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REDCAR ATHLETIC FC CLUB HISTORY

Redcar Athletic FC formerly named Teesside Athletic FC were refounded in 1993 after the old organisation which was originally based in Middlesbrough folded with administration problems.

The club were indebted to the Local Authority for the use of their current base Green Lane, Redcar for a peppercorn rent. Initially the club had only junior members but with a progressive, ambitious committee the club made the decision to develop a dedicated grass roots football facility for everyone with exit routes into senior teams who would be encouraged to play at the highest level hence giving the exiting junior members the opportunity to participate in football at a decent level.

The club entered a Senior team into the Teesside League and shortly after in 2005 they were accepted into the Wearside League at the same time the club was successful in its application to the Football Foundation for funding in excess of £860,000 to develop their facility at Green Lane, this gave the club excellent facilities and in their first season in the Wearside League they finished an excellent fifth and won the Monkwearmouth Cup.

In 2010 the Club Committee made the brave decision to change the club name to Redcar Athletic Football Club the main objective to improve the clubs identity in Redcar.

In the thirteen years that we have been in the Wearside League we managed to accumulate numerous honours (see left).

For the past 5 years the club has been busy preparing the ground to ensure that it met the Step 6 Ground Grading criteria in readiness for promotion to the Northern League only to find in each season that the team did not attain the necessary League placing.

The Wearside League Championship was won on the last day of the 2017/18 season with a 7-0 home victory over Gateshead Leam Rangers gave the club promotion to the Northern League and our first ambition realised.

Season 2018/19 saw Redcar Athletic compete in the Northern League following promotion from the Wearside League. Redcar's 1st team in the Northern League for nearly 100 years an unbelievable and incredible statistic.

Our first season in the Northern League saw us finish an excellent 7th. Last season was the season that never was, a massive injustice for the efforts of everybody concerned in getting the club on the brink of promotion to Division One only to have the season declared null and void due to the Covid 19 crisis. We need to put that all behind us now and go again and I am sure we are in for a very exciting season.

Club Honours

Wearside League

Champions 2017/18
Runners up 2011/12, 2015/16, 2016/17

Monkwearmouth Cup

Winners 2005/06, 2016/17

Shipowners Cup

Winners 2009

League Cup

Winners 2006/07, 2016/17

FA Community Club of the Year

2005 and 2007

Highest Points

91 points - 2015/16

Record number of goals scored

123 - 2015/16

Record Goalscorer

Andy Jennings - 2015/16 - 54 goals

Highest Home victory

15-0 v Merton 2015/16

Highest Away victory

13-0 v Annfield Plain 2015/16

Officials & Contacts

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Ground: BM Bi-Folding Doors Stadium, Green Lane, Redcar TS10 3RW

Colours: Home Kit - Red Shirts, Navy Shorts, Red Socks; Away Kit - Sky Blue Shirts, Sky Blue Shorts, Sky Blue Socks

Manager: Steve Connolly

Coaches: Doug Hislop, Harry Taylor

Physio: Peta Taylor

Chairman & Secretary: Kevin Fryett, 53 Fernwood, Redcar, TS10 4NF **Phone:** 07854 935 380

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Treasurer: David Masterman

Commercial Manager: David Masterman

Media Officers: Alfie Lambert & James McDonald

Committee: Kevin Fryett, David Masterman, Alfie Lambert, James McDonald, G Riches, C Keegans

Photography: Trevor Wilkinson



The Steelmen

Sunderland West End

To be picked from ...

Will Lawrence	Neal Bussey
Daniel Simpkin	Shaun Smith
Matthew Bell	Sam Hussain
Jack Proctor	Danny Martin
Lee Bythway	Brad Forster
Lee Farrington	Rob Hall
Stuart Browne	Reece Thompson
Joe Bennett	Luke Richardson
Stephen Jackson	Luke McCabe
Chris Bivens	Aiden King
Michael Woodhouse	Brad Wilson
Sam Webster	Layton Chapman
Gary Redman	Jake Fenton
Jordan Ravis	James Cassidy
McCorie Carmichael	Kieron Martin
Thomas Eglinton	Bryan Norton
Thomas Bligh	Matty Halliday
Connor Smith	Mark Robinson
Nick Martin	Anthony Ross
Adam Preston	Cameron Old
	Cal Hope

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J Davison

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Guidance for participants and Spectators

- All participants and attendees should undergo a self-assessment for any Covid-19 symptoms prior to arrival.
- Observe social distancing guidelines at all times.
- Bring your own drink, labelled with your name and do not share with others.
- Please use the hand sanitisers provided as much as possible
- It is recommended participants bring alcohol based hand sanitizer, apply it regularly during the game and do not share with others.
- Hand Sanitiser will also be placed at points around the pitch please use this as often as possible.
- Practice good respiratory hygiene by using the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach, do not spit on the ground or chew gum.
- Substitute dug outs not available please use the seated stands designated for substitutes.
- Only Spectators registered on the track & trace register will be allowed entry.
- Toilets are available in the main clubhouse please read the separate guidance before using.
- Arrive and depart in a prompt fashion. Do not loiter before or after the game.
- Please follow the one way system when entering and exiting the ground.

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A thriving club with a team for all ...

As well as the first team and reserves in male adult football, Redcar Athletic FC has a wide range of teams in junior football and female football. Here you can find all our teams and contact numbers ...

Tots 3-5yr	David Peacock 07837803157
U7	Steve Fulcher
U8	Robbie Farrier 07734498299
U9 Reds	Kev Lee 07540808340
U9 Blues	Craig Moore
U10	TBC
U11	Kieran Janicki 07450408472
U12	Steve Simpkin 07810504687
U12 Girls	John Patchett 07740031000
U15	Ian Graham 07842371116
U16 Reds	Dave Marshall 07411859336
U16 Blues	Kris Dryden 07843239784
U17	Jason Bradley 07512245302
U18	Josh Millward 07507580173
U19 Blues	Ian Graham 07842371116
U19 Reds	Dan Stainthorpe
U23	Steve Simpkin 07810504687
Ladies	Dean McNamee 07930449335
Reserves	Steve Simpkin 07810504687
First Team	Steve Connolly 07817863240
Club Secretary	Kev Fryett 07854935380

MANAGER'S NOTES



Our senior section at the club has developed hugely in recent years. We've worked with the junior section to create a pathway for girls and boys to progress through the age groups and into senior football, without having to move elsewhere. For those of you who felt our pain with the outcome of season 19-20, spare a thought for our reserves who were driving towards a league win and promotion to Step 7, the same level the first team were at only a few years ago.

The success of these squads depends on their ability to not only win games, but supply players to the first team as and when needed. Led by Steve Simpkin, who is brilliantly supported by Joe Lillie, Dave Peacock and Dan Stainthorpe, they have been doing both. We can now offer young men the opportunity to play senior football for the reserve team on a Saturday, and / or underage football with our U19 and U23 teams on a Sunday. The most pleasing aspect for me is that the vast majority of the reserve team actually play underage football in our 19s and 23s, and the vast majority have the potential to step up and play first team when they are ready.

Last season we had Owen Clarkson, Dan Simpkin, Matty Ankers, Tom Eglington and McCorrie Carmichael represent the first team including cup games away to Newton Aycliffe FC and Scarborough Athletic FC. Carmichael and Eglington have since been promoted to the 1st team squad for the new season. As well as these 2, look out for the exciting Simpkin, Clarkson and Issac Walker as they will feature for the first team.

The club is also in a great position to offer ladies senior football, and we've just added a very impressive U18 side to the ranks. Hopefully we'll see some of the new boys in the 19s, 23s and reserve team soon.

The future is very bright for the club with so many entertaining and exciting senior teams. If you'd like to take in a game when the first team are away from home, they play on the following days;

U18/Reserves – Saturdays
U19s/U23s/Ladies – Sundays

Check our website for fixtures info.

Steve Connolly



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DOWN THE LANE



It was fantastic to make a start to the season on Saturday albeit with a disappointing result! We all know that we are better than that and today gives us a quick chance to put things right (as well as last Wednesday against Esh Winning - played after the deadline for this programme. I know the management, staff and players will be determined to go out and put that bad result behind us and put in a great performance.

It will be interesting today to see how the public respond to football returning and judging by the attendances on Saturday we should be hopeful of attracting a big crowd today, however my thoughts completely contradict the general opinion!

Most people think with the lack of football during Covid 19 and no spectators allowed yet at pro football that people will be falling all over themselves to get to grassroots games and that is a reasonable way to look at things but personally I think people are still a bit wary of going out in public and especially the elder supporters who will not want to risk mixing with large crowds. So the jury is out but over the next few games we will be able to judge if grassroots is going to benefit from the lack of football or not.

Whilst I was at the Crook game on Saturday I was treated to a proper taste of grassroots football at its best! Whilst making a call of nature I was met by two elderly Crook supporters who seemed to be absolutely delighted with their sides' 3-0 win. When they clocked my Redcar Athletic coat they had a little snigger together, then one of the guys said to the other 'it looks highly likely that we are going to have to go into lockdown again'. The other elderly said 'aye I heard today the Northern League are seriously concerned that having just made a start the league may have to be suspended'. Looking at me the other guy chipped in 'bloody hell you lads want to hope that the FA don't cancel the season and promote and relegate on points per game or you are going to find yourselves back in the Wearside League!!'

It certainly brought a big smile to my face on a disappointing day but then I started thinking what if.....!! You never know with our luck!!! I really do hope that you enjoy the improvements that we have made at the BM Bi Folding Stadium over the extended pre season.

Our aim is to make attending our games an enjoyable experience enabling you to watch the game in relative comfort, buy an excellent matchday programme, a decent matchday pint and a snack all for less than £10. We will soon have the new clubhouse in place and as you entered the ground today you should have been able to pick out the foundations marking the spot where the clubhouse will be placed. It's not the biggest clubhouse in the world but I can tell you one thing you will be given a very warm welcome, the beer will taste great as well as the tea, coffee and Bovril and the matchday food will be excellent and great value.

We have also been busy recruiting over the summer and I am delighted to introduce you to our Commercial Manager Dave Masterman. Dave has already made his mark with his great initiatives and ideas and I am really looking forward to working together.

On the media side we have recruited two young lads - James McDonald and Alfie Lambert. James has set up the club's YouTube channel and will be working on video footage for the club, while Alfie will be responsible for the matchday programme and website. Both have settled in really well and already raised the club's Social Media presence.

Finally I hope that you enjoy the game today and thank you for your excellent support.

Thank you everybody. #UTS

Kev Fryett
Chairman



VISITING THE LANE...

CLUB HISTORY

The current Sunderland West End is not the first team to bear the name. The first Sunderland West End played in the Wearside League and took part in the first League in season 1892-93. Sadly, they finished bottom winning one and drawing two out of eighteen.

They finished bottom again the following season and carried on until the 1930s with a best league finish of second.

Sunderland West End SC was a successful team from the 50s and 60s who played in the Wearside Combination League with great success.

The current Sunderland West End started out as Jolly Potter and the first game took place on Saturday 2nd September 2006 when they played Gala Casino and won by the impressive score line of 12-1. Team sheet for the day shows five players scoring two goals each and two not given to any player. One of the substitutes that day was Gary Gettins, the current vice-chairperson, who is one of a number of people who have been involved with the club from the beginning.

Also playing that day was David Keithley who is still turning out for the West End.

After that first day victory the team managed to finish runners up and gain promotion to the Premier Division. They also finished as runners up in the Aged Miners Trophy losing to the Dagmar in the final.

The following season saw a mid table finish and going out early in the cups. Success was to follow the following season with a league and cup double. The Alan Hood Trophy came back to the Potters after a win over Hylton Colliery.

The league was sealed with a 6-0 win against Easington Lane WMC. Sadly, the team is not recorded for that day.

The league title was secured again in season 2009-2010 beating Redhouse into second place by seven points. A play off was needed the following year and Sunderland West End Potters as they were now called duly obliged by beating Sunderland Hendon 3-2.

First ever game in the Wearside League took place on Wednesday 10th August, 2011 and West End came out on top 3-2. Goal scorer that day was Joe Walton with a hat trick. Joe now plays for Morpeth Town in the Northern Premier League Premier Division.

After finishing fourth in that first season West End have gone on to finish eighth, ninth, eighth, third, tenth another third position and in 2018 - 2019 runners up and so gain promotion to the Northern League Second Division.

The club has also had a number of Cup successes with wins in the Monkwearmouth Charity Cup, the Shipowners Cup and the Durham Trophy.

CLUB HONOURS & NOTABLE DATES

2006 Club formed as Jolly Potter

2006 Join Wearside Combination League First Division

2006 - 2007 Runners up Division One

2007 Promoted to Premier Division

2006 - 2007 Runners up Wearmouth and Hylton Aged Peoples Trophy

2007 - 2008 Finished sixth in first season in Premier Division

2008 - 2009 Premier Division Champions and Winners Alan Hood Memorial Trophy

2009 - 2010 Premier Division Champions

2010 Name Changed to Sunderland West End FC

2010 - 2011 Premier Division Champions and League Challenge Cup Winners

2011 Join Wearside League and enter the football pyramid

2011 - 2012 Finish first season in Wearside League in 4th position.

2015 - 2016 Achieve club's highest ever league position finishing third.

2016 - 2017 Finalists in Monkwearmouth Charity Cup

2017 - 2018 Shipowners Cup Winners, equal highest ever league position and Finalists in the Monkwearmouth Charity Cup

2018 - 2019 Winners Durham Trophy and Finish Runners-up in Wearside League. Gained promotion to Northern League Division 2

SUNDERLAND WEST END FC



PLAYER PROFILES

NEAL BUSSEY

Goalkeeper
Excellent shot stopper and a really big personality around the club, previously played for RCA

SHAUN SMITH

Right back.
Only recently joined the club from Easington, dynamic player with a massive engine.

SAM HUSSAIN

Right back
Young player that has come through the junior set up, very comfortable in possession.

DANNY MARTIN

Centre back
Gives real pace to the West End back line and excellent in the air.

BRAD FORSTER

Centre back
Real old-fashioned centre half, strong in the tackle and almost unbeatable in the air.

ROB HALL

Centre/left back
Has a left foot like Harry Potter's wand, absolutely deadly from set pieces

REECE THOMPSON

Left back
Absolutely loves flying forward from full back, very dangerous on the counter attack.

LUKE RICHARDSON

Centre back/midfield
Joined the club in pre-season and has become a real leader on the pitch.

LUKE MCCABE

Centre back
Recently promoted from the youth set up, a real prospect for the future.

AIDEN KING

Midfield A real calming influence on the team who's strong in the tackle.

BRAD WILSON

Midfield
Cultured midfielder who's shown real maturity in pre-season, always comfortable in possession.

LAYTON CHAPMAN

Midfielder
Tough tackling midfielder who likes to get on the ball and dictate play.

JAKE FENTON

Midfielder
Always looking to support the forwards and score goals, will be a vital member of the team for years to come.

JAMES CASSIDY

Winger
West Ends answer to George Best, frighteningly quick and loves taking on a fullback.

KIERON MARTIN

Winger
Another West End flying machine, deadly on the counterattack.

BRYAN NORTON

Winger
Loves to run in behind defenders and always scores goals.

MATTY HALLIDAY

Winger
Excellent delivery from the left and a brilliant attitude to match.

MARK ROBINSON

Forward
Fittest at the club and a real danger up front, seems to get better every game.

ANTHONY ROSS

Forward
A real powerhouse upfront with an eye for goal.

CAMERON OLD

Forward
A real Jamie Vardy type forward with an eye for goal.

CAL HOPE

Forward
Hammer of a left foot who provides a real threat from set pieces.



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GOALKEEPER



Will Lawrence

Will cemented his place as the club's no 1 keeper late last season following an early injury. A top quality keeper who made 11 appearances last season and will no doubt be looking to add to that tally this season.

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GOALKEEPER



Dan Simpkin

Dan is the regular keeper for the Reserves but has made several appearances for the 1st team and will be pushing hard to challenge for the No.1 spot with Will Lawrence this season.

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MIDFIELDER



Mike Woodhouse

Woody is the Team Captain great midfielder player, consistent with a great engine. Mike made 36 appearances last season and his goal tally was an excellent 11 goals.

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MIDFIELDER



Sam Webster

Midfielder Sam is a tricky skilful midfielder player who has been with us some while now. Webber made 36 appearances last season scoring 8 goals.

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DEFENDER



Matthew Bell

Matty is a new signing for the 20-21 season, a midfield player who was at Marske Utd. Matty has settled in well in pre season and looks a great player.

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DEFENDER



Jack Procter

A new signing and brings a lot of Northern League experience. Jack has joined us from Northallerton and plays in defence and will be looking at cementing his place at the heart of the defence this season

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MIDFIELDER/DEF



Gary Redman

Gary has been with us for 2 seasons now and has made a great contribution in establishing the Club in the Northern League, last season Gary made 38 appearances and chipped in with 4 goals.

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MIDFIELDER



Jordan Ravis

Midfielder Jordan joined us from Stokesley a few of seasons ago and has become a vital player for the team. Last season he made 34 appearances and scored 9 goals.

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DEFENDER



Lee Bythway

Lee is a vastly experienced Northern League defender, signed from Guisborough Town last season. He made 27 appearances last season and scored 3 goals.

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DEFENDER



Lee Farrington

Faz is a very experienced defender and a model of consistency in his 3rd season for us now and last season he made 36 appearances

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MIDFIELDER



Tom Bligh

Tom is another new signing who has joined us from Billingham Synthonia after a long pursuit! Tom brings a lot of Northern League experience with him. Made his mark in pre season with a contender of goal of the season.

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MIDFIELDER



Tom Eglinton

Tom has stepped up from the Reserves this season after making the odd appearance last season. Tom is an excellent prospect and will be a valuable addition to the squad this season.

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DEFENDER



Stuart Browne

Defender who had another great season for us last year making 37 appearances but did not contribute with any goals which is very unusual, keeps telling us he is retiring but there still seems plenty left in the tank yet !

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DEFENDER



Joe Bennett

Benno is a defender Joe has been with us some time and plays anywhere even in goal! He established himself at the heart of the defence last season making 35 appearances and scoring once.

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STRIKER



McCorie Carmichael

Macca is a young striker who dipped in and out of the side last season combining his development with the firsts and reserves. He will be pushing to establish himself. Last season made 15 appearance, scoring once.

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STRIKER



Connor Smith

Connor is a former junior player with the club, a striker who joined us last season from Billingham Town. He made 20 appearances last season and scored 11 goals.

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DEFENDER



Chris Bivens

This will be Bivvo's 5th season with us an experienced defender who last season made 31 appearances and scored the one goal.

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DEFENDER/MID



Steve Jackson

Jacko joined us last season from Northallerton. Very experienced and can play in defence/midfield. Ex clubs include Billingham Town, Seaham Red Star. Last season he made 37 appearances and scored 4 goals.

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STRIKER



Nick Martin

Nicky is one of our new signings who has signed from Northallerton Town, Nicky has lots of Northern League experience and has scored plenty of goals.

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STRIKER



Adam Preston

Adam rejoined us again after a successful spell at Thornaby. Adam scores goals wherever he goes and in 13 appearances last season he scored 11 goals. He will be looking to add to his tally this season.

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MEET THE MANAGEMENT STAFF

MANAGER – Steve Connolly Sponsored by - Master Jesse Yafano

Previous clubs include Belfast Celtic FC (then called Sport v Leisure Swifts) where my love of football developed. Watching my dad in his last years as a striker, then Manager and Chairman. It was his unofficial job of groundsman, DIY man and general dogbody that showed me how much a club could mean to the volunteers who keep it alive. Before I'd reached the age to kick a ball for the senior section of the club I'd already swept changing rooms, painted clubhouses and been waterboy / No.1 fan. When I was old enough to accept that I was a fairly average player, I decided I wanted to be a coach. A journey that's taken me through coaching badges, working in football for 17 years, and volunteering for clubs throughout the North East sees me now entering my eighth year as manager of Redcar Athletic. A club that has developed so much since I first arrived thanks to the amazing volunteers who work in the background. Over the years we've had great seasons with a few trophies along the way, all with the support of my fantastic coaching team and my dad cheering me on as my No.1 fan.

COACH – Doug Hislop Sponsored by Armandos Restaurant

I originally joined Redcar Athletic first team in 2013 as a coach alongside Steve Connolly and Liam Cox, whilst continuing to coach junior teams and u18's locally. In 2014 became the new Redcar Athletic reserve team, manager. As Reserve Team Manager we were fortunate enough to go on and win 2 trophies and finish runners up in the league in 2015-16. After a break in 2016-2017 I rejoined the club as first team coach, for the famous and seemingly impossible Wearside League winning season. What a season!

COACH – Harry Taylor Sponsored by Ladi Kazeem

At an early age I became a coach and decided to work towards gaining relevant coaching qualifications. I hold a PGCE in Secondary Physical Education and am working towards my Uefa B licence. I have worked with all ages and abilities during my 12 year coaching career so far ranging from grass roots to Elite level coaching. I currently coach Markse United Juniors u15 Along side Redcar Athletic First team. Qualifications include: FA Level 2, PGCE / QTS In Secondary Physical Education, Bsc Hons in Sports Coaching.



Playing career: Horden CW, Olympia Warriors, Stokesley FC, Billingham Town FC.
Coaching Background: Olympia Warriors Academy, Redcar and Cleveland District Teams, Marske United Juniors, Billingham Town 1st Team Coach.

PHYSIO – Peta Taylor Sponsored by Everyone Active

After graduating Teesside University in 2016 with a degree in Sports Therapy, I have worked within professional rugby and football, as sports therapist at Mowden Park RFC & Hartlepool United FC. I've been working in the Northern league for 5 years now, previously being the head Sports Therapist for Billingham Town FC and am now going into my 3rd season with Redcar Athletic along side running my own Sports Therapy business, dealing with clients of all ages and backgrounds, including professional boxers, swimmers and elite Olympic weightlifters.

PLAYING STATISTICS 2020-21

UPTO 12/9/20

PLAYER	APPS	SUB	GOALS
Will Lawrence	3		
Steve Jackson	1	1	
Lee Farrington	3		
Mike Woodhouse	2		
Jordan Ravis	3		1
Joe Bennett	3		
Lee Bythway	3		1
Gary Redman	1	2	
Chris Bivens	3		
Tom Bligh	1	2	
Nick Martin	3		
Sam Webster	1	2	
Adam Preston	2	1	
McCorie Carmichael	1	1	

PLAYER	APPS	SUB	GOALS
Connor Smith			
Stu Browne			
Matty Bell	1		
Tom Eglinton			
Jack Proctor	2		
Dan Simpkin			

NORTHERN LEAGUE INFO



LATEST RESULTS

12/09/20

Billingham Synth 1-2 Bedlington Terriers
Brandon United 3-0 Sunderland WE
Carlisle City 2-1 Esh Winning
Jarrow 3-1 Durham City
Redcar Athletic 1-1 Newcastle University
Willington 3-2 Heaton Stannington
Tow Law 1-3 Ryton & Crawcrook

UPCOMING FIXTURES

16/09/20

Birtley Town v Tow Law Town
Redcar Athletic v Sunderland West End
Easington Colliery v Jarrow
Esh Winning v Ryton & Crawcrook Albion

21/09/20

Newcastle University v West Allotment Cel.

22/09/20

Tow Law Town v Easington Colliery
Carlisle City v Chester-le-Street

23/09/20

Billingham Synthonia v Esh Winning
Crook Town v Durham City
Jarrow v Bedlington Terriers
Ryton & Crawcrook Albion v Sunderland
Willington v Brandon United
Redcar Athletic v Birtley Town
Washington v Heaton Stannington

26/09/20

Birtley Town v Brandon United
Crook Town v Billingham Synthonia
Durham City v Tow Law Town
Easington Colliery v Chester-le-Street
Esh Winning v Heaton Stannington
Jarrow v Willington
Newcastle University v Ryton & Crawcrook
Redcar Athletic v West Allotment Celtic
Sunderland West End v Carlisle City

LEAGUE TABLES

Up to Saturday Sept 12th

DIVISION TWO	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1 Birtley Town	3	2	1	0	6	4	2	7
2 Willington	2	2	0	0	7	5	2	6
3 Easington Colliery	2	2	0	0	5	3	2	6
4 Bedlington Terriers	2	2	0	0	3	1	2	6
5 Ryton & Crawcrook	3	1	1	1	4	3	1	4
6 Jarrow	3	1	1	1	3	2	1	4
7 Newcastle University	3	1	1	1	4	4	0	4
8 Redcar Athletic	3	1	1	1	2	4	-2	4
9 Carlisle City	3	1	1	1	3	7	-4	4
10 Billingham Synthonia	3	1	0	2	7	4	3	3
11 Brandon United	2	1	0	1	5	3	2	3
12 Crook Town	2	1	0	1	4	2	2	3
13 Esh Winning	3	1	0	2	4	5	-1	3
14 Sunderland West End	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
15 Tow Law Town	3	1	0	2	3	6	-3	3
16 Heaton Stannington	3	0	2	1	4	5	-1	2
17 Washington	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
18 West Allotment Celtic	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
19 Chester-Le-Street	1	0	0	1	3	4	-1	0
20 Durham City	3	0	0	3	6	10	-4	0

DIVISION ONE	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1 Northallerton Town	3	2	1	0	2	0	2	7
2 Newcastle Benfield	2	2	0	0	3	1	2	6
3 Guisborough Town	2	1	1	0	7	3	4	4
4 Shildon	3	1	1	1	6	3	3	4
5 Stockton Town	2	1	1	0	5	2	3	4
6 North Shields	2	1	1	0	3	1	2	4
7 Whickham	3	1	1	1	2	2	0	4
8 Hebburn Town	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	3
9 Penrith	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
10 Thornaby	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	3
11 Newton Aycliffe	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	2
12 Seaham Red Star	3	0	2	1	1	3	-2	2
13 Sunderland RCA	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
14 Sland Ryhope C.W.	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
15 Consett	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16 Whitley Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17 Billingham Town	2	0	0	2	1	3	-2	0
18 Bishop Auckland	2	0	0	2	0	2	-2	0
19 Ashington	2	0	0	2	1	5	-4	0
20 West Auckland Town	2	0	0	2	1	10	-9	0

MATCHREPORTS

Wednesday Sept 9th
Redcar 1 Esh Winning 0
Northern League Division 2

Redcar came out as 1-0 winners against Esh Winning in their first home league game of the season courtesy of a goal from Lee Bythway.

It was a much improved second half after a quiet first, with few chances created in the first period.

Redcar did have the first chance of the game on minute nine when Webster did brilliantly to find Martin inside the area, however the forwards effort was just over from close range.

On minute 14 Esh Winning had their first effort after finding space on the edge of the area to strike, yet the effort was straight into goalkeeper Lawrence's hands.

It was ten minutes till the visitors got their second chance, and they should've taken the lead after their forward was played through



on goal, however the final effort was scuffed wide to Redcar's relief.

The away side created another decent chance through a slick piece of play which led to a shooting opportunity on the edge of the area, however the effort was well over the bar.

Just two minutes into the second half the visitors had another chance whipping a shot outside the box, but yet

again it was just wide of the goal.

On the hour mark Redcar had their first chance of the second half after a brilliant piece of play put Bell through on goal, yet a cracking challenge from an Esh Winning defender denied him of a shooting opportunity.

The Steelmen started to gain a foothold in the game, and Bell came close to finding



Preston in the area, with the striker inches from putting it into the back of the net.

On minute 70 the deadlock was finally broken by Bythway, after a brilliant ball in by Bennett was met by the defender who finished expertly from close range.

Redcar continued on top, and nearly got a second after a fantastic run from Bennett led to a dangerous cross into the area, however the visitors defence did well to clear the danger.

Esh Winning had a chance to equalise late on after winning a free kick on the edge of the area, yet the effort was straight into the wall and The Steelmen held on for three points and a clean sheet.



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Team Line-Up First XI

Substitutes Used

Date & Opposition	Comp	Res	Att	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	#	+	*
SEPTEMBER																	
5 CROOK TOWN	NL2	L 0-3	227	Lawrence	Jackson	Farrington	Woodhouse	Bennett	Bythway	Redman #	Rivis	Martin	Bligh +	Bivens *	Preston	Carmichael	Webster
9 ESH WINNING	NL2	W 1-0	298	Lawrence	Bivens	Farrington	Bennett	Proctor	BYTHWAY ¹	Martin	Rivis	Preston	Webster	Bell	Bligh	Jackson	Redman
12 NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY	NL2	D 1-1	205	Lawrence	Bivens	Farrington	Bennett +	Proctor	Bythway	Martin *	Woodhouse	Carmichael #	RIVIS ¹	Preston	Bligh	Redman	Webster
15 SUNDERLAND WEST END	NL2																
23 BIRTLEY TOWN	NL2																
26 WEST ALLOTMENT CELTIC	NL2																
OCTOBER																	
1 Easington Colliery	NL2																
3 DURHAM CITY	NL2																
7 BEDLINGTON TERRIERS	NL2																
10 WILLINGTON or WHICKHAM	FAV2Q																
17 Tow Law Town	NL2																
24 Willington	NL2																
31 RYTON & CRAWCROOK ALBION	NL2																
NOVEMBER																	
7 Billingham Synthonia	NL2																
14 WASHINGTON	NL2																
21 Chester-Le-Street	NL2																
28 BRANDON UNITED	NL2																
DECEMBER																	
5 Carlisle City	NL2																
12 HEATON STANNINGTON	NL2																
19 Esh Winning	NL2																
26 TOW LAW TOWN	NL2																
JANUARY 2021																	
2 WILLINGTON	NL2																
9 Sunderland West End	NL2																
16 Birtley Town	NL2																
23 EASINGTON COLLIERY	NL2																
30 Bedlington Terriers	NL2																
FEBRUARY																	
6 CROOK TOWN	NL2																
13 Newcastle University	NL2																
20 West Allotment Celtic	NL2																
27 Durham City	NL2																
MARCH																	
6 Jarrow	NL2																
13 Ryton & Crawcrook Albion	NL2																
27 BILLINGHAM SYNTHONIA	NL2																
27 Washington	NL2																
APRIL																	
3 CHESTER-LE-STREET	NL2																
10 Brandon United	NL2																
17 CARLISLE CITY	NL2																
24 Heaton Stannington	NL2																
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H JARROW	NL2																



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JACK PROCTOR

Age: 30 years young

Nickname: Proc

Preferred position: Centre half

Previous Clubs: Billingham Town, Spennymoor Town, Guisborough Town, Norton & Stockton Ancients, West Auckland, Northallerton Town

Team supported growing up: Middlesbrough

Why did you start playing football?: My parents were big football fans - predominantly Boro fans.

Favourite footballing moment: Getting selected to represent England School Boys under 18s after a weeks trial down in Stoke-on-Trent.

Best player played with: Aaron Martin

Role models growing up: Zinedine Zidane, Steven Gerrard, Michael Owen and Maurice Green and Michael Jordan.

Footballing idol: Zinedine Zidane

Why did you decide to join RAFC?: I have heard a lot of good things about the club as a whole from the way the football is played as well as how the whole club is ran. I strongly believe the club can keep going up through the leagues. I also already know quite a few of the players and management which helps.

Predictions for 2020/21 season?: Promotion! I've been promoted from Div 2 three times now and a part of wanting to join Redcar was to try and push for that 1st place spot.

*Questions posed by
Alfie Lambert*



ON THIS DAY

SEPTEMBER 16TH

In 1937, the first live TV football match was broadcast for the game between Arsenal and Arsenal reserves.

The BBC begun their television service the year before, and with only a few thousand TVs in the country at the time, very few people were able to watch it.

The broadcast lasted just 15 minutes including an introduction of the team, however no record of the score remains.

This was not the first time the Gunners were involved in the testing of new technology, as ten years earlier the First Division fixture between Arsenal and Sheffield United became the first live football match broadcast on radio.

Arsenal continued their record of being tested for new ways of watching the sport, as they were the first team broadcast on Match of the Day in 1964 and the first team broadcast live in 3D in 2010.

SEPTEMBER 17TH

On September 17th 1974, Liverpool kicked off their Cup Winners' Cup campaign by pounding Norwegian club Strømsgodset by the score of 11-0. It remains Liverpool's greatest margin of victory, with nine separate players scoring goals.

It was the second Cup Winners' Cup appearance for Strømsgodset, who were eliminated in the first round in the 1970-71 competition. They fared no better in 1974, when they traveled to Anfield for the first leg of their first-round match-up with Liverpool.

The Reds wasted no time in establishing their dominance, going ahead in the third minute with a penalty kick by Alec Lindsay. Phil Boersma doubled the lead 10 minutes later and Liverpool went up 5-0 by halftime with a strike from Phil Thompson (30'), another from Boersma (40'), and one from Steve Heighway (42'). The second half was even worse for the Norwegians, as Peter Cormack (65') got on the scoresheet, followed by goals from Thompson (74'), Emlyn Hughes (76'), Tommy Smith (85'), Ian Callaghan (87'), and Ray Kennedy (88').

The Reds were less prolific in the remainder of the tournament, winning the second leg 1-0, then dropping out of the competition on away goals after drawing 1-1 on aggregate with Ferencváros in the second round.

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SEASON 2020-21



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3RD ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT): LEE FARRINGTON, JORDAN RIVIS, MATTY BELL, GARY REDMAN. **BACK ROW (LEFT TO RIGHT):** NICKY MARTIN, WILL LAWRENCE, TOM EGLINGTON.
TOP INSET (LEFT TO RIGHT): ADAM PRESTON, TOM BLIGH, STUART BROWNE. **MANAGER STEVE CONNOLLY, COACH HARRY TAYLOR, PHYSIO PETA TAYLOR.**

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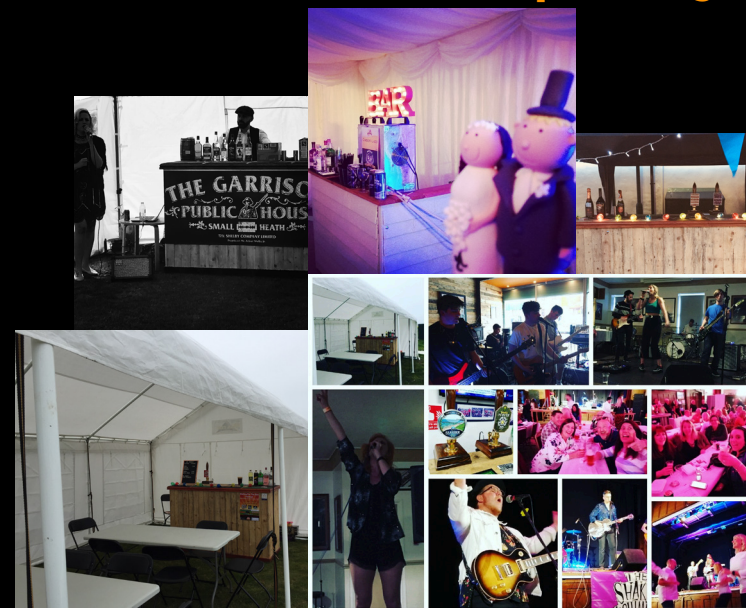
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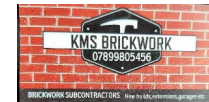
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Their most well-known project is Redcar Area Foodbank, which provides emergency food parcels to people who are struggling to feed themselves and their families. The coronavirus pandemic has increased demand on the foodbank and lead to the charity developing innovative new ways to deliver services.

During the pandemic Anna has been working with Footprints to man their new Foodbank referral line, supported by a dedicated team of volunteers who then deliver emergency food parcels to client's doors.

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Ascendency. 1883/84

By 1883 Redcar and Coatham had only been around for five years, but they'd achieved a lot in half a decade. Competing in England's second-oldest surviving cup competition – the Sheffield Challenge Cup – as well as co-founding the Cleveland FA, meant that thousands of spectators were frequently coming to their games, especially their battles for supremacy of the North East against old foes Middlesbrough. William Harrison was undoubtedly their best player, not only winning games for Redcar but captaining Cleveland and representing Sheffield in games against the likes of London, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Lancashire. He also played in several North v South games at The Oval which acted as trial games for selecting England internationals.

Although Harrison was winding down his career by this point, he had one last thing on his checklist: competing in The FA Cup. And by the 1883/84 season, finally Redcar entered a team into the competition. Unluckily for them it was against Nottingham Forest, who would be semi-finalists the following season and would go on to win the competition just over a decade later. There's some conflicting reports about what exactly happened, as most newspapers simply stated that Redcar telegraphed on the Friday to say that they were unable to get a team together, which is a little short notice but never mind. The Athletic News reported, however, that Redcar wanted Forest to pay their expenses, and forfeited the match when they refused to do so. Whatever happened, Redcar never played an FA Cup match in 1883. But William Harrison did. He was a regular fixture in the Sheffield representative side by this point, so when Sheffield Wednesday needed players, he joined old friends Mosforth, Wilkinson and Hudson for their FA Cup 3rd round tie against... Nottingham Forest.

Technically this was the season prior to Redcar's first entry to the cup, as it was in the later stages of the 1882/83 competition. Without some key players, Wednesday enlisted the help of Harrison alongside Pyebank's Betts as well as Bentley of Walkley for their third round tie against Forest. Harrison scored in the 2-2 draw, then scored twice and assisted the other in the 3-2 win in the replay. Talk about being the difference maker. His name actually also appeared in a Sporting Life article in February detailing a list of probable teams for the Fourth Round tie against Notts County (I promise the FA Cup wasn't just full of Nottingham sides), but owing to a complaint from Forest about the eligibility of the three Yorkshiremen, he did not feature. Wednesday lost that game, by the way.

From here on, although Harrison did still occasionally appear for Redcar, as well as the Cleveland and Sheffield representative sides, they were fewer and farther between. He was 31 at this point, and many match reports at this time mention him either coming down with some form of mystery illness or being injured, so unfortunately it seems as though Old Lady Time caught up with him by 1884. You better hold on tight, cos she bucks hard. He was also offered a job as an assistant school inspector in Kent, furthering his career in education that had originally brought him to Redcar. Professionalism in football was not legal until 1885, so there are many cases during this period where talented players suddenly stop playing in order to focus on their careers, no longer being able to justify the commitment of playing football all around the country alongside a full-time job and family life.

Being down in Kent meant that he was available to be 'umpire' at a London Challenge Cup game between holders Upton Park (who won Gold at the 1900 Olympics representing Great Britain) and Tottenham Hotspur (who went on to "put pressure on Chelsea" in 2016/17). He still made the effort to travel for occasional appearances in some of the higher-profile matches in the North East, including Cleveland Challenge Cup and FA Cup matches for Redcar (more on that later) and one last appearance for Cleveland against Scarborough, where he would play alongside future Redcar Crusaders goalkeeper Dawkins.

Then came his last hurrah. As the schools closed for the Christmas period, William took the trek north to spend the festive period with his family. Unmarried with no children, his journey took him not to Redcar, but Sheffield, where his older brother Thomas was living.

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William Harrison

In fact, he was living at the top of Abbeydale Road, not half a mile from Bramall Lane. And as fate would have it, his visit to Sheffield not only coincided with a Sheffield Wednesday game (who were the original tenants of Bramall Lane), but many of his old colleagues were unable to play the match against FA Cup holders Blackburn Rovers (a fixture that would be repeated only a couple of years later in the FA Cup Final in front of a crowd of 20,000). A very popular figure in South Yorkshire, the crowd were delighted to see that he had been convinced to don the famous blue and white stripes once again. But he was well and truly out of practice, and Blackburn, inspired by the likes of Fergus Suter, star of Netflix's *The English Game*, had already proved themselves as the best team in the country. Harrison was "rushing into football from the enervating toil of school inspectorship"¹, wrote one newspaper, "though everyone was glad to see him on the field". Despite holding their own in a 1-1 draw, and some occasional dazzling runs that had made him a hit in Sheffield, it was not the perfect swansong. The Sheffield Daily Telegraph nicely sums up the high regard in which he was held, and the disappointment of his performance:

One pleasant feature was the reappearance on the field of Mr. Harrison, late of Redcar, who is on a visit to Sheffield, and he was prevailed upon to take his place among his old compatriots. Mr. Harrison, however, was evidently out of practice, and before he again leaves for the South we hope to see him when he was re-acquired his unrivalled dodging tactics and general good play.

Well, you're in luck, because this wasn't his swansong after all. Blackburn Olympic – FA Cup holders two years previous – had a return match against Sheffield Wednesday to play after spanking them 12-0 earlier in the season. Wednesday needed quality, and Harrison wouldn't disappoint this time. He notched up a superb assist in a 6-0 win over Olympic on Boxing Day, this being his last ever game in Sheffield. In fact, he sort of disappears altogether by this point, and there are no obituaries or death records for him, which is a source of great pain and frustration for me. The most logical reason would be that he emigrated, but I can't categorically tell you that he's not still alive now, despite the fact that he would be 162 in 2020.

Moving on from immortal club captains, and rewinding back to April 1884 to when Harrison was still making the odd appearance, by this point there had been three Cleveland Challenge Cup finals; Middlesbrough v Redcar in 1881, Middlesbrough v Redcar in 1882, and Middlesbrough v Redcar in 1883. Anyone else sensing a pattern? If you're not, please put this down and call a doctor immediately. With that in mind, if you could put your house on who the two teams in the 1884 final would be, what would you say? This isn't a trick question, it was Boro and Redcar again. This was to be the biggest meeting between the two yet, as almost 4000 people packed into the Redcar and Coatham Cricket Ground, and despite The York Herald noting a "hard struggle throughout for supremacy"²,



The Blackburn Olympic FA Cup winning side (who Harrison played against in 1884)

Middlesbrough once again came away with the victory. Now might be a good time to say this: Boro went on to win the trophy – now known as the North Riding Senior Cup – five times in a row, and so far they have won it *checks notes* FIFTY-FIVE TIMES. No Redcar team has ever won it. Ouch.

But this season, Redcar had bigger fish to fry. That's a pun based on the fact that Redcar were sometimes referred to as The Fishermen, by the way. Sometimes they were called the Seasiders, and also Redcarites but I don't know how to feel about that last one. Anyway, this is a special year because in 1884/85, Redcar would actually play in the FA Cup. It's a big one, too, because Sunderland were coming to town. Although the young Redcar team started well and quickly went 3-0 up, Sunderland came back into the game in the second half and scored within five minutes of the restart, and "looked as if they would win" according to the Sunderland Daily Echo, which is a tad presumptuous since they were still losing by two goals in the second half, but never mind. Despite a second Sunderland goal being ruled out for offside, the score remained 3-1 and Redcar progressed to the next round.

But I believe something even more special happened in this game, because I believe that this match features the first ever recorded example of an overhead kick. Many South American countries lay claim to this honour, after the sport was imported via English seafarers on the docks. One of the more widely accepted claims is from 1914, courtesy of a Chilean named Ramon Unzaga. But, friends, that man William Harrison got there first. One of the most creative and skilful players in the country at the time, The York Herald reported that Redcar's second goal came about when "Harrison kicked the ball over his head", which was "loudly applauded"³. The Sunderland Echo said the same, "a magnificent shot over his head, cheer after cheer greeting the feat"⁴. That's more



The Sunderland 1884 side that Redcar faced in the FA Cup

than enough proof for me. Redcar: Home of the Overhead Kick. Put it on the sign.

Upwards of 3000 people descended upon Grimsby as they hosted Redcar in the next round, so say the Lincolnshire Chronicle. "Redcar beat Grimsby by three goals to one", reported The Field (The Country Gentlemen's Newspaper)⁵, which I'm sad to say is entirely wrong. The York Herald had a more accurate report, noting that Redcar scored the first goal, although Grimsby equalised before half time. With the wind at their backs, which was a huge deal back in those days, Grimsby had the ascendancy in the second half and came away 3-1 winners. Not an ideal start for their first FA Cup campaign, but they did lose to a team who, upon their second FA Cup Semi Final appearance a few decades later, would set the record attendance at Old Trafford, which still stands today. Pretty cool.

But if you think that's the best that Redcar have ever done in the FA Cup then think again, my friend, because it got a lot better the following year. Redcar's young team had gained valuable experience in the FA Cup and Sheffield Challenge

Cup, and more players were going on to represent Cleveland in very competitive games up and down the country. In just seven short years' time, Sunderland would go on to reach their second FA Cup Semi Final in a row, and win the first of their Division One titles in a period that would see them win it three times in four years. But in 1884/85, Redcar would once again prove too much for them.

That's next time...

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¹ The Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 23rd December 1884

² The York Herald, 7th April 1884

³ The York Herald, 10th November 1884

⁴ The Sunderland Echo, 11th November 1884

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AROUND THE CLUB...



Reserves North Riding League Div 1

05/09/20	Loftus Athletic (H)	W 5-2
12/09/20	New Marske (A)	
26/09/20	Nunthorpe (A)	W 4-1
03/10/20	Loftus Athletic (A)	
10/10/20	Whitby Fishermens Society (A)	
17/10/20	Kader Reserves (H)	

Team	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
1 Redcar Athletic Res	2	2	0	0	6	6
2 Lealholm	1	1	0	0	3	3
3 Whitby F'mens Society	1	1	0	0	1	3
4 N'allerton Town Res	1	1	0	0	1	3
5 Cleveland	1	1	0	0	1	3
6 Great Ayton United	2	1	0	1	0	3
7 Nunthorpe	1	0	1	0	0	1
8 New Marske	2	0	1	1	-3	1
9 Boro Rangers Reserves	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 Kader Reserves	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Wolviston	2	0	0	2	-2	0
12 Loftus Athletic	1	0	0	1	-3	0
13 T.I.B.S.	2	0	0	2	-4	0

U23s Durham FA U23 League South Division

13/09/20	Newton Aycliffe (H)	W 6-4
20/09/20	Guisborough Town (A)	
27/09/20	Bishop Auckland Res (H)	
04/10/20	Hartlepool Pools (H)	
11/10/20	Thornaby (A)	
18/10/20	Bishop Auckland Res (A)	
25/10/20	Redcar Town (H)	
01/11/20	Billingham Town (H)	
08/11/20	Wolsingham (A)	
15/11/20	Newton Aycliffe (A)	
22/11/20	Guisborough Town (H)	
29/11/20	Hartlepool Pools (A)	

Team	P	W	D	L	Pts
1 Billingham Town	2	2	0	0	6
2 Redcar Athletic	1	1	0	0	3
3 Thornaby	1	1	0	0	3
4 Bishop Auckland FC Res	2	1	0	1	3
5 Newton Aycliffe Youth	2	0	1	1	1
6 Wolsingham FC Youth	2	0	1	1	1
7 Guisborough Town	0	0	0	0	0
8 Wolviston	0	0	0	0	0
9 Hartlepool Pools Youth	1	0	0	1	0
10 Redcar Town	1	0	0	1	0

U19s North Riding Football League U19 Division

13/09/20	Coulby Newham (A)	L 1-2
20/09/20	Eaglescliffe Elemtis (H)	
27/09/20	Great Ayton United (A)	
04/10/20	TIBS (A)	
11/10/20	Cargo Fleet (A)	

Team	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
1 Coulby Newham	2	2	0	0	2	6
2 Great Ayton United	1	1	0	0	1	3
3 Cargo Fleet	0	0	0	0	0	0
4 Eaglescliffe Elementis	0	0	0	0	0	0
5 Kader	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 T.I.B.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Redcar Athletic	1	0	0	1	-1	0
8 South Park Rangers	2	0	0	2	-2	0

Ladies North Riding Women's Premier Division

06/09/19	Richmond Town (H)	W 7-2
13/09/20	Scarborough (A)	
20/09/20	Redcar Town (H)	
27/09/20	Brompton (A)	

Team	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
1 Redcar Athletic Ladies	2	2	0	0	27	6
2 Redcar Town Ladies Res	2	2	0	0	6	6
3 Poppleton Ladies	2	1	0	1	19	3
4 York St. John Uni	1	1	0	0	2	3
5 Brompton Ladies	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Guisborough Town Ladies	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Huntington Rovers Ladies	1	0	0	1	-5	0
8 Richmond Town Women	2	0	0	2	-7	0
9 Scarborough Ladies	2	0	0	2	-42	0

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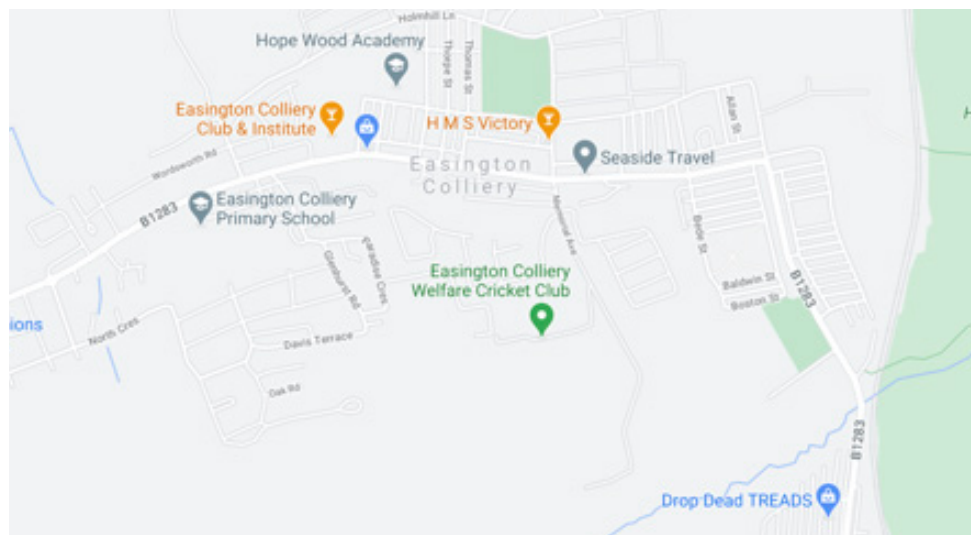
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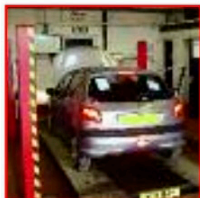


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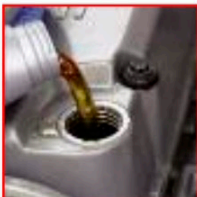
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