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SATURDAY 12th AUGUST

vs WEDNESFIELD



MIDLAND FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 1



CLUB HONOURS

Presidents Cup: Winners - 2015/16

Pershore Hospital Cup: Runner Up - 1992/93

Worcester League Premier Division: Winners-1996/97, 1997/98

Baylis Cup: Winners- 1997/98, 2002/03 (Reserves)

Worcester Nursing Junior Cup: Winners- 1993/94, 2004/05,
2005/06, 2009/10 (Reserves) **Runner Up**-1997/98

Worcestershire Junior Cup: Winners- 2013/14, 2015/16, 2018/19
Runner Up- 2004/05, 2007/08, 2017/18

West Midlands Regional League Division 1: Champions - 2021/22

West Midlands Regional League Cup: Runner Up- 2021/22

Record victory: Bustleholme (A) 10-0 / Burntwood Town (H) 11-1

Record points tally: 83 points - MFL Division 1 – 2022/23

Record number of goals scored: 115 - WMRL Division 1 - 2018/19

Record goals scored in a game: 8 – Andy Keenahan v Burntwood Town

Best FA Vase Run: 2nd Round 2019-20 (lost 1-2 vs Lye Town)

Club record appearances: Nick West

Record Attendance: 972 vs Worcester City (2022/23 season)



DSFC OFFICIALS

DIRECTORS: Wayne Oliver, Rob Lamb, Mark Bowen, David Stockdale

TREASURER: Rob Lamb

SECRETARY: Dan Watson

FIRST TEAM MANAGER: Andy Crowther

COACHES: Aaron Drake, Joe Mayo-Braiden, Chris Hunt, Matt Oliver, Matt Hunt

PHYSIO:

UNDER 21'S MANAGER: Jamie Wall

UNDER 18'S MANAGER: John Neeson

GROUNDSMAN: Andy Dyer

MATCH-DAY VOLUNTEERS:

Simon Collett, Rodney John, Paul & Wendy Smith, Tammy Hughes, Jo Dyer,
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CLUB STEWARD: Nick Fellowes

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RECENT RESULTS



MONDAY 7TH AUGUST

Chelmsley Town 2-1 Coventry Copsewood (73)
Hinckley AF C 1-3 Heather St. John (252)

TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST

Droitwich Spa 5-3 Bilston Town (258)
Ingles 3-0 Coton Green (73)
Paget Rangers 1-5 Stapenhill (60)
Sutton United 2-2 Nuneaton Griff (230)
Wednesfield 0-2 OJM Black Country (35)
Wolverhampton Sporting 2-1 Allscott Heath

WEDNESDAY 9TH AUGUST

Shawbury United 3-3 AFC Bridgnorth

SATURDAY 12TH AUGUST

Allscott Heath v OJM Black Country
Bilston Town v Hinckley AFC
Cradley Town v Coton Green
Droitwich Spa v Wednesfield
Heather St John v Sutton United
Ingles v Wolverhampton Sporting
Paget Rangers v Chelmsley Town
Shawbury United v Nuneaton Griff
Smethwick Rangers v AFC Bridgnorth
Stapenhill v Coventry Copsewood

MONDAY 14TH AUGUST

Chelmsley Town v Stapenhill

TUESDAY 15TH AUGUST

Cradley Town v Paget Rangers
Heather St John v Coventry Copsewood
Sutton United v Ingles
Wednesfield v Allscott Heath
Wolverhampton Sporting v OJM Black Country

WEDNESDAY 16TH AUGUST

AFC Bridgnorth v Droitwich Spa
Bilston Town v Shawbury United
Coton Green v Smethwick Rangers

THIS WEEKS' FIXTURES





EDITORIAL

Good afternoon and welcome to Kingy's for our home game of the season.

Today we welcome everyone associated with Wednesfield to town, as well as our match officials.

There seems to have been so much going on at the club since these last set of notes, however a lot of this will go un-noticed to many. Our team of volunteers (and I include here members of the clubs' Board) have been working just as hard as the squad of players over pre-season making tweaks in and around the ground, as well as our social media profiles having a thorough review and make-over.

More positive changes we hope will be on their way very shortly off the field.



Focusing now on the actual football, a very promising pre-season from the squad was quickly forgotten on the first game of the season as we were defeated at Hinckley 3-2. Despite 7 or 8 players being unavailable over the last two games, we were all delighted with the response in Tuesday's 5-3 thriller with Bilston, however clearly there is still a lot of work to do!

Our visitors today won their opening game of the season at Coton Green (0-2) before tasting defeat mid-week by the same scoreline to OJM. We know to expect a stern examination when facing Wednesfield, and today won't be any different.

We now have two away games, starting on Wednesday at AFC Bridgnorth. We'd love to see some of you there.....Up the Spa!



MFL DIVISION 1 TABLE

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stapenhill	2	2	0	0	7	2	5	6
2	Heather St. John's	2	2	0	0	5	2	3	6
3	Sutton United	2	1	1	0	9	2	7	4
4	Chelmsley Town	2	1	1	0	3	2	1	4
5	Nuneaton Griff	2	1	1	0	3	2	1	4
6	Ingles	2	1	0	1	6	4	2	3
7	Droitwich Spa	2	1	0	1	7	6	1	3
8	Cradley Town	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
9	O J M Black Country	2	1	0	1	2	1	1	3
10	Allscott Heath	2	1	0	1	5	5	0	3
11	Wolverhampton Sporting Community	2	1	0	1	3	3	0	3
12	Wednesfield	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	3
13	Hinckley AFC	2	1	0	1	4	5	-1	3
14	AFC Bridgnorth	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	1
15	Shawbury United	2	0	1	1	4	5	-1	1
16	Coventry Copsewood	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
17	Bilston Town Community	2	0	0	2	4	7	-3	0
18	Paget Rangers	1	0	0	1	1	5	-4	0
19	Coton Green	2	0	0	2	0	5	-5	0
20	Smethwick Rangers	1	0	0	1	0	7	-7	0

NEXT HOME GAME

TUESDAY 22ND AUGUST (ko 7.45pm)

vs CRADLEY TOWN

MIDLAND FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 1



PLAYER FEATURE



NAME: Dominic Rogerson

SHIRT No: 1

POSITION: Goalkeeper

AGE: 21

PREFERED FOOT: Right

FORMER CLUBS: Walsall

TEAM YOU SUPPORT: Sunderland

BEST PLAYER PLAYED WITH OR AGAINST:

Perry Moss

BEST GROUND YOU HAVE PLAYED AT:

The Emirates Stadium (Arsenal)

WORST GROUIND YOU HAVE PLAYED AT:

Cradley Town

BEST FOOTBALLING MEMORY: Beating Newcastle for the 5th time in a row

WORST FOOTBALLING MEMORY: Sunderland losing Play-off Final against Charlton

TOP HOLIDAY DESTINATION: Rhosili Bay

FAVOURITE FOOD: Hot Dogs

NAME ANY FIVE PEOPLE YOU WOULD INVITE ROUND FOR A MEAL:

Tony Mowbray, Ross Stewart, Lee Cattermole, Jordan Pickford, Alex Dugmore

Good afternoon and welcome to kingys for another home game.

After another thrilling game Tuesday where we got our first 3 points on the board, we hope for another positive display today and of course all 3 points.

The lads responded well from last Saturdays defeat and gave a decent performance on Tuesday against a strong physical Bilston. Onto another tough visit of Wednesfield today who again will be a big strong physical opposition.

Hopefully we have another bumper crowd to cheer the lads on to gain another 3 points, and also see the return of some players from injuries and holidays.

Andy Crowther, DSFC Manager

FROM THE DUGOUT



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TODAYS' VISITORS



Formed in 1961 as Wednesfield Social Club, the club began playing in The Wolverhampton District Amateur League where quick progression to the Premier Division brought 4 Championships and 3 League Cup wins. In 1976 the club joined the West Midland League Division I, winning it in the first season and runners up in the second delivered promotion to the Premier Division.

A high point in the clubs history came in 1985 in the Birmingham Senior Cup, winning away at West Bromwich Albion 1-5 before losing the final to Aston Villa 2-0 at Villa Park. Floodlight were added to the Cottage Ground in 1990 and with back to back premier division titles in 1995/96 and 1996/97 the club gained promotion to the Midland Alliance League. The 2001/02 season saw a 3rd place finish and a fine run in the Birmingham Senior Cup beating Birmingham City before losing to West Bromwich Albion in the semi final.

Season of 2002/03 saw relegated to re-enter the West Midland Premier Division.

The 2007/08 season saw the club finish 4th and winning the JW Hunt Cup at Molineux.

In 2010/11 in the West Midland (Regional) League Premier Division, the club earned a top five finish & with good runs in both the F. A Cup & F. A Vase. The following season saw the club reach the Premier Division League Cup Final again.

Season 2014/15 saw the team relegated to Division One, but the 2016/17 season saw a change in fortunes as Wednesfield won two Cups and also won promotion by coming runners up in Division I.

2018/19 a new management team was appointed and the club enjoyed a decent FA Cup run, drawing with Chasetown at home but losing in the replay.

2019/20 saw another ex Wednesfield player take charge; John Griffiths, who is still at the helm today.



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Allscott Heath:	Allscott Sports Club, Allscott, Telford, TF6 5EQ
Bilston Town:	Queen Street Stadium, Queen Street, Bilston, WV14 7EX
Chelmsley Town:	Pack Meadow, Packington Lane, Coleshill, B46 3JJ
Coton Green:	New Mill Lane, Fazeley, Tamworth, B78 3RX
Coventry Copsewood:	The Pavilion, Copsewood S&S, Allard Way, Coventry, CV3 1JP
Cradley Town:	The Beeches, Beeches View Avenue, Cradley, B63 2HB
Droitwich Spa:	King Georges, Briar Mill, Droitwich Spa, WR9 0RZ
Heather St. John:	St Johns' Park., Ravenstone Road, Heather, Leics, LE67 2QJ
Hinckley AFC:	Kirkby Road Sports Ground, Kirkby Road, Barwell, LE9 8FQ
Ingles FC:	Thringstone Miner SC, Homestead Rd, Thringstone, LE67 8LL
Nuneaton Griff:	The Pingles Stadium, Avenue Road, Nuneaton, CV11 4LX
OJM BlackCountry	Triplex Sports Ground, Eckersall Rd, Birmingham, B38 8SS
Paget Rangers:	Central Ground, Coles Lane, Sutton Coldfield, B72 1NL
Shawbury United:	Oteley Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ST
Smethwick Rangers:	Castle Vale Stadium, Farnborough Rd, Birmingham, B35 7LQ
Stapenhill:	Maple Grove, Stapenhill, Burton on Trent, DE15 9NN
Sutton United:	Coleshill Road, Sutton Coldfield, B75 7BA
Wednesfield:	Cottage Ground, Amos Lane, Wednesfield, WV11 1ND
Wolves Sporting:	Pride Park, Hazel Lane, Great Wyrley, WS6 6AA



MATCH REPORT



Andy Crowthers' Droitwich Spa FC had a chance to quickly put to the minds Saturday's defeat at Hinckley with a home game against Bilston.

The Spa Manager chose the same XI that faced Hinckley for the showdown with the Steelmen at Kingys.

After a high tempo start, Droitwich took the lead on 9 minutes when Alex Dugmore headed home a corner, but the lead was short lived as within 2 minutes Steelmen striker Sam Yankson finished from close range after Rogerson had saved his initial effort.

It was a feisty encounter and Bilston had several excellent chances falling to the aforementioned Yankson and Ethan Pearce, but Rogerson was equal to everything thrown at him in a 15-minute spell.

Both sides struggled to control the ball on a slippery surface, but Droitwich clawed their way back in to the game as Dugmore almost finished with his left foot at the back post before being denied by Kai Lloyd in the Town goal, but he wasn't to be denied again as on 36 minutes he was first to an aerial cross and powerfully headed home.

Once again, a quick-fire equaliser from the visitors followed, as Yankson got on the end of a loose ball in the area to fire in from close range as Droitwich failed to clear.

Right before half time, Charlie Tilley was again to the rescue with an early goal of the season contender and a game-changing moment.

He controlled the ball 25 yards from goal before unleashing a fine volley that dipped in off the underside of the cross-bar, giving a backpedalling Lloyd no chance, that gave Droitwich a 3-2 lead going in to the break.

The visitors created some decent second half chances for Yankson and Pearce, but some uninspired finishing meant the scores remained at 3-2 until the hour mark, when Josh Hurdman further extended the home sides' lead.

The youngster picked the ball up wide out left, cut inside and hit a powerful effort from 20 yards which looped over Pearce and in to the top corner.

Bilston's heads went down & Droitwich took full advantage; on 77 minutes a defensive mix-up was pounced on by Perry Moss who teed Hurdman up for a simple close range finish to put the game out of sight.

There was still time for Bilston to reply, on 90 minutes when substitute Soms Sibanda finished well with a low drive into Rogersons' far corner to round off the scoring at 5-3.

2022-23 POSITION

DSFC: 4th

WFC: 15th

2022-23 FORM

DSFC: (Home) P1 20 W 13 D 4 L 3 (GD: +31)

WFC: (Away) P1 22 W 6 D 8 L 8 (GD: 0)

2022-23 TOP SCORERS:

DSFC: James Lemon (26)

WFC: Dimitri Dunkley (14)

2022-23 HEAD TO HEAD

6/9/22: Wednesfield 2-3 Droitwich Spa (Att: 40)

25/3/23: Droitwich Spa 4-4 Wednesfield (Att: 247)

LAST RESULT:

Droitwich Spa 5-3 Bilston Town

Wednesfield 0-2 DJM Black Country

HEAD TO HEAD



NEXT MATCH

AFC Bridgnorth v Droitwich Spa

Wednesfield v Allscott Heath





PRE-SEASON RESULTS



SATURDAY 8TH JULY

Droitwich Spa 1-2 Redditch Borough

Scorer: Mass (pen)

TUESDAY 11TH JULY

Droitwich Spa 1-2 Kidderminster Harriers

Scorer: Collins (pen)

SATURDAY 15TH JULY

Littleton 0-8 Droitwich Spa

Scorers: Lemon (2), Collins (2), J. Hurdman (2), Krol, Tilley

TUESDAY 18TH JULY

Worcester City 5-5 Droitwich Spa

Scorers: Collins (pen), Lemon (3), Tilley

SATURDAY 22ND JULY

Hereford Pegasus 2-5 Droitwich Spa

Scorers: Collins, Mass (2), Tilley, Brighton

TUESDAY 25TH JULY

Droitwich Spa 4-0 Redditch United

Scorers: Tilley, Dugmore, Lemon (2)

SATURDAY 29TH JULY

Droitwich Spa 4-4 Lye Town

Scorers: Tilley, Mass (2), Collins



ACTION SHOTS





UNDER 18 UPDATE



As has been well documented recently, Droitwich Spa FC are delighted to welcome under our banner The Under 18's, managed by John Neeson.

Last season, at Under 16 level, the side won a silverware double and we are all very excited about the future and potential of these players.

There are two Under 18 teams; an MJPL Floodlit side (playing mid-week) and another MJPL Saturday side.

The Under 18's will be the first mens' footballing side ever from Droitwich Spa to take part in an FA Cup competition. This historic occasion will take place on Monday 14th August (ko 8pm) with a trip to Bedworth United.

There is a coach organised for this fixture, so anyone who wishes to support the lads please contact John on 07966442098 to book your seat (£9).

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UNDER 21 UPDATE



We've been through a bit of a transitional period in pre season after our fantastic season last year winning the Midland Football League Under 21's West and the MFL Champions play off final against Loughborough University.

Having a number of players progress through and train with the first team which is the ultimate goal has contributed in us having uncertainty in what our group will look like and has given opportunities for players to step up from our very successful under 16's side from last season.

Add to this the addition of the 2 under 18's sides in The Midland Junior Premier League and Midland Floodlit Youth League and we've had between 50-60 players interested over the weeks of pre season!

Things have began to work themselves out over the last few weeks and all sides now have a better understanding of who will be with them at least for the first few months of the seasons and we as a group are really excited with the squad that we have this year.

Jamie Wall

DSFC Under 21's Manager



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