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STEVE'S SAY

MANAGER STEVE BODLE GIVES HIS
THOUGHTS ON RECENT EVENTS

Good afternoon to you all and welcome to our fixture against Rossington Main here today at the Fast Frame.

Today's game comes on the back of a fantastic victory against Brigg. We were understrength in terms of numbers available but the lads made up for that with grit, effort, determination and a touch of class when needed. Every single one of them did themselves and the club proud. Brigg are on a great run, a super team and right up in the mix for league winners and we matched them and some. I was so pleased for everyone at the club because the performance really highlighted what we are about, backs against the wall, not the most fashionable club, often dismissed but deep down we are a club full of character, hunger, fight and support for one another.

Rossington alongside North Ferriby are the two best teams we have played this year. They dismantled us in the first game of the season, we couldn't get close. They pass the ball as well as I've seen at this level, their movement sets them apart from the rest though and will cause us problems today. Saying all that we are a different animal now, we understand what works, have a plan to suit the talent we have on the pitch and quite frankly we have

recruited well since with the support of our main sponsors Imperial Personnel and Fast Frame.

We have addressed the way Hallam beat us up in midweek and that's what they did so I'm hoping we can start to do better against the top sides like last week at Brigg and a few weeks ago in North Ferriby. We have the squad to challenge anyone and I'm still aiming for a strong season, people may scoff but top six is my aim with this group.

We have increased numbers this week, I shall be naming names from Saturday but there will be three new faces coming in soon to help create competition that's needed, iron sharpens iron!!

I hope the weather is good and the pitch stays in shape and you get to see two good teams going head to head, six points out of the last three games against the top three sides will be a major achievement and will maybe help prove to the lads the levels they can set..

Thanks for coming, your support is invaluable to us..

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Ollerton has a long history of football going back to the late 1800s. One of it's best periods was immediately before the Second World War when Ollerton Colliery won the Notts Senior Cup in 1937/38 and it's reserve team won the Notts Intermediate Cup the year previous.

Ollerton Colliery ceased as a football club in the early 1980s but was reformed in 1988 as Ollerton and Bevercotes Miners Welfare and began life in the Mansfield Bitter League before progressing to the Notts Football Alliance in 1991. The club won the Nottinghamshire Football Alliance Division Two championship in 1992–93, gaining promotion to Division One under the management of Adge Owen and David Kent.



Following the closure of the colliery in 1994, the club changed its name to Ollerton Town F.C. In the same year, Ollerton were champions of Division One in 1995–96 and were promoted to the top division of the Notts Alliance.

After finishing runners-up in 1999–2000, the club was promoted to the Central Midlands League and entered the English Football Pyramid.

In the 2007–08 season, Ollerton, under the management of Don Gethfield, David Kent and Anthony Thompson, the club won the Central Midlands Premier Division, earning promotion to the Supreme Division. That season they also reached the Nottinghamshire Senior Cup final where they were beaten 2–0 by Eastwood Town. In 2008–09, the club took part in the FA Vase for the very first time, getting to the second round proper in 2009–10..



After the resignation of Don Gethfield back in 2011, and a brief stint under Paul Rawden, the club appointed Dave Winter and Stephen Bodle as first team managers. The pair guided the club to a 7th placed finish and the Central Midlands Floodlit Cup final in their first season.

For the 2011–12 season, the club was placed in the Central Midlands North Division following a league restructure.

Ollerton spent a few seasons in the middle echelons of the league before in the 2015–16 season, with former-captain Jamie Allan now also on board as first team coach, the club secured promotion to the Northern Counties East League after finishing runners-up in the Central Midlands North. The club battled against the odds to secure their survival over the next three years and recorded some memorable results against some very big teams.



In 2020, after the season came to a premature end due to the COVID-19 outbreak Ollerton were moved laterally to the East Midlands Counties League but the season only lasted 12 league games before it once again fell victim to the pandemic and national lockdowns.

This summer, Ollerton returned to the NCEL as part of the restructuring of the non-league system and after almost a decade in charge, Dave Winter stepped down as manager, being replaced by his long-serving assistant Steve Bodle.



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The World of Groundhopping

Graeme the Groundhopper recently made a 720 mile midweek round trip to see the friendly between Mousehole and Porthleven, the reason for this madness was his visit to Trungle Parc (five miles west of Penzance) means he has been to every ground in the South West Peninsula League.

These guys (and girls) are the lifeblood of grassroots, their knowledge and support of the clubs is unsurpassed. As Graeme did, they travel the length and breadth of the country to tick a ground off, but it's more than that! They pay the entrance fee, buy a programme and a badge and many do a blog on social media. A good report and more new faces come through the turnstile at the next home match.

So why do they do it, what are the targets and inspirations to ground hop? I asked a few why do they hop and what is the furthest they have travelled to see a single game.

Sven Saturday – Has published “Odyssey through the Alphabet a football adventure from A to Z”: Xerxes of Rotterdam, there and back in a weekend is the furthest we have gone. As to why I hop, so many reasons! Simply put, to uncover and discover every inch of this land, one football club at a time.

James Spring @weymouthpie – A Notts County fan living in Weymouth:

“I hop because I just love watching any football. It was not something I ever intended to do. When I moved to Dorset I started watching Weymouth, then when I was able to drive I started watching other local teams just for something to do and eventually got into travelling further afield to watch

anything I could find. I love visiting new places and meeting like minded people along the way. It's addictive! Turin to see Juventus is the furthest I've travelled, but in the UK, I've done Weymouth to Grimsby and back in a day, Accrington and back in the snow, both times to watch Notts lose.”

Emma's Ground Guide:

“In terms of the blog itself not very far as we have only done this season, so Maltby is the furthest. I have been to Newcastle a few years back, not been abroad to a game but hope to at some point as part of the blog. The one reason for us starting the blog is to go to as many grounds as possible anywhere in the world and make comparisons.”

11 MerryMen:

“I am not sure I'm a groundhopper. I look at the fixtures and choose from a number of factors, attractiveness of the game, accessibility and cost. I have worked overseas quite a bit and would often jump on a plane just to catch a game. Two spring to mind, New Delhi to Bangkok and Jakarta to Hanoi. The 1st game was Kaset Sart v Khon Kaen in the Thai 2nd tier and not a new ground. The second was Vietnam v Indonesia in the AFF Suzuki Cup.”

So it's a warm welcome to; Emma's Ground Guide, 11 MerryMen, WeymouthPie, Malcolm Storer, Marbles, daftladnextdoor, SvenSaturday and all the others that make non-league football simply the best.

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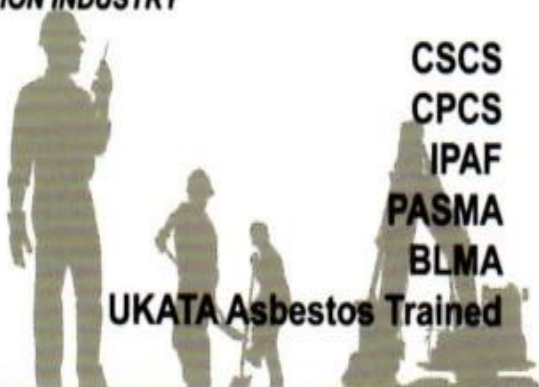
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A GAB WITH GIBBO

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to the Fast Frame for this NCEL Division One game against Rossington Main. The Doncaster based outfit have got one of the best teams in the division and have got many admirers for how they play and compete. They produced some splendid football back in July and fully deserved their 4-2 victory in the reverse fixture.

The lads were obviously delighted with last Saturday's 2-1 win away to Brigg Town and will be working hard to cause another shock result today. Whether that happens or not remains to be seen but I'm pleased with the attitude they have shown and they will continue to work both individually and collectively to reach the club's goals.

Mark Fronczak started his tenure as reserve team manager with a 2-0 defeat at home to Ripley Town. The game was played in awful weather conditions and the young lads were unlucky to lose the match. Mark is a likeable lad and is keen on developing a clear pathway from the Reserves to the first team. I'm sure our manager Steve Bodle will continue to keep a close eye on all the Reserve team players and we hope to see them progress.

As I have said on many occasions, Steve, his coaching staff and players are grateful for your support and hopefully you will help push the lads to a victory this afternoon.

Enjoy the game and once again, thank you for your support.

Up the Town

GIBBO.





LEAGUE NEWS

North Ferriby stay five points clear at the summit of Division One and remain unbeaten in the league after a 4-0 win at Rainworth Miners Welfare.

Louis Kirk struck early for the Villagers before a quickfire double from Niall Tilsley and a Joshua Smith own goal cemented their advantage and Tilsley's second sealed the deal further in stoppage time.

Second-placed Hallam kept themselves within touching distance of pole position as Kieran Watson and Iren Wilson netted in a 2-0 victory at Shirebrook Town.

But, Brigg Town lost ground in third as they went down 2-1 at home to Ollerton Town, Joseph Bayne and Benjamin Partridge with the goals for the away side before Stephen McCarron halved the deficit with twenty minutes remaining.

The match between fourth-placed Rossington Main and Selby Town in fifth was abandoned at half-time due to poor weather conditions.

Harrogate Railway Athletic and Worsbrough Bridge Athletic have kept themselves sixth and seventh, respectively, with victories.

The Rail were a goal down at home to Parkgate, courtesy of Brandon Bagley's opener, but they dramatically turned the game around in the last three minutes, firstly through a Daniel Thirkell penalty and then a winner from Joseph Crosby.

Worsbrough went behind at FC Humber United but eventually ran out 5-1 victors with two each from Harley Holt and Luke Francis helping them to the three points.

Retford FC stay eighth despite a 3-2 home loss to Dronfield Town, Thomas Gladwin, Billy Wright and Samuel Bebbington putting the visitors well in control before their hosts staged a mini-comeback in the last quarter-of-an-hour through Jack Johnson and Matthew Parkin.

A 2-1 home loss to Armthorpe Welfare means Nostell Miners Welfare miss out on a chance to leapfrog Retford, Charlie Shelley converting the winner for Armthorpe on 63 minutes.

Lewis Stephens struck twice in Glasshoughton Welfare's 5-2 win at Hall Road Rangers and Clipstone grabbed an injury-time winner at neighbours and bottom side Teversal, Sam O'Malley with the decisive goal in a 2-1 victory for the Cobras.

	Team	Played	Points
1	North Ferriby	20	52
2	Hallam	20	47
3	Brigg Town	20	43
4	Rossington Main	21	41
5	Selby Town	20	39
6	Harrogate Railway	21	39
7	Worsbrough Bridge	21	37
8	Retford	19	33
9	Nostell MW	21	33
10	Armthorpe Welfare	21	32
11	Ollerton Town	22	32
12	Glasshoughton Welf	21	31
13	Parkgate	20	30
14	Hall Road Rangers	21	29
15	Dronfield Town	20	20
16	Clipstone	20	18
17	Rainworth MW	20	16
18	Shirebrook Town	21	15
19	Swallownest	19	13
20	Humber United	21	10
21	Teversal	21	5

Today's Fixtures:

Armthorpe Welfare v Teversal
 Dronfield Town v Humber United
 Glasshoughton Welfare v Brigg Town
 Hallam v Nostell Miners Welfare
 North Ferriby v Shirebrook Town
 Ollerton Town v Rossington Main
 Parkgate v Retford
 Selby Town v Rainworth MW
 Swallownest v Harrogate Railway
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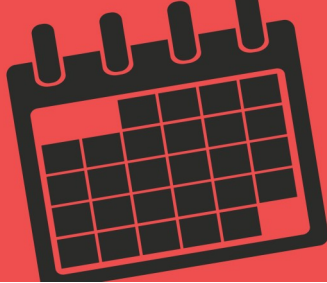
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31/07/2021: (A) L 4-2 Rossington Main | Owen, Moody, Green, Stretton, Slack, Madin, Price, Geeves, Agar, King, Atkinson

07/08: (H) L 2-1 Brigg Town | Owen, Moody, Shaw, Stretton, Slack, Madin, Lumley, Geeves, King, Dungworth, Green

10/08: (A) W 4-1 Glasshoughton W (**NCEL Cup**) | Owen, Geeves, Shaw, Stretton, Slack, Madin, Lumley, Turner, Foulds, Green

14/08: (A) L 3-1 Hall Road Rangers | Owen, Moody, Martin, Stretton, Dalmedo, Madin, Lumley, Turner, Foulds, Littlejohn, Geeves

18/08: (H) D 3-3 FC Humber United | Owen, Slack, Dalmedo, Bamforth, Shaw, Madin, Lumley, Turner, Foulds, King, Geeves

21/08: (A) L 2-0 Retford FC | Owen, Geeves, Cooper, Turner, Slack, Shaw, Lumley, Grady, Foulds, Agar, King

28/08: (A) W 2-1 Swallownest | Owen, Geeves, Cooper, Stretton, Smart, Shaw, Lumley, Dalmedo, King, Grady, Partridge

01/09: (H) W 1-0 Parkgate | Owen, Smart, Shaw, Stretton, Slack, Madin, Lumley, Geeves, King, Grady, Partridge

04/09: (A) L 2-1 Dronfield Town | Owen, Smart, Cooper, Stretton, Shaw, Madin, Lumley, Geeves, King, Grady, Partridge

11/09: (H) L 3-1 Harrogate Railway | Owen, Slack, Cooper, Turner, Smart, Shaw, Lumley, Grady, King, Etia, Partridge

18/09: (H) W 2-0 Worsbrough Bridge | Owen, Geeves, Shaw, Stretton, Madin, Slack, Partridge, Turner, King, Grady, Green

21/09: (A) W 2-0 Glasshoughton Welfare | Owen, Geeves, Holland, Turner, Slack, Madin, Partridge, Lumley, Etia, Grady, Green

25/09: (H) W 4-0 Teversal | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Holland, Shaw, Madin, Partridge, Lumley, Etia, Grady, Green

02/10: (H) W 4-3 Selby Town | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Shaw, Madin, Partridge, Holland, Etia, Grady, Green

09/10: (A) D 1-1 North Ferriby | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Shaw, Holland, Partridge, Turner, King, Lumley, Etia

12/10: (A) W 1-0 Retford FC (**Notts Cup**) | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Shaw, Holland, Partridge, Turner, King, Lumley, Green

23/10: (A) L 6-0 Armthorpe Welfare | Owen, Geeves, Esmaily, Martin, Smart, Murr, Partridge, Lumley, King, Grady, Green

30/10: (H) W 4-0 Clipstone | Owen, Geeves, Murr, Turner, Shaw, Madin, Lumley, Green, King, Grady, Atkinson

03/11: (H) L 3-1 Penistone Church (**NCEL Cup**) | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Shaw, Madin, Partridge, Lumley, King, Holland, Green

06/11: (A) W 5-0 Teversal | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Martin, Higginson, Partridge, Lumley, King, Grady, Green

13/11: (H) D 1-1 Nostell Miners Welfare | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Madin, Murr, Partridge, Lumley, King, Grady, Green

20/11: (A) D 1-1 Shirebrook Town | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Shaw, Madin, Partridge, Lumley, King, Grady, Etia

23/11: (A) W 3-0 Clipstone (**Notts Cup**) | Owen, Geeves, Holland, Stretton, Shaw, Turner, Partridge, Lumley, King, Grady, Dickinson

27/11: (H) D 1-1 Rainworth MW | Owen, Geeves, Martin, Stretton, Shaw, Madin, Partridge, Lumley, King, Turner, Dickinson

01/12: (H) L 4-0 Hallam | Owen, Geeves, Holland, Stretton, Shaw, Madin, Partridge, Lumley, King, Turner, Etia

04/12: (A) W 2-1 Brigg Town | Owen, Geeves, Slack, Stretton, Martin, Green, Partridge, Lumley, Atkinson, Bayne, Etia

11/12: (H) v Rossington Main

18/12: (A) v FC Humber United

28/12: (H) v Retford FC

01/01/2022: (A) v Harrogate Railway Athletic

08/01: (H) v Swallownest

15/01: (A) v Parkgate

22/01: (H) v Dronfield Town

29/01: (A) v Worsbrough Bridge

05/02: (H) v Glasshoughton Welfare

19/02: (A) v Selby Town

26/02: (H) v North Ferriby

01/03: (A) v Hallam

05/03: (H) v Armthorpe

12/03: (A) v Clipstone

16/03: (H) v Hall Road Rangers

26/03: (A) v Nostell Miners Welfare

02/04: (H) v Shirebrook Town

09/04: (A) v Rainworth Miners Welfare

PLAYER STATISTICS



Name	Position	S	SO	CS	G
Levi Owen	Goalkeeper	26	0	8	0
Tom Moody	Defence	3	0	0	0
Josh Madin	Defence	17	2	6	0
George Slack	Defence	17	0	6	4
Sam Geeves	Defence	23	1	8	1
Brandon Shaw	Defence	19	0	6	0
Lewis Dalmedo	Defence	3	0	0	1
Liam Smart	Defence	5	1	1	0
Ash Cooper	Defence	4	0	0	0
Sam Stretton	Midfield	19	2	5	1
Harry Holland	Midfield	8	2	5	1
Lewis Murr	Midfield	3	0	1	0
Ollie Grady	Midfield	15	0	7	3
Sam Martin	Midfield	5	7	3	0
Joe Turner	Midfield	13	2	5	1
Joe Lumley	Midfield	23	2	7	1
Joe Bayne	Midfield	1	6	3	2
Sean Dickinson	Midfield	2	1	1	0
Callum Littlejohn	Attack	1	5	1	1
Connor Green	Attack	13	2	6	0
Callam Atkinson	Attack	3	6	3	2
Gav King	Attack	20	1	6	16
Sam Foulds	Attack	4	0	0	3
Ben Partridge	Attack	19	0	6	7
Conor Higginson	Attack	2	1	1	1
Jacques Etia	Attack	8	3	3	3

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1. Levi Owen
2. Sam Geeves
3. George Slack
4. Sam Stretton (C)
5. Sam Martin
6. Conor Green
7. Ben Partridge 1
8. Joe Lumley
9. Callam Atkinson
10. Joe Bayne 1
11. Jacques Etia

After somewhat of a humbling against title-challenging Hallam in midweek, the last thing Ollerton Town wanted was a long trip to another challenger, Brigg Town, on a cold and wet Saturday afternoon. Especially when that trip involved taking just eleven players, with several key players missing. Despite this, and the fact Ollerton went down to ten men just before half time, Steve Bodle's men put in an incredible performance by battling hard and leaving everything on the pitch to secure a brilliant 1-2 victory thanks to wonderful goals from Joe Bayne and Ben Partridge. At the other end, Ollerton goalkeeper Levi Owen and the make shift defence in front of him had to be at their very best to deny countless waves of Brigg attacks. Nobody in attendance could argue with Ollerton returning to NG22 with all three points. The pitch was already struggling with the heavy winter rain and, as it continued to pour down, both teams had to adapt early on to the difficult conditions. In the 12th minute, Ollerton took the lead with a real goal of the season contender. Joe Bayne stepped up to a free kick 30 yards out from goal and whipped the ball over the wall and right into the top corner, with Brigg goalkeeper Miles Fenty unable to keep it out. Five minutes later, a Brigg corner wasn't properly cleared and it fell to Josh Batty who fired into the side netting.

Ollerton continued to ask questions of their hosts. In the 24th minute, Joe Lumley won the ball back and put his side on the attack with the move ending in captain Sam Stretton firing wide from 20 yards out. The hosts were posing a strong aerial threat and Sam Martin had to clear an inswinging cross from under



the Ollerton bar before Finley O'Sullivan headed over from the resulting corner.

Later, Batty flicked a header towards goal and the boisterous home crowd thought it was dropping into the back of the net, but Owen watched it land into the side netting.

Just after the half hour mark, Ollerton were awarded a free kick on the right of the area and Bayne's ball in found Stretton who headed just over the bar.

With seconds to go before half time, Loz Heward hit a long range strike towards the Ollerton goal but Owen got down to save.

This came after a long delay following an injury to Ollerton's Jacques Etia. The pacey winger had gone down with a hamstring injury and had tried to fight through it to carry on but he ultimately couldn't continue and. With no substitutes on the bench, Ollerton went into the break a man down but a goal up.

If Ollerton thought they would be in for a difficult second half, it got off to the perfect start as they doubled their advantage. Owen's goal kick was brilliantly flicked on by Callam Atkinson into the path of Ben Partridge. He raced towards the Brigg goal, with two defenders in front of him, but sent them both for a pie and a Bovril by quickly cutting back on himself which created space to fire into the roof of the net.

Martin Pembleton was looking lively for Brigg and he brought two superb saves out of Owen before Ollerton's number one was forced to save with his legs from Oliver Fisher.

Bayne was looking for his second of the game and he saw a shot deflect off a Brigg defender and out for a corner before a free kick, in a similar position to his goal, went just wide of the far post. Brigg continued to probe and ask questions of the Ollerton defence. Batty's 65th minute header from just outside the six yard box went the over the bar.

The home side knew they needed a goal back soon and they finally breached the Ollerton back line in the 70th minute. Stephen McCarron, who had looked lively since being introduced as a substitute, drilled across goal and into the bottom corner from 20 yards out.

The pressure continued, with Brigg looking to get level, and Owen had to get down to keep out Alfie Usher's strike.

A third Ollerton goal would have killed the game. With just over ten minutes to go, Atkinson fed the ball to Joe Lumley in the left channel who cut inside and looked to return it to the centre forward inside the area, but the ball just evaded him.

Owen had shown all game why he's one of the most highly-rated goalkeepers in the Northern Counties East League and he kept up his heroics when he brilliantly kept the ball out after Batty had powered a free kick towards goal.

Brigg were having the majority of the possession and the only real chances. But as the clock quickly ran down, it never felt like they were throwing the kitchen sink at Ollerton and, in truth, it appeared that they had ran out of new ways to test the visiting defence.

A cross from the right was headed just wide of his own goal by Stretton but that was as close as the hosts came to getting a goal back in the dying embers of the game. Before the final whistle, there was still time for Brigg to have a man sent off and make it ten v ten. Partridge appeared to be racing away from the Brigg back line but, before he could go through one-on-one, he was brought down by Jack Bowskin who was shown his second yellow card.

That killed any real chance of Brigg salvaging something from the game and, as the final whistle blew, Ollerton were left to celebrate a fantastic victory and a real backs-to-the-wall effort on the road.

ROSSINGTON MAIN

The club came into existence in 1919 as Rossington Main Colliery Athletic, making their FA Cup debut in 1921. They competed in the FA Cup until the Second World War, reaching the 4th Qualifying Round in 1924, losing 0–3 to Lincoln City their best run in the FA Cup

The club moved to their current Oxford Street ground in 1923 and just a few years later enjoyed their best run in the FA Cup at Lincoln City. The club continued under the name Rossington Colliery for 30 years, enjoying its most successful season at the end of the Second World War when the club did the “Doncaster Double”, by winning both the Doncaster Senior League and Cup in 1944/45.

Following the nationalism of the mines in 1948, the club endured a change of name to Rossington Miners Welfare and lifted the Doncaster Senior League Premier Division Cup in 1974. 1980's/90's 1983 saw a name change to Rossington Main.

Founder members of the Central Midlands League. Winning the Premier Division and Premier Division Cup in the 2nd year.

In 1984 saw the erecting of the floodlights which the club are now proud to boast one of the best floodlights in the league following upgrading to the new LED lights this year.

In 1991 saw the new changing rooms erected at Oxford Street and a crowd of 1,200 came to “Christen” them with a match against Leeds United. Promotion to the NCEL came that year and the blues have remained in the same division to this date. The club are now managed by local lad and ambitious Manager Ben Hunter who took charge of the club in 2019 with the help of Matt Ellison and Sam Parkin bringing with them a host of youthful promising footballers. Playing great football and building every season.



Kian Johnson (GK)	William Jack Monteiro
Jan Budjz (GK)	Myron Gibbons
Jason Stokes	Declan Slater
Cameron Barnett	Reiss Harrison
Tyla Bell	Sam Hanley
Jordan Buckham	Manasse Kianga
Bailey Conway (C)	Shaun Mundy
Niall Doran	
Jamie Green	
Kabuya Kianga	
Sam Kitchen	
Gary Mundy	
Micah Parsons	
Paul Sherburn	
Jack Watson	
Conner Williamson	
Joshua Yeaman	
Gregory Young	
Ryan Wharton	
Danny Deakin	

Manager:

Ben Hunter

Assistant Manager:

Matt Ellison

Goalkeeper Coach:

Thomas Shepard

Physios:

Jessica Sargent

Jack Richards

Club info

Established

1919

Years in NCEL

1991-

Home Colours

All Blue

Away Colours

Red & Black

The Kent Comment

Last Saturday is the sort of game you watch football. The sort of game that makes the long away trips worth while. That's twice this season we've turned up with a bare eleven after an away trip to Hall Road Rangers. That ended in a 3-1 defeat and in truth, I expected to taste defeat on Saturday too.

I'll talk about the players in a second but I have to say, I was delighted for Bodle on Saturday. He works very hard for the club and is always looking to push us and drive us forward with his ambition and he doesn't deserve to have to go to somewhere like Brigg with just eleven players though I know he'd take the responsibility for that. When I saw the team, I asked him what formation we were playing and he just said "Do not lose" which did make me laugh but on reflection, he was being overly negative...

It was a quality effort by the players, especially when we went down to ten men. As a fan, committee member or whatever you'd call me (Be kind!), all you can ask for is the players give it their all and they certainly did that. It wasn't pretty and we didn't have a lot of the ball but we were resilient and two moments of quality at the other end won us the game. Bayney's free kick was one of the best I've seen from an Ollerton player, I know the lads were giving him a bit of abuse after the game saying the keeper should have saved it but if you stick it in the postage stamp, it's always going to be hard for a keeper to do anything. It was a terrific strike. Ben's goal was also brilliant and a perfect showcase for what he can do as a player. It came at the perfect time too, we'd gone down to ten just before half time and Brigg would have been confident of getting the win but that second goal was a huge set back for them.

Special mention must go to Levi too. He made some huge saves at important times and showed why he's so highly rated. As hard as the lads could have worked, we were always going to concede chances and we needed Levi to be at his best and he was all game, but certainly in that second half.

Today's game will be another tough test against another promotion-chaser but let's hope we have more than 11 players and we can leave tonight celebrating another three points.

Up the Town

Kenty x





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RESERVE TEAM

Ollerton Town were happy to recently announce the appointment of Mark Fronczak as the new manager of our reserve team.

Mark brings experience from his running of Robin Hood's Sunday side and it is hoped he will guide the team through to the end of the season before hopefully building next season.

The Reserves are on the look out for 2 or 3 players to help bolster their squad and anyone interested is asked to contact the club or Mark directly.

Mark's first game came last week when the team went down 2-0 against Ripley Town in a game which, according to report, they were very unlucky not to get anything from.

Today they travel to Attenborough in the Notts Senior Trophy and it will prove a very tough test against the side from the Notts Senior League Premier Division. Hopefully, by the time you are reading this, the lads have sealed the win and their progression to the next round.

	Team	Points
1	780 JLC	21
2	Bessacarr	21
3	Thorne Colliery	20
4	Bottesford Town	18
5	Retford	15
6	Ollerton Town	13
7	Harworth Colliery	11
8	Dearne & District	8
9	Newark Town	3

11/12/21 | A v Attenborough | 1pm CUP

18/12/21 | H v 780 JLC | 1:30pm

15/01/22 | H v Bottesford Town | 3pm

22/01/22 | A v Dearne & District | 3pm

05/02/22 | A v Thorne Colliery | 3pm

23/02/22 | H v Harworth Colliery | 7:45pm

26/02/22 | A v Bessacarr | 2pm

12/03/22 | A v Retford | 3pm

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