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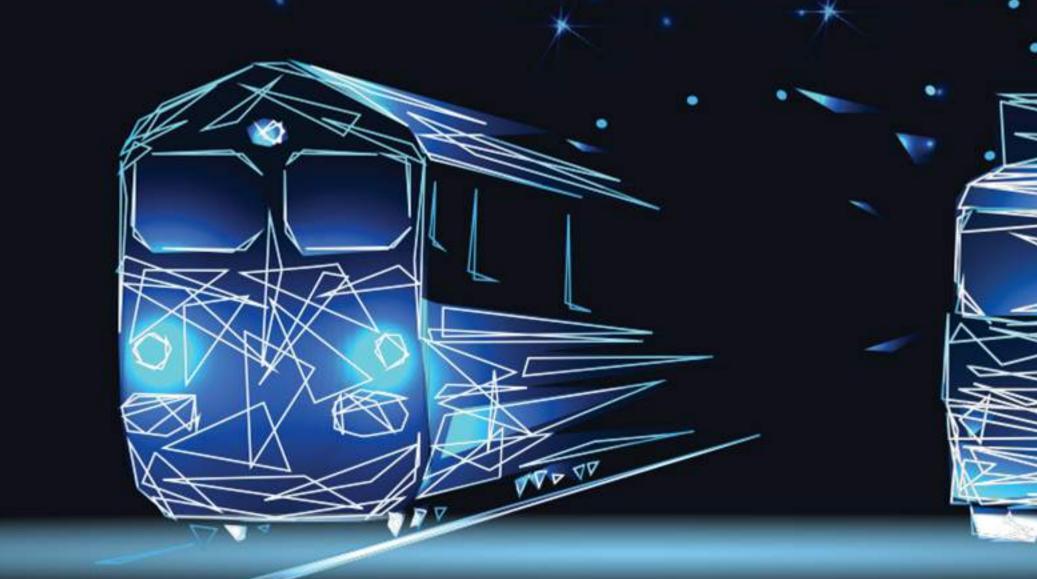
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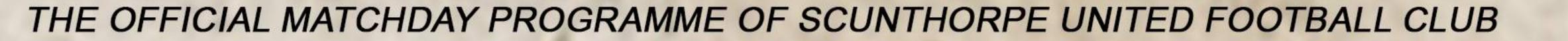
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Good afternoon, and welcome back to the Attis Arena for this afternoon's game against Rushall Olympic.

I want a reaction from the performance on Tuesday. It should have been better. We weren't aggressive or front-footed enough, and didn't affect the goal enough. I want a change in that for this game. We've got a good group of boys with good mentalities, and they're up for this. The attendance on Tuesday night was incredible. To have over 5,000 home fans for a midweek game in January at this level is absolutely insane, and we thank you massively for coming out and getting behind us. We're so disappointed that we couldn't get a result that the backing deserved, but it has made us even hungrier to bounce back and put on a big performance this afternoon. We owe it to you all after Tuesday, and will keep fighting. We have to continue to focus on ourselves, and by taking care of our business, we can only wait and see what happens elsewhere.

KELME

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Our trip to face the Pics right back at the start of the season was a really enjoyable and memorable one, as we came away with a 3-0 win, and it's something we will be looking to emulate again this afternoon on home soil.

It's important that we bounce back from the disappointment of the result in midweek. The lads have always bounced back from a defeat every single time this season, and we will be looking to do the same. There's no denying that Tuesday hurt us all. I was down on Wednesday morning, and I'm sure the players were as well, but there's no time to feel sorry for ourselves. The game hinged on some key decisions going against us, and ultimately we lost by the odd scrappy goal.

Jason Law is seeing a specialist to get some more advice with his toe injury, while Callum Roberts is awaiting the results of his scan. We're looking at four-to-six weeks for him with his hamstring injury.

We did welcome Dion Sembie-Ferris back late on Tuesday night. It didn't clear until 6.20pm, so we couldn't throw him into start, but I still put him on the bench because I felt he could have a positive impact. He looked really sharp. He's been really unlucky with injuries here, and we took the decision to get some games into him at Sports, and I think he's lit up the league. There's been a real positive reaction to him coming back, which is what he needs.

Get behind us today, as you always do!

We cannot give up. That's just not going to happen. There's still loads for us to play for this season, and that's what we've got to do. Control the controllables, and worry about the things we can affect, starting with this game this afternoon.

Today is going to be a tough game, and it's one which emphasises we cannot feel sorry for ourselves. We have to be up for it and have to be ready. They beat Chester away, beat Spennymoor 4-3, and only lost to Tamworth twice by the odd goal, and were unlucky in both of those games. They're a live opponent, and they won't come here and sit back. We're going to have to work hard to get the three points, and we're ready to do that. **United we Stand!**

Up the Iron!

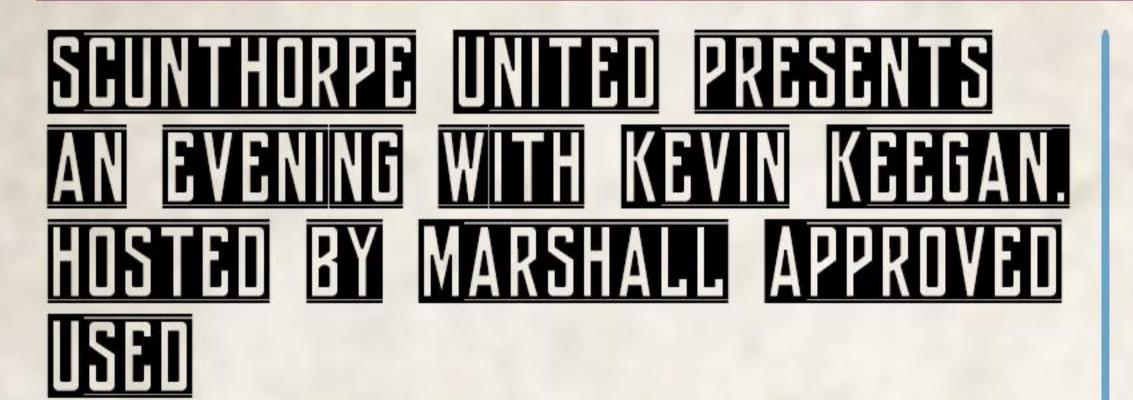






CHUB MEWS

A look at the news since the last time we met...



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delighted to present an evening with Kevin Keegan, hosted by Marshall Approved Used on Friday, March 22nd.

The evening will give you a full insight into Kevin's career, from previous clubs, to representing England, and of course, including where it all began at the Old Show Ground.

With limited tickets available for just £30 general admission, and a very limited allocation for our VIP Meet and Greet packages at just £60, Marshall Approved Used, Scunthorpe on Normanby Road will host the event in their showroom, which will undergo a full makeover to welcome the former Scunthorpe, Liverpool, Newcastle United and England legend of football.

DEBUT RACE NIGHT A MASSIVE Success

The Iron hosted a Race Night at the Attis Arena at the end of January, with a massive £4,770 raised from the event.

Organised by United supporters, as a fundraising event for the football club, the evening proved to be a huge success, with around 200 attendees at the event. Assistant Manager: Chris Plummer First Team Coach: Andy Butler Goalkeeping Coach: Paul Musselwhite Lead Physiotherapist: Rodger Wylde Head of Medicine and Sports Science: Dorian Mars

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Starting at 7pm, the VIP Meet and Greet ticket holders will be invited down at an earlier time to get up close to the footballing legend, with photograph and autograph opportunities available.

A big thank you from everyone at the club goes to Ian Rusling, AKA Rusty, for his hard work to organise this event. It goes without saying, he did a phenomenal job, and even surprised himself with the figure raised. Hopefully more of these events will be organised in the future.

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FOCUS ON

We continue our interviews with the Iron squad this season by talking to midfielder Alfie Beestin as he looks for a run of games following injury...





Undoubtedly it's been a frustrating couple of years for midfielder Alfie Beestin. Now the Iron's longest serving professional player, he's been at the club through the lows the side have endured over the past few seasons, but he's also had to encounter his own drastic negatives in that time.

Plagued by injury over the last couple of years in particular, the 26-year-old would arguably be one of the standout players in the Vanarama National League North on his day, but the midfielder hasn't had too many opportunities to show that so far this season, with the hamstring injury suffered last season continuing to hamper him so far this.

with the midfielder still looking to rediscover his early form and confidence.

"It started off quite well, scoring two goals, but unfortunately in "I did my right hamstring at the training it was one of those freak injuries. From then on, it's been tough. It's messed with my season. This time it was the head to be honest. Originally it was four-to-six weeks, and then to recover from. It's been frustrating because, until the I came back, and it was another end of last season, I'd never eight weeks. I had to get some treatment and some injections, really had an injury before. It's but it's been really frustrating. part of football." The lads have been great with "... in training it was one of those freak injuries... It's been frustrating because, until the end of last season, I'd never really had an injury before. It's part of football...."

know I've not been at my best, or how I was at the start of the season, so I'm just looking to get back to that.

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end of last season and then my left hamstring at the start of this tendon so it's been a bit harder

me. Since I've come back, I Having never suffered a serious **Alfie Beestin**

The campaign didn't start like that for him though, with two goals early on - including what's been perceived as the team goal of the season so far -

injury in his career, it could be forgiven of the midfielder not to really delve too deeply into the make-up of his body, or his recovery, but there's one benefit of his recent lay-offs, as he really focuses on how to look after himself.

"I know, looking back, I could have been a bit better with the way I looked after myself, but I've done that since the past couple of injuries. I'm in the gym a lot more than I used to be. I didn't used to be big on it, but since then I've realised. Recovering from a game is a lot tougher, so I do a lot of hamstring stuff in the gym in a morning. It feels alright at the moment, so touch wood it keeps that way.



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"The physios have been great with me, and got me back on the grass quicker than I thought. I was a day away from going back into full training, and I went for a little sprint and felt it. The emotion I got from that was horrible. I felt like I didn't want to carry on with the season, and I thought it was over. I'm happy to be back now, and hopefully that will carry on now."

"There's times where you can think about it twice when sprinting or chasing a ball down, or stretching, and that's something I have to gain confidence with again with my body. I'm doing the extra to ensure my hamstring is at full strength, but we're definitely getting towards that point again."

One thing that Alfie has had

With Beestin now back in-and-around the team, his aim is to rediscover that early campaign form which brought him and the team success.

"Confidence is massive in football and at the start of the season, I had a lot running through me. That goal at the start of the season was a very good team goal. As a team, we're all confident, so I think we've just got to find that again.

to contend with and endure, is the same as all Iron fans - the demise of the club over the last four years. Being at this level is not

"I was part of the team that dragged

"Fitness-wise, I'm getting there. I've just got to believe in myself and put it onto the pitch as well. Mainly, I've got to have faith in myself and trust myself. I should be scoring goals in this league."

And while it's all about regaining confidence, having not experience the injury situation before, a certain extent of his recovery has been to learn to trust his body once more, having been let down on his first return.

us down here, so I feel like I've got to be part of the team that gets us back up as well." **Alfie Beestin**

something he, or the club, wanted but he's determined to be a factor in putting it right.

> "When I was younger, I was playing in League One. I came here and we we're in League Two and now it's National North. I've been here four years, and it's not been the best time having been relegated twice. I know what

this club is about, and where it belongs, so it's frustrating to see it down here. I believe in myself and my ability that I can play higher, and enough in this team to get out of this league. There hasn't been too many positives, but the fans have stuck with us throughout the whole time. I've said a few times that I feel like it's the best team I've been involved in throughout my whole time at Scunthorpe. We know we're good enough, we've just got to show it on the pitch. I was part of the team that dragged us down here, so I feel like I've got to be part of the team that gets us back up as well. That's why I want to be scoring more goals, assisting, and helping to get the team back where it belongs."

sometimes though. I always want to try and improve."

Despite the disappointing result in midweek, Beestin was full of positivity for the team, and following the support.

"Decisions went against us, but we know we weren't at our best. We've got to put it behind us. We have to forget about that and focus on each game as it comes. There's a lot more pressure on them now to keep winning. We have to win, and hope they slip up.

While wanting to be part of the renaissance of the team, the 26-year-old also has to battle with himself, as his own critic.

"I always expect the best from me. My aim is always to be the best player on the pitch and in training. If I'm not doing that, I'm hard on myself, maybe too much. I think you've got to do that "It's been our aim to finish top since the start of the season, and that's not going to change. We know we've got a good enough squad to win every game. We're always going to believe we're good enough to win the league. We go into each game believing we can win, and that's got to be the mindset.

"It shows what the club is all about. We have amazing support for this level. To have over 5,000 fans on a Tuesday is unbelievable. We need their support more than ever now, so if they can keep coming out and supporting us, that will give us more belief that we can win this league."





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CHUB MEWS

Continued from page four, a look at more club news since the last time we were here at the Attis Arena...



Iron midfielder Tom Pugh has been recalled from his Ioan to fellow Vanarama National League North side Hereford.



In his first month out on loan at Edgar Street, Tom made seven appearances (five starts, two from the bench), scoring one goal and adding one assist, along with man of the match accolades.

That loan spell was extended for a further month in December, the midfielder has made a further six appearances for the Bulls, fast becoming a fans' favourite.

On January 10th, it was announced that his loan spell would be extended until the end of the season, with the Iron activating the 24 hour recall on Monday morning.

Technically gifted Iron winger Dion Sembie-Ferris has been recalled from his Ioan spell at fellow Vanarama National League North Peterborough Sports. The 600 tickets allocated to the lron for our away trip to face Scarborough Athletic on Saturday, February 17th (1pm kick-off) sold out in a little over an hour.

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Pugh had scored in consecutive games for Hereford in the last week, first converting a free-kick against Torquay United in the Isuzu FA Trophy before an impressive long range strike against King's Lynn Town.



The Iron's away league clash against Darlington was postponed due to a waterlogged pitch. Since his arrival at United in the January of 2023 Sembie-Ferris has made a total of 15 appearances in North Lincolnshire, which includes six starts and a singular goal, which came against Darlington. His latest appearance in claret and blue came in midweek on his return.

After returning to the club where he first player under Jimmy Dean, Sembie-Ferris had been integral in the Turbines recent surge up the league standings and during his time with sports made 13 spirited appearances scoring four goals and thoroughly enjoying his football. Tickets went on sale via Scarborough at 5pm last Sunday evening, with all tickets snapped up a little over an hour later.

A large group of Scunthorpe fans have bought tickets in the home end. These supporters have been emailed to let them know their tickets will be void and will not scan on entry.

Scarborough has asked us to reenforce that refunds to supporters who make any purchases in the home end will not be refunded. Any Scunthorpe fans found in the home end at the match, will be ejected with no refund given.

The encounter was called off by match referee Melissa Burgin 15 minutes prior to kick-off with both teams on the pitch warming up ahead of the encounter.

As soon as we have a new date for the fixture, we will announce, with a date not yet set by the two clubs and the National League. Due to his excellent form under the management of Michael Gash and Luke Steele, Sembie-Ferris loan agreement saw its 24 hour recall activated on Monday evening hence making him eligible for Tamworth on Tuesday.

Our hosts expect the game to sell-out and no further tickets will be issued at this time.

If there are any further updates, we will publish on social media.

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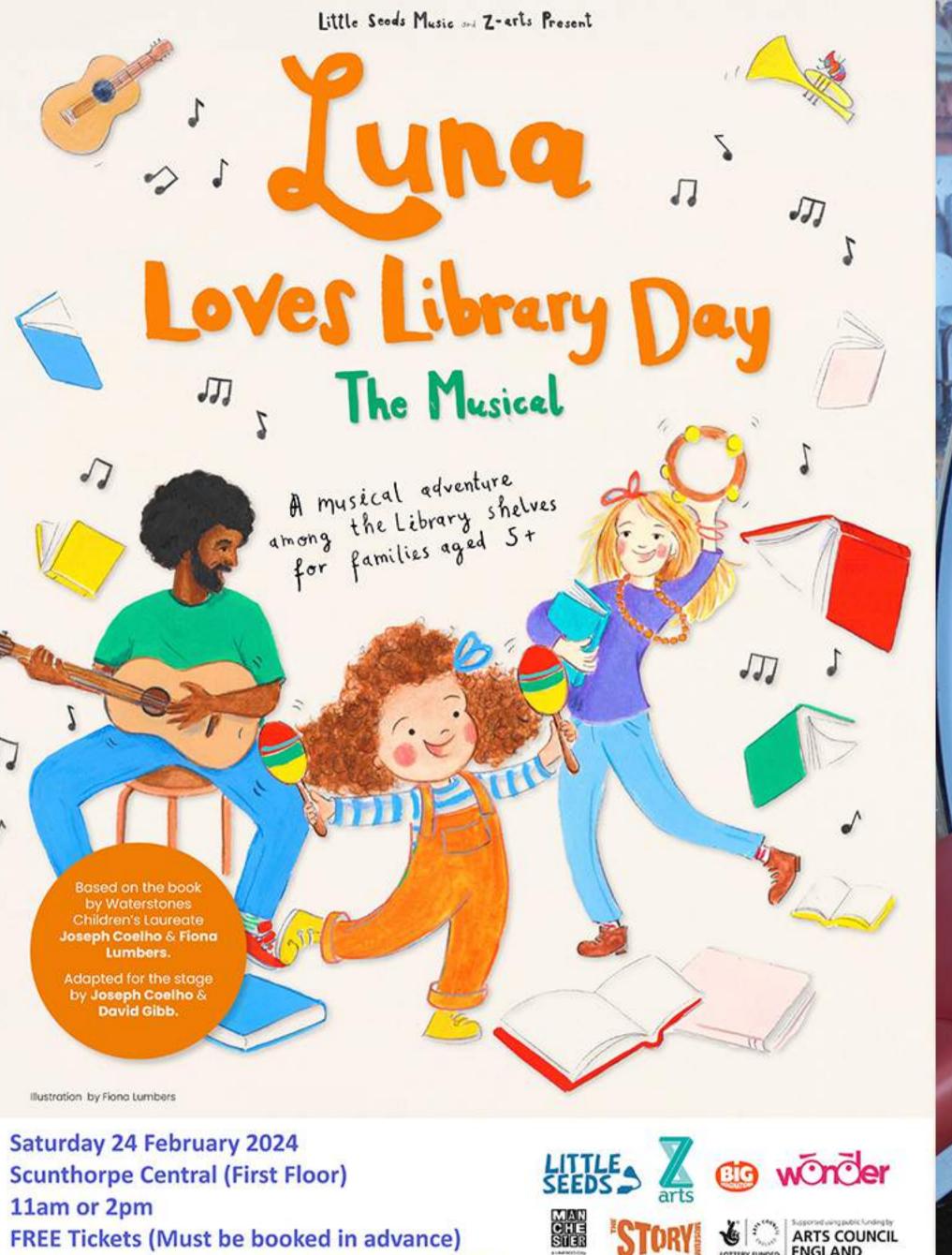




STUDY UNITED Steve Parsons rounds-up the latest news from the Study Support Centre at the stadium...

Good afternoon and welcome to the Attis Arena for this Vanarama National League North match, where we welcome supporters, players, directors and personnel of The Pics.

We hope that it will be an entertaining game and that the lron are celebrating a victory at the final whistle!



North Lincolnshire Year of Reading

This month we celebrated the end of the North Lincolnshire Year of Reading with Imagination Library author Louise Yates.

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centre which will involve a ground tour and filming in our green-screen studio. We can't wait to get started!



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Good luck to the team! Enjoy the game and as always...

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COMMERCIAL NEWS

A commercial update ahead of today's game...

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Attis Arena for the second of three home games in quick succession.

While the result on the pitch on Tuesday night was disappointing, it was another good evening commercially for us, with a full host of sponsors for the game, who all enjoyed their experience with us.



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Keystone Architecture were our main match sponsors, and selected Ross Fitzsimons as their man of the match following his display in the game. We were grateful for their support and hope they enjoyed the night.

Right Action were matchball sponsors for the second time in succession, while William F Moore Warplands Limited were captain sponsors and Marjara Care Group were our digital programme sponosrs. Each bit of support we receive is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to welcoming all back in the future.



sponsors.

The gaps are filling up nicely for our remaining games this season, with only a limited number of opportunities on a matchday to sponsor us. We are already looking at other packages, including extended packages to include the remainder of this season, and next season, and will begin contacting companies regarding their requirements for the new campaign. As always, please email glyn.sparks@scunthorpeunited.co.uk if you are interested in anything we have to offer.

BIRTHDAY MESSAGES

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Happy 8th birthday Cerys Savage love from Dad, Neve and Freya.

Happy 4th birthday Emily, love from Mummy, Daddy and all the family. * * * Happy birthday Greg, lots of love Sarah, Caitlin, Emily and all your family * * *

We have another full compliment this afternoon too. G&M Consulting Limited are our match and digital programme sponsors this afternoon.

G&M Consulting have been involved in the geotechnical sector since 2003 and during this time have provided a varied range of services within the UK to the geotechnical industry. Since it's inception, the company has grown in both size, and services offered. Happy birthday to Linda, love from lan and all the family.

We hope everyone enjoys their special day!

MASCOTS

Today we welcome two mascots to the Attis Arena!

postponement.



Firstly, we welcome Harry (left), who is seven-years-old. He attends Kirton Lindsey Primary school. He enjoys football and gaming, and his favourite player, as pictured, is Jason Law. He was supposed to be mascot versus Tamworth on the original date, but has switched following the

Based in Doncaster, the company's continuing growth is enhanced by it's client-focused reputation.

Meanwhile, we welcome the Hop Inn, Brigg as captain sponsors, and Surv Dosanj - Just Mortgages as our matchball Secondly, we welcome six-year-old Oscar (right). He attends Bowmandale Primary Schoo, and enjoys playing football, cricket and watching Scunthorpe United. His favourit Iron player is Jacob Butterfield. He is celebrating his birthday with us today.







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HOME Sell 2 Swanway AWAY Mike Jackson THIRD Sally McAleer TRAINING **Darren Reevell**



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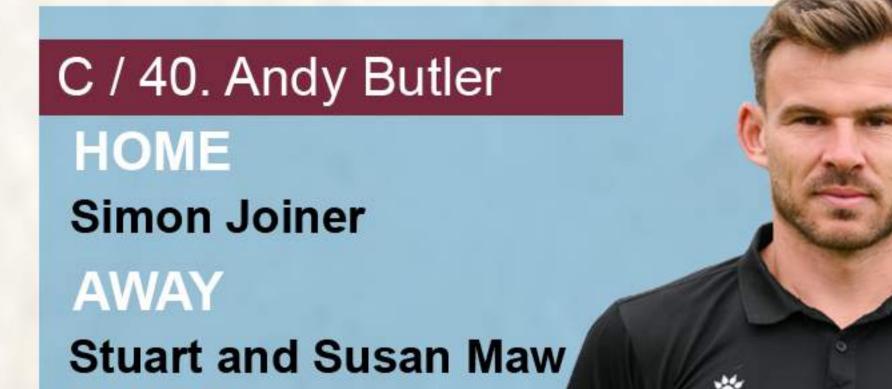
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The shop, both in-store and online continues to thrive, with thanks to the Merch Labs and Debug Labs, who offer a prominent and effective service.

A number of our products were snapped up in-store over Christmas, but we do have a range available as part of our January sales, with offers exclusibely to shopping online only. You can make a saving on mugs, runners, prints and more by visiting our website.

The Merch Labs have also moved in to the Attis Arena, with a member of staff on hand to answer your enquiries if needed. If we don't have your size in something, please ask, as invariably, a brand new t-shirt or hoodie can be produced for you and available to collect in the days that follow.



Hitting the shelves soon are our baby on board signs, while we also have a restock of hoodies arriving work with partners to bring more and more stock into the shop. We will be looking at our summer range too, which includes bucket hats, towels and more.

We have a number of new lines arriving in-store, with a whole range of hats currently available in a range of different colours and designs. Our claret fleeces, also available in navy, have proved to be a popular purchase, as has our baby range including "I dribble for the Iron" merchandise available in a bib and babygrow. imminently too.

We have new range of pop sockets, as well as a new range of Kelme stock now in the building from gilets to footballs, backpacks to full zip jackets.

As we enter 2024, we continue to

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Good luck to the Iron as they look for three points!

Merch Labs is currently raffling off a one of a kind Unity hoody signed by the entire squad.

Numbers are £2 each and are available for purchase by contacting The Merch Labs directly on facebook.



The winner will be drawn on Friday (2nd March), All Proceed go to the club.

New in at Scunthorpe United



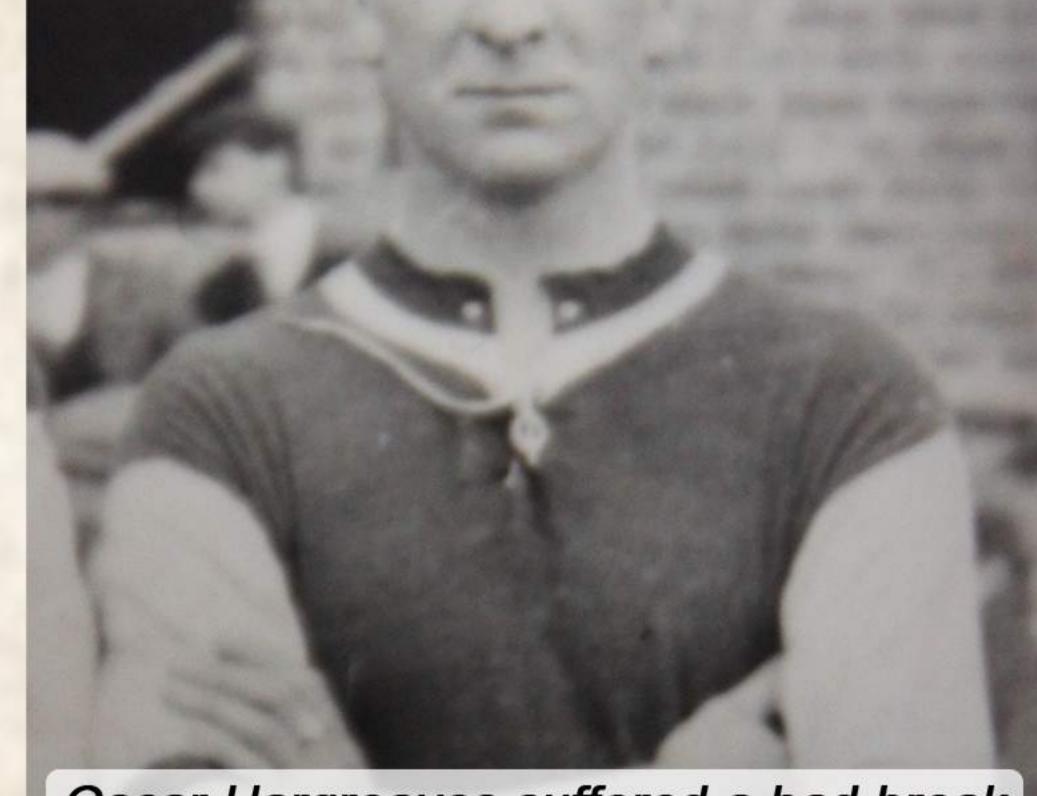
NIDLAND LEAGUE DUTIES THREE ON THE BOUNCE TIME TO ASPIRE, AND THE LINCS CUP Historian John Staff continues his 100-year rewind, looking back at 1923-24

North Lincolnshire was approaching mid-winter one hundred years ago, and mothers in the town were hard at work, stoking the fires to ground in Hull, when the Natty Nuts took on the Tiger Cubs of Hull City Reserves. This proved to be a far sterner test for the Scunthorpe visitors. However, a determined defence kept the Tigers' claws away from the Nuts goal, and Raby scored two individual goals, both from breakaways. Another 2-0 advance, and although Raby was hitting the headlines, it was Reynolds, the Scunthorpe custodian, who had three clean sheets to his name in the great assist in the glory.

keep the family warm.

Evidence of this was seen in the belching smoke emitted by fires from each and every orange chimney pot. This was supplemented by more smoke, every time a steam locomotive sauntered along the LNER railway, heading towards Cleethorpes or Doncaster. In the early part of the last century, fog during the winter months was not uncommon, and the white ghostly blankets were referred to as pea souper fogs. They could have damaging effects on the football matches at the Old Show Ground, as players peered desperately in the hope of seeing a colleague with the mud encrusted ball. Despite this handicap, referee rarely postponed a fixture.

Thus the Nuts were back at home on February 2nd, 1924, and the question was, could they aspire to beat the Spirites of Chesterfield, a difficult opponent, who would expect to entertain Scunthorpe United, at Saltergate, a week hence? The Directors making team selections had the happier task of a choice of all squad members, as suspensions, cold and injuries had all come to a positive conclusion. They decided to select the strongest options,



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Oscar Hargreaves suffered a bad break

despite some fine performances from promoted reserve players. Thus United emerged from the dressing rooms with the following representation: Reynolds, goal keeper; Bradbury and Hargreaves, fullbacks; Skull, Ashmore and Millson, halfbacks; Clark, Kitchen, Raby, Green and Foster, forwards.

A century ago January was ebbing away, and the Nuts had found some encouraging form, although in one case their joy was at the expense of the Atlas of the Midland League, Rotherham Town, who were holding up the entire table from the bottom position. At Clifton Lane, the Nuts had gathered two precious points from a hat-trick from Raby, who was hitting a purple patch in scoring goals. A week later, at the Old Show Ground, Rotherham Town put up a far better performance, but could not match the agility of the entire Scunthorpe team. Once again it was Raby who was the architect of their downfall, and a 2-0 celebration was enjoyed by the supporters with claret and blue favours.

This match was to prove to be one that Scunthorpe United supporters would talk about for many years to come. The man who worked hard to give the Nuts the advantage was Joe Kitchen, who put in a double shift to ensure his team won the points. It was he who made the first goal, his terrific shot rebounding back to him off the mid-point of the upright, from which he regained control of the ball, and laid off a perfect pass for Green to dash onto for a simple tap in past the marooned visiting keeper. On twelve minutes, the lead was increased. This time the ball came in from the left, from Foster, and Kitchen sent a bullet header into the flying net.

On the last Saturday in January, a good following of Scunthonians was present at the Anlaby Road

Richard Ashmore netted the solo goal

At 2-0 United were cruising, but then can the sickening incident





which is an unfortunate part of the physical game of football. Oscar Hargreaves was back in the side after a questionable suspension, and on thirty minutes he went for a ball with McIntyre, the Spirits' right winger. At the moment of impact, Hargreaves leg was broken in three places between ankle and knee. The man was in abject pain, and ambulance men took quite some time before he could be removed to the comfort of hospital. This incident put a curtain on the interest of both sides in the game, and the 2-0 score remained until it was the result. Sad to relate, this was a career ending incident to a brave Scunthorpe United

Midland League warrior.

On the following Thursday, the Scunthorpe team had a date at Blundell Park, in the Lincolnshire Cup, but the full Mariners first team assembled against them. It was difficult enough extracting Midland League points from the Junior Mariners, and so this task was a bridge too far. A gallant effort was not enough to stop Carmichael, the Grimsby goal scoring ace, from giving his side a 2-0 passage into the next round of this competition, but the Lincoln City captain would lift the trophy later that year.

Chesterfield was a difficult place to gather any points from, and they were no strangers to being Midland League Champions. On this occasion, Chesterfield made a number of changes to the team that Scunthorpe had subdued. They were always in the ascendancy during the 90 minutes, and the Nuts needed a strong set of defenders to repel the Saltergate attack.

The game was surprisingly won by the visiting Scunthorpe lads, who needed a defender to crash the ball home. Not only did the Nuts beefy centre half Richard Ashmore take the defensive honours, but in one of his advances up the field, he was able to squeeze out a Chesterfield fullback, and crack the ball into the net with the meat of his boot. The goal came just before the interval, but it still meant some dogged defending by the visitors, before the rewarding 1-0 result went onto the record book.

The devastating incident to Hargreaves gave Franklin the opportunity to step back into the limelight, where he had capably stood in, before. However, the eleven men that appeared at Grimsby, which included Franklin, showed one change on the right wing, for the visit to Chesterfield. The trial was given to a player named Mathews, who hailed from the Rotherham district, but he was not to be selected for duty after the one game.

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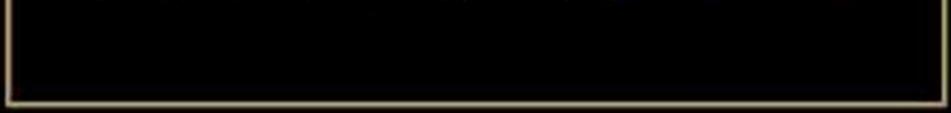
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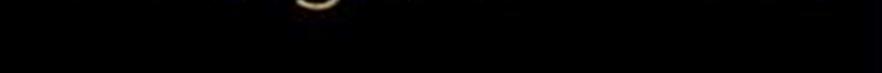
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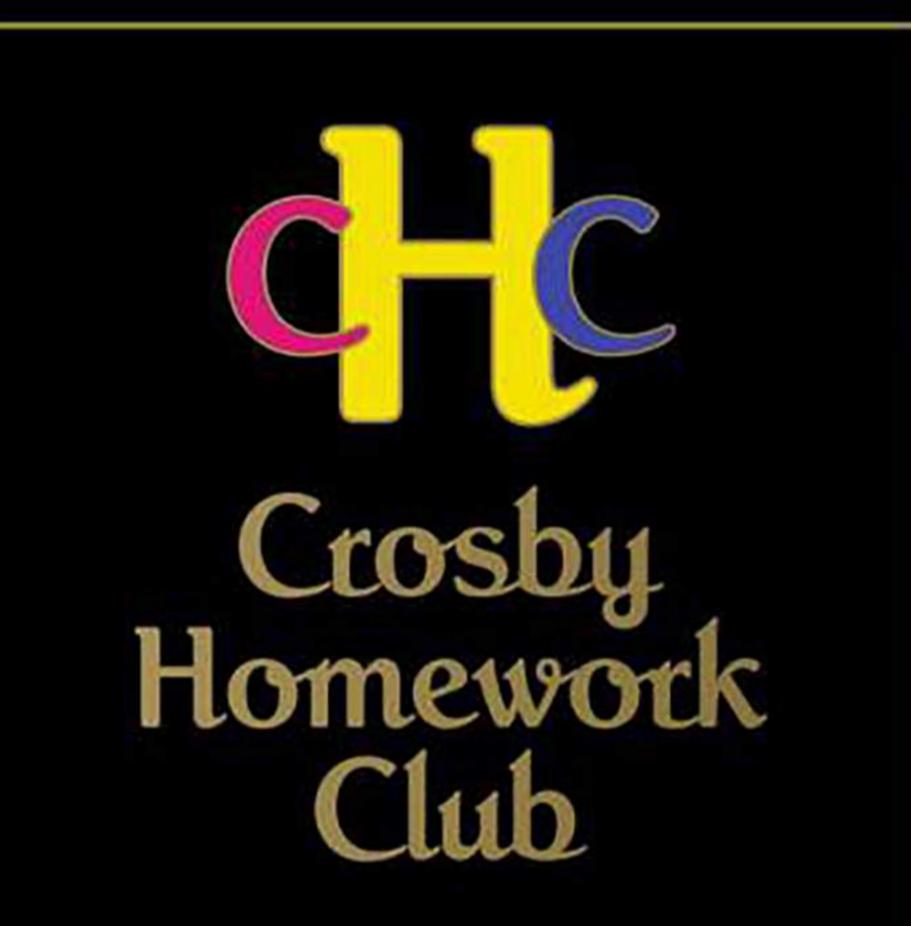
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OUR VISITORS TODAY

We take a look at this afternoon's opponents, first starting with their brief history of how they got to where they are today...



A BRIEF HISTORY

Research has discovered that the original Rushall Olympic Football Club was founded at least three years earlier than had previously been thought with editions of local newspapers found to contain match reports about the Olympic dating back to the 1893-94 season. Aldridge pit) played on the field behind the Miners Arms Public House in Rushall - changing in the pub and enjoying a pint after the game. The team, then playing in old gold and black stripes, was a "good 'un", and won various honours along the way. moderate success in the West Midlands (Regional) League Premier Division, with a highest finish of fifth place achieved in season 1988-89 and a League Cup Final appearance in 1982. However, time moved on, and for the start of the 1994-95 season the club began a new era when it

However, even earlier records have indicated that football in the village of Rushall was already being played on a regular basis at least 20 years prior to that time and in fact the opening game for the newly formed Walsall Town team was against a Rushall side at the Chuckery Ground, Walsall on the 3rd October 1874. Indeed, so many players turned up that it was decided to field a 15-a-side format, with the surplus Walsall men being "loaned" out to make up the Rushall team.

After winning the Walsall & District **Amateur League Second Division** Championship in 1952-53, and later the First Division Championship in 1955-56, the club eventually gained promotion into the strong Staffordshire County League (South) for the start of the 1956-57 season - and made an immediate impact by winning the Second Division title at the first attempt. Following promotion into the First Division, the club later won three back to back Championships between 1960 and 1963 - but Rushall Olympic's real glory season came in 1964-65 when the club clinched the Staffordshire County League (South) First Division Championship for the fourth time in five years and also won the Lichfield Charity Cup, the Sporting Star Cup and the Walsall Senior Cup.

was named as one of the twenty founder members of the Midland Football Alliance.

More recent, last season proved to be a defining moment. After securing a second consecutive play-off spot in the Southern League Premier Division Central , the Pics overcame runners-up Coalville Town with a dramatic 4-3 penalty shoot-out victory, before travelling to tackle Nuneaton in the final where a crowd of over 3,500 gathered to see another intense affair that saw Olympic again triumph 4-3 in a penalty shoot out following a goalless draw, seeing the side promoted to Step 2.

As research continues, the early years of Rushall Olympic will slowly be uncovered, but it is known that a thriving club certainly existed just after the First World War, up until the mid-1930's. During this period the team (many of whom worked at the local

During the 1980's and 90's the club enjoyed fourteen seasons of

FACTFILE

FOUNDED: 1893 NICKNAME: The Pics GROUND: Dales Lane CAPACITY: 1,980 CHAIRMAN: John Allen

MANAGER: Liam McDonald ASS. MANAGER: Nick Green





RUSHALL OLYMPIC

MANAGERLiam McDonald

Appointed by the Pics in October 2017 as their new manager just two weeks after parting company with National League Solihull Moors. He began his playing career with Worcester City where he came through the Academy set-up and eventually amassed some 100 games for the club. In May 2013, he began his managerial career by being named as the new boss of Redditch United at just 28-years-old. Since he's managed Hednesford Town, Solihull Moors and then Rushall Olympic.

GOALKEEPER

Jake Weaver

Highly competent and reliable keeper who arrived at Dales Lane during summer 2022 following a three season spell with Leamington in the National League North. Began his career by coming through the ranks with Birmingham City. His superb performances last season were a key factor behind the Pics tremendous treble of promotion to the National League North and the winning of the Staffordshire Senior Cup and Walsall Senior Cup.



ONE TO WATCH...

Tom Edge

NTRILLING

Age: 25 Nationality: English Position: Midfielder

Hard working box-to-box or defensive midfielder who joined the Pics on a permanent deal during January 2024 from Vanarama League North rivals Boston United, after having his contract cancelled by mutual consent. He had previously enjoyed a highly successful loan spell at Dales Lane from the middle of December 2023. However, he has never signed a contract before and Andy Peaks could not have been more pleased as Dan put pen to paper after today's game against West Bromwich Albion.

Jordaan Brown

Powerful left-sided defender equally at home at centre-back or full-back, he arrived at Dales Lane during March 2022 from Southern League Premier Division Central rivals Tamworth. Spent part of his career in Finland to link up with Vaasan Palloseura (VPS), where he featured in the Europa League, making his debut in a 2-1 victory over Swedish club Brommapojkarna

Rico Browne

He went to Campbellsville University in Kentucky to study for a sports management qualification and played four successful seasons with their football team. He shone in the States' university set-up, where the scholar became a key figure for Campbellsville Tigers and finished his playing time in America having landed a number of individual awards. He was their most capped player, with 100 appearances.

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A graduate of Birmingham City's Academy, having completed a scholarship between 2020 and 2022, he arrived at Dales Lane during January 2024 on a a youth loan and made an almost immediate impact by scoring the winner at Chester in only his second game for the Pics

Jaden Charles

Hard-working, attack-minded and talented performer who arrived at Dales Lane during January 2024 following the resignation of Nuneaton Borough from the Southern League Premier Division Central due to off the field problems. having been with Northern Premier League Premier Division outfit Stafford Rangers for the Covid-19 curtailed 2020-21 campaign. As a youngster he was part of the Walsall Academy system and upon being released as a 16-year-old he linked up with Solihull Moors, where he soon progressed through the ranks.

Alex Fletcher

A gifted and accomplished performer in the heart of the midfield, he arrived at Dales Lane during summer 2022 from Northern Premier League Premier Division outfit Stafford Rangers. A real technician and an outstanding talent on the ball, he began his career by coming through the ranks with Shrewsbury Town, making over 60 appearances for their youth team

transferred to Dales Lane from Vanarama National League North rivals Boston United in November 2023.

Alex Moore

A creative, ball-playing midfielder who is also very adept at dead-ball situations, he made a welcome return to Dales Lane during February 2023 after transferring back from Southern League Premier Division Central rivals Stourbridge.

Mitchell Clarke

Versatile and highly regarded player who returned to Dales Lane to begin a second spell with the Pics during summer 2023 after spending a season with Step 4neighbours Chasetown. He originally transferred to Olympic during summer 2019 from Southern League South Division One Central neighbours Sutton Coldfield Town for an undisclosed fee, having set his sights on a move to a higher level of football and submitting a transfer request that was reluctantly granted.

Jourdain Masidi

An energetic footballer who is tidy on the ball, covers every blade of grass and who likes to get forward, he transferred to Dales Lane during November 2021 from Southern League Premier Division Central rivals Bromsgrove Sporting.



Andre Carvalho-Landell Quick and skillful attacking player who returned to Dales Lane during August 2022 from Southern League Premier **Division Central rivals** Hednesford Town to begin a third spell at Dales Lane. He first arrived at the club during summer 2012, also from neighbours Hednesford Town and eventually signed forms for the Pics following trials with Brentford and Notts County. Summer 2017 saw him return to Dales Lane to begin a second spell with the Pics.

Kristian Green

Vastly experienced right sided defender who transferred to Dales Lane during summer 2021 after ending the the Covid-19 curtailed 2020-21 campaign with league rivals Stourbridge. One of the best defenders around at this level of football, he links up with manager Liam McDonald for the second time in his career, having first worked together at Solihull Moors in the National League.

Sam McClintock

Gifted attack-minded midfielder who spell with the Pie

RUSHALL'S LAST 10 GAMES...

MD21 - Rushall Olympic 1-1 Chester
MD22 - Rushall Olympic 1-3 Blyth Spartans
MD23 - Scarborough Athletic 3-1 Rushall Olympic
MD24 - Rushall Olympic 2-0 South Shields
MD25 - Tamworth 2-1 Rushall Olympic
MD26 - Rushall Olympic 1-2 Tamworth
MD27 - Chester 0-1 Rushall Olympic
MD28 - Rushall Olympic 4-3 Spennymoor Town
MD29 - Rushall Olympic 0-1 Hereford
MD30 - Rushall Olympic 2-2 Curzon Ashton



Callum Coyle

Skillful and energetic midfielder with an eye for a goal, he arrived at Dales Lane during summer 2021, As their 18th position suggests, Rushall Olympic have had some positive successes this season, ultimately followed also by some disappointing results.

While a draw against Chester on paper is a good result, wins over South Shields, Chester in the reverse fixture and Spennymoor Town are exceptional results. Defeats over Christmas against Tamworth albeit slenderly on both occasions - and losses to Blyth Spartans and Scarborough Athletic, unudoubtedly show their inconsistencies across the campaign.

Their latest game was also a positive result, taking a point from play-off chasing Curzon Ashton, with the side our next opposition here at the Attis Arena next weekend.

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We hope to see a good many of you at the Berkeley Hotel this Wednesday evening for the AGM which starts at 7pm. Michelle Harness has agreed to come along and speak to Trust members about the club takeover and the challenges our club faces in the imminent future.

The ballot for Trust board places finished yesterday at 5pm, allowing us a few days to collate the results and reveal the successful candidates who will all be informed individually if they have been elected or not prior to being announced at the AGM.

Our little display at Trust corner has been given a makeover too as we seek to improve our image and aid transporting the range of goodies we have on offer this we have invested in a mobile cantilever toolbox.

The Irish Iron supporter's club has a number of items available for sale with clearance prices, now available in our club shop.

The memorabilia is from memberships of seasons gone by, with shot glasses, scarves, badges, magnets and more available to acquire at discounted prices.

Attendances at matches are holding up well as the new board strive to stabilise the club on and off the field. The National League North record attendance this season came in midweek at 5,277. The biggest ever attendance in this league 7,488 was set in May 2022 in the play-offs, although in a regular season it is 6,311.

The postponement of the original Tamworth game due to a frozen pitch gave catering impresario Danny Stamp aka the 'Goat' the idea of selling tickets to view the frozen pitch whilst throwing in a free carvery at £12 for an adult. The cheeky approach attracted a good crowd including many regular Iron fans who all enjoyed a first-class meal. As always, every penny raised by Irish Iron as proceeds is returned to the football club as sponsorship, including player kit sponsorship, with the kit then raffled off to one of the members in the given season.

Head to the Iron's club shop to see the full range, wiht clothing available, along with limited edition items of which there are only a handful of quantities left. A number have the unity crest badge, which is desirable among a number of supporters.

Membership for the 2023-24 season is also available at £10 per person, plus postage and packing, if required. Members will receive an enamel badge, phone popper, membership card, plus entry into the raffles.

The Player of the month for December was Ross Fitzsimons: a big well done to Ross, and apologies for the delay in letting you all know! Soon Needers will be sending out the votes for the January vote.

Finally a warm welcome to Rushall Olympic and any travelling Pics fans. Many of us were at Dales Lane way back in August for the first fixture which saw former Iron player Sam Mantom start against the Iron.

Up the mighty Iron!

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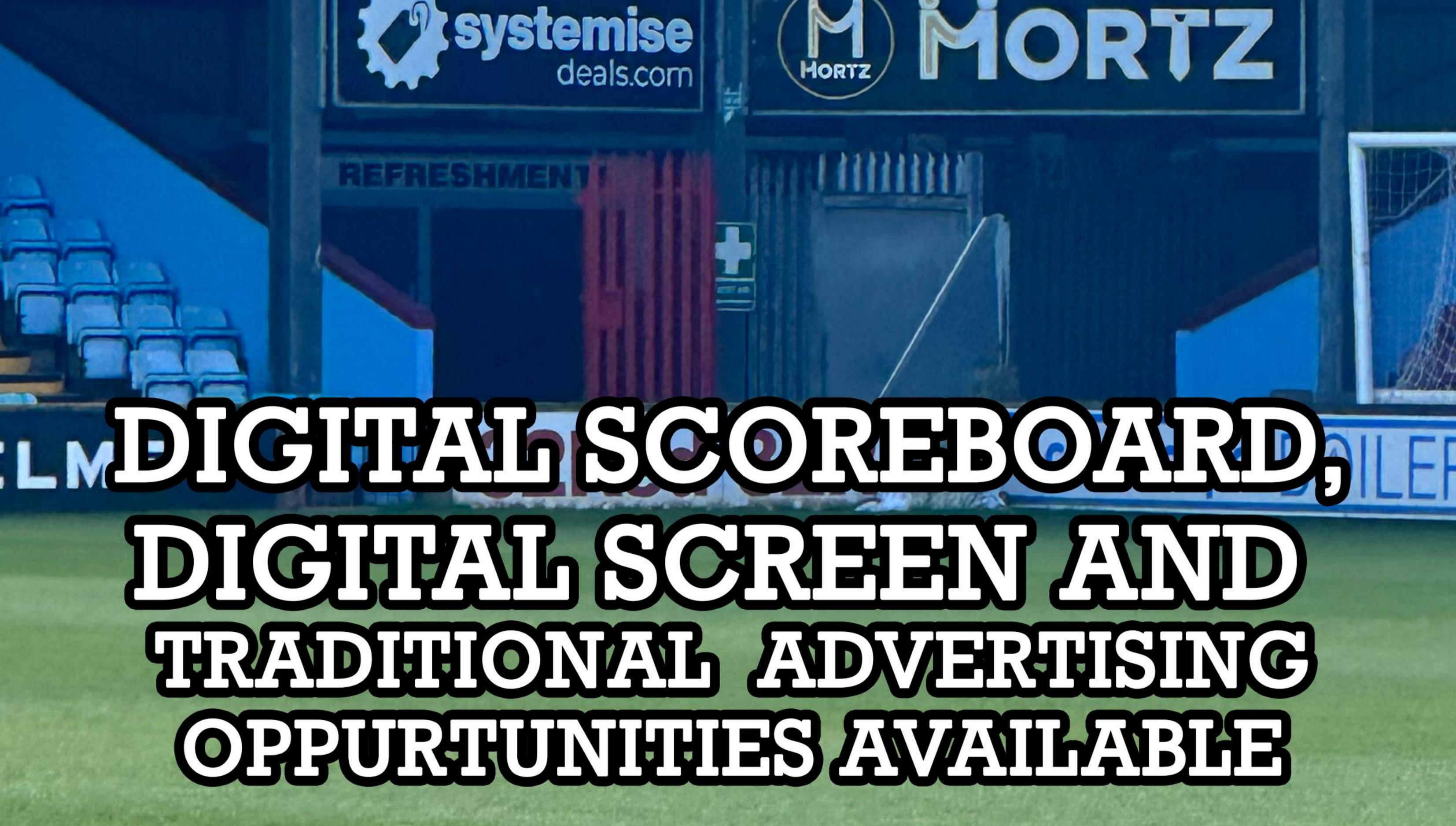
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Sat 12	D1-1	Peterborough Sports	8	Declan Brown	3380 (52 away)	Butterfield (50')	Fitzsimons,
Tue 15	W4-0	Darlington	1	Richard Eley	3392 (339 away)	Whitehall (26', 41), Beestin (78'), Sembie-Ferris (90+3')	Fitzimons,
Sat 19	W3-0	Rushall Olympic	1	Lee Hible	937 (559 away)	Beestin (11'), Whitehall (85'), Denton (88')	Fitzsimons,
Sat 26	L0-1	Curzon Ashton	2	Niall Smith	868 (635 away)		Fitzsimons,
Mon 28	W4-1	Scarborough Athletic	1	Liam Corbett	4860 (640 away)	Shrimpton (18'), Wilson (31'), Elliott (pen, 60'), Mulhern (og, 71')	Fitzsimons,
SEPTEME	BER						
Sat 2	D2-2	Alfreton Town	2	Oliver Mackey	1324 (855 away)	Whitehall (31'), Elliott (41')	Fitzsimons
Tue 5	W3-1	South Shields	1	Jack Hall	3477 (166 away)	Scales (7'), Elliott (17'), Whitehall (pen, 85')	Fitzsimons,
Sat 9	A-A	Buxton	2	James Bancroft	3661 (170 away)	Bennett (82')	Fitzsimons,

Sat 16	D0-0	Brackley Town		Alex Sawden	1909 (26 away)								Fitzsimons,
Tue 19	L1-3	Brackley Town		Dean Skipper	471 (100 away)	Elliott (25')							Fitzsimons,
Sat 23	D1-1	Chorley		George Laflin	1711 (403 away)	Elliott (44')							Fitzsimons,
Sat 30	L0-3	Buxton	4	Ben Robinson	3077 (78 away)								Fitzsimons,
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Sat 7	W1-0	Brackley Town	4	Oliver Mackey	5063 (46 away)	Butterfield (60')							Fitzsimons,
Sat 21	L0-2	Chester	5	William Davis	2676 (363 away)								Fitzsimons,
Tue 24	W6-0	Spennymoor Town	3	Harry Jones	3135 (114 away)	Smith (5', 7'), Denton (40'), Law (54'), But	terfield	(62'), W	hitehall	(81')	Fitzsimons,
Sat 28	W6-1	Bishop's Stortford	2	Oliver Noonan	3610 (33 away)	Smith (8'), Ogle (30'), Eva	ns (39'),	, Denton	(64'), V	Vhitehal	l (75', pe	en, 90+7'	Fitzsimons,
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Tue 7	W2-0	Banbury United	3	Liam Corbett	913 (215 away)	Butterfield (7'), Smith (39')						Fitzsimons,
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Sat 16	W3-0	Chorley	1	Dane McCarrick	3281 (101 away)	Whitehall (pen, 25', 63), S	mith (5	2')					Fitzsimons,
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Tue 26	W2-0	Farsley Celtic	1	Declan Brown	4468 (58 away)	Law (52'), Whitehall (62')							Fitzsimons
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Sat 6	3.00	Hereford											
Sat 13	3.00	Blyth Spartans											
Sat 20	3.00	Gloucester City											
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Rushall Olympic will be the 138th different team to play the Iron at the Attis Arena, and the 127th in the league.
Jimmy Dean reached 50 games in charge of the Iron on Tuesday, with a 42% win record, winning 21, drawing nine and losing 20 of his games in charge. The Iron have scored 78 and conceded 60 in that time.
Tuesday's attendance was the highest at home since March 2020 v Grimsby, and the highest for a midweek game since November 2013 - both versus Grimsby Town.



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#	Team	PI	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	Α	Diff	Pts
1	Tamworth	31	12	1	3	10	2	3	22	3	6	56	19	37	69
2	Scunthorpe United	29	11	2	2	6	4	4	17	6	6	56	24	32	57
3	Scarborough Athletic	31	11	3	1	5	1	10	16	4	11	43	36	7	52
4	Chester	30	10	2	3	4	5	6	14	7	9	36	21	15	49
5	Brackley Town	30	8	3	3	6	4	6	14	7	9	36	24	12	49
6	Chorley	28	8	3	3	5	5	4	13	8	7	48	33	15	47
7	Curzon Ashton	29	6	3	4	7	5	4	13	8	8	41	30	11	47
8	Hereford	31	9	2	4	5	3	8	14	5	12	36	43	-7	47
9	Alfreton Town	28	8	3	3	5	4	5	13	7	8	50	37	13	46
10	South Shields	30	9	3	4	4	4	6	13	7	10	48	36	12	46
11	Boston United	30	8	3	3	4	6	6	12	9	9	36	32	4	45
12	Warrington Town	30	6	4	4	6	4	6	12	8	10	44	38	6	44
13	Blyth Spartans	30	6	4	5	5	4	6	11	8	11	46	42	4	41
14	Farsley Celtic	29	4	6	4	5	5	5	9	11	9	26	32	-6	38
15	Peterborough Sports	28	5	3	6	5	3	6	10	6	12	34	41	-7	36
16	Banbury United	29	4	4	7	6	2	6	10	6	13	28	44	-16	36
17	Buxton	30	4	7	5	5	1	8	9	8	13	40	41	-1	35
18	Rushall Olympic	30	5	4	7	4	3	7	9	7	14	40	46	-6	34
19	Spennymoor Town	27	4	3	6	5	2	7	9	5	13	39	47	-8	32
20	Southport	28	4	2	8	5	3	6	9	5	14	32	52	-20	32
21	King's Lynn Town	31	3	6	7	3	5	7	6	11	14	34	51	-17	29
22	Gloucester City	30	5	3	7	2	4	9	7	7	16	33	44	-11	28
23	Darlington	29	2	7	6	4	0	10	6	7	16	22	53	-31	25
24	Bishop's Stortford	30	4	0	12	1	2	11	5	2	23	28	66	-38	17

TOP GOALSCORERS



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#	Name	Team	Gls	#	Name	Team	Gls
1	Paul Blackett	South Shields	19	6	Danny Newton	Brackley Town	11
2	Danny Waldron	Rushall Olympic	16	7	Diego De Girolamo	Buxton	10
3	Danny Whitehall	Scunthorpe United	14	8	Jordan Thewlis	Alfreton Town	10
4	Kyle Finn	Tamworth	12	9	Justin Johnson	Chorley	10
5	Harry Green	Scarborough Athletic	11	10	Isaac Buckley-Ricketts	Warrington Town	10

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Iron players' competitive appearances...

			EAGUE ONLY	ALL COMPETITIONS			
		2023-24 IRON APPS	2023-24 IRON GOALS	2023-24 IRON MINS	IRON APPS	IRON GOALS	
1 Ross	FITZSIMONS	29 (0)	13	2610	33 (0)	13	
2 Reagan	OGLE	22 (0)	1	1904	60 (0)	1	
3 Michael	KELLY	4 (13)	1	521	8 (13)	1	
4 Max	KOUOGUN	14 (0)	1	1177	17 (0)	1	
5 Will	EVANS	27 (0)	2	2367	31 (0)	2	
6 Andrew	BOYCE	17 (3)	1	1577	87 (11)	4	
7 Michael	CLUNAN	20 (0)	0	1710	22 (0)	0	
8 Alfie	BEESTIN	8 (2)	2	768	102 (31)	9	
9 Danny	ELLIOTT	13 (11)	6	1201	23 (19)	9	
10 Callum	ROBERTS	6 (5)	3	619	7 (5)	3	
11 Cameron	WILSON	12 (9)	1	1140	39 (31)	7	
13 Maison	CAMPBELL	0 (0)	0	0	0 (0)	0	
15 Tom	PUGH	1 (4)	0	116	43 (26)	0	
19 Jacob	BUTTERFIELD	25 (2)	7	2068	69 (4)	12	
20 Kian	SCALES	28 (0)	1	2409	30 (0)	1	
22 Fin	SHRIMPTON	5 (11)	2	664	25 (13)	2	
26 Jason	LAW	12 (3)	2	913	12 (4)	2	
27 Dion	SEMBIE-FERRIS	1 (5)	1	142	6 (9)	1	
33 Tyler	DENTON	29 (0)	3	2533	32 (1)	3	
44 Ross	BARROWS	5 (4)	0	535	6 (4)	0	
49 Danny	WHITEHALL	22 (4)	14	1876	25 (4)	14	
	OWN GOALS		2				
Players out on	loan						
Marcus	CARVER	0 (0)	0	0	9 (11)	0	
14 Richie	BENNETT	2 (1)	0	151	11 (3)	1	
17 Harrison	POULTER	0 (0)	0	0	0 (8)	0	
18 Josh	ROBERTSON	0 (0)	0	0	0 (2)	0	
Players no long	ger at the club						
21 Connor	SMITH	12 (4)	6	1093	14 (5)	7	
23 Jack	JENKINS	4 (4)	0	426	5 (4)	0	

*Note that for goalkeepers in green, their clean sheet figures are denoted instead of goals. ^ Abandoned game v Buxton - stats not included as result expunged

IT'S AN IRON STAT! The Iron's win at Peterborough Sports last weekend was their sixth of the season from 15 games, the same amount won in the 67 previous on the road.

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TUESDAY. FEBRUARY 6TH - 3PM

Having been postponed on two previous occasions, the Iron are looking to make it third time lucky when facing Blyth Spartans on Tuesday, February 6th. equally well but a flurry of poor results from January onwards saw that they finished 19th, only managing to ensure survival on the final day with a dominant display over Hereford where they won 5-0 with goals coming from five different respective > Take the exit towards Seaton/A192/Delaval/Cramlingto n from A189.

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> Follow A1061 and B1523 to the destination and when at the final roundabout, continue straight onto Plessey Rd and

The fixture against the Spartans will be United's first away game in the month of February and will also be the first time that the two sides have met since both the green army's and Scunthorpe's formation in 1899. The reverse fixture at the Attis Arena is the Iron's final home game of the campaign.

THE STADIUM

The tie against the Spartans will take place at the Croft Park stadium as Spartans look to return to winning ways following their recent loss to table toppers Tamworth and a draw on Tuesday night to bottom of the table Darlington. Blyth's home form has been so far instrumental to their impressive start to the term, which sees the green army sat 9th in the league standings having amassed 20 points form their opening 14 fixtures.

scorers.

The green army have played at Croft Park since 1909 with the stadium playing host to numerous large encounters of the years, such as an FA cup 5th round replay against Wrexham during the 1977-78 season which is just one of Blyth's many notable endeavours in the FA Cup.

The stadium itself has a capacity of 4,130 of which 530 are seated. The Iron have been allocated 900 tickets for the fixture and the supporters will be housed in the Plessey Road covered terrace.

make a left turn.

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Parking for the fixture is freely available on the surrounding streets, but we ask supporters to please park sensibly and respect the local residents.

ALTERNATIVE TRAVEL

The nearest railway station to Croft Park is Cramlington, which is served by trains from Newcastle Central and Morpeth. Cramlington railway station is located five miles away from the stadium.

Last season Blyth started



147 miles from Glanford Park, it will take approximately two hours and 34 minutes to journey from the Iron's stadium.

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The Social Club at the ground itself welcomes away fans and is a great place to drink. It serves the usual range of beers and has some bottled real ales. As well as beers the social clubs sell a range of food.





COMBINE SOUT

A look at the Iron's next home game...





SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2024 - 3PM KICK-OFF

The Iron quickly return back to the Attis Arena next weekend, hosting Curzon Ashton for their latest encounter in the Vanarama **National League North.**

The side have enjoyed a strong first half of the season and sit in seventh position in the league table, having attained 47 points from their 29 games so far. They head into their game this afternoon six unbeaten, with three wins and three draws to their name.

Coincidentally, their last encounter was against the Iron's opposition today, with a 2-2 draw being played out at Rushall Olympic last weekend. Prior to that they emphatically beat King's Lynn Town 4-0 away from home before enduring two draws against Boston United and Farsley Celtic.

PAY ON THE DAY: Supporters can pay on the day by purchasing online, by visiting the ticket office with payment by card or by contactless (in the Vertikal Stand) or matchday ticket booth (in the corner between the Britcon and Mortz Stands).

Please note, full matchday prices apply and there is no payment on the turnstiles.

Fans are able to pay cash at the corner ticket booth between the Britcon and Mortz Stands, which opens 90 minutes before kick-off.

Last month, they did ensure heavy Christmas defeats against Gloucester City (3-0) and Chorley (4-0), and had enjoyed up and down spells throughout the season. Indeed, they went on a four-game winning streak, including three home wins in a row in league and cup, but preceding that they lost four in a row, including three in a row at home.

It was early on in the season when the two sides met in Curzon, with the hosts edging the encounter by the odd goal in what was Scunthorpe's first defeat of the season. It continued the hosts' unbeaten start, and they would continue that for a further game before being edged out by Tamworth and then Chorley.

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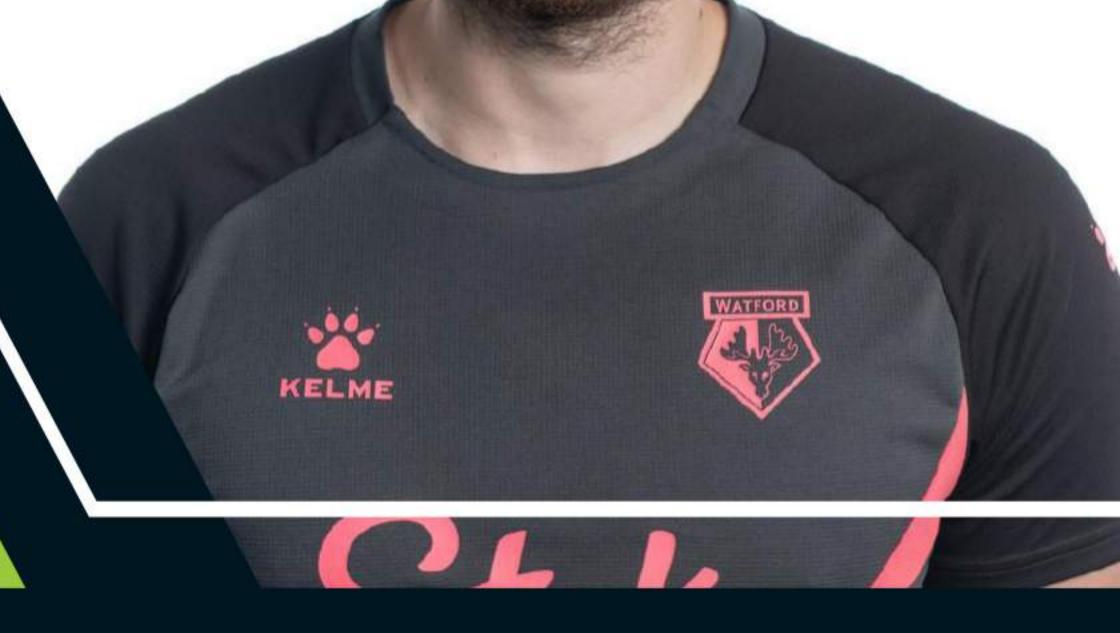
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