Tadcaster Albion AFC





RAINWORTH MINERS WELFARE FC

Saturday 19th September 2015 3.00pm kick off at i2i Stadium







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The club is believed to have been formed in **1892** as John Smith's FC. It wasn't until **1923** that the Tadcaster Albion AFC name was adopted. In the early years the club played in the local York League. In **1948** Albion won the York League. They continued competing in the York League during the **1950's & 60's**.

Tadcaster Albion, in the early days, played home games on the site of the cricket ground on Station Road, before moving to the Ings ground, near to where the present Samuel Smith Brewery Packaging Block now stands.

Changing facilities were in the town, at the rear of the Falcon Public House on Chapel Street, and it was a common Saturday afternoon sight to see nets, corner flags, buckets, oranges, players and officials trekking through the town.

Down the years the club has played in several leagues. In early times, Barkston Ash and later still the Yorkshire and Northern Counties East Leagues.

Football continued on the Ings ground until **1960**, when the club moved 100 yards up river to its present home at the Park.

In **1973** the club joined the Yorkshire League Division 3 and were promoted in **1975 & 1977** to reach Division 1, relegation was to follow in **1979 & 1980**.

In **1982/83** they became a founding member of the Northern Counties East League, originally in the NCEL Division Two North before league reorganisations led them to Division One in **1991**. They rarely finish in the top half of the league in the **1990's** and finished bottom in **2001/02 & 2003/04**.

At the start of **2004/05**, Jim Collis became manager and at this point fortunes on the pitch started to improve dramatically. In his first season, Albion finished 5th in the league, the following year a 3rd place finish meant promotion was missed by one point.

Jimmy Reid took over as manager in **2006**, but his time was blighted by off the field problems. An attempted hostile takeover by dissident committee members took a massive amount of money to fight. Then in Nov **2007**, an attempted arson attack on the clubhouse caused a lot of damage.

Paul Marshall took over at the start of **2008/09**, in his first season he played mostly local players and the team struggled and finished 17th.

In **2009/10**, with an influx of a few new key players, Albion won the NCEL Division One title.

In **2010**, Rob Northfield, took over as Chairman of Tadcaster Albion (2010) Ltd, and the club became a company limited by guarantee.

Albion finished fourth in their first season in the NCEL Premier Division and won the NCEL President's Cup, beating Farsley AFC 5-1 in the final. That was followed by an 8th place finish in **2011/12** and 6th in **2012/13**.

In the **2013/14** season Rob Northfield resigned a few days before the start of the season and i2i Sports Ltd agreed to take effective control of the club and company, with Matthew Gore becoming the new Chairman.

In **2014/2015** the Brewers lead the NCEL Premier for most of the season, but a poor run of games in March led to them finally finishing in third.

An excellent run in the FA Vase saw them make history by making it through to the Quarter Final of the FA Vase where they drew a record breaking crowd of 1,307, but were narrowly beaten by Highworth Town.

The Brewers also broke many other records throughout the season – taking more than 200 fans away to Armthorpe Welfare on a cold Tuesday night where they went on to win 10-0.

At the end of the season, the club opted not to renew their contract with manager Paul Marshall, and two weeks later former Harrogate Railway boss Billy Miller was unveiled as the club's new manager.

TAFC Information

Club History:

Founded: **1892**

Nickname: **The Brewers** Owners: **i2i Sports Ltd**

Joined NCEL: Founding member since

1982

Midweek Matchday: Tuesday





Club Ground:

Address: i2i Stadium, Ings Lane, Tadcaster, LS24 9AY.

Capacity: **1500** - Seats: **150** Floodlights: **Installed 1995** Clubhouse: **Yes** Bar: **Yes** Hot & Cold Food: **Yes**

Club Shop: At the ground or Website



NCEL Division 1 Champions

2009-2010

NCEL President's Cup

2010-2011

PROSTAR Cup Winners **2010-2011 & 2011-2012**

Club Records: Highest Home Attendance:

1,307 v Highworth Town FC, TheFA Vase 6th Round Replay, 2014-2015

Highest Away Attendance:

1002 v Halifax Town FC, The FA Cup 2nd Round Qualifying, 2011-2012

Highest Home Victory:

13-0 v Blidworth Welfare FC, NCEL Division 1, **1997-1998**

Highest Away Victory:

0-10 v Blidworth Welfare FC, NCEL Division 1, **1997-1998**

0-10 v Armthorpe Welfare FC, NCEL Premier Division,

2014-2015

Highest Home Defeat:

2-10 v Thackley FC, NCEL Division 2 North, 1984-1985



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Club Officials:

Chairman:

Matthew Gore

Directors:

Kent Mayall & James Gore

President:

Kevin Derry

Vice President:

David Lloyd

Head of Sport:

Danny Gore

Club Secretary:

Ian Nottingham

Match Secretary:

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Programme & Website:

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Karen Faughey

Head Groundsman:

Dave Wakefield

Club Photographer:

Ian Parker

Social Media & Website:

Jay Taylor

Club Staff:

Manager:

Billy Miller

Assistant Manager:

Mike Morton

First Team Coach:

Simon Collins

Performance Analyst:

Richard Lawrence

Physio/Fitness Coach:

Lucy Lendhill



TAFC Directors' Notes











Welcome to today's match against Rainworth Miners Welfare. We're all very much looking forward to an enjoyable game. A big welcome to everyone who has made the long trip up from Nottinghamshire.

Rainworth joined the NCEL Premier after being relegated from the EvoStik South. The club have undergone some major changes over the course of the summer – from a new management team to a new squad. The Wrens started the season strongly with wins against Staveley Miners and Cleethorpes Town, but have lost their momentum in recent weeks with four defeats in a row. We won't be taking anything for granted however, and we know from previous experience that there can be nothing worse than playing a team which is smarting from the sting of consecutive defeats.

We've been delighted with our recent home attendances, which are consistently higher than the crowds we were attracting at this stage of the season last year. To get 276 against Pontefract Collieries on a Tuesday night is a huge achievement, and it's definitely proving to be a great boost for all the players. We'd love for our attendances to continue increasing, so please encourage your friends and family to come along and help cheer on the Brewers.

These high attendances wouldn't be possible without our fantastic team of volunteers who continue to amaze us with their dedication and generosity. A big thank you to everyone who gives up their time to ensure our game-days run so smoothly and efficiently. We're always on the lookout for more volunteers, so if you'd like to get involved please email info@tadalbion.com

Next Saturday we travel to our old rivals Barton Town Old Boys. Our Supporters Club is in the process of organising a coach, so keep an eye on our social media in the next couple of days for the full details.

Enjoy the game and thanks again for all your support.

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TAFC Bench

Billy Miller Manager



Billy is the Section Leader / Sports Lecturer in FE and HE at Askham Bryan College where he specialises in sports coaching. He began his management career whilst serving in the Army, running the U18, Army Representative Side (Cyprus), Combined Services Side (Cyprus) as well as coach educating across the Level 1 and Level 2 courses. On leaving the Army he joined the academy team at Darlington Football Club.

After a successful year he joined Liversedge Football Club where he enjoyed 3 years before moving to Harrogate Railway Athletic FC, guiding them to their highest ever finish of 8th place on a limited budget.

He has a proven track record of moving players up the leagues or indeed back into the pro game, including Josh Windass, Jake Lawlor, Lamin Colley, Nathan Cartman and Rob Youhill amongst them.

He joined Tadcaster in May 2015.

Mike Morton

Assistant Manager



Joined Albion in July 2012. An FA Level 3 (UEFA B coach who also holds FA Youth Award Modules 1, 2 and 3. Mike has over 10 years' coaching experience in English academies – formerly at Leeds United and Manchester City. Mike recently completed the Position Specific coaching (PSC) English FA course on developing defenders, midfielders and forwards. Mike is currently undertaking his FA Level 4 (UEFA A) coaching licence part 1.

Simon Collins



Appointed in November 2013. Simon is a FA Level 3 (UEFA 'B') coach. Simon has recently undertaken the FA Specialist Courses in Developing Defenders, Midfielders and Forwards.

With a BA Hons degree in Sport Development, he has over 14-years coaching experience in English academies formerly of Leeds United and Manchester City Academy. Currently coaching at York College Football Development Centre and UST Academy.

Richard Lawrence Performance Analyst



Richard assists the management team by providing real time performance analysis both during and after the game. Richard previously worked with Billy Miller at Harrogate Railway FC.

Lucy Lendhill Physio



Lucy joined the club in 2014 as Assistant Physiotherapist working with Andy Calvert. Lucy took over the reins as Physio when Andy left. She is a local Tadcaster girl running her own business called LL-Sports Therapy. She studied at York St John University.





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TAFC Player Profile



Gary Stevens Goalkeeper

Gary Stevens – Gary is a vastly experienced and competent goalkeeper who first came to Tadcaster Albion's attention when he played against the club for Highworth Town in the Quarter Final of the FA Vase. Gary, who previously played for Cardiff City Academy, Radstock Town and Purton FC, kept an impressive 23 clean sheets last season and has recently relocated to the Yorkshire area.



Ryan Woodhead DEFENDER

Ryan is a full-back by trade who is tenacious defending and clever going forward. He is part of the i2i academy setup and recently joined from Pickering Town. Ryan made his debut away at Liversedge when he came on for the last 15 minutes



Leon Wrigglesworth GOALKEEPER

Goalkeeper Leon has previously played for York City Academy, Tadcaster Albion and Pickering Town, and re-joins the club to provide cover for Gary Stevens.



Jason Mycoe defender/midfield

Jason is a tough tackling defensive midfielder who brings versatility to the squad being able to play at centre-back and either full-back positions. Previous clubs include Leeds United, Barton Town Old Boys, Ossett Albion, Ossett Town and Harrogate Railway.



Andy Milne defender

Andy joined Leeds United Academy at the age of nine – before going on to become Head Boy and Captain of the Under-18s. Around this time he also obtained international caps for Scotland U18s & U19s. After a loan spell at Darlington, Andy left Leeds and went on to play for Altrincham in the Conference, as well as Barrow, Halifax and Scarborough. Last season's Players' AND Supporters' Player of the Year.



Liam Ormsby MIDFIELD

Liam started his playing career with Barnsley before joining Harrogate Town in the summer of 2008. After spells with Ossett Town, Pontefract Collieries, Garforth Town and Albion Sports, he joined Tadcaster in 2014 where he went on to win the Manager's Player of the Year Award. Liam is calm and collected when taking penalties and scored 12 goals in the 2014/15 season.



Paddy Miller DEFENDER

Paddy is a versatile defender who can play at Left Back, Centre Half or on the left side of midfield. He has previously played for Farsley AFC and won the NCEL Premier with Scarborough Athletic in 2012. He joined Tadcaster in 2014 and played an impressive 47 games for the club last season – scoring three goals in the process.



Josh Barrett MIDFIELD

Josh began his footballing career at Leeds United before moving to York City FC as a teenager where he remained until he was 16. Josh, who has also previously played for Dunnington, is an explosive winger who joined The Brewers in 2013. On his day, Josh is unplayable. He scored nine goals in the 2014/15 season.



Matt Heath DEFENDER

Matt played in the Premier League with Leicester City before signing for Leeds in 2006 – where he went on to make 52 appearances, scoring four goals. Matt has also played for Brighton & Hove Albion and Colchester United, and spent the 2014-15 season playing under Billy Miller at EvoStik Division One side Harrogate Railway.



Nick Thompson MIDFIELD

Former York City player Nick is a Steven Gerrard-esque player who is popular with fans for his box to box displays in the centre of midfield. Nick was captain of the York City youth team until 2010 when he joined Tadcaster. He was the Player and Supporters' Player of the Year in 2011-12 and has scored over 30 goals in the last four seasons.



Jordan Armstrong DEFENDER

Right Back Jordan started his football career with Preston North End Academy before going on to play for Shrewsbury Town and Cadiz CF in Spain's Segunda Division B. Most recently, he played for Harrogate Railway before opting to follow his former manager Billy Miller to Tadcaster.



Tom Claisse MIDFIELD

Tom is a tough-tackling, combative midfielder who has previously played for Goole, Scarborough Athletic, Whitby Town, Ossett Town, Bradford Park Avenue and Farsley AFC. He is currently captain of the Combined Forces team and also plays for the Royal Air Force.



Danny Stimpson defender

Danny started his career as a striker before switching to Centre Half and has been on the books at Leeds United, Huddersfield Town, York City, Ange IF (Swedish Professional) and Harrogate Town. Standing 6ft 4ins, Danny is a kick boxing black belt who is a formidable player for TAFC.



Jimmy Beadle MIDFIELD

Jimmy is a goal-scoring midfielder who has previously played for York City, Whitby Town and Scarborough Town, and has also had spells abroad in Sweden and Norway. Jimmy joined Scarborough Athletic in December 2012 and went on to help the club win promotion from the NCEL in his first season. In the 2014/15 season he scored 20 goals in 37 starts for Scarborough.



TAFC Player Profile



George Conway MIDFIELD

Former Huddersfield Town professional George is an outright traditional speedy winger. He is a former Scotland Youth International who has also played for Workington Town and Shaw Lane Aquaforce.



Josh Greening STRIKER

Josh is a pacey striker/winger who left Pickering Town to join Tadcaster in 2014. He has previously played for Leeds United Academy, Scarborough Athletic and Bridlington Town, and has a great eye for goal, which saw him make Taddy history last season when he scored three hat-tricks in three games. Last season's top scorer with 30 goals.



Adam Baker striker/midfield

Adam was a Leeds United youngster who moved to Bradford City where he stayed for eight years - signing as a professional at 18. Adam was in the 2013 Bradford City squad that reached Wembley twice and is hoping to replicate that success with Tadcaster Albion in the FA Vase. Most recently, he has played at Harrogate Railway where he scored 12 goals in the last four months of the



Nick Black STRIKER

Nick is a strong-running forward with close control skills and an eye for goal. At more than 6ft tall, Nick is a major presence in the air and isn't afraid to battle with the back line. Previous clubs include Selby Town and Garforth Town where he scored 12 goals last season from the riaht wina



Dan Clayton striker/midfield

Dan is a goal scoring left winger who can also play as a striker. He is a fast and powerful player who is at his best when running at defenders. Dan has previously played for Hartlepool United, North Ferriby United and Gainsborough Trinity. He has also had two spells at Harrogate Town and was most recently at Scarborough Athletic.



Alfie Beestin STRIKER

Alfie is a young promising striker who has raw pace and certainly knows where the goal is. He also part of the i2i academy and has recently broken into the first team squad, but is yet to make an appearance in a competitive match..



Carl Stewart STRIKER

Carl first joined Tadcaster Albion before going on to have spells with Pickering Town, Bridlington Town and Ossett Town. He returned in 2013 and was the club's top scorer in the 2013/14 season, scoring 32 goals (a club record).



Romario Vieira Nan STRIKER

17-year-old Romario started his football career with Benfica Academy and has also had a spell with Manchester City's Academy. He is a holding midfielder who dictates the tempo of the game. Currently in his second year with the i2i Football Academy.



Danny Gray Striker

Danny, who describes himself as a big number 9 striker, signed from Selby in December 2014 for what is now his second spell with the club. Danny gives the team another option up front because of his size and presence.

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TAFC v Pontefract Collieries FC Tuesday 15th September

Jordan Armstrong & Josh Barrett

TAFC Manager's Notes

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the i2i for today's NCEL game against Rainworth Miners Welfare. We would like to extend a warm welcome to the management and players. We hope they enjoy their afternoon and more importantly have a safe journey home.

Tuesday night's victory against a physical Pontefract Collieries side saw us return to the top the league, although it is still very early in the season. It took a lot of patience, hard work and resilience to break them down, but given the number of chances we created it was a pleasing performance overall.

With the midweek fixtures behind us for the time being it will be nice to establish a little bit of recovery time for the players. We have come through a really tough test - playing 12 competitive fixtures in just 35 days. The lads have also trained alongside the games, an important aspect of ensuring we are physical ready for the demands of the season. It is at this time of year that teams start missing training for a number of reasons. We will not do this, unless exceptional circumstances dictate. Training is

as important as the games themselves; socially, physically, technically and tactically, we can always improve our game.

The squad is starting to settle and I am well aware that there has been movement across the squad from last season. Hopefully the players coming in have in most cases excited you and delivered good attacking football. We should also mention the back five have now kept five clean sheets; evidence that when they get it right they form a great foundation for our attacking force. Will there be more movement? I would hope now it will be minimal, but this is non-league football and players do move for a number of reasons.

Finally the last word must go to the faithful. 276 on a Tuesday night is priceless. Your numbers and vocal support for the players is well above our current level. The players and staff appreciate all the hard work, the flags and indeed colours on display. Long may it continue!

Yours in Sport, Billy #tadallover



Billy Miller
TAFC Manager



Away Game Coach



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Next away game v Barton Town Old Boys Saturday 26th September

The coach costs £10 a seat and leaves Acomb Green at 11.15am and the i2i Stadium at 11.30am.

TAFC Match Preview

We welcome this afternoon the fans, players and officials of Rainworth Miners Welfare. This is The Wrens first season back in the NCEL Premier since 2009/10 after their relegation from The Evostick Division One South. In that 09/10 season, they were runners up in The NCEL Premier behind Bridlington Town.

So far this season they have taken 12 points from 8 games played. Their last 3 league games have been defeats to Clipstone, Pontefract and

Handsworth, all at home in an 8 day period. They are currently in 9th place in the table, 11 points behind The Brewers but with 2 games in hand. Worksop Town are today at home to Maltby Town and Handsworth Parramore are away at Thackley. I will go for a 1-0 win for The Brewers in a close game to keep the title challenge moving forward.

Best Keith Handley



The Fox Keith Handley

Visitors' History



A NEW START AS WRENS REGROUP

RAINWORTH MW are back in the Toolstation Northern Counties East League after five seasons of plying their trade in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier Division One South.

The Wrens were proud to be the first and only Miners' Welfare club to have played at Step 4 of the National League system, but were increasingly finding the cost of competing against clubs of the ilk of Stafford Rangers, Leek Town etc beyond them

They therefore decided to take a voluntary step back to step 5, where they were placed by the FA in the NCEL Premier, in which they had spent just one season before being promoted to the Evo-Stik League as runners up to Bridlington Town in 2010, Brid having turned down promotion.

The new start sees virtually a completely new team under new manager, former Sheffield Wednesday and Luton Town defender Julian Watts and assistant Ady Smith. It was this pairing, in reversed roles, that led the Wrens' reserve side to the Central Midlands Reserve Supreme Division title in 2014 before the side was axed as an economy measure. Last season they took the reins at Shirebrook Town who had made a poor start to the season, and lifted them to the verge of promotion from NCEL Division One - a promotion which would certainly have been achieved had the club had the same points per game record before their arrival at Langwith Road.

WEMBLEY AND THE EARLIER HISTORY

Rufford Colliery FC, as they were styled until the 1970s, were founded in 1922, but it was not until 1976 that they really began to take off with the arrival of Brian Phillips, the former Middlesbrough and Mansfield Town centre half, as manager. Phillips succeeded the club's first ever manager, Tony Porter, whose appointment made Rainworth the first Notts Alliance club to take this step, although it was a move which other clubs in the league soon copied.

Phillips, whose death at the age of 80 was mourned by the club during the 2012 close season, led the side to runners-up spot in 1976, and then followed six successive league championships. They also enjoyed consistent success in the League Cup, and won the Notts Senior Cup twice.

The League, League Cup and Senior Cup were all won in 1982, but the icing on the cake came in the FA Vase. It was only the third time the club had entered the national competition, but they went all the way to the Wembley final before losing 3-0 to Forest Green Rovers - who now play at the highest level of non-League. A crowd officially returned as 12,500 (many still believe this was woefully understated) at Wembley included 10,000 who made the journey down from Nottinghamshire, and although in the end they could not lift the Vase itself they did have the honour of being only the second true amateur club, paying subs to play, and the only Miners' Welfare team, ever to grace the final.

The home leg of the semi-final was, in its own way, even more memorable than Wembley itself. After a goalless first leg draw at former finalists Barton Rovers, Dave Hallam popped in two goals in the home leg to give the side a 2-1 victory before a crowd of 5,071, which remains a competition record outside the final to this day.

The 1980s saw Rainworth, reach the last 16 of the Vase on three more occasions, plus further appearances in the Notts Senior Cup final, but after 1983 it was not until 1991 that silverware again graced the trophy cupboard in the form of the Notts Alliance championship, as Rainworth became the club everyone wanted to beat.

Successive managers had to work in the shadow of that great side. They included former Bolton, Burnley, Birmingham, Oxford and Mansfield forward Neil Whatmore, John Slater - himself a member of that 1982 team - who after leading Clipstone Welfare to three successive titles made it a naphand by winning the next two as Rainworth manager - and another former Mansfield player, Gary Saxby. In between, Brian Phillips also had another spell in charge aided by Mick Gould and John Wallhead, whose contacts brought a number of new and fondly remembered players to the club.

The arrival of Sandy Pate heralded the dawn of the 21st century, and although his first season in charge saw the club down to 10th place - the lowest position for at least 20 years - the up side of the story was the number of promising youngsters he brought to the club to replace the aging old guard. The following season those young players, aided by a touch of experience, came of age and mounted a serious title challenge before finishing second.

In their final Alliance season before joining the Central Midlands League they finished fifth, and reached the League Cup semi-final before bowing out to eventual champions Radcliffe Olympic.

By this time many of the established Notts Alliance clubs had seen greener grass in the Central Midlands League, and while Rainworth remained faithful to the Alliance which had served them so well for so long, the loss of so many of their traditional rivals to the CML made it perhaps inevitable that they should ultimately follow suit.

OUT OF THE SHADOWS WITH FUNK AND MILLAR

In the five seasons leading up to promotion to the Northern Premier League, Rudy Funk and Billy Millar had brought about a revolution at the club with those three promotions, to lift the Wrens to their highest ever level of competitive football, making them the first and still the only Miners' Welfare club in the country to achieve Step 4 status, and finally bringing the club out of the shadow of that 1981-82 achievement.

Rudy and Billy arrived during the summer of 2005 when the club was at a very low ebb. Previous manager, former Mansfield Town favourite Sandy Pate, had led the club from the Notts Alliance into the Central Midlands Premier Division and then won promotion to the Supreme Division in third

place at the first attempt.

But midway through that first season in the Supreme Division the club was devastated by the sudden and unexpected death of highly-rated coach Mark Hallas. It was a blow from which they could not recover, they plummeted down the table, and finished in a relegation position - the only time in the club's history until last season that this had ever happened. Fortunately for Rainworth the failure of other clubs to meet the floodlighting deadline meant that they were reprieved and preserved their Supreme Division place.

A brand new start was desperately needed. Sandy, broken-hearted, stood down from the club he had come to love, and Rudy - a former coach at Rainworth during his predecessor's period in charge - returned as manager vowing to turn the club around and ultimately bring what was then UniBond League football to Kirklington Road—a promise he fulfilled before his shock resignation.

In their first season Rudy and Billy steadied the ship and achieved ninth place, before going for and winning promotion to the NCEL Division One the following year, finishing third behind Bottesford Town and Barton Town - all three made the step up, fully 12 points clear of the rest of the pack.

A successful first season in the NCEL saw the Wrens finally finish fourth, falling away slightly at the death, largely as a result of an horrendous injury list, after looking likely promotion contenders for most of the campaign. That season also marked the first year back in the FA Cup for over half a century, and they reached the penultimate qualifying stage before very unluckily bowing out at then Southern League Chasetown - who went all the way to the third round proper and lost to eventual finalists Cardiff City.

Missing out at the end of that season made the management all the more determined to go one better next time around, and they won promotion as runners-up to runaway champions Scarborough Athletic - who had risen out of the ashes of the former Football League club and, ironically, where Funk subsequently became manager.

Rudy boldly proclaimed prior to the start of the next season, in the NCEL Premier Division, that Rainworth were not in the division just to make up the numbers and, after a slightly uncertain start, they embarked on a club record breaking 16 successive league wins which saw them top the league.

Unfortunately, with the league record of 21 straight wins held by Guiseley in sight, they then hit an indifferent spell and played 10 games in all competitions without a win, before ending the season with another run of seven victories on the bounce to claim runners-up spot behind Bridlington Town.

There was only one promotion place, but Brid, who finished the season 11 points clear after the Wrens hit that sticky patch, declined it because of the expense of travelling, so Rainworth gratefully accepted promotion instead.



THE EVO-STIK LEAGUE YEARS

Rainworth were placed in Division One South of the Evo-Stik League, and the management team opted to give the promotion-winning squad a chance to prove themselves at the higher level, but they made a difficult start to life at Step 4, and Rudy decided to step down part way through that first season. He had led the club from the bottom of the Step 7 Central Midlands League Supreme Division to the Evo-Stik League winning three promotions in four years so, although they were finding it hard going and had lost nine successive matches, the manager's decision to go was a bolt from the blue. It was a sad end to a great era, but life went on, and between them Billy and promoted club captain Lee Wilkinson set about a massive repair job. At the time the Wrens looked deep in relegation trouble, but so much did the tide turn under the new management that, although they only finished one place above the relegation zone, there was a 19-point gap over next to bottom Shepshed Dynamo by the end of the season. And, for good measure, the club won the Fair Play award for Division One South.

Unfortunately hopes that that improvement could be carried into the next campaign were unful-filled. Indeed, between Kevin Gee's appointment as manager and his first match in charge the club slumped to the bottom of the table. Gee was given just one task to fulfil – to avoid relegation. Although the club still struggled to score goals mathematical safety was achieved by the end of March, thanks largely to the best defensive record in the division outside the top three. The previous season's league placing was bettered by one, and 14 points parted the club from the bottom two.

Season 2013-14 had marked the start of yet another new era in the club's chequered history. Towards the end of their third season in the Evo-Stik NPL the Wrens took stock, faced up to the agonising realisation that in their circumstances they were punching above their weight financially at Step 4 of the National Leagues System, and notified the league of their intention to withdraw at the end of the season and take a voluntary drop to Step 5.

It was not that the club were in debt – far from it. But some key funding initiatives were drying up, and it was felt that to continue and remain competitive in Step 4 was unsustainable.

It was ironic that it had been the Wrens' best season since their promotion from the Northern Counties East League. But when the story of their resignation broke it was read by Mansfield Town director Mark Hawkins, who resigned his post at the One-Call Stadium, just as the Stags regained their Football League place from the Conference as it was then called, and offered his services to Rainworth, saying that the club had worked too hard in achieving their status to let it go.

Mr Hawkins' arrival marked the start of a closer relationship with their Football League neighbours less than four miles away, and among the new initiatives brought about by Mark's arrival was a brand new major sponsorship by Green

Energy Power Solutions.

Rainworth made a sound start to the next season as Gee brought in a number of new players, but a disappointing run of results during early September culminated in Gee's resignation after he had turned the club from perennial strugglers into a respected Step 4 outfit. Scott Rickards, who had joined as a player during the close season, was handed his first taste of management as Gee's successor, after a short but successful caretakership

Money was still tight though, and a cut in the playing budget midway through the season meant the departure of several of the experienced Northern Premier players that Gee had brought to the club. The fact that neither Rickards nor his assistant Matt Clarke lived locally hampered their ability to bring in suitable replacements, and the season petered out to a disappointing conclusion with a 15th-place finish, having looked like potential play-off candidates earlier in the campaign. And while a successful Notts Senior Cup run to the final provided some welcome relief, the final itself was a disaster as a badly depleted side scored first and last against Carlton Town, but conceded six in between.

With Clarke moving on at the end of that season he was replaced as Rickards' number two by Dean Short, who had some success as Sutton Town manager. The hope was that Short would fill the blanks in Rickards' knowledge of local players capable of making the step up, but Rickards himself stunned the club just two days before the start of last season by walking out of the job. Most of the remaining senior players left with him, and Short was left in an impossible position with a team of basically Step 6 players with no more experienced men to guide them. Short brought in Dean Mitchell to help him, but with the two Deans not familiar with Step 4 football and therefore unable to attract enough of the right calibre of player, results suffered dramatically, to the extent that they and the club parted company by mutual agreement in mid-September.

A new management team of Gary Sucharewicz and Ian Robinson were quickly appointed in their stead, and within a couple of days they had recruited several new players who they believed were able to be competitive at this level. Although it was largely a new team thrown together without the benefit of a pre-season, results immediately improved, and the club were optimistic that they could achieve respectability again.

Sucharewicz unfortunately lasted only a few weeks before a change in his day job left him unable to continue, so John Knapper joined Robinson as his replacement. However, that early promise was never quite maintained as the managers were unable to establish a settled squad, and although the side were close to being capable of challenging at the top end too many unlucky single goal defeats cost them dearly.

Meanwhile Mark Hawkins had resigned from the chairmanship to return to Mansfield Town, although the sponsorship of Green Energy continued, but as costs of remaining competitive as a Step 4 club mounted the club again took the decision to resign from the league - and this time there was no going back.

Unfortunately the news of the decision was released by the league in a most unsatisfactory manner before the management and players could be informed, performances in the final weeks of the season suffered in consequence, and the club plummeted to next to bottom. While this was a relegation position a reprieve would almost certainly have been granted, but the resignation stood, and so ended five years of Step 4 football. At least now, if the chance ever presents itself again, the club will be more clued up about life at that level, and that knowledge will stand them in good stead.

THE KIRKLINGTON ROAD STADIUM

At the time of the Wembley season there was no covered accommodation at Rainworth, and the main pitch was merely roped off.

Looking at the ground now it is hard to visualise how such a vast crowd could have been accommodated for that Vase semi-final, but in those days there were huge banks behind the Kirklington Road goal and on the allotments side - which included some rudimentary railway sleeper terracing—and 'Health and Safety' was not such a big issue then as it is nowadays.

The ground was essentially three sided, with a cricket square and a second pitch with training lights opposite. Eventually, in 1991, floodlights were put in - the club had a reputation as trail-blazers, having already been the first Notts Alliance club to appoint a manager, enter the Vase, and the joint first to begin producing a matchday programme, and now they were the first to install lights. New FA Vase requirements meant that covered accommodation was needed so the small stand on the allotments side was put in, at a stroke cutting the ground capacity, and this eventually included seating.

When application was made to join the NCEL a number of grading issues were raised, not least the need for new dressing rooms adjacent to the pitch to replace those which stood some 25 yards away, and enclosure of the main arena which was made possible by the removal of cricket. All this was completed, along with a brand new seated stand, hard standing all around the pitch, a new pitch barrier acquired from Nuneaton Borough's old ground, turnstiles, hospitality suites, tea bar, manager's office, and press room. Few visitors to Rainworth fail to compliment the club on their excellent facilities. The old dressing rooms and second pitch continue in use by Sunday and youth sides, while the new dressing rooms are of Conference standard. Capacity is 2,201 with 211 seats (the seating capacity was cut to 159 from 221 when the 62 seats in the Allotments Side stand were removed at the behest of the ground graders to provide more covered standing space. Since then 52 of those seats have been re-installed in a small new stand, still to be covered, adjacent to the pavilion at the Kirklington Road end of the ground).





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TAFC Today's Teams



Tadcaster Albion AFC



Rainworth Miners Welfare FC









Michael Brownsett

Akeel Ahmed Richard Walker

Gary Stevens (GK) Leon Wrigglesworth (GK) Andy Milne Paddy Miller Matt Heath (C) Jason Mycoe Ryan Woodhead Jordan Armstrong Danny Stimpson Liam Ormsby Josh Barrett Nick Thompson Tom Claisse Jimmy Beadle George Conway Josh Greening Carl Stewart Adam Baker

Manager: Billy Miller

Danny Gray Nick Black

Dan Clayton

Alfie Beestin

Assistant Manager:

Romario Vieira Nan

Mike Morton

Coach:

Simon Collins

Physio:

Lucy Lendhill

Colours:

H: Yellow/Blue A: White/Blue

Nathan Burrows (GK) Joe McCormack (GK) Frazor Hampson (GK) Liam Kerry (GK) Julian Watts Gareth Campion Jordan Claxton Ricky Hanson Jordan Harris Matt Plant Luke Proctor Connor Smythe Samuel Ward Luke Weaver Jack Andrews James Blakeley Ben Bowring Sam Dockwray Cameron Mitchell Thomas Periera Matthew Sykes Matt Taylor Matthew Thompson James Weaver Lewis Bingham Lewis Chambers Max Curzon Liam Morris Liam Theakston

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Julian Watts

Assistant Manager:

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NCELP The Week Ahead

SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMB	ER 2015 -	- NCEI	L Prer	nier Division	OTBALL LERO
Armthorpe Welfare		V		Liversedge	3.00pm
Athersley Recreation		V		Retford United	3.00pm
Brigg Town		V	ŧ	Bridlington Town	3.00pm
Clipstone	A	V		Cleethorpes Town	3.00pm
Garforth Town	8	V	3	Albion Sports	3.00pm
Parkgate		V		Pickering Town	3.00pm
Pontefract Collieries	•	V	(Barton Town Old Boys	3.00pm
Staveley Miners Welfare		V		Nostell Miners Welfare	3.00pm
Tadcaster Albion	TAFO STREET STREET	V		Rainworth Miners Welfare	3.00pm
Thackley		V		Handsworth Parramore	3.00pm
Worksop Town		V	M	Maltby Main	3.00pm
TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBE	ER 2015 -	NCEL	. Prem	ier Division	
Armthorpe Welfare		V		Parkgate	7.45pm
Barton Town Old Boys		V		Handsworth Parramore	7.45pm
Garforth Town	8	V		Nostell Miners Welfare	7.45pm
Pickering Town	PRILL	V		Albion Sports	7.45pm
Retford United		V		Cleethorpes Town	7.45pm
WEDNESDAY 23rd SEPTEM	MBER 201	5 - NC	CEL P	remier Division	
Brigg Town		V	()	Athersley Recreation	7.45pm
Pontefract Collieries		V		Liversedge	7.45pm

NCEL Premier Division 2015/16 Season



		Teams		W	D	L	F	A	Pts	+/-
1	TAFC	Tadcaster Albion	10	7	2	1	35	12	23	23
2		Worksop Town	9	7	0	2	36	9	21	27
3		Handsworth Parramore	7	5	1	1	13	3	16	10
4		Bridlington Town	9	5	0	4	18	13	15	5
5		Albion Sports	8	5	0	3	16	13	15	3
6	A	Clipstone	7	4	2	1	16	8	14	8
7		Barton Town Old Boys	7	4	1	2	14	4	13	10
8		Garforth Town	7	4	0	2	12	10	13	2
9		Rainworth Miners Welfare	8	4	0	4	18	15	12	3
10		Staveley Miners Welfare		4	0	4	16	14	12	2
11	*	Liversedge		3	2	3	10	14	11	-4
12		Parkgate		3	1	3	11	17	10	-6
13		Nostell Miners Welfare		3	1	5	8	22	10	-14
14	M	Maltby Main		3	0	1	16	9	9	7
15		Retford United		2	3	3	9	9	9	0
16		Pontefract Collieries	7	2	1	4	9	18	7	-9
17		Athersley Recreation	10	2	1	7	8	30	7	-22
18		Cleethorpes Town	6	2	0	4	11	14	6	-3
19		Pickering Town	5	1	1	3	7	11	4	-4
20		Armthorpe Welfare	7	1	1	5	8	22	4	-14
21		Thackley	5	1	0	4	6	13	3	-7
22		Brigg Town	8	1	0	7	7	24	3	-17



NCEL Premier Division Results

SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2015 - NCEL Premier Division







Bridlington Town

HT: 0 - 1

Att: 81

Asif Hussain 88pen





Pickering Town

HT: 1 - 3

Att: 60

Ryan Blackburn 44





Nathan Kamara 29, Joe Danby 31, James Bennett 41pen, George Bissett 59

Barton Town Old Boys

Bradley Ricketts 4, Scott Phillips 22, 49





Parkgate

HT: 2 - 0

Att: 80

Cleethorpes Town





Garforth Town

HT: 1 - 0

Att: 102

Marc Cooper 31





Luke Mangham 75pen, Mark Simpson 84

Liversedge



0 - 4



Tadcaster Albion

HT: 0 - 2

Att: 94

Jimmy Beadle 25, Daniel Clayton 41, George Conway 70, Adam Baker 75

Chris Jenkinson 8, Will Waudby 53, Ombeni Ruhanduka 66, 75, 87

Nostell Miners Welfare

Rainworth Miners Welfare



1 - 2



Handsworth Parramore

HT: 1 - 2

Att: 53

Fidel Mhlolo 33





Jon Froggatt 31, Kieran Wells 42 Pontefract Collieries

HT: 0 - 0

Att: 62





Aaron Moxam 63pen

Retford United Mark Stuart 72, Brad Kerr 78





Staveley Miners Welfare

HT: 0 - 1

Att: 137

Tom Lee 20og, Tom Elliott 36, Kyle Jordan 39, Conor Sellars 87

Worksop Town





Brigg Town

Adam Scott 42

HT: 3 - 0

Att: 413

TUESDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2015 - NCEL Premier Division

Liversedge Andrew Wood 86





Staveley Miners Welfare

HT: 0 - 1

Att: 80

Courtney Hastings 5, 79, Kurtis Morley 66, Ellis Wall 72, Adam Scott 73

Nostell Miners Welfare





Albion Sports

HT: 0 - 2

Att: 62

Josh Whitley 69 James Firth 31, Alex Cusack 44, Omar Habib 89, Marcus Edwards 90

Pickering Town

Liam Morris 80





Retford United

HT: 1 - 0

Att: 122

Rainworth Miners Welfare

George Bissett 25, Ryan Cooper 65





Handsworth Parramore Kieran Wells 2. Sam Denton 32

Adam Carter 52, Brad Kerr 72

HT: 0 - 2

Att: 74

Tadcaster Albion





HT: 1 - 0

Att: 276

Andrew Wood 86





Pontefract Collieries

TAFC Jay Looks Back

Taddy went to the top of the league after a 2-0 win over Pontefract Collieries thanks to goals from Jimmy Beadle and Adam Baker. Worksop Town don't play this midweek but have a game in-hand over The Brewers so could go back to the top with a win.

Handsworth Parramore moved up to third place in the NCEL Premier Division on Tuesday night with a 2-1 away win at Rainworth Miners Welfare. First half goals from Kieran Wells and Sam Denton was enough to see off the recently relegated Rainworth side. Parramore are now five points behind Worksop Town with two games in hand and seven points behind ourselves with three games in hand.

Liversedge suffered their second home defeat in four days as they were comfortably beaten by Staveley Miners Welfare. Goals from Ellis Wall, Kurtis Morley, Courtney Hastings and a brace from Adam Scott saw Staveley jump above The Sedge and into tenth place.

Albion Sports continued their impressive start to the season as they won 4-1 away at Nostell Miners Welfare. James Firth and Alex Cusack started things off for Sports but Nostell were back in it when Josh Whitley reduced the deficit in the 69th minute. However, Omar Habib and Marcus Edwards made sure of the three points in the last couple of minutes.

The final game on Tuesday night in the NCEL Premier Division saw Pickering

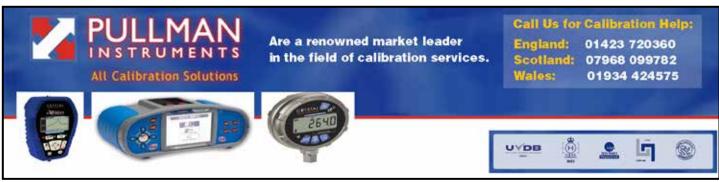


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Town play out a 2-2 'Desmond' against Retford United. Pickering were pegged back twice in the match as Adam Carter cancelled out George Bissett's first half goal then just as Ryan Cooper gave Paul Marshall's side the lead, Brad Kerr was on-hand to give both sides a point.

Best Jay







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Social Media Update





Gary Stevens: "Another great win last night (Tuesday).....One that we had to grind out.....Now it's back to the grindstone.....No such thing as a day off..... #LegDay"



Jordan Armstrong: "Top 2-0 win last night (Tuesday), delighted with the clean sheet and to go top of the league"



Paddy Miller: "Solid 2-0 win at home last night (Tuesday)....Felt good being back at CB. It was like returning home #cleansheet"



Tom Claisse: "Teddy William Claisse, born 22:33 on 10/9/15 weighing 8lb 5! Mum and baby are both great #teddy"



Captain Chickers: "Man of the match tonight (Tuesday) for me was the one and only Paddy Miller, thought you played your socks off #solidperformance"



Jason Dunne on Tuesday night's win:
"Gary Stevens provided the platform for

"Gary Stevens provided the platform for Tadcaster Albion to miss chances and still win the match. Jimmy Beadle and Paddy Miller also played good"



Adrian Hotson on Tuesday night's win: "FT 2-0 to Tadcaster Albion, late goal by Adam Baker. Thoroughly deserved 3 points. Beadle was excellent in midfield #properfootball"



Tommy Franklin: "Enjoyed Tadcaster Albion tonight (Tuesday). Move down to London on Saturday so last time I will see them until the New Year but I will check results"



Karl Latham: "Another superb result well done boys"



TT TSC: "Gary Stevens Man of the Match for me tonight (Tuesday) for Tadcaster Albion, ace saves at key moments, Pontefract Collieries are a decent side, could've gone either way."

TAFC Top Goal Scorers 2015-16 Season

Previous Seaso	ns
2014/2015 Josh Greening	31
2013/2014 Carl Stewart	32
2012/2013 Steve Jeff	17
2011/2012 Carl Stewart	16
2010/2011 Graeme Whitehead	20
2009/2010 Darren Brandon	17

Player	NCELP	FAC	Cup	TOTAL
George Conway	6	0	0	6
Adam Baker	6	0	0	6
Liam Ormsby	3	2	0	5
Josh Greening	5	0	0	5
Nick Black	4	0	0	4
Jimmy Beadle	3	1	0	4
Matt Heath	2	1	0	3
Andy Milne	3	0	0	3
Joe Thornton	2	0	0	2
Paddy Miller	0	1	0	1
Daniel Clayton	1	0	0	1





TAFC Results & Fixtures

	Date	Comp	Opponents	Venue	KO	Score	Att.
1	Saturday - 8/8/2015	NCELP	Maltby Main FC	Н	3.00	W 6-3	367
2	Tuesday - 11/8/2015	NCELP	Parkgate FC	Н	7.45	L 3-4	315
3	Saturday - 15/8/2015	FACEP	Hebburn Town FC	А	3.00	W 1-3	86
4	Wednesday - 19/8/2015	NCELP	Athersley Recreation AFC	А	7.45	W 0-5	149
5	Saturday - 22/8/2015	NCELP	Brigg Town FC	Н	3.00	W 5-0	311
6	Tuesday - 25/8/2015	NCELP	Staveley Miners Welfare FC	Н	7.45	W 2-0	287
7	Saturday - 29/8/2015	FACP	Colne FC	Н	3.00	L 2-5	243
8	Tuesday - 1/9/2015	NCELP	Bridlington Town FC	Н	7.45	W 4-1	306
9	Saturday - 5/9/2015	NCELP	Clipstone FC	А	3.00	D 2-2	126
10	Tuesday - 8/9/2015	NCELP	Armthorpe Welfare FC	А	7.45	D 2-2	90
11	Saturday - 12/9/2015	NCELP	Liversedge FC	А	3.00	W 0-4	94
12	Tuesday - 15/9/2015	NCELP	Pontefract Collieries FC	Н	7.45	W 2-0	276
13	Saturday - 19/9/2015	NCELP	Rainworth Miners Welfare FC	Н	3.00		
14	Saturday - 26/9/2015	NCELP	Barton Town Old Boys FC	А	3.00		
15	Friday - 2/10/2015	NCELP	Pickering Town FC	Н	7.45		
16	Wednesday - 7/10/2015	NCELP	Worksop Town	А	7.45		
17	Saturday - 10/10/2015	NCELP	Retford United FC	А	3.00		
18	Saturday - 17/10/2015	NCELP	Nostell Miners Welfare FC	Н	3.00		
19	Saturday - 24/10/2015	NCELP	Cleethorpes Town FC	А	3.00		
20	Saturday - 31/10/2015	NCELP	Albion Sports FC	Н	3.00		
21	Saturday - 7/11/2015	NCELP	Handsworth Parramore FC	А	3.00		
22	Saturday - 14/11/2015	NCELP	Thackley AFC	Н	3.00		
23	Saturday - 28/11/2015	NCELP	Clipstone FC	Н	3.00		
24	Saturday - 5/12/2015	NCELP	Staveley Miners Welfare FC	А	3.00		
25	Saturday - 12/12/2015	NCELP	Athersley Recreation FC	Н	3.00		
26	Saturday - 19/12/2015	NCELP	Parkgate FC	А	3.00		
27	Saturday - 26/12/2015	NCELP	Garforth Town FC	А	3.00		
28	Saturday - 2/1/2016	NCELP	Pontefract Collieries FC	А	3.00		
29	Saturday - 9/1/2016	NCELP	Maltby Main FC	А	3.00		
30	Saturday - 16/1/2016	NCELP	Armthorpe Welfare FC	Н	3.00		

TAFC Results & Fixtures

	Date	Comp	Opponents	Venue	KO	Score	Att.
31	Saturday - 23/1/2016	NCELP	Brigg Town FC	А	3.00		
32	Saturday - 30/1/2016	NCELP	Worksop Town FC	Н	3.00		
33	Saturday - 6/2/2016	NCELP	Bridlington Town FC	А	3.00		
34	Saturday - 13/2/2016	NCELP	Liversedge FC	Н	3.00		
35	Saturday - 20/2/2016	NCELP	Rainworth Miners Welfare FC	А	3.00		
36	Saturday - 27/2/2016	NCELP	Barton Town Old Boys FC	Н	3.00		
37	Saturday - 5/3/2016	NCELP	Pickering Town FC	А	3.00		
38	Saturday - 12/3/2016	NCELP	Retford United FC	Н	3.00		
39	Saturday - 19/3/2016	NCELP	Nostell Miners Welfare FC	А	3.00		
40	Saturday - 26/3/2016	NCELP	Cleethorpes Town FC	Н	3.00		
41	Saturday - 2/4/2016	NCELP	Albion Sports FC	А	3.00		
42	Saturday - 9/4/2016	FACEP	Handsworth Parramore FC	Н	3.00		
43	Saturday - 16/4/2016	NCELP	Thackley AFC	А	3.00		
44	Saturday - 23/4/2016	NCELP	Garforth Town FC	Н	3.00		
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2014-15 Season Overview

We played 57 competitive games in the League, League Cup, County Cup, FA Cup and FA Vase Cup. W 38 D 6 NCELP League - 3rd with 86pts. (1st Shaw Lane Aquaforce with 94pts, 2nd Worksop Town with 90pts).

NCEL League Cup - Semi Final - Lost to Cleethorpes Town 1-4.

West Riding County Cup - Semi Final (Replay) - Lost to Bradford Park Avenue 0-4.

FA Cup - Preliminary Round - Lost to Spennymoor Town 0-2.

FA Vase Cup - 6th Round, Quarter Final (Replay) - Lost to Highworth Town 0-1. Watched by 1,307 a new club record.

TOOLSTATION NCEL 2014-15 Premier Division Stats

BIGGEST HOME WIN

17/03/2015

Bridlington Town



11 - 0



Retford United

BIGGEST AWAY WIN

29/11/2014

Glasshoughton Welfare



0 - 12



Shaw Lane Aquaforce

BIGGEST AGGREGATE SCORE

29/11/2014

Glasshoughton Welfare



0 - 12



Shaw Lane Aquaforce

CLUB ATTENDANCE

1st

Worksop Town

MAX **752**

MIN **247**

AVG 425

+/-%

%

2nd



Tadcaster Albion

MAX 551

MIN 126

AVG 321

+/-%

72.58%

HIGHEST ATTENDED MATCHES

23/09/2014

Shaw Lane Aquaforce





Athersley Recreation

ATT **904**

02/05/2015

Tadcaster Albion



1 - 2



Worksop Town

ATT 551

BEST ATTACK

1st



Shaw Lane Aquaforce

GAMES 40

GOALS 130

AVG 3.25

3rd



Tadcaster Albion

GAMES 40

GOALS 112

AVG **3.15**

BEST DEFENCE





Shaw Lane Aquaforce

GAMES 40

GOALS 33

AVG 0.83

5th



Tadcaster Albion

GAMES 40

GOALS 46

AVG **1.15**

CLEAN SHEETS



Shaw Lane Aquaforce

1st



Handsworth Parramore

6

5th

1st



Tadcaster Albion

13

GAMES

2

17

GAMES

Tadcaster Albion

DEFEAT RUN

0

GAMES

GAMES

FAILED TO SCORE



Glasshoughton Welfare 21

Shawlane Aquaforce

13

21st

1st



Tadcaster Albion

1st

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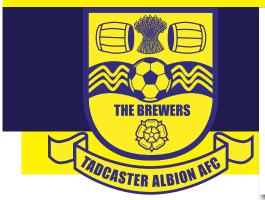


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TAD'S History

By Ian Tyssen

-2004 Season

The 2003/4 season brought many movements in and out of the Northern Counties East Football League (NCEL), with membership growing to 38 clubs.

Bridlington Town had been promoted to the Northern Premier League and Eastwood Town came in the opposite direction.

Within the NCEL, Mickleover Sports were promoted to the Premier Division at the end of the 2002/3 season. Their place in Division One was taken by Garforth Town, who suffered

Two clubs moved down the non-league football pyramid from NCEL Division One - Louth United withdrew from the league and Hatfield Main moved to the Doncaster & District Senior

The top three clubs from the Central Midlands League's Supreme Division - Carlton Town (1st), Sutton Town (2nd) and South Normanton Athletic (3rd) - were promoted to the NCEL Division One, joining the Brewers.

Tadcaster Albion's season didn't start well, with no wins from the first four games but then they picked up a 2-1 victory at Winterton Rangers.

Although a further three defeats followed, there was reason for optimism when they had two good home wins in consecutive games - 3-2 over Sutton Town and 1-0 against Gedling Town, who would finish the season fourth and fifth in the league, respectively.

Three wins and two draws from nine games in November and December was a respectable set of results for the Brewers. The wins came at Staveley Miners Welfare (1-0), against Carlton Town (2-1) and over Worsbrough Bridge Miners Welfare (1-0). However, 0-4 and 2-6 losses against South Normanton Athletic were a sign of things to come.

Despite being well placed going into the new year, Albion lost 13 and drew two of the final 15 games of the season. This culminated in a 1-5 home loss against champions Shirebrook Town on the final day of the season. Other heavy defeats included 0-5 at Maltby Main and 1-4 at Shirebrook Town.

The Brewers slipped down the league and finished 18th and last, with 23 points from 34 games.

There was a preliminary round exit in the FA Cup, following a 0-4 reverse at home against Winsford United.

Albion won 1-0 in the FA Vase first round qualifying at Norton & Stockton Ancients but were then beaten 3-0 by Esh Winning in the next qualifying round.

Fellow Division One club, Pontefract Collieries, ended the Brewers' hopes in the League Cup, when they won 2-1 at Ings Lane.

Another home defeat came in the Wilkinson Sword Trophy, with Hall Road Rangers winning 3-1.

The final chance of cup glory disappeared after the NCEL Premier Division club, Glasshoughton Welfare, won 2-1 at Tadcaster in the West Riding County Cup.

The second XI endured a similarly poor season and finished 12th and bottom of the Reserve Division, with only 13 points from 22 games.

Just four victories were picked up by the reserve team and two of them came in the final two games. They did complete the double over seventh placed Thackley.

The Brewers reserves conceded nine goals on three occasions - Garforth Town (1-9), Harrogate Railway (0-9) and Emley (3-9). They also lost 1-8 and 0-7 against ninth placed

The Reserve Division champions, Harrogate Railway, narrowly beat their Tadcaster counterparts in the Reserve Team Cup.

This afternoon's opponents, Rainworth Miners Welfare, finished third in their first season in the Central Midlands League's Premier Division and were promoted to the Supreme Division. They also progressed through two qualifying rounds of the FA Vase before losing 1-2 against Retford United in the first round proper.

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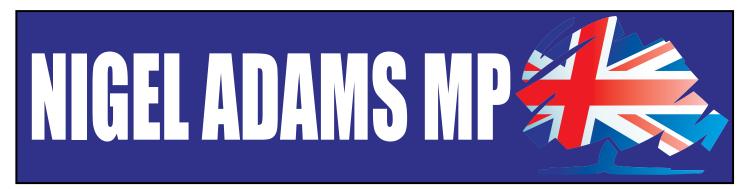
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By Ian Tyssen

- 1. Why might people be saying "shiver me timbers", "ahoy, me hearty" or "walk the plank, ya scurvy dog" today?
- 2. Which former Scarborough Athletic manager led Rainworth Miners Welfare to the Northern Premier League Division One South with three promotions in four years?
- 3. Which musician was recently the victim of a hoax telephone call, claiming to be from the Russian President Vladimir Putin?
- 4. As well as the hosts, which countries have already qualified for the UEFA Euro 2016 tournament in France next year?
- 5. On this day in 1952, which English born comic actor and film maker was denied re-entry to USA following a visit to England?
- 6. The local pronunciation of their village gives rise to what nickname for Rainworth Miners Welfare FC?
- 7. This week, Nestlé failed to convince the European Court of Justice that it has the right to trademark the shape of which chocolate bar?
- 8. Which five cities have been confirmed as candidates to host the 2024 summer Olympic Games?
- 9. The Rotherham born goalkeeper, David Seaman, is celebrating his 52nd birthday today. For which four teams did he play in the Premier League and, previously, Division One?
- 10. Portuguese footballer Eusébio and multiple murderer Donald Neilson, who was arrested in Rainworth in 1975, share which nickname?

Brewers Quiz? - Answers:

1. Its International Talk Like A Pirate Day 2. Rudy Funk 3. Sir Elton John
4. Austria, Czech Republic, England & Iceland 5. Charlie Chaplin
6. The Wrens 7. KitKat 8. Budapest, Hamburg, Los Angeles, Paris &

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TAFC Player Profile

Jordan Armstrong

Right Back

Date of Birth: 23-08-1994

Place of Birth: Lancaster

Nickname: Jord

Player Position: Right Back

Current Job:

Owner of 24 Soccer Coaching -Full Time Football Coach

What is one thing people would be surprised to know about you? Appeared in an American reality TV Show!

What were your best and worst subjects at school? **Best – PE. Worst- Maths (still haven't used Algebra).**

What is on your bookshelf? **Eric Thomas - Secret To Success.**

What is your biggest pet peeve? **Traffic Warden**s.

What is your most prized possession?

Owning my own home!

What is your favourite day out? **Jet Ski-ing!**

If you could have one super power what would it be? **Night Vision.**

What are you most scared of? **Wasps.**

What is the best piece of advice you've ever been given?

Focus on the football and everything will fall into place ' Mick Clegg - Ex Man United First Team Fitness Coach

Who is the best player you've ever played alongside and why? Bailey Wright at Preston. His constant organisation and defending ability was unbelievable. Now

Captain of PNE and Australian International at 22!

Who is the best player you've ever played against and why?

Tyler Blackett. So quick, strong and skilful. Complete athlete, had many duels on the wing against him as a teenager!

What is the highlight of your career?

Playing in Spain for a full year.

If football didn't exist, what would you play instead? **Golf.**

Who is the fastest player at TAFC? Would like to see Adam Baker and Josh Barrett have a race!

Who is the fittest player at TAFC? **Nick Black and Paddy Miller.**

Who is the toughest tackler at TAFC? **Andy Milne.**



What would you say is your biggest strength on a football pitch?

Breaking up play and starting an attack getting us back on the front foot.

How do you motivate your team mates 5 minutes before kick off? Words of encouragement and head on the game.

What do you hope to achieve in the 2015/16 season?

Win the league, get promoted and win the FA Vase at Wembley!

Describe your current TAFC squad in 3 words?

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Our Under 19 team is a newly formed side, which has been set up to help local talented players develop and hopefully progress into the Under 21s and the Tadcaster Albion first team. Players are all aged 16 and over. Coach Rich Taylor has coached in the USA and has also had a spell at Leeds United.

For more information on our U19 set up, please email info@tadalbion.com.

Contact:

Richard on **01904 606 000**

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Contact:

Andy on **07842 923753**



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MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2015 - West Riding County FA U21's League

Pickering Town FC U21's



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Tadcaster Albion AFC U21's Matty Day, Ryan Woodhead, Edd Jackson

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Tadcaster Albion AFC U21's Squad - Charlie Murphy (GK), Ryan Woodhead, Alex Horsman, Matty Day, Fraser Hansen, Romario Vieira, Joe Wales, Casey Stewart, Rob Hutton, Alfie Beestin, Marcel Chigumira. **Subs:** Kieran Holmes, Ed Jackson, Tom Hullock, Sam Drake, Connor Mayall.

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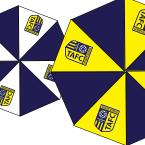


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