

# James Ivison

## 1992 – 2021



It is with great sadness that we inform everyone at the club of the news that James Ivison has passed away.

A much-loved friend and teammate to so many at the club; this news has come as a terrible shock. Words cannot express how much he will be missed throughout the club.

James was a long-standing player in the Men's 1<sup>st</sup> team. He started with the club in 2015, having never picked up a stick, but quickly became a very good hockey player. Later, James was appointed as the Vice-Captain, where he was a great organiser, arranging transport to away games. James also supported the wider club, by taking on the role of summer league captain for a season. As a player, James was very versatile and could play in almost every position. He will be most remembered as an attacking midfielder, famous for getting low to the ground. James always had a smile on his face, he truly was one of the nicest people you could ever meet.

After consultation with James' family, our players and the opposition, the Men's 1<sup>st</sup> team game against Stokesley will go ahead as planned this Saturday. James played in the respective away fixture earlier in the season. The team will play in our black kit and will also wear black armbands. There will be a minute's applause at the start of the game to celebrate James' life.

Other matches will also be taking place on Saturday, throughout the club. Our teams will all wear our black kit, where possible. All teams will be holding a minute's applause before their respective games.

All club members and players are invited to watch and support the Men's 1<sup>st</sup> team game, which pushes back at 14:30 on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December on the upper pitch at Jesmond Park Academy.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of James' family and friends.

RIP James, you will be sorely missed mate.