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Good evening, everyone and welcome to the game.

he main positive to come out of last Saturday's game against Leamington was that we came away with a point, to have lost that game would have been very disappointing after we had enjoyed most of the possession and created more of the chances in the game. Unfortunately we couldn't put the ball in the net, but it wasn't for the want of trying.

Our defensive injuries are causing problems at the moment, but that's part of football life. You always expect to injuries to occur at some point in the season which is why you always carry a reasonably-sized squad, but not so many at the same time in one particular area of the team! But that's something we have to work on to resolve, and I'm looking at different options to try and solve that problem. The good thing is, that this will be our last midweek league game for at least a few weeks, so we'll have time to work on a few things on the training ground. It's an opportunity to bring players in – but that's football.

It's important that everyone sticks behind the team at the moment. It's a little bit of a tough time because of the injuries we have, and in turn that puts pressure on the areas of the team to help the defence out and score goals at the other end. I understand that some people may be frustrated, but please be patient with us. There's no point in getting upset about it, it's about what we do to resolve the situation. We're trying to get things right, and as we proved when we had a reasonably injury-free team at the start of the season, we picked up ten points out of our first twelve. Since then we've lost several defenders.

So please keep supporting the team as you've always done in the past, the players have always responded to your backing and support.

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Good evening everyone and welcome to the game.

/e're all hoping to bounce back to winning ways tonight against FC United.

As an all round team performance, I thought Saturday's was quite solid, it was just that as individuals we didn't manage to score that all important goal.

Failing to score was the only thing that was wrong with our performance. We kept a clean sheet which was very pleasing after our defeat at Chorley the previous Tuesday, and even though we had to shuffle things around twice, we weren't opened up much.

We're going through a tough time with injuries at the moment. We've had four different players at right back this season, for example. We've had Chris Hunter, Liam Marrs, Tom Portas and David Syers all playing there, and three of those have picked up injuries. Hopefully Tom will be all right for us tonight, but it doesn't help the dynamics of the team when we're forced into changes. Having six defenders out because of injury makes a massive difference.

We've got to stick together and get

through this rough patch. Every team has a rough patch every season, it's just that we're going through ours now, so we've got to keep working hard, hopefully stay away from more injuries, and win matches again.

Saturday's performance was much better than the one at Chorley on Tuesday, and I don't think anyone can really complain too much. We tried hard enough and played well at times, but we couldn't score that all important goal which would have given us a big boost to our confidence. If we'd scored, we would have gone on to win the game because I thought we were much the better team.

It will come, and everyone needs to stay positive and back the team. We're all very determined to get back on the winning trail tonight, and at the same

time hope we don't pick up any more knocks.

Enjoy the game

Phil



Coming to Blackwell Meadows today...

FC United



FC United are our visitors today, and Simon Hahn has been doing some research on them.

KEY MOMENTS IN THEIR HISTORY

- · Set up in 2005 amidst Malcolm Glazer's takeover of Manchester United
- First two seasons saw back-to-back promotions through the North West Counties divisions
- Beat Skelmersdale United in Evo-Stik Division One North play-off final to make it three promotions in a row
- In 2010/11 reached FA Cup second round after beating Rochdale in round one
- Lost in the play-offs for four successive years in Evo-Stik Premier before winning the league in 2014/15
- Moved to own ground at Broadhurst Park in 2015
- . Karl Marginson has been the manager since the club was formed

LAST SIX RESULTS

09/09/2017 Curzon Ashton (A) Lost 0-1 05/09/2017 Blyth Spartans (H) Lost 3-1 02/09/2017 Leamington (H) Lost 2-1 28/08/2017 York City (A) Won 2-0 26/08/2017 Boston United (H) Won 2-1 19/08/2017 Bradford PA (A) Lost 3-0

LAST SIX SEASONS

2016/17 National League North - Points 54 Position 13th

2015/16 National League North - Points 53 Position 13th

2014/15 Northern Premier League - Points 92 Position 1st (Promoted)

2013/14 Northern Premier League - Points 96 Position 2nd

2012/13 Northern Premier League - Points

83 Position 3rd

2011/12 Northern Premier League - Points 72 Position 6th

LAST TWO MATCHES

Curzon Ashton 1 FC United of Manchester 0

FC United lost to Curzon for the first time in 13 matches at the Tameside Stadium, their third successive defeat to leave them third bottom of the table.

Max Leonard scored the goal for Curzon after he was set up by Niall Cummins.

Team: Allinson, Brady, Wisdom, Kay, Fagbola, Hughes, Connor (sub Hooper 62), Irwin, Greaves (sub Kinsella 63) McCarthy, Logan (sub Senior 62)

FC United of Manchester 1 Blyth 3 Blyth went in front with an effort by Danny Maguire on 38 minutes, and United went 2-0 down when Sean Reid scored on 61 minutes.

Jason Gilchrist pulled a goal back on 69 minutes, but Maguire scored his second of the game with a good finish nine minutes from the end.

Team: Allinson, Brady (sub Senior 58), Wisdom, Kay, Fagbola, Hughes, Logan, Connor, Greaves, McCarthy (sub Gilchrist 68), Hooper (sub Lowe 68)

16/17 STATS

- Took more points on the road then at home - 28 points
- Struggled to score in the first 10 minutes of the second half - one goal
- George Thomson was the top scorer -16 goals
- Second highest average attendance in the league - 2672
- Sat mid table since fourth match 11th-18th in the table
- Scored plenty of late goals 12 after the 85th minute
- Only two victories over top five teams Kidderminster twice

LAST SEASON

After finishing in 13th place in their first season at this level in 2015/16, last season was one of consolidation for FC United who sat in between 11th and 18th since the opening weeks of the season. They completed an impressive double over Kidderminster, before winning their last two games 4-1 and 5-1, their two biggest

wins of the season. They finished the season in 13th place.

THIS SEASON

FC United lost their first three games of the season before they picked up their first point against Southport, where they were leading 3-1 before drawing 3-3. They lost at Bradford Park Avenue before they won their first game at home to Boston by 2-1. They then had a great 2-0 win at York City on Bank Holiday Monday, but they have now lost their last three matches.

PLAYERS/MANAGERS

Karl Marginson - Manager

Marginson has been an ever present at FC United after being the only ever manager at the club from June 2005 to present. As a player he played for Blackpool, Rotherham United and Macclesfield Town in the Football League along with a string of non-league sides. His most successful spell being with Macclesfield where he won the FA Trophy at Wembley as well as winning the Conference title.

He has been in charge of over 400 games for FC United of Manchester with a win percentage of just under 50% and has led them all the way from the North West Counties League to the second level of non-league football.



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Coming to **Blackwell Meadows** today...

FC United



Tom Greaves- Fan favourite

Broke FC United fans hearts back in 2012 when he scored the winning goal for Bradford Park Avenue in the last minute of extra time in the play-off final. He has been top scorer for FC United for three seasons and was named in the 2014-15 Evo-Stik league side of the year. A firm fans' favourite now!

Jason Gilchrist - Top scorer

Gilchrist started his youth career at Manchester City, before going on to Burnley where signed a one year professional deal. He had loan spells at Droylsden, Accrington Stanley, and Chester, before he was released in 2016.

He then signed for FC United where he quickly settled into the team and contributed some important goals. He scored ten goals last season for the club and has already scored four in the league this time around

Scott Kay

Scott also started his career at Manchester City in their youth set up, but failed to make an appearance for the senior side.

He signed for Macclesfield Town, Huddersfield, Mossley and two spells at Southport.

Scott joined FC United from Mossley last season to play in central midfield, but also filled in at centre half when needed. He quickly established himself in the side and continues to be one of the first to be named on the team sheet.

SQUAD:

Manager: Karl Marginson

Squad

Goalkeepers; Lloyd Allinson, Adriano

Bass

Defenders: Lewis Lacy, Jake Williams, Jordan Fagbola, Matty Hughes, Danny Wisdom, Danny Brady, Zac Corbett, Sam Baird, Joel Senior

Midfielders: Thomas Brown, Scott Kay, Nathan Lowe, Kieran Glynn, Mike Jones, Richie Baker, Michael Connor, Steve Irwin, Joel Logan

Forwards: Tom Greaves, Craig Lindfield, Jason Gilchrist, Connor McCarthy, James Hooper

Sam Baird









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Quakers stayed firmly in the top four with a comfortable victory over FC United - and we scored one of the goals of the season in the process.

We took the lead after 5 minutes when the ball came to David Ferguson 25 yards out, and he hit a blistering left foot shot that flew into the top corner past the helpless keeper for his first goal for the club.

It was 2-0 on 13 minutes when Ferguson crossed well from the left for David Syers to head back into the middle for Mark Beck to head his 16th league goal of the season.

Quakers were awarded a penalty on 26 minutes when Beck was tripped by Jake Williams as he latched on to the ball in the area. The referee pointed to the spot from where Terry Galbraith tucked away the penalty, his 12th goal of the season.

There followed a great flowing move involving five players, that ended with Josh Gillies backheeling for Ferguson to have a shot well saved by Schofield, then in Quakers' next attack, Beck headed against the post.

But FC United pulled a goal back on 34 minutes, when Matthew Wolfenden got down the right and pulled the ball back for Tom Brown to swivel and place into the bottom corner.

Quakers were again denied by Schofield on 56 minutes. Thompson crossed from the right, Brown nodded the ball down for Nathan Cartman, whose low shot was blocked by the outstretched leg of the keeper.

Another chance came along on 70 minutes when clever play by Beck allowed Cartman to send Ferguson up the left, and the full back's first time shot was pushed around the post by Schofield...

The fourth goal finally came along when Gary Brown controlled a cross from the right, played a 1-2 with Cartman, and slotted the ball into the corner.

But still FC United kept going, and sub Toni Adeloye headed into the bottom left corner for 4-2



Craig Stoddart and Ray Simpson have been keeping an eye on the activities of former Darlo players.



Former Darlington midfielder Mark Convery is facing the biggest game of his managerial career when his team, Newcastle Benfield, face Ashton United in the FA Cup second qualifying round on Saturday.

Convery, who is in his second full season as Benfield's manager, has guided his team through three qualifying rounds to get to this stage, and now he's hoping to lead the Northern League club to a giantkilling.

"It's a really big match for everyone," he said. "We've had them watched three times, and we have a pretty good idea what their strengths and weaknesses are. It means loads of things to win this game, such as the prize money and the prestige. It's an easy win to win prize money - the rewards for winning an FA Cup tie at this stage are more than for the Northern League or Northern League Cup.

"I'm good friends with Neil Saxton, who was manager of the club when they played York City in the last

qualifying round a few years ago. He sacrificed the league to do well in the FA Cup, and in the end, he was sacked.

"I remembered a few days ago about how much Neil suffered afterwards in the league games, and I'm determined not to let the same happen to me. It was harsh what happened to him, but that's football. Now, I'm the manager under the same regime at the club, and I'm really comfortable with the budget and the team I've got.

"I haven't got the excuse now of saying that some players

aren't mine - they all are. We went out during the summer and brought in players whom I knew - it's my team now."

Benfield have only had two defeats this season. "One of those was because we'd played only two days previously, and the players were out on their feet, and the second was on a day when nothing would go right – and we've all had one of those.

"This will be my biggest game yet in charge, and we're all determined to get into the next round."

Adam Mitchell has left Spennymoor Town and joined Northern League club West Auckland on a permanent basis.

Mitchell left Quakers at the end of the 2015/16 season and joined Moors, whom he helped towards promotion from the EvoStik League last season, making 26 appearances, but following the arrival of new blood at the Brewery Field, he was made available at the end of last season

He joined West on loan at the start of this season, and after helping them to the top of the Northern League table, he joined them permanently last week.

He is joined at the club by **Arran Wearmouth**, who left

Quakers for West last week. Keeper Jack Norton is also on West's books, he played for them last week at Bishop Auckland, and Amar Purewal, who moved to West from Shildon.

David Dowson has left Spennymoor on a month's loan at Northern League club Consett. Dowson hasn't been in the squad recently - he wasn't on the bench for our recent game against Moors - and has gone there for much-needed game time. He has scored 12 goals in 54 appearances for Moors after joining them last year.

Former Darlo player Akpo Sodje and his two brothers, Sam and Efe, have gone on trial at the Old Bailey accused of money laundering proceeds from a scam targeting firms in Colombia, India, Italy and Abu Dhabi. All of them deny the charges.

Sam Russell says that he will be far from content with a watching brief at Forest Green.

Russell played all 54 of the club's league and cup matches last season, is in competition for a starting place with two other keepers, one of whom is Chelsea loanee Brad Collins

Russell played in the 1-0 League Cup loss to MK Dons, but watched the club's first



Football League fixtures from the bench.

The decision is a blow for Russell, who worked hard over eight years to earn a return to League Football - his last appearance coming for Rochdale in 2009.

"Last year I didn't have a great deal of competition. I played every single game," Russell told www.betweenthesticks. blog

"There's obviously a lot more pressure on this year. Both the goalkeepers we've brought in this year, I think they're of a really, really good standard. The goalkeeping standard has picked up, it's on another level."

It's clear though that the

former England youth international sees the competition as healthy and treats it in the spirit of the goalkeepers' union.

"Hopefully we'll put pressure on each other, but as a goalkeeper you'll always have a good union and get on together. We'll push each other and help each other through training.

"Being the older one with the experience, hopefully I'll help them as much as I can and they'll learn from me."

Lee Gaskell has left Ramsbottom in the EvoStik First Division North, his second spell at the club.

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Building the future together



>> BY JOHN TEMPEST

Good afternoon, everyone, and welcome to the game.

I would to thank all those fans who have contributed to the various funds on the Darlington FC Supporters Group website over the last few months, however this is now a very important time for the phase 2 fundraising of the new seated stand at Blackwell Meadows.

I totally understand the summer months are not the best times for fundraising, which is why we have perhaps been quiet of late. With the summer holiday period over we now ask all fans to dig deep and invest in the DFCSG funding to enable us to purchase the steel, cladding and seats. In turn that will enable us to complete the seated stand that is necessary to reach the required ground grading as per the rules. I'm sure everyone agrees that no one wants to be in the same awful and embarrassing position that we found ourselves in last year when we failed to deliver the extra seats by the end of March.

Yes, it's a tall order, but as a fan-funded club we would like to ask all fans to contribute what they can and get the required work completed over the coming months. With the current ownership structure, it's up to us as fans to deliver the funding required, it's our responsibility.

When the stand is completed, then there will be some great sponsorship opportunities, and we're ready to listen to any companies who would like to sponsor the stand in some way, or anyone who would like to pay for a sponsorship board. Any sponsorship queries regarding the new seated stand please contact me at John.tempest@ darlingtonfc.org. Your company's name can be seen by thousands of people every week, either at the game, watching our highlights packages, or looking at images of the match.

To avoid any confusion, I'd like to confirm what the arrangements are for the downstairs bar on Saturday.

You may have noticed that briefly on Monday there was a press release from the rugby club apologising for the bar being unavailable, but that is now not the case, and the bars will be open on Saturday as usual.

Hospitality will be upstairs for those who would like a meal and watch the game from the balcony please contact Joanne Cameron on hospitality@darlingtonfc.org. As I write, we are looking for a match sponsor and a matchball sponsor.

I would like also to thank Colin Ward who looks after the visiting directors in the boardroom, he won the 50/50 ticket last weekend and as a generous gesture put the money back into the club.

Tickets for our big FA Cup tie are on sale tomorrow and Friday - please come along and support the team. It would be great to have a good FA Cup run and reach the first round.

I would like to welcome the officials, players and fans from FC United, and wish them a safe journey home.



Tom Portas is playing again after a "nightmare" injury that has kept him out for nearly a year. He spoke to Ray Simpson.

idfielder Tom says that he is raring to go again after nearly a year out because of injury.

Tom was playing a leading role in our first season at National League North level when he was injured by an illegal tackle from behind against Stalybridge at Heritage Park in late September last year, and he admits that he couldn't bear to watch Quakers play when he was out injured.

Any early hopes of a return were dashed soon after the Stalybridge game by the diagnosis of a bad ankle injury, and so began a depressingly long rehabilitation – so depressing that he wouldn't come to games because it hurt him too much to sit in the stand watching.

"It was an absolute nightmare, I didn't want to come to games," he said. "I watched some games at first, but watching games had an impact on me, because I wanted to be out on the pitch but couldn't be. It was very frustrating, especially as the ankle was taking so long to recover. I was going home and I was moody all week because I was really missing playing.

"I spoke to Martin and we agreed that it was best for me to take a little bit of a step back, so I decided not to come to games. I was getting quite depressed about it all, and seriously wondering whether I would play again.

"But slowly but surely the ankle responded to treatment. I tried to have an operation in January which would have

meant I would be back for pre-season training in time, but the operation didn't take place until March."

Happily, the operation went well, and Tom was eventually given the green light to start playing again. "I couldn't go into preseason training at full pelt. I had to take my time. I was given the go-ahead to start playing again, so I played a couple of games for the reserves. I was a bit hesitant at first because I didn't know how the knee would react when I tackled or turned, so I didn't go for tackles at first. I had a little bit of a reaction, so I stayed away from preseason training for a week as a precaution.

"I could feel the injury in the reserves a little bit, but basically as time went on, the ankle got stronger and stronger and now there are no problems at all. I'm going in for tackles without any worries, which is great."

Tom returned to the starting line up at North Ferriby a



few weeks ago, and he has shown plenty of signs of getting back to his best in his performances since.

"I came back against North Ferriby and played the full 90 minutes without any reaction, and I felt fine. But I was told that I couldn't start the game against Spennymoor on the following Monday just as a precaution, so I had to wait until the game after that to play again.

"I'm happy with the way I've come back to be fair, I've been getting the tackles in and twisting and turning, just like I was before. So hopefully, things are looking good, and I can put this injury nightmare behind me."

No one can ever forget Tom's terrific long range goal against Bamber Bridge three seasons ago—let's all hope he crowns his comeback with another memorable goal tonight.

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THE PAST





om Portas has made a welcome return to action following almost a year out with a serious ankle problem which required surgery.

Saturday's match with Leamington was the first time he had started back-to-back matches since last September, when his season was cruelly ended after being on the wrong end of a bad challenge against Stalybridge Celtic.

The midfielder has now made 110 appearances for Quakers, the first being on the opening day of the 2014-15 season - the abandoned game with Warrington - and he is pictured on the ball against Ossett Town in September 2014.

In this series, we look back at matches on the corresponding days in the club's history.

7th September 1924

Division Three North Darlington 2 Hartlepools United 0, attendance 5.200

We achieved our third straight win at the start of the 1924-25, beating Pools 2-0 at Feethams. We had beaten Grimsby 2-0 and New Brighton 2-1 in our first two league matches, and so went top of the table just ahead of Nelson and New Brighton amongst others thanks to two goals by Davie Brown. Also in the league that season were Bradford Park Avenue, Ashington, Durham City, Barrow and Accrington Stanley.

Team: Crumley, Greaves, O'Donnell Robinson Dobson, Malcolm, M. Hooper, F Hooper, Brown, Stevens, Winship

September 9th 1925

Division Two Darlington 1 Preston North End 1. attendance 11.285

Our adventure into the second division started really well after winning promotion from the Third

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Division North the season before.

We started with a goalless draw against Nottingham Forest at Feethams in front of a big crowd of 13,478, and then we won 2-0 at Derby County. Excitement or what?

So to draw against Football League founders Preston was another great result in a division that also included Chelsea, Wolves. Middlesbrough and South Shields.

Scottish winger George Stevens scored Quakers' goal.

Team: Crumley, Greaves, Jovce. Dickson. Robinson. Malcolm, M Hooper, F Hooper, Brown, McKenzie. Stevens

5th September 1931

Division Three North Darlington 4 Chester 1, attendance 4.222

We had lost both our opening games in the Third Division North in season 1931-32, both of them by 2-0 against eventual champions Lincoln City and Barrow. But we hit form thanks

to Maurice Wellock who scored twice in this 4-1 win. with xx Turnbull and xx Mitchell also amongst the goals.

Wellock's goal sparked off a personal scoring run that lasted four matches as he also scored against Hull City (twice) and Hartlepool.

Team: Fielden, Plummer, Brown, Waugh, Halliday, Hopkinson, Mitchell, Craddock. Wellock. Turnbull, Westgarth

September 6th 1955

Third Division North Darlington 1 Tranmere Rovers 0. attendance 6.263

Quakers made it four wins from four matches when we beat Tranmere at Prenton Park thanks to a penalty by Harry Clark. That was our second successive away win, as we had also won 1-0 at Barrow's Holker Street the week before.

Team: Dunn. Devlin. Henderson, Furphy, Greener, Stoddart, Spuhler, Davis, Clark, Morton, Glendinnina



6th September 1960

Division Four Southport 1 Darlington 4, attendance 4.348

We had a good win at Haig Avenue to clinch our first away win of the season after losing at Crystal Palace and Hartlepool.

Joe Rayment, Bobby Baxter. Jim Milner and Brian Redfearn were the scorers to give us only our second win of the season in total.

Team: Tinsley, Henderson, Mulholland, Furphy,

Greener, Spencer, Rayment, Baxter, Carr, Milner, Redfearn

September 13th 1980

Division Four Darlington 3 Wigan Athletic 1 Attendance 2.020

We were still unbeaten at home in three league matches after beating Wigan thanks to a John Stalker hat trick. We'd beaten Northampton at home on the first day of the season, and drawn

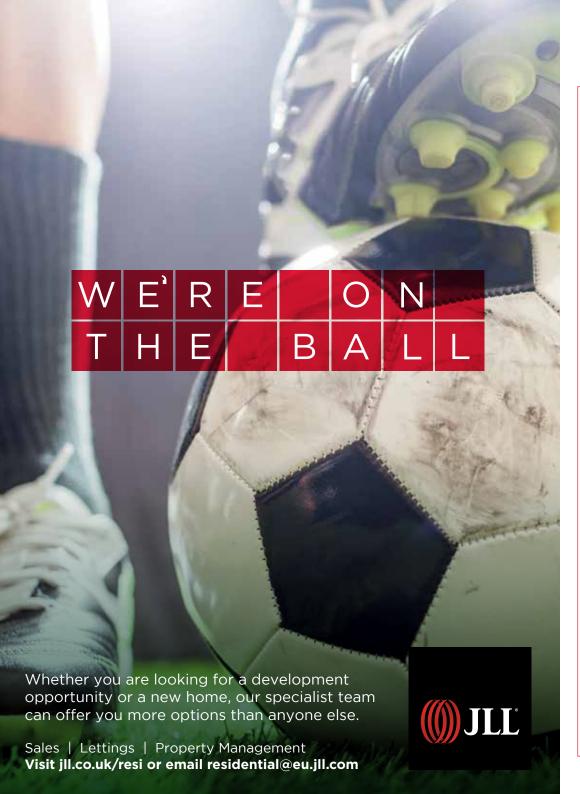
with Stockport County, and we would go on to figure on the fringe of the promotion race, without really becoming serious contenders.

Team: Barry. Kamara. Wilson Ball Hawker Skipper, Charlton, McLean, Speedie, Stalker, Walsh

Thanks to club historian Frank Tweddle for his help in putting this series together.

DARLINGTON V FC UNITED OF MANCHESTER

The Quakers WEDNESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2017



HOW THE OTHERS ARE DOING Chris Sykes

The last unbeaten record in the league came to an end on Saturday as **Brackley Town** were beaten 2-0 at **Salford**. Jack Redshaw's double, with the goals coming either side of half time, were enough to make it a ninth game without defeat for the Ammies, in the process moving them above Brackley in the table. The Saints meanwhile, dropped to third

But Salford were kept off top spot by freescoring **Harrogate Town**. They ran out easy 5-1 winners at **AFC Telford** to move to the summit of the division. Jake Wright scored twice, while Ben Parker, George Thomson and Jack Emmett all found the net. Anthony Dwyer had given the Bucks the lead after 20 minutes, while the home side also had Connor Johnson sent off 11 minutes from time.

Blyth Spartans made it three wins on the bounce, with a 5-2 rout of Boston. Dan Maguire scored twice in the opening 15 minutes, while Nathan Buddle also found the net as Spartans made a rapid start to the game. Maguire completed his hat-trick before half time, with Harry Vince pulling a goal back just before the break. Karl Hawley's 71st minute strike briefly gave the visitors hope of a comeback, but Jarrett Rivers made it 5-2 to seal the points for Blyth.

York City moved up to fifth with their second win in a week, as they beat Stockport 2-0 at Bootham Crescent. First half goals from Simon Heslop and Amari Morgan-Smith helped the Minstermen to their fifth win of the season, while Stockport slipped down into mid-table, three points off a play-off spot.

It's no win in five for **Spennymoor**, who dropped out of the play-off places with a 3-1 defeat at **Tamworth**. Bradley Reid put the Lambs ahead, only for Kallum Griffiths to

level for Moors just after half time. But two goals from Daryl Knights earned Tamworth victory, meaning it's just one defeat in seven for the Lambs. who are into the top six.

Four goals in the space of 18 minutes saw **Alfreton** breeze past strugglers **Gainsborough Trinity**. Thomas Platt, Craig Westcarr, Ricardo German and Brendon Daniels all found the net to put Alfreton 4-0 up by the 25th minute. Bradley Wells scored a late consolation for Gainsborough, who are third bottom after five defeats in their last seven. Alfreton meanwhile are just a point off the top seven.

After a 6-0 mauling by Stockport last week, **Southport** were hoping to return form at home to **Kidderminster**. But it was the visitors who handed a beating, with William Longbottom putting Kiddy in front, before Andre Brown's double secured the game. Nine goals conceded and zero scored, it was a sobering few days for Southport.

Chorley made it five games unbeaten (with just one goal conceded in that time) as they eased to 2-0 win at bottom club North Ferriby. Jason Walker and Josh Wilson provided the finishes which made it three wins on the spin for the visitors, while North Ferriby have just one win to their name.

Max Leonard scored the only goal of the game as **Curzon Ashton** saw off today's visitors **FC United**. It ended a winless run of five games for Nash, while FC United have lost three in a row.

And **Bradford Park Avenue's** impressive start to the season continued. They draw 1-1 at home to **Nuneaton** to make it six games unbeaten, with Oli Johnson cancelling out an early strike from the visitors' Tom Elliott.



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DAVID FERGUSON TAKES ON THE LEAMINGTON DEFENCE



9TH SEPTEMBER 2017 DARLINGTON 0 LEAMINGTON 0

Quakers recovered from the 4-1 midweek defeat at Chorley to pick up a point against Leamington.

KEY MOMENTS:

- **5** Josh Gillies curled a free kick from the edge of the area just wide
- 13 David Syers played a 1-2 with Josh Gillies and his shot was blocked
- 20 Terry Galbraith curled a free kick in from the right for Dominic Collins to head towards the bottom corner, but the keeper saved
- **26** Mark Beck hit the base of the post with a header from a Josh Gillies cross
- 29 David Syers headed into the keeper's hands from a James Caton free kick

- 31 -- Dominic Collins went off with a groin problem
- **55** Tom Portas, playing at right abck, went off with a hamstring tweak six defenders are now out injured!
- **75** -- Mark Beck couldn't quite force the ball home from a delightful Phil Turnbull chip
- **85** -- David Ferguson and Josh Gillies both had shots blocked
- **90** Adam Bartlett saved from Kurtis Revan in the last minute

Team: Bartlett, Portas (sub Scott 55), Ferguson, Turnbull, Collins (sub Vaulks 31), Galbraith, Gillies, Syers, Beck, Cartman, Caton (sub Saunders 63)

Subs: Thompson, Wilczynski.

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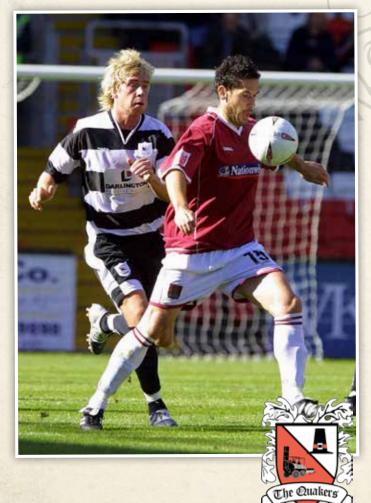


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PICTURE FROM THE PAST



ewcastle-born Clark Keltie joined Darlington as a teenager in 2001, signing from Walker Central.

He went on to spend seven years with the club and making close to 200 league appearances before beginning a nomadic spell by joining Rochdale.

Keltie returned to the club in 2011-12 when Craig Liddle was manager, and again for a brief spell the following season when Quakers were in the Northern League.

Now 34. Keltie has played in Iceland, Ireland and is now in Australia.

He is pictured playing against Northampton Town at the Arena in the 2004-05 season.

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Quizmaster Steve Rees has put together another half time quiz.

STEVE'S HALF-TIME

FIRST HALF - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

- 1. What was Bing Crosby's actual Christian
- 2. Which member of a famous comedy duo attended King James 1 Grammar School in Bishop Auckland?
- 3. Who, in 1907, became the first British writer to win the Nobel Prize for Literature?
- 4. Seasonal Allergic Rhinitis is the correct name for which condition?
- 5 Which TV detective drove around in a Triumph Roadster?
- 6. In which range of mountains in the USA did fictional character, Rip van Winkle. sleep for 20 years?
- 7. On which river does the city of Lincoln stand?
- 8. Which Italian composer's name translates literally into English as Joseph Green?
- 9. The dish 'houmous' consists almost entirely of what?
- 10. Which veteran rockstars wrote the song Bittersweet Symphony for the Verve in the 90s?
- 11. What name is given to the first day of

SECOND HALF - SPORT

- 12. On which golf course is the US Masters tournament staged every year?
- 13. Which Scottish First Division side plays its home games at Starks Park in Kirkcaldy?
- 14. Who swapped Victoria for Britannia then ended up with bet365?
- 15. Name the 3 Newcastle Utd players in England's 1998 World Cup squad.
- 16. Which England goalkeeper of recent times started his professional career at Peterborough Utd?
- 17. Against which county was Brian Lara playing when he scored the highest individual score of 501?
- 18. Who is the only German boxer to have won the World Heavyweight title?
- 19. What is the women's equivalent of the Ryder Cup?
- 20. By what name was Rugby League club Bradford Bulls formerly known?
- 21. On which racecourse would you find Tattenham Corner?
- 22. Footballer Eusebio had which nickname that sounds like an item of jewellery?

HOW DID YOU DO?

POINTS SCORED

22 - 17 Well done! You're a born scorer and a real fox in the box

Flashes of brilliance on the ball but you lack consistency

Average performance - more work needed on the training ground

5 or less Little awareness of football or, indeed, life in general. Have you considered a job at the FA?

ANSWERS PAGE 49



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Aldershot by coach on the

meant that the team only

arrived at the Recreation

day of the game. Heavy traffic

by Simon Weatherill Memory Match

In the latest of his Memory Match series, Simon Weatherill looks back to the 4-3 away win at Aldershot on 29th September 1984.

The 1984/85 season turned out to be one of the better seasons in the history of Darlington Football Club. although bad news on the transfer front in the summer threatened to derail the season before it had even started Star striker Alan Walsh left the club and signed for Bristol City for £18,000, a fee set by the transfer tribunal. Manager Cyril Knowles wasted no time in signing his replacement, paying Barnsley £6,000 for Carl Airey, a signing that was to prove inspired over the coming months. Knowles also added winger Mark Miller (from Doncaster) and midfielder Mitch Cook (from Scarborough) to his squad. The new signings still meant that the Ouakers kicked off the new season with a threadbare squad and injuries to Mitch Cook and Mike Angus meant that in the early weeks Knowles often only had 11 or 12 fit players to choose from. Despite the shortage of numbers his side made a solid start to the season with two wins and four draws from the first six games that saw the club sat comfortably in sixth place in the Division 4 table with 10 points.

Knowles was always looking to bolster his squad and signed two extra midfielders, Graeme Aldred, released by Newcastle, and Steve Tupling, initially on a month's loan from Carlisle. He also brought in the vastly experienced Willie Young as defensive cover. The 32 year

old centre half had played nearly 300 top flight games for Tottenham. Arsenal and Nottingham Forest and had played alongside Knowles in the Spurs defence in the 70's.

All three reinforcements would be in the team for the long trip to Aldershot on Saturday 29 September, the Ouakers' seventh game of the season, where once again they were strugaling to find eleven fit players. Regular central defensive partners Kevan Smith and Phil Lloyd would be missing from the game, after both were injured in the previous week's victory over Scunthorpe. Smith with a dislocated shoulder and Llovd with ankle ligament damage. Willie Young would make his second appearance for the club alongside Peter Johnson. who moved across from his more familiar left back position to play in the centre. Dave McLean would drop back from midfield to play at left back. The only regular member of the defence playing in his correct position would be John Craggs at right back, although he had to pass a fitness test on a troublesome ankle before being cleared to play. Mitch Cook would be making his debut for the club on the left side of midfield. He'd missed the start of the season after injuring his knee in a pre season friendly and although not fully fit he was pressed into service due to a shortage of numbers.

Finances dictated that the

Ground 90 minutes before kick off. Hardly ideal preparation, but the side made light of the hardship by taking a first minute lead. Mitch Cook made an instant impact on his debut with a superb through ball into the path of Kevin Todd who lashed a fierce shot past home keeper David Coles to give the Quakers the early lead and stun the home crowd of 2045. Aldershot stormed back and put the makeshift Darlington defence under real pressure but squandered several chances when a bit of composure in front of goal would have seen them level. During this period of pressure. the visitors always looked dangerous on the break with the pace of Kevin Todd and Carl Airey always a threat. The Ouakers suffered a blow in the 25th minute when Colin Ross had to leave the field with a recurrence of an old knee injury. He was replaced by John Hannah who went up front with Todd dropping into a deeper position. The Shots eventually equalised in the 37th minute with a close range effort by Martin Foyle, a £20.000 summer signing from Southampton. The leveller was already Foyle's fifth goal of the season. Hannah had an immediate chance to restore the Quakers' lead but





his header from a Todd cross was just over. He made no mistake two minutes later though when he picked up a Steve Tupling through ball on the edge of the box and hammered it on the turn past the helpless keeper to give Darlington a 2-1 half time lead.

An assured second half performance, with Young looking particularly dominant at the back, should have been enough for the visitors to comfortably take the points, but in typical Darlington fashion, they managed to make life difficult for themselves. They increased their lead in the 76th minute with another Hannah goal. Airey's shot was blocked but Hannah found himself unmarked in front of goal to walk the rebound into an empty net. The two goal cushion lasted only two minutes however, as Fred Barber gifted the Shots a second. His poor clearance went to Dale Banton who swept it straight back into

the net to make it 3-2. Barber redeemed himself with two outstanding saves as the home side looked for an equaliser, but Hannah made the points safe in the 91st minute when he headed home Cook's cross to complete his hat trick. There was still time for Aldershot to hit back as a scramble in the Quakers goalmouth allowed Banton to fire home his second with the last kick of the match.

The 4-3 victory moved the Quakers up to fifth place in the table and maintained their unbeaten start to the season. Unfortunately it proved to be Colin Ross' last game as a professional footballer. His knee injury was serious enough for him to retire from the game. He was 22. The hat trick in the Aldershot game were the last goals that John

Hannah, a former miner, would score for the club. He only made two more appearances before losing his place to Mark Forster. Forster had spent the summer playing in Sweden and returned to the club in mid October. Hannah slipped further down the pecking order later that month when Knowles signed Garry MacDonald from Carlisle as he continued to reshape his squad. Hannah joined Mark Miller in Malta as the pair tried their luck abroad.

Aldershot produced a 16 page programme costing 40p. There was limited coverage of their opponents, just a double page spread with a team photo, pen pictures of the players and previous results between the two clubs. The team line ups were on the back page.

Team v Aldershot : 1 Fred Barber 2 John Craggs 3 Peter Johnson 4 Colin Ross 5 Willie Young 6 Graeme Aldred 7 Mitch Cook 8 Kevin Todd 9 Carl Airey 10 Steve Tupling 11 Dave McLean Sub John Hannah (replaced Ross, 25 mins)

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The last time

Steve Hume has been doing some research for The Quaker about "The last time"

Last time we won at home – 12th August 2017, 4-1 v Alfreton Town

Last time we drew at home - 9th September 2017 0-0 v Leamington

Last time we lost at home – 19th August 2017, 0-1 v AFC Telford United

Last time we won away - 5th August 2017, 2-0 at Salford City

Last time we drew away – 26th August 2017, 1-1 at North Ferriby

Last time we lost away - 5th September 2017, 1-4 at Chorley

Last time we kept a clean sheet at home – 9th September 2017 0-0 v Learnington

Last time we kept a clean sheet away - 15h August 2017, 0-0 at York City

Last time we scored 5 or more in a home game – 22nd October 2016, 5-1 v Worcester City

Last time we scored 4 times in a home game – 12th August 2017, 4-1 v Alfreton Town

Last time we scored 3 times in a home game - 8th April 2017, 3-2 v Tamworth

Last time we scored twice in a home game – 25th February 2017, 2-3 v Harrogate Town

Last time we scored once in a home game - 28th August 2017, 1-1 v Spennymoor Town

Last time we failed to score at home - 9th September 2017 0-0 v Leamington

Last time we scored 5 or more in an away game – 19th April 2016, 7-1 at Whitby Town

Last time we scored 4 times in an away game - 29th October 2016, 4-1 at

Harrogate Town

Last time we scored 3 times in an away game – 15th April 2017, 3-0 at Alfreton Town

Last time we scored twice in an away game - 5th August 2017, 2-0 at Salford City

Last time we scored once in an away game – 5th September 2017, 1-4 at Chorley

Last time we failed to score in an away game – 2nd September 2017, 0-2 at Southport

Last time a Darlo player scored a hat trick in a home game - 21st March 2015, Adam Mitchell v Prescot Cables

Last time a Darlo player scored a hat trick in an away game – 19th April 2016, Graeme Armstrong (in 11 minutes!) at Whitby Town

Last time an opposing player scored a hat trick against Darlo – 19th September 2015, Scott Spencer for Hyde United

Last time a Darlo player scored a brace in a home game - 12th August 2017, Josh Gillies v Alfreton Town

Last time a Darlo player scored a brace in an away game – 5th August 2017, David Ferguson at Salford City

Last time a substitute scored for Darlo -5th September 2017, Harvey Saunders at Chorley Avenue

Last time Darlo came from behind to win – 12th August 2017, 4-1 v Alfreton Town

Last time Darlo lost after taking the lead -17th December 2016, 1-2 at Kidderminster Harriers

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>> BY WAYNE RAPER







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FC United of Manchester's ownership model is slightly different to ours in that their football club is a Community Benefit Society, whereas Darlington FC is effectively a subsidiary of DFCSG (which is also a Community Benefits Society). FC United of Manchester boasts a current membership

of 4,001. So we have a little way to go to catch-them up, which conveniently brings me to the subject of DFCSG's membership renewals, which became due on 1 September. If every one of our 1,140 members renewed their subscriptions that would generate a substantial sum that we could utilise to support the planned ground improvements at Blackwell Meadows. If you haven't yet renewed, come and see us at the 'Fans Table' before one of the home matches or you can pay via 'GoCardless' our secure on-line system, or send us a cheque in the post. Please be assured that your subscriptions will be used to benefit Darlington Football Club in one form or another.

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DFCSGuotes continued

>> On a DTTIA visit to Poland in August. Tom Nutt (former Mayor of Darlington), Lukasz Samek, Gerald Lee and Hugh Adams were invited by the Mayor of Niepolomice, Mr Roman Ptak, to the championship game between Puszcza Niepolomice and Odra Opole, Darlington's cousin twin town. The match resulted in a 1-1 draw and the photo shows the presentation of a Darlington FC shirt to the Mayor, who was delighted with the gift. Tom Nutt (in the check shirt) also presented Darlington FC pennants to the Chairs of Puszcza Niepolomice and Odra Opole. The DTTIA group also visited the ground of KS Dab Zabierzow Bochenski and DTTIA hope to be able to invite them to Darlington next year to play against our local sides.

If you want to know more about DTTIA, you can visit their website at darlotowntwinning. co.uk

Update on the Programme Kiosk

We had another wet experience during the Leamington game on Saturday, further emphasising the need for the kiosk outside the home turnstiles from which our volunteers will be able to sell programmes, 50:50 tickets and occasional match ticket collections. We have placed the order for the kiosk and we are hopeful that it will be in place by the end of this month.

One of the many responders to our appeal for help to pave the grassed area on which the kiosk will stand was Dean Blackbourn, a Darlo fan who works for Northumbrian Water. Dean came forward with a fantastic offer of a team of four from Northumbrian Water that included a time served paver.

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https://www.nwl.co.uk/your-home/ community/just-an-hour.aspx

Away Travel

DFCSG is running coaches to all away matches. The coaches leave from Park Place, Darlington and arrive at their destination around 90 minutes before kick-off.

Our next scheduled away trips are to Boston United on Saturday 23 September, departing at 10am and Nuneaton Town on Saturday 14 October, also departing at 10am. The fares to Boston and Nuneaton are £20, but there will be a discount of £5 for anyone under 16 years of age accompanied by a responsible adult.

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GROUND REGULATIONS



We would also like to draw attention to the possession of pyrotechnics

n home games last season, there were incidents involving a flare, some coin throwing and fans encroaching on to the field of play. Accordingly, we have been requested to remind fans about our ground regulations.

These regrettable incidents are contrary to our ground regulations, as published on our official website on 12th October last year, and again last week.

The pertinent regulations are as follows:

"The following articles must not be brought within the Ground – knives, fireworks or any other pyrotechnics, smoke canisters, air-horns, flares, weapons, dangerous or hazardous items, laser devices, glass bottles, glass vessels, cans, poles, any articles that are prohibited by the Rules and Regulations, and any article that might be used as a weapon and/or compromise public safety. Any person in possession of such items will be refused entry to (or ejected from) the Ground."

And

"Under the Football (Offences) Act 1991 (as amended) the following are offences for which a person can be arrested by a police officer and conviction could result in a Banning Order being made under the Football Spectators Act 1989 (as amended): The list is non-exhaustive.

"The throwing of any object within the Ground without lawful authority or excuse:

"The entry onto the playing area or any adjacent area to which spectators are not generally admitted without lawful authority or excuse."

We should be very clear. Those responsible for such incidents simply do not care about our club, our reputation or the safety of our fans and we do not want them at our matches. The club will work with the stewards and police to ensure that these matters are addressed and the individuals will be banned from future matches.

Ensuring the safety of our supporters and staff is always of paramount importance to Darlington FC 1883. If such behaviour was to continue, the reality is it would only be a matter of time before serious injury is caused and the club in turn would be punished by the league and/or the FA. We will not allow safety to be compromised of the well-behaved and sensible majority by the actions of a tiny minority.

As a member Club participating in The National League we have been directed to take the strongest action available against anyone found in possession of a Flare. Smoke Bomb or any other such pyrotechnic article(s).

Spectators are warned that we and The National League apply a zero tolerance approach to anyone attempting to bring such article(s) into our Ground/Stadium.

Due to their chemical makeup, a Flare, Smoke Bomb and all such pyrotechnic article(s) can be highly toxic for some people. This can lead to serious health consequences for those with pre-existing medical conditions and may in certain circumstances cause lifethreatening injury or concern.

In order to protect you, the spectator, we reserve the right to search your person and/or effects and we further reserve the right to pursue legal action, civil or criminal, against any person who contravenes current legislation or our Ground/ Stadium regulations.

To further safeguard all who attend any event at this Ground/ Stadium, we welcome the receipt of any information which will assist us to deter, apprehend/detain and where appropriate prosecute, anyone in possession of: or found discharging or being a party to the discharge of, such an article(s).

Please e mail this information in confidence to dave.watson@darlingtonfc.org



QUAKER

with Lynn Jasper

Good evening everyone and welcome to our game against FC United of Manchester. I'm hoping we had a good win on Saturday and looking forward to a good game tonight. Come on Darlo!

South Shields

We are expecting a good crowd next Saturday for our cup tie against South Shields. I think we all have our part to play getting behind the lads and cheering them on. The players really appreciate our support so let's make Blackwell Meadows as noisy as we can and be Darlo's twelfth man.

We have hats and scarves available to show your support priced at £9 so why not wave a scarf? We also have home shirts available in all children's sizes XSB, SB, MB, LB, XLB and adult's available in S, M, L, XL and XXL. Priced at £30 and £35 respectively show the team your support by wearing our black and white.

Programmes

If ever you are unable to buy one of our excellent programmes on matchday, Glen and Mary normally bring any that are left over to the shop on a Monday. I know some of you are avid collectors so it's good to know where to come if you've missed out for whatever reason.

Hoodies

I mentioned hoodies in the last programme and I now have pictures of the styles for this season. All

hoodies are priced at £36 and are available in all children's sizes and up to XXXL in adults.

Fusion Pull - on hoody

The Fusion fleece pull on hoody is a classic hoody offering warmth for travel or leisure. It has a pocket at the front and a lined hood. These are available this season in black or grey.





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Elite Zipped Hoody

The Elite full zipped hoody was a firm favourite last season. Some of our customers liked the full zip as it was easier to take on and off. It also is internally brushed for warmth and is soft feel. The zipped hoody comes in black, grey, red and new for this season, claret. All have a white zip and tie cord.

Brand new Fusion Fleece Jacket

Brand new for this season is this stylish fleeced jacket. It has concealed zipped side pockets and a full zip the same colour as the



hoody itself. The fleece jacket is available in black or grey.

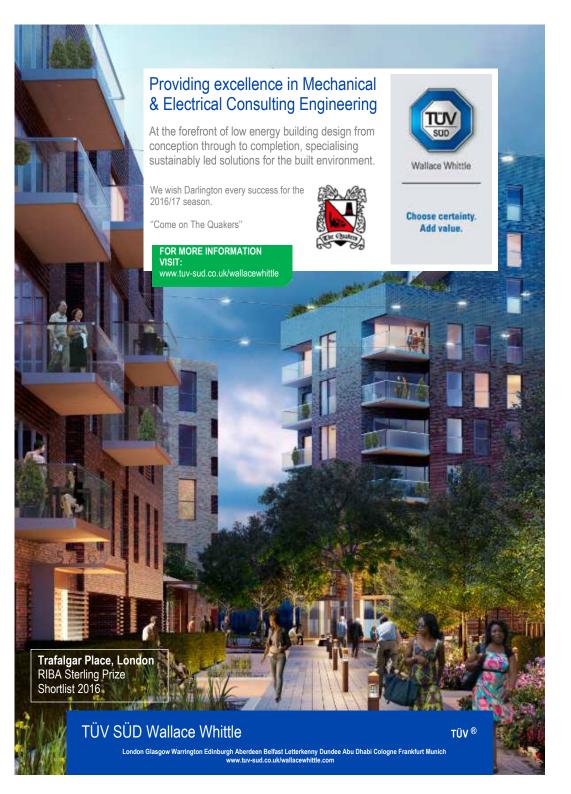
Brand new Fusion Fleece Pant

Also new for this season is the Fusion fleece pant. Internally brushed for warmth, the pant is tapered and slim fit. It has concealed zipped side pockets and a rear pocket. It is available in black or grey to match the fleece jacket.

Well that's all from me for tonight see you all again on Saturday.











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We'd like to thank Tempest Jones for being the sponsors of the home game with Leamington last Saturday. Tempest Jones have been very good supporters of the club in various ways, and here's John Tempest presenting the man of the match award to Mark Beck.

We'd also like to thank Bill and Judith Bayles for being our matchball sponsors.

First Team Physio department is a brand new venture that launches at the end of this month, based at Eastbourne Sports Complex.

It is open to the general public, HM Forces, Emergency Services and Darlington FC Season ticket holders



and Club members, (25% discount for season ticket holders and members).

Our department will be headed up by our first team physio Jimmy Nesbitt, who has vast experience and expertise in sporting injuries, rehabilitation and injury prevention. Jimmy is one of 1200 trigger point specialists within the United Kingdom, a precise area of deep tissue massage and pain mapping, he has practiced within a variety of sporting disciplines, from treatment of injured military personnel to working with sports teams at a degree of varying levels.

The First Team physio department will be under the Darlington FC banner, and we offer a variety of different techniques including; Trigger point therapy, postural assessment, maintenance massage, and ultra sound treatment to name a few.

Please feel free to contact us on one of the above means to arrange an appointment.

We look forward to seeing you in the near future, have a great season.

QUIZMASTER ANSWERS (Page 31)

FIRST HALF - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE 1. Harry 2. Stan Laurel 3. Rudyard Kipling 4.Hay fever 5. Bergerac 6. Catskill Mts 7. Witham 8. Giuseppe Verdi 9. (Mashed/crushed) Chick peas 10. Mick Jagger & Keith Richard 11. Ash Wednesday

SECOND HALF-SPORT 12. Augusta 13. Raith Rovers 14. Stoke City 15. Alan Shearer/Rob Lee/David Batty 16. David Seaman 17. Durham 18. Max Schmeling 19. Solheim Cup 20. Bradford Northern 21. Epsom 22. The Black Pearl





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Season's Stats

VANARAMA LEAGUE

VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH 2017-18

		TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	PTS	GD
S	1	Harrogate Town	10	7	2	1	29	11	23	+18
Σ	2	Salford City	10	7	2	1	16	7	23	+9
Ϋ́	3	Brackley	10	6	3	1	16	5	21	+11
Š	4	Blyth Spartans	10	6	0	4	22	16	18	+6
¥	5	York City	10	5	2	3	18	11	17	+7
SATURDAY'S GAMES	6	Tamworth	10	5	2	3	16	13	17	+3
Ē	7	Southport	10	5	2	3	15	16	17	-1
Α̈́	8	Alfreton Town	10	5	1	4	19	15	16	+4
⊢	9	Chorley	10	4	3	3	11	9	15	+2
AFTER LAST	10	Spennymoor Town	10	4	3	3	16	14	15	+2
۲ ا	11	Bradford PA	10	4	3	3	13	12	15	+1
빝	12	Stockport County	10	4	2	4	17	12	14	+5
Α	13	Kidderminster	10	4	2	4	12	12	14	0
,	14	Darlington	10	3	4	3	13	13	13	0
	15	AFC Telford United	10	4	0	6	12	18	12	-6
	16	Curzon Ashton	10	3	3	4	11	18	12	-7
	17	Boston United	10	3	2	5	13	20	11	-7
	18	Nuneaton Town	10	2	3	5	12	16	9	-4
	19	Gainsborough Trinity	10	2	1	7	15	24	7	-9
	20	FC United	10	2	1	7	13	20	7	-7
	21	Leamington	10	2	1	7	9	20	7	-11
	22	North Ferriby	10	1	2	7	3	19	5	-16

DARLO APPEARANCES & GOALS 2017-18

	start	sub	start	subs	goals	goals	League	Lgue sub	Cups start	Cups sub	Lgue goals	
Adam Bartlett	9	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
Mark Bell	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	2	5	0	0	0
Mark Beck	10	0	0	0	1	0	51	0	2	1	19	0
Gary Brown	5	0	0	0	1	0	157	3	11	0	17	2
Kevin Burgess	2	0	0	0	0	0	71	2	2	0	15	0
Nathan Cartman	1	0	0	0	0	0	79	27	5	1	33	2
James Caton	8	2	0	0	0	0	8	2	0	0	0	0
Dominic Collins	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Scott Fenwick	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
David Ferguson	10	0	0	0	3	0	26	1	0	0	4	0
Terry Galbraith	9	0	0	0	1	0	176	14	14	1	53	2
Josh Gillies	10	0	0	0	4	0	39	8	2	0	14	0
Chris Hunter	6	0	0	0	0	0	137	6	16	1	0	0
Liam Marrs	2	1	0	0	0	0	31	3	3	0	0	0
Tom Portas	3	2	0	0	0	0	81	16	7	0	9	0
Harvey Saunders	0	8	0	0	1	0	0	19	0	0	3	0
Leon Scott	1	6	0	0	0	0	156	35	14	1	20	0
David Syers	8	1	0	0	2	0	27	10	1	1	11	0
Stephen Thompson	5	2	0	0	0	0	199	11	14	3	67	6
Phil Turnbull	10	0	0	0	0	0	90	1	2	1	1	0
Jack Vaulks	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Joe Wheatley	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Ed Wilczynski	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0

League League Cups Cups League Cup Career Career Career

SEASON'S STATS

FIXTURES & RESULTS 2017/18

Stockport County Nuneaton Town (also FA Cup 4Q)

Blyth Spartans

Tamworth

FA Trophy 3q

Curzon Ashton

Salford City

FA Trophy 1R

Harrogate Town

Harrogate Town

York City

Chorlev

Brackley

Tamworth

Southport

Curzon Ashton

Spennymoor Town

FC United of Manchester

play off qualifying round

Boston United

Nuneaton Town

Stockport County

play off semi final

play off final

Leamington

Gainsborough Trinity

Alfreton (also FA Trophy 2r)

Blyth Spartans (also FA Trophy 3r)

Kidderminster Harriers (also FA Trophy /r)

lorth Ferriby(also FA Trophy semi final first leg)

FC Telford United (also FA Trophy semi final second leg)

Bradford Park Avenue

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Brackley Town (also FA Cup 1R)

Kidderminster Harriers

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DFCSG is running coaches to all away matches. The coaches leave from Park Place. Darlington and arrive at their destination around 90 minutes before kick-off.

Our next scheduled away trips are to Boston United on Saturday 23 September, departing at 10am and Nuneaton Town on Saturday 14 October, also departing at 10am. The fares to Boston and Nuneaton are £20. but there will be a discount of £5 for anyone under 16 years of age accompanied by a responsible adult

To book a seat ring Clen on 07376 368553.

There could be intervening away matches depending on the FA Cup draw, so please check our website for updates.

Details for coaches to home and away match can be found on our website at: http://www.darlingtonfcsupportersgroup. org/?page=fanstravel



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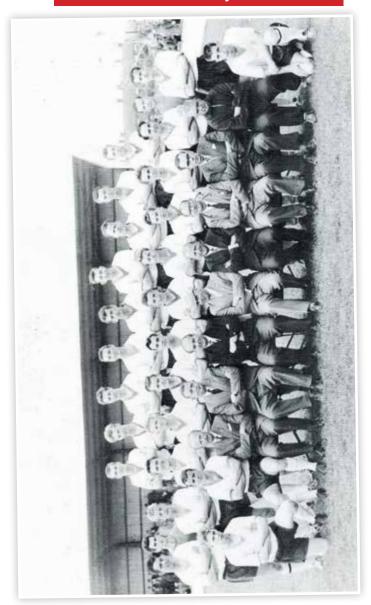
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PHOTO finish



HERE'S THE CLUB PICTURE FOR THE 1961-62 SEASON, WHICH WAS TAKEN IN FRONT OF THE TIN SHED (THANKS TO CRAIG STODDART). UNFORTUNATELY, THE CAPTION HAS MISSED OFF TRAINER DICKIE DEACON, BOTTOM RIGHT SECOND FROM THE RIGHT, AND THE PLAYER NEXT TO HIM. ANYONE KNOW WHO HE IS?



>TODAY'S TEAMS



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DOMINIC COLLINS	
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GARY BROWN	
TERRY GALBRAITH	
DAVID FERGUSON	
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CRAIG LINDFIELD	
JOEL LOGAN	
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CONNOR MCCARTHY	
JOEL SENIOR	
DANNY WISDOM	

> Match officials:

Referee: John Matthews
Assistant referees:
Christopher Keightley and
Matthew East

> Next home matches:

Saturday 16th September FA Cup 2nd Qualifying round South Shields, kick off 3pm

Saturday 7th October Stockport County, kick off 3pm

> Next away matches:

Saturday 23rd September Boston United, Kick off 3pm Please note that if the South Shields game ends in a draw, then the replay will be on Tuesday 19th September at

The third qualifying round of the FA Cup is due to be played on Saturday 30th September.

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