skipper Murray.

In time added on Waite came closest to grabbing an equaliser, when another Dales cross from the left was met beautifully by the strikers head. But Chadwick had the measure of it and tipped it over the bar, so it remained 0-1 as the whistle went.

There were no changes in the Mickleover team for the second half, but there was a flurry of attacking activity before falling back into a similar pattern to the first half.

Dales shouted for a penalty after going down in the box to a fair tackle and both Trueman and Bennett tried to battle through before their paths were blocked.

Royston had another effort just over the bar from a 56th minute corner and almost on the hour a hardworking Barnes got clear on the right. His cross came in but was straight through the box, with no one making contact.

Greaves then came on for Bapaga and was straight into the action, but his cross from the right was cleared by the defence.

A few minutes later Dales sent a crossfield ball to Bennett. His right-wing cross



was met by Barnes' head, but straight at the keeper.

Mickleover's efforts for the equaliser were dashed after 63 minutes though, when another corner gave away another soft goal. There seemed no one taking charge in the box and Coldicott-Stevens was almost surprised that his effort struck goal. 0-2.

Barnes tried a long shot but was well wide, just before striking partner Waite was replaced by Beavon.

Despite Mickleover's lack of cohesion, it was only two defence blunders that separated the teams and after 73 minutes they finally pulled a goal back. Greaves outran the defence on the right and his cross was met by Dales' head at close range 1-2.

Into the final 15 minutes and there was a glimpse of the determination we have been used to and maybe a chance to get something out of the game. But the extra push forward left the back vulnerable, and after Trueman lost out in midfield, Harness was clear for Royston but shot well over the bar.

Bradley put a cross in from the right but Beavon just missed connecting after 80 minutes. Eight minutes later it was hard to see how the ball didn't find the net for a Mickleover equaliser, after a huge scramble in the hosts goal mouth. There were players on the ground and shots reigning in, but luck was definitely on Royston's side as Murray finally cleared Bennett shot.

From a near equaliser it was game over as Coldicott-Stevens scored his second and another easy dead ball situation goal which the defence failed to deal with, 1-3.

With eight minutes added on it was to get worse, as Williams got a break and fired home number four. Barnes tried his luck again in the final minutes and Ridd made a late diving save, but 1-4 it was.

A point looked more than achievable against a side that found success with a more basic style play. The three goal winning margin probably flattered them too, but three defensive blunders was to prove decisive as Mickleover's fire never got beyond the smouldering stage.

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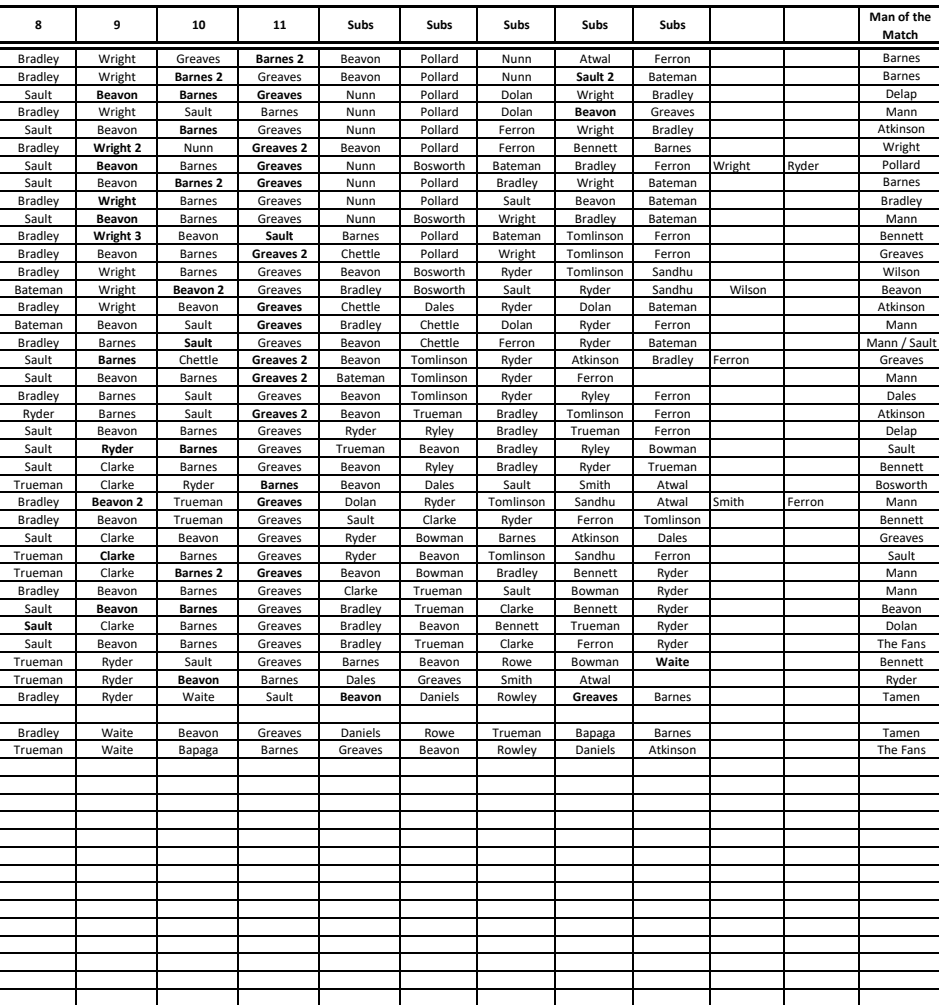


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5	Leamington	29	14	10	5	44	25	19	-	52
6	Stratford Town	28	15	4	9	52	44	8	-	49
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11	Coalville Town	26	11	5	10	56	42	14	-	38
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Saturday 3rd February 2024

AFC Sudbury 1 2 Mickleover

Alvechurch 1 1 Berkhamsted

Barwell 2 0 Hitchin Town

Bromsgrove Sporting 0 3 Leamington

Coalville Town 1 2 Leiston

Kettering Town 1 3 Long Eaton United

Needham Market 2 0 AFC Telford United

Redditch United 0 2 St Ives Town

Stourbridge 1 1 Stamford

Stratford Town 1 0 Halesowen Town

Tuesday 6th February 2024

Royston Town 2 2 AFC Telford United

Saturday 10th February 2024

AFC Telford United 4 0 Kettering Town

Berkhamsted 2 3 Needham Market

Halesowen Town 1 2 Redditch United

Hitchin Town 3 4 Stratford Town

Leamington 3 1 Royston Town

Leiston 1 2 Barwell

Long Eaton United 2 4 Alvechurch

Mickleover 1 0 Bromsgrove Sporting

Stamford 2 2 AFC Sudbury

Tuesday 13th February 2024

Needham Market 5 0 Leiston

Saturday 17th February 2024

AFC Sudbury 2 2 Halesowen Town

Alvechurch 4 3 Stamford

Bromsgrove Sporting 2 0 St Ives Town

Coalville Town 1 0 Hitchin Town

Kettering Town 0 0 Leamington

Needham Market 2 1 Long Eaton United

Redditch United 1 0 Berkhamsted

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Stourbridge 1 3 Leiston

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Tuesday 20th February 2024

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Stamford 0 1 AFC Telford United

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AFC Telford United v AFC Sudbury

Berkhamsted v Coalville Town

Halesowen Town v Royston Town

Hitchin Town v Bromsgrove Sporting

Leamington v Needham Market

Leiston v Alvechurch

Long Eaton United v Stourbridge

Mickleover v Kettering Town

St Ives Town v Stratford Town

Stamford v Barwell

Tuesday 27th February 2024

Kettering Town v AFC Sudbury

Leiston v Mickleover

Needham Market v Stratford Town

Saturday 2nd March 2024

AFC Sudbury v Hitchin Town

Alvechurch v AFC Telford United

Barwell v Halesowen Town

Coalville Town v Long Eaton United

Kettering Town v Leiston

Needham Market v Stamford

Redditch United v Mickleover

Royston Town v St Ives Town

Stourbridge v Leamington

Stratford Town v Berkhamsted

THE SPORTS

PLAYER PROFILES



OLIVER BOSWORTH GOALKEEPER June 14th 2002

A former England Under 18 goalkeeper, Oliver had been playing for Leicester City Under 18 and 21's until his release in July 2021. More recently he was in Spain at the beginning of last season with CD Almunecar and was on trial with Mickleover, prior to making his first-team against Long Eaton Utd in the Derbyshire Senior Cup. His patience was rewarded in the latter part of last season, when he became a regular first choice after Jonathan Hedge was injured.

LEWIS RIDD GOALKEEPER August 9th 2004

Derby County's Wales Under 18 and 19 International goalkeeper Lewis Ridd has joined Mickleover on a months loan, having debuted last week in the 5-1 over Long Eaton Utd. Ridd started out at Swansea City, moving to Ipswich in July 2020. During his time with the Tractor Boys, he was loaned out to AFC Sudbury, Bury Town and Brightlingsea, ending his three-years with the club in August. He has been part of Derby's Under 21 squad this season.

DAN BRADLEY DEFENDER May 13th 1991

An experienced midfielder, Dan was initially a junior at Aston Villa, before joining Tamworth in 2012. Kidderminster, Alfreton, Barnet, Fylde were his next stops, including return spells to a number of his former clubs. He started last year with Nuneaton, but soon moved on to join Ilkeston, spending almost a year with the Robins, before signing for Matlock for the second half of last season. He is a former England C International too and team mate to gaffer John McGrath.

ETHAN MANN DEFENDER January 1st 2004

Ethan joined the Derby County Academy at the age of seven and continued to play for the Rams for seven years up to the under 14's. Having started out as a striker, he gradually moved back to midfield and now centre back having joined the Mickleover Under 14's, following in his Father's footsteps. A product of our own Academy the talented teenager made his first team debut at the age of 18 playing a part in the last five games of the 2021/22 season. During last pre-season he started at centre and wing back and had looked equally at home in both positions, earning himself a regular place in the starting line-up. The 19-year-old centre back who has been equally effective playing at full-back or holding midfield, is an important signing for the club and an integral part of John McGrath's plans for the season. Last season's Supporter's Player of the Year and Manager's Academy Player of the Year, 'Manny' is looking forward to building on last seasons 35 starts helping the team go one further in their push for promotion, As vice captain too.

JAKE BENNETT DEFENDER February 22nd 1996

Like so many others, Jake started playing for his hometown club Telford AFC as a 15 year old, making two first team starts before going out on loan to Market Drayton. He was initially spotted by Mickleover management during a friendly match against Market Drayton, and with Sports then pushing for promotion back to the Premier Division of the NPL. He was made an offer which he readily accepted to become a Sports player in December 2014. After being part of the squad for his first half season, he became a first choice defender over his two year stay and began to receive offers of trials from League Clubs. He joined Sheffield Utd in 2016 and making his first team debut in the EFL Cup in 2017, plus other first appearances in some friendly matches. He was then due to go on loan to Chesterfield, but played against them in a friendly and collected a cruciate ligament injury, putting him out of action for 10 months. A further thigh injury on his comeback meant he never got to play for Chesterfield, and following his release by Sheffield Utd in October 2019, he had a brief at Alfreton Town, before joining Coalville Town in December 2019 in the Southern League Premier Division Central. He opted to return to Mickleover during the summer, of 2020 as he was still looking to rebuild his career and looked back fondly at his previous two years with the club. "My lasting memory was winning the title here, the first medal I had ever won in football." Initially first choice right back, before another serious knee and then a thigh injury put him out of action for most of the last two seasons, but he came back strongly at the end of last season and is fighting fit to keep his place in the starting line-up.

JOE BATEMAN DEFENDER December 6th 1998

Now into his third season at the club, Joe continues to impress as a solid and dependable defensive midfielder, having moved from his familiar role of centre back. He also managed to score a couple of goals. A former Derby County player, he has come through the under 18 and under 23 ranks before being released at the end of last season. He made one start for the Rams first team in the FA Cup tie at Chorley. Injuries and suspension have restricted some of his participation again, but now fully fit again "Bomber" will be a kingpin of the side this season.

RHYS DOLAN DEFENDER February 20th 1998

A former Barnsley full back Dolan can play either attacking midfield or left back. He made his name as part of the successful Ilkeston Town Under 18 squad, that had a run in the FA

Youth Cup. Barnsley spotted his talent and signed him in 2015, but since his release he has played at Long Eaton, Selston, Newark, Belper Town and Alfreton and Anstey Nomads. His first Mickleover appearance was as a second half sub in the home draw against Grantham in December 2021, before becoming a regular in the starting line-up. His pace and reliability have impressed, along with the five goals he scored last season.

RYAN WILSON DEFENDER March 4th 1993

Son of former Rams player Kevin, Ryan is a left back or midfielder who started at Ilkeston Town. Having moved onto Gateshead for a year, he then returned to the Midlands for a two-year spell at Alfreton Town. After moving onto Coalville for another season, he had a short spell at Matlock before joining Telford in September 2017. He then had a year out before signing for Basford, from where Mickleover brought him in for the start of last season. He scored six goals last season too and is one of the clubs free kick experts. Ryan will also be the club captain for 23/24.

BRANDON FERRON DEFENDER

Another product of the Mickleover Academy, Brandon is a pacy left back who had a couple of first team outings as a sub in last seasons pre-season build up. After some solid and dependable performances in the reserve and youth team games, scoring a number of goals too he was on the bench a couple times at the of the season, and again for our season opening win at St. Ives.

LEWIS CUNNINGHAM DEFENDER September 13th 2002

Lewis is a defender that started his career as a Manchester City youth player, before spending six years at Barnsley. He then had a scholarship at Doncaster Rovers, before moving to York City and finally Birmingham City in October 2022.

BLAINE ROWE DEFENDER March 22nd 2002

A former Coventry City Junior, Blaine had experience with Ayr Utd and Falkirk in the Scottish Championship and League One in two loan spells, before being released by the Sky Blues. After a brief stay at Barwell earlier this season, he signed for Darlington in October and now comes to Mickleover on a month's loan.

WILL TAMEN DEFENDER May 12th 2006

Will is a highly rated young centre back and has been captain of the Burton Albion Youth Development squad for the past season. He signed professional last September and made his league debut against Peterborough Utd. He also came on as a sub in the EFL Cup games against Everton Under 21's and Blackpool. He is on loan until the end of the season from the Brewers and this is his first spell away from the Pirelli Stadium.

KYLE ROWLEY DEFENDER September 4th 1996

Kyle is an experienced centre back, who has joined us from Barwell. He is a former Walsall Junior and went on loan to Sutton Coldfield, before joining Rugby Town on his release in 2016. He then moved on to Alvechurch for a year, before a short stay at Walsall Wood, preceded another year long stay at Hednesford. He was at Stourbridge for seven months before starting last season at Barwell.

ANDY DALES MIDFIELDER November 13th 1994

It was more of a return home for Andy since rejoining Mickleover just before the start of the 21/22. Derby born he spent 10 years at Derby County and was a first year pro in 2013. He was released in 2014 and was unable to take up offers of trials due to injury, which brought him to Mickleover for the first time. The pacey winger had four years at the Don Amott Arena and was part of the team that won promotion back to the NPL Premier Division, his first senior medal. In 2017/18 he scored 23 goals and was signed by Scunthorpe United after being spotted at the Jamie Vardy Academy. During his three years there he made 33 appearances and scored one goal, but also had long loan spells in the Scottish Premiership with Dundee and Hamilton Academicals. After a short spell at Altrincham, he was released and returned to Mickleover, hitting two goals on his home debut against Gainsborough. As well as being last seasons top scorer, he's a valuable member of the Academy coaching staff.

BEN SAULT MIDFIELDER September 26th 2002

A central midfielder, Ben arrived pre-season from Kettering Town. He started out as Lincoln City Junior, joining Qadby Town on his release in 2021. After six months he was snapped up by Boston Utd, but spent the whole of last season at Kettering.

OLIVER GREAVES MIDFIELDER November 2nd 1999

An skilful midfielder Oliver arrived a few months into last season from NPL side Liversedge. He started out at Sheffield Utd and after a loan at Barrow, moved to Dover Athletic in January 2021. He quickly moved on to Matlock and Gainsborough, before going to Spain in January 2022 with Almunecar. On his return to the UK he joined Buxton for the start of last season, but soon moved on to Liversedge. He made his debut in the win at Barwell last October and scored seven goals from his attacking midfield role.

WILL ATKINSON MIDFIELDER October 14th 1988

A former Hull City Junior, Atkinson has played in every division of the football league during his career, notably in the Premiership during his time with the Tigers. A central midfielder, he had numerous loans during his time at Hull, starting with Port Vale. Over the next five years he had spells at Mansfield, Rochdale, Rotherham, Plymouth Argyle and Bradford City, before a permanent to move to the latter for the 2012/13 season. A year later he moved to Southend, spending four years on the South Coast, before heading North again to Mansfield. His next stop was a return to Port Vale, before a short spell at Alfreton, preceded a return to Southend for one more season. He spent last season with Boston Utd and has made over 300 league appearances, 255 in League Two and scored 30 goals and can play at wing back too. He was part of the Bantams team that were League Cup runner-up and made the League Two play-offs with both Bradford City and Southend.

WILL TRUEMAN MIDFIELDER October 14th 2002

As a Sheffield Wednesday midfielder Will came to Mickleover initially on a months loan. The 20 year old scored on his first-team debut for the Owls against Leicester City Under 21's in the Papa John's Trophy and also found the net in a pre-season first-team friendly against Huddersfield Town. In 21/22 he was also awarded League Football Apprentice of the Year. He soon became a Mickleover favourite with his pace and 100% effort, seeing out the rest of the season at the Don Amott Arena, before making his stay permanent for this term.

ZACH SANDHU MIDFIELDER

A member of our youth team, Zac is learning his skills through the Mickleover Academy

and is a regular in the reserve side. He has gained first team experience through this years pre-season friendlies and is looking forward to his first season in the squad. A midfielder or defender, Zac also played as striker in the Youth Cup last year, scoring a hattrick.

MATTY BOWMAN MIDFIELDER November 26th 2000

Matty's is either a right midfielder or right back. He was initially picked up by Middlesbrough from Scalby Juniors, before moving onto Hull City. He then had a spell at Scarborough Athletic, before moving to Scotland with Dunfermline Athletic. After a brief loan spell at Pickering Town, he left Scotland in 2021, attending Loughborough University and continued to play there until his pre-season move to Basford. He has also played for the England Independent Schools team during his time at Repton School and made his Sports debut playing at right back in the visit to Kettering.

WILL BAPAGA MIDFIELDER November 3rd 2002

Will is a winger or attacking midfielder, that came through Coventry City's junior ranks, and made his first team debut in 2019 as a substitute against Bolton Wanderers. He went on to make two more first team appearances for the Sky Blues and was also loaned to Grimsby Town, making 10 appearances and scoring three goals, before being released last summer. He started this season on trial with Huddersfield and scored in a pre-season friendly. But in November he joined National League North Buxton and made five appearances, before coming to the Don Amott Arena.

BRENDON DANIELS MIDFIELDER September 24th 1993

A former England C International, Brendon is a left sided midfielder, who has joined us on loan from Stourbridge. He started his career at Crewe Alexnadra, before moving on to Leicester City and Blackburn Rovers. His next move was to Chester, before quickly moving on via Tamworth, Harrogate, Fylde and Alfreton, then signing for Port Vale. He made seven appearances in league one and was loaned out to Altrincham. A further loan at Telford then became permanent. He then joined Stourbridge at the start of this season,

ANDRE WRIGHT FORWARD December 7th 1996

A well-travelled and experienced striker, Andre was another pre-season signing from Stratford. Having started his career at West Bromwich Albion, he was loaned to Kidderminster, Torquay and Coventry, before returning to Kidderminster on his release. He quickly moved on to Nuneaton, Torquay again, Gloucester and Halesowen, before moving to Ireland, for a 18 month spells at Bohemians. As well experiencing the League of Ireland Premiership, he also played in the Europa League, before moving back across the Irish Sea to Ayr Utd. He was back in Ireland again in August 2021 with Sligo Rovers, but having returned to England in March last year, he was at Telford, Kettering and finally Stratford from October. He scored his first goal for the club in the pre-season game at Ilkeston.

FINN RYDER FORWARD

Another product of our own Academy, Fin is a promising striker and was captain of our Youth Cup team last season. He has gained valuable experience as part of the reserve side, again as captain on occasions and was on the bench for a number of late season games last term.

MARCUS BARNES FORWARD December 1st 1996

A 6ft striker, Marcus is a product of Southampton's youth scheme. He joined the Saints

in 2013 and signed his first pro contract with them in 2013. He was loaned to Yeovil Town where he appeared nine times and scored one goal in League Two, but after a further loan at Eastleigh he was released in July 2020, having made one senior appearance in the FA Cup against Derby County at Pride Park. He was then signed by Oldham, where he spent five months in League Two, making seven appearances, before a three month spell in the US at the end of last season, with North Colorado based Hailstorm FC in the USL League One. He scored two goals on his Mickleover debut in the pre-season friendly at Borrowash and is the younger brother of ex Rams midfielder Giles.

STUART BEAVON FORWARD May 5th 1984

Stuart Beavon is one of Mickleover's most experienced players, following in the footsteps of his Father Stuart and Grandfather Cyril. His career started for in the Hellenic League with Ardley United, before swiftly moving on to Combined Counties side Wallingford. He scored 13 goals in 36 games between those clubs, before being snapped up by Didcot Town. Despite stepping up to the Southern League South & West Division, he quickly found his goalscoring touch and had two seasons with the club. He played 139 games and scored an amazing 107 goals and was a winner in the 2004/5 FA Vase too. His next step was to the Conference with Weymouth, spending three seasons on the South Coast, and adding 27 more goals to his tally from 90 appearances. For 2008/09 he had his first spell in the Football League with League 2 Wycombe Wanderers. He scored on his debut and his initial loan became permanent. He was a prolific scorer again but the team were promoted and relegated twice during his stay. After 125 games and 34 goals he moved to Preston North End in League 1 again. There was debut goal again and having settled at Deepdale he stayed for two years, before an initial loan at Burton Albion became permanent for the 2014/15 season. He gained promotion again with the Brewers to League 1, but part way into his third season he left in January 2017 with 15 goals and 102 games under his belt, destined for Coventry City. A strange end of season saw the Sky Blues win the EFL Trophy, but were also relegated to League 2. Although he was a Coventry player for the next two seasons, his final one was spent on a years loan at Wrexham. Early into the 2019/20 season he joined Nuneaton, but it was when he began his current connection at Mickleover that he regained his scoring touch, with a goal scoring debut at Atherton Collieries in September and scoring 10 before the season was curtailed. He continues to be a regular scorer and hit the net on 10 occasions in 20/21, including a hattrick in the 4-1 home win against Radcliffe, and was on the scoresheet 12 times last season too.

SAM TOMLINSON FORWARD

A new arrival at the Mickleover Academy this season, Sam was previously at Burton Albion. A talented striker, and one for the future, he has hit hattricks in both the Reserves and Youth Cup teams, which earned him his place in the first team squad. He has made a few second half substitute appearances, but is yet to make his first start.

CARTER HAT-TRICK, BUT IT'S JUST A POINT FOR RESERVES



An impressive first half from Mickleover Reserves, saw them take an early lead. But despite a Josh Carter hat-trick, Mansfield Hosiery fought back to secure a late point.

Starting line-up: 1-Josh Bull 2-Toby Smith 3-Zac Sandhu 4-Jared Cholerton 5-Pablo Mills 6-Will Trueman 7-Josh Carter 8-Ryan Wilson 9-Will Robinson 10-Mason Tudgay 11-Josh Powell, Subs: Dean Ironmonger, Sam Johnson, Silas Donker, Harry Atwal.

There was a free kick for Mickleover almost from the kick off, when Trueman was brought down. Only two minutes later Mills had the first shot and although the keeper failed to hold it after his initial save, there was no one following up as it went out for corner.

The visitors had their first shot after four minutes, well wide of Bull's left-hand upright, but three minutes later a cross from the right, was well met by a Mansfield striker, but his header was straight in Bull's hands.

Smith's first surge down the right wing, left him clear for the cross. But there was too much pace on the ball as it went for a throw in on the far side, as Mills waited in the middle. It was another Smith run that took him close after 11 minutes. As he cut in from the right, his shot was just over the bar.

As the defence struggled to contain Smith on the right, he fired in another cross, met by Tudgay, but the shot was saved but not held again, but no one ready to try for a rebound.

15 minutes in and there was chaos in the Mansfield defence though, again following a Smith cross. The keeper called for the ball but missed it, but fortunately for him so did everyone else as it rolled clear.

Powell and Tudgay combined for a nice move on the left a few minutes later, until the defence intercepted. But with Trueman and Wilson controlling midfield, Carter and Tudgay had time to roam, ably supported by Mills and Powell.

Mills should have opened the scoring after 19 minutes, from yet another Smith cross. He took his time to place his shot, but it was wide of the mark and remained 0-0. Shortly afterwards Mills fired a free kick over the bar, as the rain began to fall again.

But Mansfield had two chances inside two minutes. The first fell nicely for the striker, but he failed to trouble Bull and the follow up was a shot just wide of the right-hand post.

Both sides had chances, but were unable to convert. A nice one-two between Smith and Tudgay almost set up Trueman after 25 minutes, but the keeper raced off his line to intercept. Bull had to make another save with his feet on the half hour and just a minute later, he made a diving save low to his right.

Mills hit the post after 33 minutes, but four minutes later the deadlock was finally broken. Smith again caused the problem, sending in a nicely weighted cross for Carter to slot into the far corner, 1-0.

Sandhu hadn't had the same effectiveness on the left wing attacks as Smith had on the right, but with seven minutes left in the first half, he had a long run, head down and looking for goal until his path was blocked on the edge of the box.

As the whistle blew it was still 1-0, but maybe a fair score after Mickleover had dominated possession, would have been 3-1.

Carter made it 2-0 in Mickleover's favour after 53 minutes, but Mansfield continued to push forward. They earned a free kick, but it was well over the bar, and still mainly Sports possession wise.

Wilson put Tudgay through on the hour, but he shot wide. 63 minutes in though and Sandhu lost out on the left. As the striker began to cut inside he shot wide to Bull's left into the far corner to make it 2-1.

Tudgay could have restored the two goal lead but miskicked in front of goal and following a Mansfield corner after 65 minutes, the visitors came back again and chipped Bull to make it 2-2.

Atwal and Johnson then came on for Trueman and Wilson, before Carter completed his hatrick to make it 3-2 to Mickleover. Mills just missed out on a fourth for Mickleover from a Carter pass, but with nine minutes left, the defence seemed to freeze and Mansfield made it 3-3.

Mills hit the post again after 86 minutes and Powell had a shot straight at the keeper. But almost on the full time whistle Bull went off injured and Donker came on, with Cholerton going in goal. He had one free kick to face before the whistle blew, but it was more two points lost than a point gained on the night.

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By Jon Couch

IN THE week where the sporting world stood still for the Taylor Swift show (aka, the Super Bowl), our very own live TV showcase was entering the spotlight.

While the pop superstar took centre stage during the most-watched sporting event across the Atlantic, the Football Association here were finalising terms for a four-year, multi-million pound deal with TNT Sports to show the FA Cup from the 2025-26 season.

As part of the agreement, TNT Sports, who have won many plaudits this season for their coverage of the National League and even North and South, will share the rights with a free-to-air broadcaster.

As part of the deal, all games from the third round onwards outside of 3pm kick-offs will be broadcast live, while the Wembley final will be shown on both TNT Sports and free-to-air.

At present, and for the past four seasons, the BBC and ITV currently share rights for the FA Cup and details of the extent of the involvement of free-to-air channels covering FA Cup games will be announced in due course.

TNT Sports, however, insist the deal, reportedly worth £66million-per-year - an increase of 15 per cent on the current deal - “will ensure that the world’s longest-running national knockout football competition continues to be as broadly available as possible across the UK”.

“Selected matches from every round will be available free-to-air, and highlights of every game will be made available,” they said in a statement.

In his NLP column this week, Matt Badcock outlined the pros and cons of the new deal amidst a rather mixed social media reaction with critics suggesting having fewer FA Cup games shown live on free-to-air television hammers another nail in the world’s most famous cup competition.

But, as Matt rightly pointed out, FA Cup ties being played behind a ‘paywall’ is nothing new. Sky Sports, Setanta, ESPN and BT Sport have all had deals in the

past with another channel showing games free.

And, let's not forget, games will be free-to-air under this deal too. We just we don't yet know by who.

Suggestions are at least two games per round will be free to view – as well as one semi-final and the final – but, clearly, having stumped up the big bucks, TNT will dictate what they have.

From a Non-League point of view, that won't be such a bad thing if they put National League teams on the games. As mentioned earlier, their coverage of the National League this season has been exemplary.

Far from some of the patronising coverage Non-League often has to put up with in the past, the TNT commentary team led by Adam Summerton and including the likes of very own Adam Virgo and Aaron McLean tell the National League story with knowledge and passion, capturing some of the division's biggest moments as if it were a Champions League final.

Crucially, Matt also points out that while opinion is shared on the deal, the real focus should be on the extra revenue and what it can do.

FA Cup TV money is a key revenue stream for the FA to invest back into the game. A lot of good can be done with it and there are good people at Wembley who know that.

The fall-out from Covid saw the prize pot slashed. Having seen it doubled from previous years, it had to be trimmed back again with the Women's FA Cup – quite rightly – benefitting as a result.

It's vital for the Non-League and lower league game that the FA Cup fund is topped up again - especially in the early rounds where so many clubs have a chance at bringing in money on sporting merit rather than status alone.

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5. No ball games are allowed around the perimeter of the pitch.
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11. Parents/guardians are to make sure that small children are kept under supervision at all times whilst at the ground.
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13. Mickleover F.C. has a legal duty to apply the law.



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