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STEVE'S SAY

MANAGER STEVE BODLE GIVES HIS
THOUGHTS ON RECENT EVENTS

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the Fast Frame for our fixture against our neighbours Clipstone.

I would like to initially apologise to our committee, fan base and sponsors for last week's performance. Losing 6-0 is nowhere near the standards set this year. As a team we appreciate all your backing and it does not deserve that from last week. A lot can be said about the reasons why, and yes we did have 6-7 regulars missing, myself included, however, the squad on the day should have performed better and for that we apologise and we look to put that to bed today.

During the week before we had a good win against another local side in Retford, a game we bossed very early on and should have put them away early but didn't take our chances. It became tight in the second half but we were extremely happy to win and get another cup victory, hopefully it could lead to some big games against some of our local football league teams. Forest at home would be fantastic for everyone at the club.

On to this week, we have a few question marks over Levi, who sustained an injury on Saturday and had to leave the field of play and also if Ben Partridge is still with us. Hallam have put seven days in for him and

he's currently our player still, so I hope that he's available today against Clipstone. Ben has been integral to our recent success so will be a big miss if he decides to leave. Otherwise I hope to see a strong squad today, Lewis Murr returned last week and will have played for our reserves so he should be getting his sharpness back. Lewis is a quality player and I'm sure you'll all be happy to see him back.

Today's game is the perfect tonic after the result last week, a local derby against a side who have yet to hit consistency but can beat anyone on their day. Like us they don't have the biggest budget but they are a well-run club and I'm sure they will get stronger on the pitch over the season.

Over the next week to ten days we may be increasing the competition in the squad. I've a few irons in the fire on the player front but I won't bring anyone in that doesn't make the starting eleven better though. We have to keep improving, top 8 is the aim and for that we need to continue to push the boundaries.

Once again thanks for your continued support, I hope today's game is an exciting one and one we can gain 3 points from.

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Ollerton has a long history of football going back to the late 1800s. One of its best periods was immediately before the Second World War when Ollerton Colliery won the Notts Senior Cup in 1937/38 and its 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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Though today's game sees us up against Clipstone for three points in the league, we were also recently pitted against "The Cobra's" in the second round of the Notts Senior Cup with a date to be announced for what will be an away fixture.

Any meeting between the clubs in that competition will bring back memories of our 2015 clash. Clipstone arrived at The Lane two leagues higher than ourselves and soon asserted that extra quality, going 2-0 up at half time.

Ollerton fought back however and a Kyle Clarkson free kick made it 2-1 only for 'Clipo' to score again to retake a two goal advantage.

The drama continued as Kyle Ludlow scored an Ollerton second before, with five minutes to go, substitute Sam Bailey fired home to send the game to extra time.

Clipstone scored first in the additional thirty to go ahead once again but Ollerton continued to show tremendous determination and Clarkson scored once more to take the game to penalties.

From the spot Bailey, Sam Stretton and Clarkson were all successful for the Town but unfortunately a Kye Pilmore miss gave Clipstone the win.



Three years later, and the two clubs met once again in the NCEL League Cup and it proved to be another classic.

Charlie Hardwick put Clipstone ahead after twenty minutes before prolific striker Gav King levelled for Ollerton four minutes later.

Against the run of play, Hardwick and Clipstone got a second and that sent them into half time with their noses in front.

Ollerton could have drawn level in the 55th minute after they were awarded a penalty but Sam Stretton, facing current Ollerton number one Levi Owen, struck the base of the post with his spot kick.

The Town's pressure was building and building and in the 80th minute, Mark Carter hit a half volley past Owen to finally draw them level. They kept going and with minutes remaining, King scored again to put Ollerton in front with what looked like the winner.

However, Clipstone had other ideas and in the last minute, Alfie Gaughan scored to send the game to extra time.

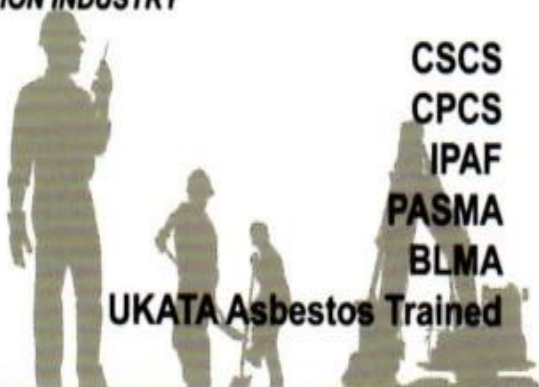


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A GAB WITH GIBBO

Good afternoon and a very warm welcome back to The Fast Frame for our NCEL Division One game against our friends and neighbours Clipstone FC.

I hope you all enjoy the game and have a safe journey home.



On behalf of the football club I would like to apologise for the postponement of our home game with Hallam FC. This was due to a problem with the showers which the club has now hopefully rectified.

Apart from last Saturday's result, the club have been on a great run and have upset some of the top teams in the league. We have also progressed to the next round of the Notts Senior Cup and will face today's opponents in the next round.

Our game away at Armthorpe Welfare produced a disappointing result and although we had several key players missing, the management team are not looking for excuses, we simply didn't play well enough to merit getting anything out of the game.

Playing against Clipstone in any competition are always tough games and this one will be no different. They have some talented players who will pose a real threat and manager Dave Hoole will make sure they are organised.

Enjoy the game and thanks for your support.

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LEAGUE NEWS

Hallam return to the top of the Division One table after they mercilessly dispatched visitors Selby Town 8-1 at Sandgate. Liam Royles' opener for the Countrymen was cancelled out by a 29th minute Liam Flanagan penalty but the hosts took control from thereon with Christopher Salt and Christopher Wood giving them a 3-1 interval lead. Iren Wilson struck twice, Salt got his second, and Kieran Watson and Steven Woolley also added to the tally to put Hallam a point ahead at the summit over Brigg Town who were without a game.

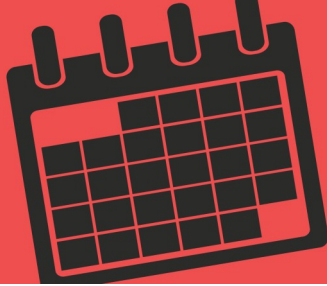
A 3-0 home win over Harrogate Railway Athletic in their top-five clash lifts Rossington Main to third, Gary Mundy, Myron Gibbons and William Monteiro with Main's goals. Armthorpe Welfare climb to sixth with Samuel Foulds' double concluding the scoring in a 6-0 home win over Ollerton Town, Jack Wilson, Noel Burdett, Jack Mawson and Alex Varley earlier putting the hosts in full control by half-time.

Joel Dungworth, Ben Donoghue, Alfie Dodsworth and Alexander Hutchinson were on the scoresheet for Worsbrough Bridge Athletic in a 4-0 win at basement side Teversal and they move up into seventh. A hat-trick from Sam Robinson helped Hall Road Rangers to a 5-1 victory at home to FC Humber United and it was 2-1 win on their travels for Dronfield Town at Nostell Miners Welfare, Sam Terry getting both of their goals.

	Team	Played	Points
1	Hallam	15	35
2	Brigg Town	14	34
3	Rossington Main	16	34
4	North Ferriby	14	34
5	Harrogate Railway	16	29
6	Armthorpe Welfare	17	28
7	Worsbrough Bridge	14	28
8	Retford	15	27
9	Nostell MW	15	26
10	Parkgate	15	24
11	Selby Town	14	23
12	Glasshoughton Welf	15	21
13	Ollerton Town	15	20
14	Hall Road Rangers	15	16
15	Clipstone	15	15
16	Shirebrook Town	15	11
17	Dronfield Town	15	11
18	Swallownest	15	10
19	FC Humber United	17	10
20	Rainworth MW	13	9
21	Teversal	16	5

Today's Fixtures:

Worsbrough Bridge v Nostell MW (*Friday*)
 Dronfield Town v Shirebrook Town
 Glasshoughton Welfare v Teversal
 Harrogate Railway v Brigg Town
 North Ferriby v Hallam
 Ollerton Town v Clipstone
 Parkgate v Rainworth MW
 Retford v Hall Road Rangers
 Selby Town v Armthorpe Welfare
 Swallownest v Rossington Main



FIXTURES 2021-2022

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) v Clipstone

03/11: (H) v Penistone Church (**NCEL Cup**)

06/11: (A) v Teversal

13/11: (H) v Nostell Miners Welfare

20/11: (A) v Shirebrook Town

27/11: (H) v Rainworth Miners Welfare

04/12: (A) v Brigg Town

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

TBC:

Clipstone v Ollerton Town (**Notts Cup**)

Ollerton Town v Hallam

PLAYER STATISTICS



Name	Position	S	SO	CS	G
Levi Owen	Goalkeeper	17	0	5	0
Tom Moody	Defence	3	0	0	0
Josh Madin	Defence	11	1	4	0
George Slack	Defence	13	0	5	4
Sam Geeves	Defence	14	1	5	1
Brandon Shaw	Defence	13	0	4	0
Lewis Dalmedo	Defence	3	0	0	1
Liam Smart	Defence	5	0	1	0
Ash Cooper	Defence	4	0	0	0
Sam Stretton	Midfield	11	2	3	1
Harry Holland	Midfield	5	1	4	0
Lewis Murr	Midfield	1	0	0	0
Ollie Grady	Midfield	10	0	4	1
Sam Martin	Midfield	2	5	1	0
Joe Turner	Midfield	9	1	3	0
Joe Lumley	Midfield	14	2	4	0
Callum Littlejohn	Attack	1	5	1	1
Connor Green	Attack	8	1	4	0
Callam Atkinson	Attack	1	4	1	1
Sam Agar	Attack	2	0	0	0
Gav King	Attack	12	1	3	7
Sam Foulds	Attack	4	0	0	3
Ben Partridge	Attack	11	0	4	6
Conor Higginson	Attack	1	0	0	1
Jacques Etia	Attack	5	2	3	3

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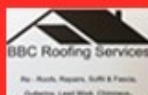
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6. Lewis Murr
7. Ben Partridge
8. Joe Lumley
9. Gav King
10. Ollie Grady
11. Conor Green
12. Joe Bayne
14. Dan Ware
15. Ryan Boler
16. Tiffany Chintang

Ollerton Town's recent fine run of form came to an untimely end in South Yorkshire, when they found themselves on the wrong end of a 6-0 scoreline at Armthorpe Welfare.

Keeping the run going was always going to be a tough task for a Town side missing five players, through unavailability and injury, who had featured heavily in the unbeaten run. However, that takes nothing away from a Welfare side who were the good value for their win.

Armthorpe made a tremendous start and, within the first fifteen minutes had scored two. There was some discussion about a failure to close players down as the two long range efforts - from Jack Wilson on 6 minutes and Noel Burdett after fifteen - left 'keeper Levi Owen with no chance and gave the hosts a 2-0 lead.

Then, on the half hour mark, came a controversial incident which ended the game as a contest. Town 'keeper Owen can a long way to claim a ball played into the box but was hit by defender Liam Smart, who was pushed into the 'keeper, flipping him in mid-air. In fairness, Owen held on until contact with the ground separated him from the ball - and, temporarily at least, his shoulder from its socket! As the 'keeper lay stricken, the



referee allowed play to continue until Welfare put the ball into the net where, to the surprise of most in the ground, the official awarded the goal. Owen was eventually helped from the pitch, to be replaced in goal by wing back Conor Green who would go on to make a couple of decent saves, and show a lot of character in the hour that remained.

Welfare scored just one more first half goal, on the stroke of half time when Alex Varley finished well, with the Town back line appealing for off-side, to take a 4-0 lead into the break.

To Ollerton's credit they continued to work hard in the second half, but would go on to concede another two goals, courtesy of a brace for second half substitute, and ex-Ollerton striker, Sam Foulds.

Foulds' first of the day, was a header on 62 minutes, which came from a corner after Green had turned his close range shot behind.



Almost immediately, Town could have been on the scoresheet themselves, after Joe Lumley was brought down in the box. Up stepped top scorer Gav King, but his penalty was comfortable saved by Welfare 'keeper Sebastian Tylek.

Town's misery was complete on 85 minutes when Foulds beat Green to Matthew Hughes's cross to make the scoreline 6-0.

Town continued to look for a consolation and came close twice in the closing moments. First, Ben Partridge beat Tylek, but saw his effort go just wide. Then, substitute Joe Bayne struck the crossbar with a superb strike, with the ball rebounding back to Ollie Grady, who headed home, only to be given offside.

That passage of play pretty much summed up Town's afternoon and they must now dust themselves down before next Saturday's local derby against Clipstone.





Clipstone FC was established in 1928 as Clipstone Combine using a ground off Mansfield Road and playing in the Colliery Alliance League. They were then re-named Clipstone Boys Brigade, and moved to a ground at Baulker Lane, before becoming Clipstone Welfare in 1955. In 1955/56 they won the treble of Spartan League Champions, League Cup Winners and Notts County F.A. Intermediate Cup winners and promotion to Notts Alliance League. With promotion they left their ground at Baulker Lane and moved to a new ground which has remained their home to the present day - the Lido Ground.

Clipstone had great success throughout the 1970s, but particularly the early 70's. They claimed their league's top spot three times in a row in 1972/73, 1973/74 and 1974/75. They also went onto win the Notts Alliance Cup in those same seasons. They began entering the FA Vase in 1974, reaching the second round in their first season. The success of the early 1970s ended and the next trophy Clipstone won was a rather famous one - the Nottinghamshire Senior Cup in 1985/86.

They again won back-to-back league titles in 1992/93 and 1993/94, before moving up to the Central Midlands League. In 1994/95 they won the league's Premier Division and after winning it for a second time in 1996/97, were promoted to the Supreme Division. In 2009/10 they won the league's Floodlit Cup competition.

The League was re-organised at the start of the 2011/12 season and Clipstone was placed in the South Division. That season, Clipstone applied to be elevated to the Northern Counties League and got that promotion despite finishing in fourth place.

The club dropped the "Welfare" part of its name in summer 2013 to become simply Clipstone FC and also adopted the nickname of "The Cobras".

In May 2013 the club announced a new multi-season sponsorship deal with local painting and decorating contractors Riley & Co (Mansfield) Ltd, with them becoming not only the main club sponsor but home and away shirt sponsors as well for the duration of the sponsorship.

At the start of the 2013/14 season Committee Member Barry Clarke's 40-years service at the club was marked with the new hospitality suite being named in his honour.

Another loyal club servant deserving a mention is the late Jack Collier who was involved with the football club for 65 years, the last 25 as Chairman until his death. Jack, who worked at Clipstone Colliery, was first involved with the club in their Baulker Lane days.

The 2014/15 season was a very successful season with the team winning the Northern Counties East League (NCEL) Division One title and gaining promotion to the NCEL Premier Division. The Cobras also competed in the FA Cup for the first time in their history reaching the First Qualifying round where they lost to Grantham Town. They also reached the final of the Nottinghamshire FA Senior Cup for the first time since winning it in 1985/86 but lost 3-5 to Basford United.

In the summer of 2015 Jas Colliver and Ryan France were appointed as the new management team for the club's first season in the NCEL Premier Division. They raised a few eyebrows as the team performed well in the league and again reached the FA Cup First Qualifying round where they were unlucky to lose out by the odd goal to Evo-Stik outfit Lincoln United. In early 2016 Ryan stepped down for personal reasons and Jas moved to Sheffield FC.

Billy Fox was appointed as the new manager in March 2016 and the club eventually finished mid-table in the NCEL Premier. They also reached the Nottinghamshire FA Senior Cup final for a second consecutive season but lost to Basford United (again) in a classic cup final in which the Cobras were leading 1-0 until the third minute of injury time. The game finished 2-2 after extra time and Basford won the penalty shootout. the hit the t United (agaon)time. Indeed the Cobras were CEL exp[re

Billy resigned in January 2017 and Clipstone-born Ian Cotton was then appointed as manager. As most of the previous players had departed, 'Cottee' assembled a squad of mainly local players and after three consecutive victories in March 2017 a respectable 16th place finish was achieved. That form unfortunately didn't continue into the 2017/8 season and, despite initial progress in the FA Cup and Vase, the Cobras lost their first 23 games and Ian tendered his resignation in January 2018. Clipstone were eventually relegated without a league victory..

Ex-AFC Mansfield boss Micky Taylor was appointed as manager for the 2018/19 as Clipstone began the first of three seasons in the East Midlands Counties League. The highlight of the season was a 4-3 victory in an FA Cup extra-preliminary round replay at Barton Town as the Cobras came back from being 3-0 down after 36 minutes.

For the 2019/20 season new manager and former Chesterfield FC professional Dave Hoole supported by Dale Spragg and Malc Siddall brought new optimism and a squad of talented young players with a few older heads. They were just beginning to find their feet at step 6 level and were in 15th place before the season was cancelled in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The nucleus of the squad stayed for the curtailed 2020/21 season and stability has now returned to the club which has re-joined the NCEL Division One for the 2021/22 season. The Cobras are also looking to the future and are looking to produce a pathway towards first team football for junior players. The Colts section now consists of an impressive 17 teams ranging from Under 7s to Under 18s and the Club also runs an Under 19 team under manager Scott Rogers and his backroom coaching staff.

CLIPSTONE

Tom Bailey
Elliott Barnard
Curtis Birchall
Ethan Blackbourn
Charlie Bryan
Liam Carrington
Charlie Dawes
Aaron Ferenc
Jason Foster
George Hardwick
William Heather
Brad Hextall
Lewis Hill-Smith
Jacob Holt
Joshua Ing
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Jack Lowe
Luke Manlove
Alexander Mann
Joseph Massey
Mitchell Mullins
Samuel Ogden
Robert Paling

Joshua Pickering
Taylor Siddall
Ryan Skidmore
Christopher Smith
Declan Sorrell
Jack Warwick
Lewis Warwick
Thomas Weaver
Jordan Wells
Nathan Whitehead
Declan Whitton
Connor Wright
Jack Wright

Manager:

Dave Hoole

Assistant Manager:

Dale Spragg

Coach:

Malc Siddall

Club info

Established

1928

Years in NCEL

2012-2018, 2021-

Home Colours

White/Black

Away Colours

All Red

THE KENT COMMENT

Thursday marked fifteen years since I wrote my first ever match report for Ollerton Town Football Club, a 1-1 draw away to Calverton Miners Welfare.

A lot has happened at the club over those fifteen years; floodlights, the FA Vase, two promotions, one league title, a few cup finals and a handful of managers. The last decade and a half has been pretty eventful for myself too, starting as an awkward teenager at the start of a secondary school to now being an awkward 27 year old in full time employment with a degree, about to get on the property ladder

When I wrote that first report, I didn't think I would still be here today, doing the match reports. Back then, it was all about Bebo and MySpace, I wouldn't have had a clue how to post an update on Twitter! As most of you know, I first got involved with Ollerton when my dad got back on board as assistant manager to Don Gethfield. My dad had played for Ollerton previously, as well as being assistant to Adge, so this football club has always been a part of my life in some way. When my dad and Donnie left, it was too late for me I had officially caught the bug and despite many weekends wishing I could, I can't seem to escape it.

I also never thought it would lead to some of the opportunities that I've had over the years. From reporting on Leeds in a play-off semi final and being sat in the press box at Stamford Bridge for a FA Cup game to being paid to go to Italy with University to cover volleyball (Yes, really!) there's been some brilliant moments that have all stemmed from that first match report. Now would probably be good time to also thank Stephen Thirkill at the Chad for giving me many of these opportunities.

Who knows what the future holds, will I be sat here in another 15 years writing some more programme notes? It wouldn't surprise me. But whether I'm involved or not, let's all hope for a long and successful future for this football club, starting with today's game.

Thanks for buying a programme.

Kenty x





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RESERVE TEAM

Our Reserve team head into today's tough clash against top-of-the-table Thorne Colliery on the back of a deserved 2-1 win over Dearne & District at The Fast Frame on Wednesday evening.

First team captain Sam Stretton put them ahead, firing in at the second attempt from a Lewis Murr corner. Callam Atkinson then made it 2-0 before half time, displaying some terrific foot work before firing in from range.

Atkinson and Ollerton could have scored more and when the visitors got a goal back, it set up a tense last fifteen minutes but Richard Walker's team saw the game out to secure all three points.



30/10/21 | A v Thorne Colliery | 3pm

06/11/21 | H v 780 JLC | 3pm

13/11/21 | A v Castle Donington | 3pm **CUP**

16/11/21 | A v Ashland Rovers | 7:45pm **CUP**

27/11/21 | A v Bessacarr | 3pm

04/12/21 | H v Ripley Town | 3pm

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

15/01/21 | H v Bottesford Town | 3pm

	Team	Points
1	Thorne Colliery	19
2	780 JLC	15
3	Bessacarr	15
4	Retford	14
5	Ollerton Town	13
6	Bottesford Town	12
7	Dearne & District	9
8	Harworth Colliery	5
9	Newark Town	3



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