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THE GAFFER

SIMON WEAVER

It's great to be back at The EnviroVent for league action after such an impressive performance against Morecambe. In that match, I thought we showed a fantastic level of urgency in our play and earned the right to play.

After our defeat against Accrington, it really felt like the rest button had been hit. We took some time to reflect on where we are and the type of team we want to be.

Obviously, there is no getting away from the fact we let ourselves down there against Accrington but I thought the players went a long way to putting that performance right.

From that very first whistle you could see we came out swinging and as a support we sensed the fans were lifted by that.

I'd like to pay credit to the players because you could see the hurt they were showing. At 1-0 it's very easy to try and play safe which invites pressure. However, we didn't do that, we got on the front foot and got the second goal which our play deserved.

We always want to improve the threat we pose in attack. On Saturday, looking at our expected goals stat then you can see that quality is beginning to show.

Now, as we come into this one, it's about hitting those same heights once again. Barrow have themselves had a promising start to the campaign. Having come up against Pete Wild on a number of occasions, we know that his sides are full of heart and energy.

That challenge is something which we want to rise to. Saturday showed our ability to get forward and



limit good teams from playing and we will have to reach those levels once again.

As we continue to compete on a number of fronts, I believe the strength in-depth which we do have will be tested. Looking at Saturday, I think the lads who came in really seized the moment and took the opportunity to impress.

Rod McDonald is a shining example of just that. He came into the starting line-up after an injury and played really well. I also think a player like him helps make those around him better and that was certainly the case with Anthony O'Connor.

As a duo, they looked like they had played together for years. At this level too it's important that defenders have that instinct to read danger but also to deal with it accordingly and they both showed promising signs of what we hope is to come this season.

Simon

THE SKIPPER

JOSH FALKINGHAM

Our performance against Morecambe gave us a platform to now kick on. However, it is just one performance and now we need to build on that. There was a lot of positives to take from the game, I think we did the basics better than Morecambe did and got our goals in vital moments of the match.

While we got that important win, I don't think we had all of the run of play. When they had a couple of spells on top, we made sure they didn't get a goal or change the direction of the game. Personally, I think that is just as pleasing as our forward play.

Of course, we can be pleased by the hard work but if we don't back up that performance here today then all that work is forgotten about.

Barrow themselves have had a really solid start to the season, every game we play against them is a tough one. While it is a new season, we have to respect that. As a club they are on a similar journey to us and it'll be a game which comes down to the finest of margins.

In situations like that, it's always comes down to those who manage the key moments of the game better. Hopefully, we can keep working hard, keep developing and reap the rewards today in front of our home fans.

Heading out today, we have confidence in our own ability but mentally we have to be switched on at all times. If we let it slip then they will be on the front foot and in our faces before we know it.

We have to take advantage of the fact we are at home. I spoke before the Morecambe game about how important that can be and today is no different.



Personally, I was really pleased to get my chance back in the starting line-up. Obviously, as a player you want to play every game you can. However, you have to wait for your chance and when it does come, you have to be ready.

While I was pleased personally, the main thing was getting that all important three points. After three defeats in a row, we knew that we would be tested mentally but we managed to come through it.

This early in the season, facing those challenges head on and coming out on top gives you a massive confidence boost. Now, we want to bring that into what will be a difficult match here today.




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Armstrong 20' pen; Thomson 66'



THE TEAMS

Harrogate Town:

Oxley, Sims, Foulds, O'Connor, McDonald, Falkingham (c), Sutton (Burrell 80'), Thomson, Armstrong, Folarin (Muldoon 77'), J. Daly (Odoh 88')

Unused Subs: Thomas, W. Smith, M. Daly, Gibson

Morecambe:

Moore, Love (c), Rawson, Bedeau (Tutonda 63'), Senior (Davenport 63'), Songo'o, King (Slew 77'), Bloxham, McKiernan (Taylor 36'), Major, Mellon (Stokes 77')

Unused Subs: C. Smith, A. Smith

Referee: Ross Joyce

POSSESSION %	
58	42
TOTAL SHOTS	
16	9
SHOTS ON TARGET	
6	1
CORNERS	
1	4
FOULS COMMITTED	
13	11



MATCH REPORT

Goals either side of half-time from Luke Armstrong and George Thomson were good enough to secure a 2-0 win for Town against ten-man Morecambe. Armstrong fired home a penalty on 20 minutes before Thomson struck a sensational free-kick midway through the second-half after Ferrand Rawson had been sent off after receiving a second yellow card. The win saw Town bring a run of three successive defeats to an end.

The visitors created the first chance of note on ten minutes when the lively Tom Bloxham fed JJ McKiernan but the Shrimps striker slipped at an inopportune moment to end the early attack.

Despite ceding possession in the opening stages Town got the lead when an impressive move featuring George Thomson and Toby Sims saw the winger fire a shot on goal. The effort was blocked but Sam Folarin's rebound was blocked by the arm of Ferrand Rawson. Despite protests that saw Rawson and Jacob Bedeau yellow carded Armstrong stepped up to crash the spot kick home.

Sparked into life Town went close shortly after but Daly headed straight into the arms of Moore. Played in by an incisive Sutton pass, Matty Foulds then delivered a low testing cross that skidded across the face of goal to safety. A probing cross from Folarin was then met at the far post by Armstrong who made strong contact but couldn't direct his header on target. Armstrong then won possession and fired a shot just wide as the half drew to a close.

The second-half began with an immediate yellow card for Sutton who was late in his challenge on substitute Taylor.

Daly then powerfully met Falkingham's deep cross but he was under the ball and his effort landed some way over the bar.

Bloxham woke the travelling fans from their slumber on the hour mark with a volley that caused Oxley concern before flying wide. Mellon then turned quickly to fire beyond the stranded Oxley who was relieved to see the ball cannon back off the advertising hoardings. Derek Adams made a pair of changes but almost immediately though Rawson was shown a second yellow card for a foul on Sutton and once the dust had settled on the protests, Thomson coolly stepped up to perfectly execute the resulting free-kick, leaving Moore with no chance as it flew into the top left-hand corner.

The numerical disadvantage meant the visitors were always chasing the game and Town should have wrapped the game up with a third goal when Thomson's slide rule pass was inch perfect but Armstrong fired over. Their lead remained intact though and the final whistle brought with it a welcome three points for Town.

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JUNIOR SUPPORTERS CLUB SUCCESS

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If you're not yet a member but want to be part of this incredible journey, simply scan the QR code opposite. It's your gateway to becoming an official member and enjoying all the exclusive perks that come with it.

We're so excited about these developments and are committed to making your fan experience better than ever. Thank you for your unwavering support, and let's continue to be loud and proud!

Enjoy the game.

Hamil

FIRST TIME VISITOR

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RORY McCARDLE

INTERVIEW BY NICKOLAS MCINALLY



IT'S EARLY ON A FRIDAY MORNING, A MATCH AGAINST HARTLEPOOL LIES IN WAIT ON SATURDAY. HOWEVER, FOR RORY MCARDLE THE APPROACH IS DIFFERENT. HE LOOKS RELAXED AND TAKES A SEAT.

AFTER RETIRING FROM PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL IN THE SUMMER, THE FIRST QUESTION POSED TO THE CLUB'S NEW DEVELOPMENT PHASE COACH: 'DO YOU MISS PLAYING?'

"I DO. I HAVE BEEN SO OCCUPIED THAT I KIND OF FORGET ABOUT THE DRAW OF IT. HOWEVER, IT'S MATCHDAYS WHERE I FEEL IT THE MOST. I WATCHED A FEW OF THE FIRST-TEAM GAMES AND WATCHING SOME OF THE BLOCKS FROM DEFENDERS. THE FEELING OF THAT IS WHAT I MISS.

"THE BACKS TO GOAL, WINNING THE GAME, BLOCKS, HEADERS ALL GIVE YOU A BUZZ. WHEN YOU WIN THERE IS A CAMARADERIE IN THE DRESSING ROOM. IT'S THE SAME HERE BUT IT'S OBVIOUSLY SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT. I'D BE LYING IF I SAID I DIDN'T MISS IT."

Despite conceding his desire to cross the white line, the former Town defender admits it was the right time to hang up his boots.

"I had a great relationship with the gaffer and Thirs. We had spoken on a couple of occasions about the future, about where I saw myself and about where I wanted to be. I always made an effort to help lads after training which I think the gaffer noticed.

"He mentioned about a potential opportunity which could come up. He asked if it was something I would consider. It's a big decision because it meant I had to be happy with the choice to stop playing.

"I spoke to a couple of ex-players and team mates. I had a couple of offers about playing part-time still but I wasn't sure that it was for me. I had made the decision to retire and I was happy to finish playing.

"I think I am quite particular with stuff too. I'm not sure I would have been able to handle the part-time stuff. I was used to things being done right with no complacency and I wasn't sure if that would creep in.

"I spoke to an ex-manager who advised me to stay in the game where I can. They knew all about this club and when I told them I had the opportunity here they backed up my belief in this role being the right one for me."

At 36, McArdle now got set to begin the new stage of his life and that began with the desire to make a positive first impression on the new scholars.

"As a player, you don't really think about the planning which is done for you in the close season. Now I was starting to look at playing a role in that now. Obviously, I knew some of the second year scholars, they had come up to training a couple of times but I was new to the first years.

"I wanted to make sure I got the little things right. I didn't want to not know the players by name on that first day, if I was ever being coached by someone who didn't know my name



then it didn't quite sit right and that was something that I wanted to avoid.

"I also had to introduce myself, I thought about that quite a lot over the summer. I spoke to them about passing on my experiences on, my new role and getting to know each other.

"It was the first meeting for us but I wanted to make sure the lads knew they could come and speak to me about anything."

Six weeks on from starting in his new role, McArdle is enjoying the opportunity to start fresh.

"It feels weird to be honest, during the summer I had time to reflect and relax but I was looking forward to what was next for me. We have been back around five / six weeks now and it has been great.

"This is something I have always been excited about doing. I am still involved in football but over on the other side now. I have learned a lot since I first started. I was always open to learning because I knew it wasn't going to be easy.

"For me, this was like starting again. I have been lucky with the staff that are here, they have all helped me settle in which has been great."

Looking back, McArdle remembers the delight from his family that he would continue his affiliation with Town.

"My family were delighted, when I made the decision to retire I think they were cautious about what I would do next. I had lost my routine by retiring but coming back to the club, it gave me that back and they all know how I loved my time here.

"The club doesn't want to just stand still, we want to keep moving forward. They recognised it's not just a job, it's something for me to keep motivated with. I also had the opportunity to pass on my experience to the next generation."

After former Academy Manager Paul Stansfield departed the club last month, Town's new Development Phase Coach believes the transition with Stansfield was managed well.

"We all know how far this academy has come over the last two years. Paul was a mainstay of that and I have to give massive thanks to him. He was in every day helping Josh and I to build up a routine.

"If we needed anything at all he was there. That was a huge help and I don't think I would be as comfortable as I am now if I didn't have the feedback from having Stanners there.

"His attention to detail and the way he works away from the pitch isn't something I was used to. We had a couple of presentations and you could see how he got his point across. He understood the boys and the way to speak to them. I'm glad I had the opportunity to sit and learn from him."

The new look coaching set up also sees Josh Law promoted to the role of Academy Manager and this coaching duo is one which McArdle is pleased to be part of.

"Alongside Paul, Josh Law has played a huge role over the last 18 months. Before taking the role, I already knew Josh because I had played with his brother Nicky before. That connection and relationship was important because before getting started I knew him well.

"We travel in together every morning. That gives us an hour meeting almost before we even get to training. The amount of stuff I have learned from those conversations have been great. He is another person who I can't thank enough.

"When we first started speaking about the way we would play and our approaches are very similar. Everyone wants to play well, keep the ball and create lovely passing moves. However, it isn't always possible but we are always open to playing the game which is in front of us."

When asked about the key principles of a side coached by Rory McArdle, the former Scunthorpe and Exeter man's answer was simple.

"I have tried to implement the discipline side of things. I want to see things done properly, as a group we won't cut corners, we will work hard, run around and make sure we have those fundamentals to build on.

"At 16, 17 years old then it gives our players a solid base. Obviously, we have Will too who is our Sports Scientist and he makes sure the lads are eating and fuelling themselves well. We have posters etc around where we train but we also want the lads to take a bit of ownership to look after themselves."



Having lost several members of the club's title winning side last season, McArdle praised the club's summer recruitment as we began the defence of our title three weeks ago.

"The crop of players coming through is different but there is a good core group of players still here. The recruitment which has been done is really good. I spoke to Josh and he shared his belief in the importance of this recruitment work and the building blocks that gives you for success.

"It's a challenge in itself but it's one which I want. The hard work the academy staff has done is shown in the quality of player which we produced over the last year. However, the challenge is there to replace them.

"It's always going to be difficult because a lot of people will want to go to the very best clubs. However, looking at the bigger picture we provide a better opportunity to play for the first-team and I think that is something we need to use to our advantage."

Looking ahead to the new season, Town's Development Phase Coach insists the club will not rest on their laurels.

"We aren't going to stand still, we want to keep getting better, we want to keep pushing as many into the first-team. That would keep improving on that success but we have to keep learning from every situation to piece it all together."

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For the league cup competition it all began as the Unibond League Challenge Cup with Town in Group three. There were three cups on offer - the League, Presidents and Chairman's. Town were placed in the Chairman's Cup after drawing three and winning one in their group.

In the Quarter Final Town beat Runcorn 1-0 at home, a fifth clean sheet in succession, and met Worksop Town in the Semi-Final at home. 623 gathered at Wetherby Road with former Newcastle, Spurs and England International Chris Waddle 40, playing for the visitors. Not only did Town win the match 1-0 but also played without a recognised keeper for over half the game when Chris Hill was stretchered off with a

suspected broken leg. Outfield player, Kevin Severn went in goal and defied everything thrown at him and in so doing Town reached a Final for the first time in eleven years since 1990.

After winning the right of venue with the toss of a coin Town met Barrow in a plum tie at Wetherby Road on Thursday 19 April 2001 in front of 903. It was 1-1 after 90 minutes thanks to a late equaliser from Craig Elliott but with no further score in extra time, penalties would decide the winner. Barrow won the shoot-out 3-0.

Town's Cup Final team:

Hill, Atkinson, Ball, Bairstow, Hudson, McNaughton, Richards, Ord, Elliott, Severn, Merris
Subs: Underwood and Zoll.

Under Mick Hennigan and coach John Reed Town finished 11th in NPL Division One that season with Elliott finishing top scorer with 17 league and cup goals from 32 games while

Barrow under Kenny Lowe finished 6th in NPL Premier Division with Nicky Peverell top scoring with 33 goals.

THE ROUTE TO THE CHAIRMAN'S CUP FINAL

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GROUP 2	GROUP 3		
11 December 2000	21 November 2000		
Wetherby Town 1-1 Barrow	Wetherby Town 1-1 Harrogate Town		
11 January 2001	11 December 2000		
Leeds City 1-1 Barrow	Leeds City 1-1 Harrogate Town		
11 January 2001	11 December 2000		
Barrow 1-1 Wakefield	Leeds City 1-1 Harrogate Town		
11 January 2001	11 December 2000		
Wetherby Town 1-1 Barrow	Wetherby Town 1-1 Harrogate Town		

CHAIRMAN'S CUP QUARTER FINALS

11 April 2001	11 April 2001
Wetherby Town 1-0 Barrow	Wetherby Town 1-0 Harrogate Town

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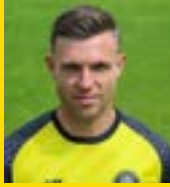
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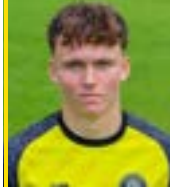
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Lewis Smalley heads in Town's first



HARROGATE TOWN U18 VS HARTLEPOOL UNITED U18

SAT 26 AUG | EFL YOUTH ALLIANCE - NORTH EAST



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Smalley 35', 87'

Orrell 31', 48'

Town U18s maintained their unbeaten start to their Youth Alliance North East title defence with a hard-fought 2-2 draw with Hartlepool United on Saturday.

Town started brightly and with just three minutes on the clock could have taken an early lead when Elijah Samuels knocked down a ball forward into the path of Josh Brodella who drove past three Hartlepool defenders only for the keeper to turn away his low effort. On 16 minutes some fast link up play between Jack

Bray, Samuels and Brodella released Alfie Lee who drove towards the edge of the box and unleashed a powerful drive that hit the inside of the post and away to safety.

Hartlepool looked bright and energetic in possession, but it was Town who counter-attacked well on 21 minutes after Lee had won possession midway inside his own half. He passed forward to Bray who found Brodella in space who then drove forward again, before returning it to Bray who had continued his run

into the box who played it across goal for Samuels but his low effort was superbly saved by Pools keeper before being scrambled clear again.

Despite numerous opportunities for Town it was Pools that went ahead on 31 minutes when neat interplay between the Hartlepool forwards released the number 11 who fired home past Frankie Shepherd.

It did not take Town long to respond, however, as some clever play down the left released James Moorby who



Ollie Nicholson battles for possession

was brought down for a free kick on the byline just outside the box. From the free kick, Ollie Nicholson delivered a pinpoint cross to Smalley at the back post who headed home and made it all square at half time.

30 seconds after the restart Town found themselves behind again from a dangerous cross into the middle of the box which was met by the Pools winger to steer the ball into the far corner.

Two minutes later Town thought they were level - Lee pressed high and won the ball, before releasing Samuels who drove at the defender and played a one-two with Lee before squaring the ball to Brodella to tap home, only for the assistant referee to flag for offside.

As Town went in search of the equaliser, the game became stretched with Hartlepool playing on the counter attack.

Town continued to create chances and in the 65th minute, another good move between Lee, Samuels and Brodella opened the goal up for Brodella but he shot straight at the keeper. A minute later, and once again, Lee found Brodella to release a 3v2 situation, a lovely reverse ball from Brodella found the overlapping Lucas Barnes whose square ball for the waiting Obarotimi and Samuels, was gratefully smothered by the Pools keeper. On 72 minutes Samuels picked the ball up and drove towards the left hand side of the box and hit the ball across goal with his left foot which again just rolled past the far post.

The game continued to flow from end to end with both sides lacking the final pass to punish, but on 87 minutes Town finally got a deserved equaliser. A corner from Nicholson into the centre of the 6 yard box was parried by the goalkeeper into the path of Lewis Smalley who fired home his second of the game for a deserved point.

Town: Shepherd, Barnes (Robinson), Moorby (Pow), Taylor, Smalley, Etherington, Nicholson, Lee, Brodella, Bray (Obarotimi), Samuels **Not used:** Mooney, Hindle

FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

Date	Opposition	Comp	Res	Scorers
August				
Sat 05	Notts County	LGE	2-0	Brodella (2)
Sat 12	Mansfield Town	LGE	2-0	O'Boyle, Brodella
Sat 19	Port Vale	YC	3-3	Samuels, Barnes, Hindle
Sat 26	Hartlepool United	LGE	2-2	Smalley (2)
September				
Sat 2	Hull City	PDL	11am	
Sat 16	Lincoln City	LGE	11am	
Sat 23	Burton Albion	LGE	12pm	
Sat 30	Doncaster Rovers	LGE	11am	
October				
Sat 07	Scunthorpe United	LGE	11am	
Sat 21	Sheffield United	PDL	11am	
Sat 28	Huddersfield Town	LGE	11am	
November				
Fri 03	Bradford City	LGE	11am	
Sat 18	Rotherham United	LGE	11am	
Sat 25	Mansfield Town	PDL	11am	
December				
Sat 02	Grimsby Town	LGE	11am	
Tue 19	Burton Albion	LGE	1pm	
January				
Sat 06	Lincoln City	LGE	11am	
Sat 13	Huddersfield Town	LGE	11am	
Sat 20	Mansfield Town	LGE	11am	
February				
Sat 03	Grimsby Town	LGE	11am	
Sat 10	Scunthorpe United	LGE	11am	
Sat 17	Doncaster Rovers	LGE	11am	
March				
Sat 02	Notts County	LGE	11am	
Sat 09	Rotherham United	LGE	11am	
Sat 16	Hartlepool United	LGE	11am	
Sat 23	Bradford City	LGE	11am	

Fixtures and kick-off times subject to change. Town score shown first. Home games in Bold; LGE Youth Alliance North East; YC Youth Alliance Cup; **FAY** FA Youth Cup; **PDL** U18 Professional Development League Cup

YOUTH ALLIANCE NORTH EAST - LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Hartlepool United	3	2	1	0	9	2	7	7
2 Harrogate Town	3	2	1	0	6	2	4	7
3 Burton Albion	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	6
4 Rotherham United	3	2	0	1	6	8	-2	6
5 Mansfield Town	3	1	1	1	4	4	0	4
6 Doncaster Rovers	2	1	0	1	6	4	2	3
7 Bradford City	3	1	0	2	3	7	-4	3
8 Huddersfield Town	2	0	2	0	3	3	0	2
9 Notts County	3	0	1	2	1	5	-4	1
10 Lincoln City	2	0	0	2	2	4	-2	0
11 Grimsby Town	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
12 Scunthorpe United	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	0

YOUTH ALLIANCE CUP - NORTHERN - GROUP 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Port Vale	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
2 Harrogate Town	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
3 Mansfield Town	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
4 Oldham Athletic	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

U18 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE CUP - GROUP C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Harrogate Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2 Hull City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3 Mansfield Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Sheffield United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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SUN 27 AUG | NERWFL LEAGUE CUP



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FIXTURES 2023/24

Date	Opposition	Comp	Res
August			
Sun 27	York City Devs	LC	1-4
September			
Sun 03	Sunderland West End	LGE	
Sun 10	Wakefield AFC	LGE	
Sun 17	Alnwick Town	LGE	
Sun 24	Barnsley	LGE	
October			
Sun 01	Bradford City	LGE	
Sun 08	Wallsend B.C	LGE	
Sun 15	Hartlepool United	LGE	
Sun 22	Hull United	LGE	
Sun 29	Redcar Town	LGE	
November			
Sun 05	South Shields	LGE	
Sun 12	Spennymoor Town	LGE	
Sun 19	Spennymoor Town	LGE	
Sun 26	Sunderland West End	LGE	
December			
Sun 03	Wakefield AFC	LGE	
Sun 10	Alnwick Town	LGE	
Sun 17	Barnsley	LGE	

Town score shown first. Home games in Bold
LGE North East Regional Womens Football League
LC NERWFL League Cup





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INTRODUCING BARROW



IN THE DUGOUT PETE WILD

APPOINTED: MAY 2022 AGE: 39

Pete Wild was appointed manager of Barrow in May 2022, after being at the helm at FC Halifax Town for the previous three years.

Wild, 39, played amateur football before taking up coaching at the age of 18 and working as a development officer at the Manchester FA before he began coaching in Oldham's Academy. After working at the club for 10 years, Wild enjoyed two spells in caretaker charge of the Latics, before he took

the job on a full-time basis in the latter part of the 2018/19 season. Whilst in the Oldham hotseat, Wild led the Latics to an FA Cup giant killing of Premier League Fulham at Craven Cottage. He left Boundary Park at the end of that season to take charge of FC Halifax Town in the National League later that summer where he spent three seasons and took charge of just under 150 games and helped the Shaymen to the play-offs in 2021/22.

In his first season at Holker Street last season, he led the Bluebirds to a 9th place finish.



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LAST TIME OUT



LEAGUE FORM GUIDE



ACCRINGTON
STANLEY
(A)
DREW
1-1
15 AUG



STOCKPORT
COUNTY
(A)
LOST
0-1
19 AUG



WREXHAM
(H)
DREW
1-1
26 AUG



MEET SOME KEY MEN FOR THE BLUEBIRDS



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PAUL FARMAN

GOALKEEPER

Experienced goalkeeper Farman joined the Bluebirds in summer 2021 from Carlisle United.

His youth career started at Newcastle United before making his senior breakthrough at Blyth Spartans and then moving to Gateshead in 2009, where he spent three years. A loan spell at Lincoln City in 2012 resulted in a permanent move to Sincil Bank that summer where he went on to make 250 appearances over a six year spell before moving on to Stevenage in 2018. He played over 75 games at The Lamex Stadium before his switch to Carlisle.

He has already surpassed 100 appearances for the Bluebirds and has kept 27 clean sheets during his two-year spell at the club so far.



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NIALL CANAVAN

DEFENDER (CAPTAIN)

Signing in January 2022 from Bradford City, the centre-back has amassed over 300 career games.

A former Republic of Ireland Under-21, it was with Scunthorpe United that the 32-year-old made his name, signing pro in 2009 and going on to play almost 200 games for The Iron.

In 2016, a successful loan spell at Rochdale turned permanent and he spent two seasons at Spotland before moving to Plymouth Argyle. After just short of 100 appearances for The Pilgrims, Canavan re-joined Bradford in January 2021.

A mainstay in the Bluebirds' backline since moving to Holker Street, Canavan has been ever-present this season.



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DAVID WORRALL

MIDFIELDER

Worrall, 33, joined the Bluebirds over the Summer following his departure from Sky Bet League One side Port Vale.

Worrall, who has nearly 500 EFL appearances to his name, counts Port Vale, Millwall, Southend and Bury as some of his former clubs, having come through Bury's youth system. After just the one appearance for Bury, Worrall was snapped up by Premier League side West Bromwich Albion in 2007 where he spent three years.

A creative attacking midfielder, David has a wealth of experience and a fantastic record of assists and was ever present for Port Vale last season, making 39 appearances and chipping in with one goal and six assists.

EMILE ACQUAH

FORWARD

Signing from National League Side Maidenhead United, Emile Acquah, became the Bluebirds' eighth summer signing.

He left the Magpies following a two-year stint where he most notably bagged 13 goals in the National League last season. Prior to his move to Alan Devonshire's side, the 22-year-old came through the ranks at Southend United where he made his senior debut at 18, going on to make a total of 41 appearances for the club.

He has made an impressive start this season, weighing in with three goals so far.



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LEAGUE STATS 2023/24			
League Position	Avg. Possession	Avg. Shots per game	
9	49.1%	10.8	
Total Points	Goals Scored	Goals Conceded	
8	6	5	
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We have recently launched two new Walking Football sessions, one in Ripon through the day on a Monday and a session specifically for Women on a Thursday night. If you would like to get involved in any of our walking football sessions, please email community@harrogatetownafc.com



WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

MONDAY

Walking Football

Kearsley Road, Ripon
12am-1pm

Man v Fat

King James School,
Knaresborough
6.30-9pm

Walking Football

King James School,
Knaresborough
8-9pm

TUESDAY

Town Runners

Meet at Stray Rein
6-7pm

THURSDAY

Women's Walking Football

Rossett Sports Centre MUGA
8-9pm

Pitch Positive

Rossett Sports Centre
7-9pm

Walking Football

Rossett Sports Centre MUGA
7-8pm & 8-9pm



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NOTTINGHAM FOREST U21S

HOME
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GILLINGHAM

AWAY
SAT 9 SEP 2023 | 3PM
SKYBET LEAGUE 2



BRADFORD CITY

AWAY
SAT 16 SEP 2023 | 3PM
SKYBET LEAGUE 2



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HOME
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SKYBET LEAGUE 2



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INTRODUCING NOTTINGHAM FOREST U21S



We welcome manager Warren Joyce and his Nottingham Forest Under-21s to the EnviroVent Stadium on Tuesday night for our first game in the EFL Trophy in Northern Group C.

Nottingham Forest's latest batch of academy players represent the Reds' U21s in the Premier League 2, playing their home fixtures at Notts County's Meadow Lane, Alfreton Town's Impact Arena or at Nottingham Forest's training ground. Last season they finished third in the PL2 Division 2 and this campaign, after the reorganisation of PL2, they are unbeaten (at time of going to print) with a win and two draws in their first three games and lie 10th in the 26-team table.

This is the first time that Forest's Under-21s Team have competed in the EFL Trophy in the club's history as an academy outfit, testing themselves against Sky Bet League One and League Two opposition in Harrogate Town, Carlisle United and Accrington Stanley.

Nottingham Forest has produced a number of future Reds first-team players from their Under-21 side through the years including first team captain Joe Worrall, as well as Matty Cash and Jamaal Lascelles who also came through the Reds youth fold whilst Michael Dawson also started at the City Ground.

THE SQUAD

MANAGER

Warren Joyce

GOALKEEPERS

Aaron Bott
Will Brook
George Shelvey

DEFENDERS

Zach Abbott
Ben Hammond
Justin Hanks
James Clarridge
Kyle McAdam
Lewis Barker
Pharrell Johnson

MIDFIELDERS

Jamie McDonnell (c)
Josh Powell
Ateef Konaté
Sam Collins
Brandon Aguilera
Jack Perkins
Ben Perry
Jack Nadin
Jack Thompson

FORWARDS

Alex Mighten
Joe Gardner
Detlef Osong
Aaron Korpál
Julian Larsson
Manni Norkett

REGENT LINE-UP V ARSENAL U21

W2-D | PREMIER LEAGUE 2 | 28 AUG | MEADOW LANE



SUBS USED: PERKINS (FOR GARDNER 68'), PERRY (FOR KONATÉ 76'),
NOT USED: BROOK, CLARRIDGE, NORKETT



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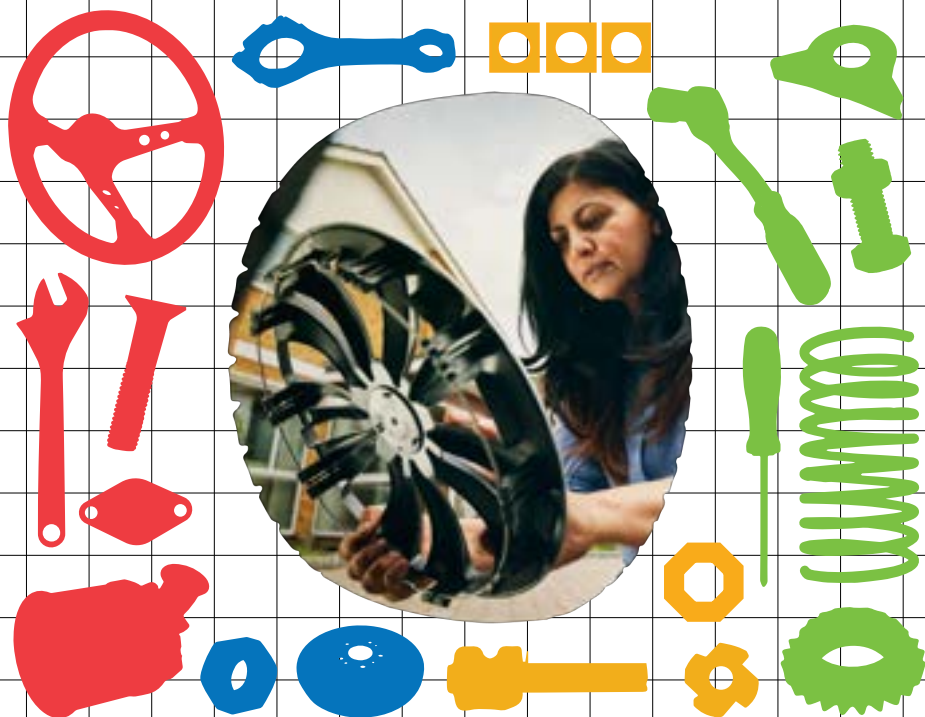


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LEAGUE TABLE 2023/24



POS	TEAM	HOME					AWAY					GD	PTS	LAST 5	
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F				A
1	MK Dons	5	2	0	0	3	1	2	0	1	9	7	4	12	●●●●●
2	Gillingham	5	1	0	1	1	3	3	0	0	3	0	1	12	●●●●●
3	Accrington Stanley	5	2	1	0	6	2	1	0	1	2	2	4	10	●●●●●
4	Notts County	5	2	0	0	5	3	1	1	1	4	6	0	10	●●●●●
5	AFC Wimbledon	5	0	2	0	2	2	2	1	0	5	0	5	9	●●●●●
6	Newport County	5	2	0	0	7	1	1	0	2	5	7	4	9	●●●●●
7	Mansfield Town	5	2	0	0	6	2	0	3	0	5	5	4	9	●●●●●
8	Swindon Town	4	1	1	0	8	2	1	1	0	7	6	7	8	●●●●●
9	Barrow	5	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	8	●●●●●
10	Salford City	5	0	1	1	2	3	2	0	1	6	5	0	7	●●●●●
11	Morecambe	5	2	1	0	5	1	0	0	2	0	5	-1	7	●●●●●
12	Bradford City	5	2	0	0	3	1	0	1	2	1	5	-2	7	●●●●●
13	Crawley Town	5	2	0	1	3	2	0	1	1	1	7	-5	7	●●●●●
14	Crewe Alexandra	5	1	2	0	8	6	0	1	1	2	3	1	6	●●●●●
15	Grimsby Town	5	1	2	0	3	1	0	1	1	3	4	1	6	●●●●●
16	Wrexham	5	1	1	1	12	12	0	2	0	2	2	0	6	●●●●●
17	Harrogate Town	5	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	2	2	5	-2	6	●●●●●
18	Walsall	5	1	1	0	3	2	0	1	2	5	8	-2	5	●●●●●
19	Stockport County	5	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	2	3	5	-2	4	●●●●●
20	Forest Green Rovers	5	0	0	3	1	7	1	1	0	2	1	-5	4	●●●●●
21	Tranmere Rovers	5	1	0	2	7	6	0	0	2	1	3	-1	3	●●●●●
22	Colchester United	4	0	0	2	2	5	1	0	1	4	2	-1	3	●●●●●
23	Sutton United	5	1	0	2	5	5	0	0	2	2	5	-3	3	●●●●●
24	Doncaster Rovers	5	0	1	2	3	6	0	0	2	1	6	-8	1	●●●●●

● Won ● Drawn ● Lost - Updated 28th August 2023

TODAY'S FIXTURES

SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2023

Crewe Alexandra v Milton Keynes Dons

Doncaster Rovers v Swindon Town

Grimsby Town v Gillingham

Harrogate Town v Barrow

Mansfield Town v Bradford City

Morecambe v Salford City

Newport County v AFC Wimbledon

Notts County v Accrington Stanley

Stockport County v Crawley Town

Sutton United v Forest Green Rovers

Tranmere Rovers v Wrexham

Walsall v Colchester United

LEAGUE TWO TOP 3'S

TOP SCORERS			DRIBBLES		
7	Jake Young	Swindon Town	28	Sam Folarin	Harrogate Town
6	Will Evans	Newport County	27	Louie Barry	Stockport County
5	Davis Keillor-Dunn	Mansfield Town	27	Shilow Tracey	Crewe Alexandra
ASSISTS			TACKLES		
4	Stephen Quinn	Mansfield Town	17	Kamil Conteh	Grimsby Town
3	Daniel Kemp	Swindon Town	17	Charlie McCann	Forest Green
3	Jacob Mendy	Wrexham	16	Harry Beautyman	Sutton United
SHOTS			SAVES		
22	Macaulay Flagstaff	Notts County	21	Harvey Davies	Crewe Alexandra
21	Davis Keillor-Dunn	Mansfield Town	20	Alex Bass	AFC Wimbledon
21	James Tilley	AFC Wimbledon	19	Luke Daniels	Forest Green

TOWN PLAYER STATS 2023/24



#	Name	Age	Previous Club	Signed	Sky Bet League Two					Cups		Season		Town Career	
					Apps	Mins	Goals	■	■	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Mark Oxley	32	Southend United	07/21	5 (0)	450	0	1	-	2 (0)	0	7 (0)	0	76	0
3	Joe Mattock	33	Colchester United	06/22	2 (1)	169	0	2	-	1 (0)	0	3 (1)	0	30	0
4	Josh Falkingham	33	Darlington	07/17	1 (3)	161	0	2	-	1 (0)	0	2 (3)	0	270	8
5	Will Smith	24	Barnsley	06/19	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	1 (0)	0	1 (0)	0	103	6
6	Warren Burrell	33	Buxton	01/16	1 (3)	145	1	-	-	2 (0)	0	3 (3)	1	368	16
7	George Thomson	31	FC United of Manchester	05/17	1 (1)	90	1	-	-	2 (0)	0	3 (1)	1	273	40
8	Dean Cornelius	22	Motherwell	06/23	4 (0)	332	0	1	-	0 (1)	0	4 (1)	0	5	0
9	Abraham Odoh	23	Rochdale	07/23	4 (1)	362	0	1	-	2 (0)	0	6 (1)	0	7	0
10	Matty Daly	22	Huddersfield Town	06/23	2 (2)	189	0	1	-	2 (0)	0	4 (2)	0	43	8
11	James Daly	23	Woking	06/23	3 (1)	249	0	-	-	0 (2)	0	3 (3)	0	6	0
12	Sam Folarin	22	Middlesbrough	08/22	5 (0)	403	0	2	-	1 (1)	1	6 (1)	1	37	5
13	Lewis Thomas	21	Burnley	06/23	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0	0
14	Toby Sims	25	Pittsburgh Riverhounds	01/23	5 (0)	418	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	22	1
15	Anthony O'Connor	30	Morecambe	01/23	5 (0)	450	0	1	-	0 (1)	0	5 (1)	0	26	2
16	Rod McDonald	31	Crewe Alexandra	06/23	2 (0)	147	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	2	0
17	Levi Sutton	26	Bradford City	01/23	1 (4)	153	0	1	-	2 (0)	0	3 (4)	0	24	1
18	Jack Muldoon	34	AFC Fylde	06/18	2 (1)	162	1	-	-	1 (1)	0	3 (2)	1	247	66
20	Kayne Ramsay	22	Southampton	08/22	0 (1)	32	0	-	-	2 (0)	0	2 (1)	0	34	0
22	Stephen Dooley	31	Rochdale	06/22	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	8	0
23	Matty Foulds	25	Bradford City	06/23	5 (0)	450	0	-	-	1 (0)	0	6 (0)	0	27	0
24	George Horbury	19	HTAFC Academy	06/22	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	1 (0)	0	1 (0)	0	6	0
27	Luke Armstrong	27	Salford City	06/21	3 (1)	301	1	-	-	0 (1)	0	3 (2)	1	106	31
30	Liam Gibson	26	Morecambe	06/23	3 (0)	287	0	1	-	1 (1)	0	4 (1)	0	5	0
34	Brad Williams	18	HTAFC Academy	06/23	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	2	0
37	Finn O'Boyle	18	HTAFC Academy	06/23	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	1	1

TOWN LEAGUE STATS 2023/24

Position **17** | Points **6** (H 3, A 3) | Goals For **4** (H 2, A 2) | Against **6** (H 1, A 5) | Possession **51.4%**

Clean Sheets **2** | Failed to Score **2** | Yellow Cards **13** | Red Cards **0**

LEAGUE FORM GUIDE

GOAL TIMINGS

MINUTE	FOR	AGAINST
0-15	0	0
16-30	1	3
31-45	0	0
46-60	0	1
61-75	2	0
76-90	1	2



TRANMERE (AWAY) LOST

0-3

15 AUG



ACCRINGTON (AWAY) LOST

1-2

19 AUG



MORECAMBE (HOME) WON

2-0

26 AUG

THE REFEREE SCOTT JACKSON



Scott Jackson is the man in the middle for this afternoon's encounter and is in his first season as an EFL referee.

Last season, the Royal Navy Chief Petty Officer refereed his first full EFL fixture when Town hosted AFC Wimbledon in League Two in a 2-2 draw on Good Friday. As well as that game at the EnviroVent Stadium, Jackson also officiated 15 National League games, issuing 47 yellow cards and two reds in total.

2023/24 SEASON
GAMES OFFICIATED 4 ■ YELLOWS 17 ■ REDS 1



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FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

DATE	OPPOSITION	COMP	RES	ATT	STARTING XI					
AUGUST										
Sat 5	Doncaster Rovers	L2	● 1-0	7,126	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	McDonald	Cornelius
Tue 8	Carlisle United	CCR1	● 1-0	2,177	Oxley	Ramsay	Foulds	Mattock	Burrell	Falkingham
Sat 12	Forest Green Rovers	L2	● 0-1	2,050	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	Burrell	Cornelius
Tue 15	Tranmere Rovers	L2	● 0-3	5,278	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	Mattock	Cornelius
Sat 19	Accrington Stanley	L2	● 1-2	1,950	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	Mattock	Cornelius
Sat 26	Morecambe	L2	● 2-0	2,224	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	McDonald	Falkingham
Wed 30	Blackburn Rovers	CCR2	● 0-8	2,653	Oxley	Ramsay	Gibson	Smith	Burrell	Horbury
SEPTEMBER										
Sat 2	Barrow AFC	L2		15:00						
Tue 5	Nottingham Forest U21	EFLT		19:45						
Sat 9	Gillingham	L2		15:00						
Sat 16	Bradford City	L2		15:00						
Sat 23	Salford City	L2		15:00						
Sat 30	MK Dons	L2		15:00						
OCTOBER										
Tue 3	AFC Wimbledon	L2		19:45						
Sat 7	Newport County	L2		15:00						
Tue 10	Accrington Stanley	EFLT		19:45						
Sat 14	Stockport County	L2		15:00						
Sat 21	Colchester United	L2		15:00						
Tue 24	Mansfield Town	L2		19:45						
Sat 28	Crewe Alexandra	L2		15:00						
NOVEMBER										
Sat 11	Walsall	L2		15:00						
Tue 14	Carlisle United	EFLT		19:00						
Sat 18	Swindon Town	L2		15:00						
Sat 25	Crawley Town	L2		15:00						
Tue 28	Wrexham	L2		19:45						
DECEMBER										
Sat 9	Sutton United	L2		15:00						
Sat 16	Notts County	L2		15:00						
Sat 23	Grimsby Town	L2		15:00						
Tue 26	Accrington Stanley	L2		19:45						
Fri 29	Tranmere Rovers	L2		15:00						
JANUARY										
Mon 1	Morecambe	L2		15:00						
Sat 6	Doncaster Rovers	L2		13:00						
Sat 13	Forest Green Rovers	L2		15:00						
Sat 20	Grimsby Town	L2		15:00						
Fri 26	Newport County	L2		19:45						
FEBRUARY										
Sat 3	Stockport County	L2		15:00						
Sat 10	Colchester United	L2		15:00						
Tue 13	Mansfield Town	L2		19:45						
Sat 17	Crewe Alexandra	L2		15:00						
Sat 24	Walsall	L2		15:00						
MARCH										
Sat 2	Swindon Town	L2		15:00						
Sat 9	Crawley Town	L2		15:00						
Tue 12	Wrexham	L2		19:45						
Sat 16	Barrow AFC	L2		15:00						
Sat 23	Bradford City	L2		13:00						
Fri 29	AFC Wimbledon	L2		15:00						
APRIL										
Mon 1	Gillingham	L2		15:00						
Sat 6	Notts County	L2		15:00						
Sat 13	Sutton United	L2		15:00						
Sat 20	MK Dons	L2		15:00						
Sat 27	Salford City	L2		15:00						

KEY: TOWN SCORE SHOWN FIRST ⊕ Goal / ⊖ Penalty;
 Sub 1 / Sub 2 / Sub 3 / Sub 4 / Sub 5;
 ■ Yellow Card / ■ Red Card



OG USED SUBSTITUTES

Gibson ■	Folarin ■	Muldoon ⊖	Odoh ■	J. Daly	Mattock (57'), M. Daly (68'), Sutton (88'), Burrell (89')
Sutton	Folarin ⊕	Thomson	Odoh	M. Daly	Muldoon (69'), J. Daly (69'), Cornelius (78'), Gibson (78')
Gibson	Folarin	Muldoon	Odoh	J. Daly	M. Daly (59'), Armstrong (59'), Falkingham (79'), Sutton (79')
Gibson	Folarin	Armstrong	Odoh	M. Daly	Falkingham (77'), Sutton (77'), J. Daly (77')
Gibson	Folarin ■	Armstrong	Odoh	M. Daly ■	Burrell (46') ⊕, Falkingham (46') ■, Sutton (46'), Ramsay (58'), Thomson (90+6')
Sutton ■	Thomson ⊕	Armstrong ⊖	Folarin	J. Daly	Muldoon (77'), Burrell (70'), Odoh (88')
Sutton	Thomson	Muldoon	Odoh	M. Daly	Armstrong (45') ⊕, O'Connor (45') ■, Folarin (45'), J. Daly (61')



MANAGER:
SIMON WEAVER

- 1 **MARK OXLEY**
- 3 **JOE MATTOCK**
- 4 **JOSH FALKINGHAM** ©
- 5 **WILL SMITH**
- 6 **WARREN BURRELL**
- 7 **GEORGE THOMSON**
- 8 **DEAN CORNELIUS**
- 9 **ABRAHAM ODOH**
- 10 **MATTY DALY**
- 11 **JAMES DALY**
- 12 **SAM FOLARIN**
- 13 **LEWIS THOMAS**
- 14 **TOBY SIMS**
- 15 **ANTONY O'CONNOR**
- 16 **ROD MCDONALD**
- 17 **LEVI SUTTON**
- 18 **JACK MULDOON**
- 20 **KAYNE RAMSAY**
- 22 **STEPHEN DOOLEY**
- 23 **MATTY FOULDS**
- 29 **LUKE ARMSTRONG**
- 30 **LIAM GIBSON**
- 34 **BRAD WILLIAMS**
- 37 **FINN O'BOYLE**



MANAGER:
PETE WILD

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- 12 **JOSH LILLIS**
- 13 **TOM WHITE**
- 14 **COURTNEY DUFFUS**
- 15 **ROBBIE GOTTS**
- 16 **SAM FOLEY**
- 19 **DOMINIC TELFORD**
- 20 **EMILE ACQUAH**
- 21 **TYRELL WARREN**
- 24 **RORY FEELY**
- 29 **JUNIOR TIENSIA**
- 34 **BEN WHITFIELD**
- 35 **OWEN BRAY**
- 36 **MALAKAI REEVE**
- 37 **SEAN ETALUKU**
- **SAM BELLIS**

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE:

SCOTT JACKSON

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