



HISTORY

The present Alfreton Town Football Club celebrated the milestone of their Golden Jubilee at the end of the 2008/2009 campaign having been formed in 1959 following the merger of Alfreton Miners Welfare and Alfreton United football clubs.

The newly constituted club, playing on a new ground at North Street provided by the local council, was admitted directly to the Central Alliance Division One (North) and progressed sufficiently in the first two seasons to gain entry to the re-formed Midland Counties League.

The record attendance at North Street of 5,023 was recorded for the visit of Matlock Town in 1960.

After holding the wooden spoon in 1961/62 Alfreton seldom looked back and took the Midland League title in 1969/70 after several near misses.



After success, failure followed and the club was relegated from the Northern Premier League after two successful years, into the Northern Counties League.

The club was acquired in 1997 by local businessman, Wayne Bradley, who took up the role of Chairman.

The 2001/02 campaign saw Chris Wilder, appointed Manager and unprecedented, success followed as the Reds landed four trophies - the Northern Counties (East) League Premier Division championship, League Cup, President's Cup and Derbyshire Senior Cup.

Promotion back to the Northern Premier League was followed by entering into the Conference (North).

The club today operates a Football in the Community coaching scheme in partnership with The National League Trust with around 1600 children receiving fully qualified tuition each year from the full time coaching staff, in addition to hosting numerous 'community' groups.

For the 2007/08 season, former Chesterfield and Bradford City boss Nicky Law took over as Reds manager in June. Once again a major squad rebuilding exercise was undertaken and there were plenty of comings and goings throughout the season with a number of players finding the leap from lower levels too much.



The 2008/09 campaign was one of the most successful in the club's entire history despite no silverware being won.

Under manager Nicky Law, the Reds finished in their highest ever position of third in Conference North and competed in the play-offs for the first time ever, narrowly losing out in the semi-finals on a 5-4 aggregate against AFC Telford United who lost out in the final.

The side were also guided to the FA Cup second round proper for the first time ever in the club's history, a 4-0 defeat at high-flying League One side Scunthorpe United doing little to diminish from the achievement of reaching that stage in the first place.



The 2009/10 season saw the club again finish third in the final table. That they finished that high after suffering a horrendous crop of injuries mid-way through the campaign bears testament to the character and spirit within the squad. They recovered to piece together a tremendous run of form which lifted them into the play-offs for the second successive season. This time the Reds went one better, reaching the final, only to narrowly lose out 2-1 in the final at Fleetwood Town.

The 2010/11 campaign saw a third promotion tilt prove ultimately successful as Law fourth season in charge at the Impact Arena ended with the side winning the Blue Square Bet North title by a ten-point margin. It is almost certainly the biggest achievement in the history of the club which saw them competing at the highest level of football ever in their history.

The 2014/15 season saw the club relegated, for the first time under Chairman, Wayne Bradley, who had taken over the helm in the 1997/98 season. The Club dropped back into the National League North.

A position they still hold today.

The 2018/19 Season saw the appointment of Billy Heath as First Team Manager.

The 2019/20 Season saw the appointment of the Alfreton Towns' Academy side into the National League Under 19 Alliance League.

