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>> WITH TOMMY WRIGHT

Good afternoon and welcome back to Blackwell Meadows for today's Vanarama North League fixture versus York City.

I would like to personally welcome Martin back as well as my former Manager Dave Penney. They were both great to me on and off the pitch and it will be great to see them both today.

This game has been a must-see on the fixture calendar since they were published and I'm sure there will be a very big crowd here today to witness it. As always, we thank you for your continued support.

We will be hoping for more of the same from Boxing Day this afternoon. It was a good solid performance against Harrogate Town and you as supporters were the twelfth man for us on the day. It was a big crowd and I know you will have enjoyed the game as much as we did. It was great to get that first win but that's all it was. We want that winning mentality back and we will strive to get it.

Unfortunately, we couldn't build on that performance on New Year's Day, but I always prefer to take positives than revisit the negatives. Young Josh Heaton continued his impressive start to his Darlington career and I'm looking forward to seeing him up against York striker Jon Parkin today who is in great form. Josh is a confident young man though and he will be relishing the challenge. Another positive was the return of Terry Galbraith for the last half hour after a calf injury. Today should also see the return of Luke Trotman and Tom Portas who have both been sidelined with muscle strains.

Today is just another game, three points are up for grabs and I expect the lads to fight for them. I want more consistency, I want to defend better and I want to attack better, I want this Football Club to be better as a whole and together we will make it happen. Myself and Whitey are determined to take this club back to where it belongs and with your help we will do.

Get behind the boys today in what is our first home game of 2018.

Tommy



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YORK CITY

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Captain's notes

>> WITH PHIL TURNBULL



Good afternoon everyone,
and Happy New Year!

The atmosphere was great at our last home game against Harrogate Town and it was really appreciated by all the players.

You got behind us right from the very first whistle, and that really lifted us, especially when Harrogate were starting to build up steam in the second half when they got back to 2-1.

We need Blackwell Meadows to sound the same again today, because it's another really tough game against a very good side, and three points are very important to us.

It was a great win against Harrogate on Boxing Day when we showed exactly what we're capable of. We played some good football and defended well against Harrogate, but then we let ourselves down in the return game at their place on New Year's Day.

I thought we weathered the storm in the first half. We set out to be solid, and we even created the two best chances of the half just before the interval.

But their goal just after half time took the wind out of our sails, and the second goal killed the game off - I'll hold my hand up for that one!

But we're ready to go again today and win the three points. We're aware of our position in the league, and we want to climb away from trouble. York are also one of the biggest clubs in the league, plus of course some familiar faces are returning to the club.

So your support is going to be crucial for us all the way through the ninety minutes today!

Enjoy the game

Phil



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

York City

York City are our opponents today, and Simon Hahn has been doing some research on them.

KEY MOMENTS IN THEIR HISTORY

- York were formed in 1922 and were elected to Division Three North in 1929
- In 1958 they became one of the original members of the Fourth Division
- In 1974 they reached the second top flight of English football, and in season 1974-75 finished 15th in the same division as Manchester United
- In 1984 they won the Fourth Division with 101 points, the first club in Football League history to reach three figures
- They won the League Two play off final at Wembley in season 1993-94
- In season 1994-95, York won 3-0 at Manchester United in the second round of the Coca Cola Cup, one of the biggest shocks in the competition's history
- The club was relegated from the Football League in 2004
- In season 2011/12 they won the Conference play off final and FA Trophy
- After four years back in the Football League they suffered back-to-back relegations to the National North for this current campaign
- They won the FA Trophy at Wembley last season

CONNECTIONS:

Quakers and the Minstermen have played each other 110 times before today, Quakers winning 36 times and drawing 29.

As well as the connections between the two clubs today, several former players have appeared for both clubs, such as Kevan Smith, Marco Gabbiadini, Glenn Naylor, Steve Tutill, Dennis Wann and Tony Moor.

The sides drew 0-0 at Bootham Crescent earlier in the season.

LAST SIX GAMES

01/01/2018 North Ferriby United (H) Won 2-0

26/12/2017 North Ferriby United (A) Won 4-1

23/12/2017 Blyth Spartans (H) Lost 3-2

16/12/2017 Kidderminster Harriers (A) Lost 2-1 FA Trophy

02/12/2017 Boston United (A) Lost 2-1

25/11/2017 Coalville Town (H) Won 3-1 FA Trophy

LAST SIX SEASONS

2016/17 National League – Points 50 Position 21st (Relegated)

2015/16 League Two – Points 34 Position 24th (Relegated)

2014/15 League Two – Points 52 Position 18th

2013/14 League Two – Points 71 Position 7th

2012/13 League Two – Points 55 Position 17th

2011/12 National League – Points 83 Position 4th (Promoted via playoffs)

YORK CITY 2017/18 STATS

- 15th in the league table on home results so far this season
- Jon Parkin is the league's joint top scorer with 18 goals
- Eight of their league games have involved five or more goals in them
- They have gone on to win nine of the eleven games they have led at half time

LAST MATCH: YORK CITY 2 NORTH FERRIBY UNITED 0

A Jon Parkin double and a first clean sheet in 17 games completed back-to-back victories for York City over bottom of the table North Ferriby United.

Amari Morgan-Smith had forced a good save from North Ferriby goalkeeper Ross Durrant with a curling shot that looked destined to sneak inside the far post.

However, just minutes later Parkin opened the scoring with a downward header from a David Ferguson cross.

City pressed for a second before the break, but they only took a one goal advantage into the interval. The visitors were reduced to ten men when Jake Skelton fouled Parkin on the edge of the box. Parkin had put the ball into the net,

but the referee didn't play the advantage instead producing the red card.

However, it took only seven more minutes for Parkin to double the lead, as he fired into the roof of the net after Durrant failed to catch a high ball. The win moved York up to ninth in the league table.

In the reverse fixture on Boxing Day, York had won 4-1, with Parkin scoring a hat trick, and Jonathan Burn the other. Parkin has now scored 18 goals this season.

Team: York City: Bartlett; Law, Burn, Bencherif, Ferguson; McAllister (Rowe 64); Moke, Pattison; Connolly (Smith 81); Parkin, Morgan-Smith (Gray 55). Unused substitutes: Parslow, Simpson.

Manager: Martin Gray



Our former manager, had long playing spells with Sunderland and Oxford United before being part of our playoff final team under David Hodgson.

He took his first steps into management as Dave Penney's assistant at the Arena,



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

York City

before joining him when he took over at Oldham.

He was appointed our new manager in May 2012, before taking us to three promotions in five years to lead us to the National North. During his time as manager of ourselves he achieved a 64% winning record, before joining York in October 2017.

David Ferguson



David joined York City in October 2017, becoming manager Martin Gray's first signing after taking the helm.

Born in Sunderland, David began his career progressing through the Darlington youth system, breaking into the first team in 2012.

He then signed for home town club Sunderland where he spent three years, including a loan spell at Boston United. In 2015 he left the Black Cats to join Championship side Blackpool. After a spell as captain of the Lancashire side he was released at the end of 2015/16 and joined Northern League club Shildon, before returning to ourselves.

Ferguson was very impressive for us playing at left back and left wing, scoring a string of goals including a double on the opening day at Salford City.

David was capped by England 'C' in May 2017.

Adam Bartlett



Highly-rated goalkeeper Adam Bartlett joined York City from Darlo in November 2017.

Born in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Adam joined his home town club at the age of nine, progressing to reserve team level, before making his senior debut in 2005 for Blyth Spartans.

After making 82 appearances for Blyth and a call up for England C, he then joined Kidderminster Harriers of the Conference Premier for a season, before moving on for a longer spell at Hereford United for whom he made over a hundred appearances from 2009 to 2012.

In 2012, Adam made a move closer to home by joining Gateshead and played at Wembley for the north-east side in their Play-Off Final against Cambridge United.

After a further spell with Hartlepool United he joined ourselves and straight away became our number one until he joined York earlier this season.

Jon Parkin

A huge favourite everywhere he goes, big Jon Parkin re-joined York City for his second spell in November 2016.



Last season, Jon went on to score 16 goals for the Minstermen and led the line outstandingly well. The crowning glory was a goal at Wembley in the FA Trophy Final win over one of his

former clubs Macclesfield Town.

A player who strikes fear into the hearts of central defenders, Jon has had a magnificent football career and his CV includes playing for Barnsley, Hull City, Stoke City, Preston North End and Cardiff City and has spent the majority of his career playing at Championship level.

An inspirational figure in the dressing room, Jon brings important elements of both quality and experience to the York City squad.

YORK CITY- LAST SEASON

Having come down from League Two, expectation was that York would be challenging for promotion straight back into the Football League. They picked up five points from their opening three games, before results took a sharp turn for the worse including a 6-1 hammering at Gateshead. A 2-0 defeat at Torquay United started one of the worst runs in the club's history, as they failed to win in 17 league games eventually ending that streak with a 1-0 win at fellow strugglers North Ferriby

United on Boxing Day.

By this point they were making a good run in the FA Trophy which helped some momentum in the league. Results picked up and as the season came towards an end they won six out of nine games which had seemingly seen them escape danger. However, they were only able to pick up one point from their next two games, meaning they needed a result in their final game of the season at home to champions Forest Green Rovers. Jon Parkin twice brought them level, but with other results the 2-2 draw was not enough as they relegated for the second season in a row.

Despite the disappointment they were able to seal FA Trophy success at Wembley as they beat Macclesfield 3-2, Jon Parkin scoring the winner.

SQUAD

Manager: Martin Gray

Assistant manager: Brian Atkinson

Goalkeepers: Adam Bartlett, Luke Simpson

Defenders: Josh Law, Sam Muggleton, Daniel Rowe, David Ferguson, Daniel Parslow, Hamza Bencherif, Jonathan Burn, Sean Newton

Midfielders: Simon Heslop, Colvis Kamdjo, Sean McAllister, Adriano Moke, Alex Pattison, Theo Wharton, Tyler Walton, Connor Smith

Forwards: Michael Rankine, Jon Parkin, James Gray, Amari Morgan-Smith, Louis Almond, Aidan Connolly



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>> BY DAVID JOHNSTON



Good afternoon everyone and may I take the opportunity to wish you all a very happy New Year for 2018.

We have a very exciting twelve months ahead of us as a club, as we plan strategically on several issues that will shape our future and I will keep you informed as to progress.

Today however sees the visit of York City and the return of Martin Gray for the first time since he swapped clubs earlier in the season. Martin will be remembered as one of the most successful managers in our recent history having secured three promotions for the club as we attempt to bounce back to the Football League, and as a club we should be thankful and remember his efforts as a key part of this journey. The lure of full time football at York proved to be the key issue in satisfying his ambitions to potentially manage at a higher level and we should be respectful of that, but today I hope we are celebrating the three points!

Recent results have been somewhat frustrating, but we delivered a fantastic performance on Boxing Day to defeat a very good Harrogate side and run out deserved winners, so we will be looking for more of the same today. The support from the fans was outstanding and the players really do appreciate it when the crowd gets behind them and help drive them forward.

Tommy continues to look at the squad as we review where and how we need to strengthen and we will shortly commence the budget preparation for next season to ensure we have a side capable of competing at the top end of the table. There is however the remainder of this season to focus on and we will look to turn in an improved points

return over the coming weeks.

Following the recent fans forum at the Dolphin Centre, I am delighted to say that the recently announced initiative for the 500 Club has been well received and that we are one third of the way to the target of clearing the legacy debt position by the end of February. Please continue to support this initiative; there will be further ways for all fans to contribute for the remainder of the season.

The next phase of the stand development is in full flow with all the materials being ordered and the estimated completion date is 24th February. This is an excellent achievement and the additional seats will help change the match day experience for many fans. We will however hold off any further development at Blackwell Meadows until we clearly understand the Council's view in relation to the Sporting Village concept.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to welcome the Directors, officials and fans of York City to Darlington today and wish them a safe journey home following the match.

Enjoy the game

David



Welcome back!



Several familiar people will return to Darlington FC with York City this afternoon, and we would like to welcome them all back.



years, and **Sean Gregan**, who was coach in that time. Goalkeeping coach Mark Bell moved to York two months ago – Mark didn't finish on the losing side for us after he signed in the 2012-13 Northern League promotion-winning season.

York manager **Martin Gray**, of course, needs no introduction from us. Martin famously started with a blank sheet of paper in June 2012 and guided us to three promotions in five years and

play off places in the other two. His contribution will always be remembered. With Martin in the dugout will be **Brian Atkinson**, who was Martin's assistant during those five great

Brain Atkinson and Sean Gregan



Dave Penney

Dave Penney is also well known to Darlo fans, having been manager of the club when we went into our second administration in 2009. Dave took us to the League Two play off final in 2008, and had the rug pulled from under him when we were lying second in the table the following season. Dave is now the Sporting Director at Bootham Crescent. On the playing side, there are three former Darlo players in the York squad.



David Ferguson



James Gray



Adam Bartlett saves the penalty at Boston

Left back **David Ferguson** moved down the road two months ago, and he'll be mainly remembered by Darlo fans for scoring both goals in the 2-0 away win at

Salford on the opening day of the season.

Keeper **Adam Bartlett** joined us in March last year from Hartlepool and had some great games for us,

including a penalty save at Boston earlier in the season.

And striker **James Gray** was with us during the third relegation season.



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Tommy Wright enjoyed his first win as Darlington manager after a thrilling 3-1 home win over second in the table Harrogate Town - our first win seven matches to lift us out of the relegation zone.

KEY MOMENTS:

7 - 1-0. Stephen Thompson is brought down in the area, and Reece Styche sends the keeper the wrong way from the spot 1-0.

13 - Dominic Collins headed a free kick just over the bar.

25 - 2-0. Phil Turnbull crossed into the middle, David Syers headed against the post, Harrogate midfielder Josh Falkingham sliced a clearance against his own crossbar, Gary Brown had a shot saved before Styche forced the ball in.

48 -- After some staunch defending by Darlo, Styche muscled his way past three defenders and fired at the keeper from 30 yards.

55 - Phil Turnbull raced clear and was just wide with a left foot shot.

60 - Styche had another effort deflected wide.

65 - 2-1 Harrogate pull a goal back when Simon Ainge turns in a low cross by Chris Emmett.

83 - Harrogate's Warren Burrell is shown a red card for a late challenge on Joe Wheatley

86 - Terry Kennedy is shown a red card for pulling down Harvey Saunders in the area, Harrogate are down to nine men.

87 - 3-1. Stephen Thompson converts the spot kick.

Team: Talbot, Collins, Heaton, Brown, Scott, Gillies, Turnbull, Wheatley (sub Glover 90), Thompson, Styche (sub Saunders 57, sub Mills 86), Syers

Subs: Marrs, Caton,

Booking: Turnbull, Glover



UNDER THE MICROSCOPE

Josh Heaton

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Josh Heaton

Darlington defender Josh Heaton says that he is going to be totally focused in his bid to help Quakers climb the table over the rest of the season. He spoke to Ray Simpson

Josh was made the man of the match in the 3-1 home win over Harrogate on Boxing Day, and even though it was only his third appearance for the club, the 21 year old didn't look out of place at the centre of defence as Quakers defended resolutely against the second placed visitors.

Josh started his career as a youngster at Preston North End, and worked his way up through the various age groups.

"I got as far as the first team, and trained with them every day, without getting into the team itself," he said. "I got on the bench a few times, but never played."

Josh was released by Preston in the summer of 2016, and he went on to play for Droylsden, Stalybridge, Bamber Bridge and Ramsbottom before signing for us in November.

"After I left Preston, I played for a few clubs and regained my love for football, and then Tommy came in for me when I was at Ramsbottom, so I signed for Darlington. I'm grateful for the fact that Tommy had faith in me and saw enough to sign for Darlington, who are a big club. He must have done some research on me. He's got a good idea of what I'm about."

Josh made his debut in the 3-3 away draw at Kidderminster in November,

when Quakers came back from 3-1 down to gain a deserved point. "I didn't perform there as well as I think I can, but I think I've made up for it since then. I was delighted to be made man of the match against Gainsborough and Harrogate."

Josh admits that even though he was in the heart of the action, he wasn't aware of the excited atmosphere inside Blackwell Meadows in the 3-1 home win over Harrogate on Boxing Day.

"I was totally focused on the game, I didn't really hear what the crowd was doing or shouting. I knew what I had to do as a player, and that was to stop Harrogate from scoring."

"It was only at the end of the game that I was aware of how loud their support had been, and it was great for all of us players to receive an ovation from them, and to thank everyone in return."

"I've played in front of



crowds of 2,000 and 3,000 before, but they didn't make as much noise as the Darlington fans did at the end of the game. It was great to hear. They're a real credit to the club - over the previous few weeks when we hadn't won a game they've been very patient and supportive.

"Our season starts now, and I want to do all that I can to help the club - and that's by totally focusing and playing to the best of my ability. I'm playing for a team in which I want to do well."

YORK CITY

THE UNLIKELY LADS



Football historian **LEIGH EDWARDS** profiles ten big-name York City players not usually associated with the club

> COLIN ADDISON

Versatile forward Colin Addison helped York City to win promotion in 1958-59. Signing professional for York in May 1957, he netted 28 goals in 87 League games before sold to Nottingham Forest for £12,000 in January 1961. He was leading marksman on three occasions and joined Arsenal for £45,000 in September 1966, featuring in their 1967-68 League Cup run. Moving to Sheffield United for £40,000 in November 1967, he became Hereford United's player-boss in October 1971, then was manager/coach of numerous clubs including Newport County, West Brom and Derby County as well as coaching extensively in Spain.

EAMONN DUNPHY

Impish midfielder Eamonn Dunphy gained the first of his 23 Republic of Ireland caps while at York City. A former Manchester United reserve, he moved to Bootham Crescent in August 1965 and netted three goals in 22 Third Division games for York prior to joining

Millwall in January 1966. He helped them to clinch promotion that season and starred as the Lions so nearly reached the top-flight in 1971-72. Moving to Charlton Athletic in December 1973, he was a promotion winner in 1974-75 and again with Reading in 1975-76 before joining Shamrock Rovers. He later became a journalist with the Irish Independent.

TED MacDOUGALL

Goalscoring favourite Ted MacDougall was capped seven times by Scotland after leaving York City. Previously a Liverpool reserve, he joined York in July 1967 and was leading marksman in two consecutive seasons. He netted 34 goals in 84 League games before moving to Bournemouth in July 1969 and starred in their 1970-71 promotion success. Sold to Manchester United for £220,000 in September 1972, he then played for West Ham, Norwich City and Southampton where he partnered Phil Boyer for the fourth time. He later had spells with Bournemouth again and Blackpool and

has since coached in the United States.

PHIL BOYER

Popular striker Phil Boyer was ever-present for York City in 1968-69. A former Derby County reserve, he moved to Bootham Crescent in July 1968 and featured in York's 1970-71 promotion campaign. He scored 27 goals in 109 League games before following Ted MacDougall to Bournemouth in December 1970, then reunited with him at Norwich City in February 1974. Helping the Canaries to win promotion and reach the League Cup final in 1974-75, the England international later played for Southampton, Manchester City and Bulova (HK). He scouted for Graham Carr at various clubs and became a bank courier in Nottingham.

MICK COOP

York City's former loan defender Mick Coop was twice ever-present in the top-flight for Coventry City. He turned professional with the Sky Blues in January 1966 and missed just one match as they finished

sixth in the top-flight in 1969-70. Loaned to York in November 1974, he made four League appearances while at Bootham Crescent. He also featured in midfield and played 425 First Division games for Coventry before joining Derby County in July 1981, then had a spell with AP Leamington. Returning to Sky Blues as youth coach, he plotted their 1987 FA Youth Cup success, then became an antiques dealer in Leamington Spa.

JOHN BYRNE

Skilful striker John Byrne was ever-present and leading marksman in York City's record-breaking 1983-84 Fourth Division title triumph. Signing professional at Bootham Crescent in January 1979, he netted 55 goals in 175 League outings for York prior to joining QPR for £100,000 in October 1984. The Republic of Ireland international was an important figure as they were League Cup finalists in 1985-86, then moved via Le Havre to Brighton in September 1990. Joining Sunderland in October 1991, he was an FA Cup finalist that season and later played for Millwall, Oxford United, Brighton again, Crawley Town and Shoreham.

PETER LORIMER

One-time York City striker Peter Lorimer holds Leeds United's all-time goalscoring record. He was Leeds' youngest League player at 15 years 289 days against Southampton in September 1962 and helped to win the League Cup in 1967-68,

FA Cup in 1968-69, Fairs Cup twice and League Championship twice. Noted for his powerful shooting, the Scotland international moved via Toronto Blizzard to York in September 1979, netting eight goals in 29 League outings. He then played for Vancouver Whitecaps before rejoining Leeds in December 1983. He joined Whitby Town in December 1985, becoming a Leeds United director.

MARCO GABBIADINI



England U-21 striker Marco Gabbiadini had two spells at York City. He turned professional with York in September 1985 and followed Denis Smith to Sunderland in September 1987, starring in their 1989-90 promotion campaign. Sold to Crystal Palace for £1,800,000 in October 1991, he joined Derby County in January 1992, helping to win promotion in 1995-96. After spells at Stoke City and York again, netting 15 goals in 67 League games overall, he joined Darlington in July 1998 and starred as they reached the Third Division play-off final in 1999-2000. He moved to Northampton in June 2000, then played

for Hartlepool.

JONATHAN GREENING

Winger Jonathan Greening gained 18 England U-21 caps after leaving York City. A former trainee at Bootham Crescent, he turned professional in December 1996 and scored twice in 25 Second Division games for York before sold to Manchester United for a club record £1,000,000 in March 1998. He was a member of their 1998-99 'treble' squad and gained a European Cup winners' medal, joining Middlesbrough for £2,000,000 in August 2001. Ever-present in 2002-03, he moved to West Brom for £2,500,000 in July 2004. He has since played for Fulham, Nottingham Forest and Tadcaster Albion, coaching back at York.

CHRIS FAIRCLOUGH

Former England U-21 central defender Chris Fairclough ended his League career with York City. Initially with Nottingham Forest, he joined Tottenham Hotspur for £387,000 in July 1987 and was sold to Leeds United for £500,000 in March 1989. He helped them win the Second Division title in 1989-90 and League Championship in 1991-92. Joining Bolton Wanderers for £500,000 in July 1995, he was ever-present in their 1996-97 First Division title triumph and had a spell with Notts County before moving to York in March 1999. He played 37 League games while at Bootham Crescent, then coached at Forest's Academy.

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The staff, players and club mascot Mr Q visited the children's ward of Darlington Memorial Hospital to hand over presents donated by Darlington FC and Darlington RFC fans.

26 presents were handed over to the children, who were delighted and thanked everyone for their kindness and generosity.

The ward staff said that they were "overwhelmed" by the donations and also thanked Darlington fans.

Darlington FC would like to wish the children a speedy recovery, and also thank the staff at Darlington Memorial Hospital for their help, and most of all, Darlington fans for their very kind donations that made the children feel so much better.

HOW THE OTHERS ARE DOING

Chris Sykes

Salford City's seemingly unassailable position at the top of the table now looks a little more vulnerable, after they dropped yet more points against FC United. Anthony Dudley put the Ammies ahead after a quarter of an hour, only for Craig Lindfield to level for FC United. Jack Redshaw put Salford back in front early in the second half. But three minutes from time Zac Corbett struck to earn FC United a 2-2 draw. Salford have failed to win any of their three games over Christmas, with their lead now cut to four points.

With Harrogate beating Darlington, third-placed Brackley Town missed a chance to close the gap on Salford, as they were held to a 1-1 draw by Leamington. They needed an Aaron Williams penalty 12 minutes from time to cancel out Stefan Moore's equaliser. The result leaves Brackley six points behind Salford, while Leamington are 15th, four points clear of the relegation zone.

Spennymoor moved up to fourth with consecutive victories over Blyth Spartans. After winning 3-2 at Croft Park, Moors followed that up with a 3-1 triumph at Brewery Field on New Year's Day. They had to come from behind after Dale Hopson gave Blyth an early lead. Kallum Griffiths, Rob Ramshaw and Glen Taylor scored the goals for Spennymoor to make it three games unbeaten for Jason Ainsley's men.

A 96th minute equaliser from Curzon Ashton's Sam Madeley denied Bradford Park Avenue all three points. Oli Johnson put Park Avenue ahead just after the hour mark. But Madeley's goal, the last kick of the game, ensured the match finished 1-1. Despite dropping points, Bradford PA remain 5th, with a three point cushion on eighth-placed Stockport.

Kidderminster occupy the final play-off spot after a 2-0 win over AFC Telford – their 12th league game unbeaten. Andre Brown and Andre Wright scored the goals

which maintained Kidderminster's great home form – Harriers haven't lost at the Aggborough in the league since the opening day of the season. Telford meanwhile have won only one of their last eight games.

Two Jon Parkin goals handed York a 2-0 win over bottom club North Ferriby, moving them up to ninth in the table, three points off the play-offs. It was also the Minstermen's first clean sheet since Martin Gray took over. North Ferriby meanwhile are now 18 points adrift of safety after their eighth straight defeat.

Stockport County are just two points off the play-off places after making it four games unbeaten with a 3-1 win over Alfreton. Chris Smalley's early goal put them ahead, before Alfreton's Craig Westcarr was sent off. Another goal from Smalley, and a Chris Elliot own goal put the Hatters in command. Ben Daniels' late penalty proved to be a late consolation for Alfreton.

Southport recorded their first league win since early September, as they cruised past Chorley 3-0. David Morgan, Nathan Sheron and Jack Sampson scored the goals as the Sandgrounders won at home for the first time in eight matches.

Tamworth gained quick revenge on Nuneaton, winning 2-0 on New Year's Day, less than a week after going down 4-1 to the same opponents. Connor Taylor and Callum Powell got the goals which kept up Tamworth's hopes of making the play-off places – they're four points behind Kidderminster. Nuneaton are second-bottom, two points from safety.

And Gainsborough Trinity moved level on points with Darlington, two points above the drop zone, with a 1-1 draw against Boston. Ashley Worsfold put Gainsborough ahead, with Reece Thompson equalising for Boston, who are now five games unbeaten.

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

MARK COOPER



It's been a very eventful holiday period for **Mark Cooper**, manager of Forest Green Rovers.

Their away game at Exeter City on 23rd December was abandoned at half time because of a waterlogged pitch.

"It was a case of we started it and we were waiting for the rain to come," said Cooper. "I played here for a few years and it has always been a heavy pitch. We kind of knew it was going to happen. We have to get back on the bus and come back on a Tuesday night."

"It is really heavy but the referee has made the decision. It was totally his decision. All I would say is I have played on worse."

Meanwhile, Cooper had more to consider following the fixtures over the New Year weekend. He was allegedly involved in a confrontation with a Lincoln fan in their game on 30th December, and he was sent to the stands against Wycombe on New Year's Day.

by the referee, Antony Coggins.

Lee Gaskell has rejoined one of his former clubs, Ramsbottom.

Gaskell, who scored our goal of the season two years ago, went back to Ramsbottom, in the EvoStik First Division North, just before Christmas, and is now hoping to add to his 120 goals in 238 games for them.

Their manager, Mark Fell, said: "He's still got a hunger, he loves the club and as a finisher there's not many better. The way we're playing at the moment, we're creating lots of chances and we've got to be more clinical."

Paul Heckingbottom has revealed Barnsley "have money to spend" in the upcoming January transfer window. The Reds were taken over before Christmas by a consortium led by Chinese billionaire Chien Lee. Co-chairman Paul Conway has said the new board will not "do anything crazy" in terms of splashing the cash. However, Heckingbottom has a pot of money to delve into as he looks to turn around the club's Championship fortunes on the

pitch around.

"We signed a lot of players in the summer from the lower leagues, who we're taking a chance on, and we're getting the benefit of them growing together. But we also need players who are going to come in and make our 11 better straight away."

Hecky went back to his old club Sunderland with Barnsley on New Year's Day, and came away with the points in a 1-0 win.

Neil Aspin has signed a new contract at Port Vale to take him up to 2020.

Aspin, who moved to Vale Park from Gateshead three months ago, has lifted the club well away from the relegation zone.

"When I first came, I think it was a chance for the club to have a look at me, and at the moment things have gone okay and obviously I am really pleased to extend my contract. "I am very realistic. Managers tend to not last very long, and you never get ahead of yourself. We have made some improvements and taken some steps forward but there is a long way to go. I'd like to think that I am going to be here for a while, and if I am then it gives me the chance to run things the way that I want."

"The playing side is obviously the most important, but hopefully to do things that I feel are important if it is going to progress."



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PICTURE FROM THE PAST



We welcome Martin Gray and Brian Atkinson back to Blackwell Meadows today, the managerial pair under whom we enjoyed three promotions in five seasons.

Both former Quakers midfielders, Gray's first game at the helm with Atkinson as his assistant was in August 2012, a win at Heritage Park against landlords Bishop Auckland, before beating Marske three days later 3-0.

The picture was taken during Quakers' first game away from Heritage Park, at a wet and wild Consett when the vast majority of 748 in attendance, most of them Darlington fans, huddled into the main stand for a 3-0 win.

Scorers that day were Amar Purewal, Shaun Reay and Steven Johnson.



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Quizmaster Steve Rees has put together another half time quiz.

STEVE'S HALF-TIME Quiz

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1. Which film star, born in Bristol, was born Archibald Leach and had a successful career from the 30s to the 60s?
2. Which member of a famous comedy duo attended King James I 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 lyrics for the song Bittersweet Symphony for the Verve in the 90s?
11. What kind of a weapon is a falchion?

SECOND HALF - SPORT

12. At which EFL club is Jaap Stam the current manager?
13. Which Scottish First Division side plays its home games at Starks Park in Kirkcaldy?
14. Who swapped Victoria for Britannia?
15. Name the three 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. Which international Rugby Union team is nicknamed the Eagles?

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19 - 13

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12 - 6

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5 or less

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ANSWERS
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Memory Match

by Simon Weatherill

Simon Weatherill remembers the 4-0 win at Torquay United on 8th January 1966 to keep Quakers in the promotion hunt.

The Quakers had started the 1965/66 season in unspectacular fashion, winning only one of their first six league fixtures, so there was very little hint of the exciting season that lay ahead. Scunthorpe had been beaten in the first round of the League Cup, a victory that set up a home tie against Swindon in round two. The aftermath of that cup tie transformed Darlington's season and set them on the road to promotion. Swindon were beaten 2-1 but they were so impressed with home centre forward Jimmy Lawton that they immediately put a bid in for him. Lawton was transferred to the Wiltshire club for £8,000, with midfielder Alan Sproates moving in the opposite direction as part of the deal. Manager Lol Morgan then went out and spent the bulk of the transfer money on a replacement for Lawton, signing Bobby Cummings from Newcastle.

The introduction of Sproates and Cummings to the team had an immediate impact as the club went on a run of only one defeat in their next 13 games, catapulting them to the verge of the promotion race as the end of the year approached, leaving an exciting 1966 in prospect. Southport were beaten 2-0 at Feethams on

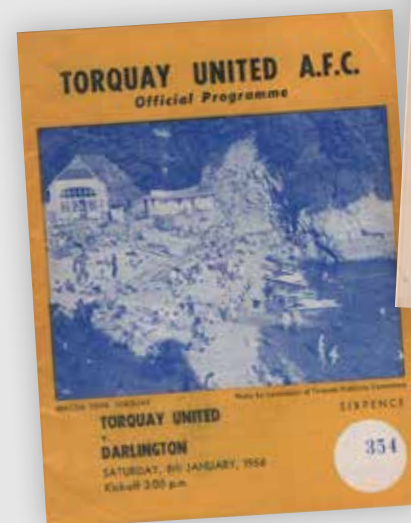
New Years Day, which moved the Quakers up to fifth place in the table. Their next game on the following Saturday, January 8, would see them make the long trip to the South coast to face league leaders Torquay United. Torquay, managed by Frank O'Farrell (later to manage Manchester United), had a formidable home record and would provide a stiff test, but Darlington were in a great run of form and a close fought game was in prospect. United topped the table with 32 points from 23 games, mainly due to their home form. At Plainmoor they'd played 12, won 10, drawn 1, lost 1, scored 25 and only conceded 8. Quakers were four points behind them but did have a game in hand.

Manager Morgan was able to name an unchanged side for the fourth game in a row, while Torquay were forced into one change to their usual starting eleven, with Robin Stubbs out injured, replaced by Doug Clarke.

5981 turned out at Plainmoor to see the Division 4 game of the day. They saw an exciting opening to the game, with both sides playing open, attacking football. Darlington struck first, after only three minutes. George McGeachie made ground down the right and crossed towards centre forward Bobby Cummings,

who headed home delicately, just out of reach of home goalkeeper Mike Turner. United hit straight back and would have equalised but for two breathtaking saves by Quakers' keeper Tony Moor, first from Tommy Spratt and then from Reg Wyatt. Torquay went close again when a Tommy Northcott header hit the bar, but the visitors stunned their hosts by increasing their lead after 25 minutes. A free kick was played into the Torquay box and it fell to Cummings with his back to goal. He hooked the ball over his shoulder towards goal and left Turner rooted to the spot as the ball dropped into the net. The threat from Torquay gradually fell away after the second goal as the Quakers midfield took a stranglehold on the game. Half time: Torquay 0 Darlington 2.

The Quakers began the second half as they had finished the first, with Ray Yeoman and Alan Sproates in total control of the midfield, with George McGeachie causing the home side all sorts of problems down the right wing. It was McGeachie who set up the visitors' third goal on 65 minutes, when he crossed the ball into the path of inside right Ken Allison, who blasted home on the run. McGeachie was at it again six minutes later, this time crossing to Cummings,



who fired home on the turn to complete his hat trick. It was Cummings' 12th goal in 14 league appearances. Darlington's second half dominance was complete and Moor didn't have a save to make in the second period. The league leaders had been well and truly thumped 4-0 on their own patch and the only real surprise was that the defeat hadn't been heavier.

Lol Morgan proudly declared it "Our finest game yet. A real team triumph with the credit shared all around. I couldn't fault a man." The win moved the Quakers up to fourth in the table, and with three home games on the trot to come, hopes were high that things would get even better. Unfortunately, the weather intervened and the next two games were postponed, with Feethams under eight inches of snow.

More postponements followed, which left Darlington with a hectic schedule in the second half

of the season. They played 8 games in March and 7 more in April, but managed to maintain their position towards the top of the table. The return fixture with Torquay was on the final day of the season. Going into the game the Quakers knew that victory would clinch the championship, a draw would guarantee promotion, but a defeat could mean missing out altogether as six teams battled for four promotion places. On a tense afternoon at Feethams, Darlington and Torquay played out a goalless draw in front of a crowd of 16,469, which guaranteed the Quakers second place in the table. Doncaster and Darlington both finished on 59 points,

but Rovers were champions due to their superior goal average. Torquay finished third with 58 points and in the mad scramble behind them, Colchester grabbed the fourth promotion spot on goal average from Tranmere and Luton. All three sides had finished on 56 points.

In Darlington's most successful season for forty years, four players played in all 46 games. Tony Moor, John Peverell, Brian Keeble and George McGeachie were ever presents, while Ray Yeoman only missed one game. Bobby Cummings finished as top scorer with 23 goals from his 37 appearances.

Torquay produced a 24 page programme, priced at sixpence. As was usual at the time, there was very little coverage of their visitors, just very brief pen pictures of the Darlington players. The team line-ups were on the centre pages.

Team v Torquay : 1 Tony Moor 2 John Peverell 3 Brian Keeble 4 Ray Yeoman 5 Ron Greener 6 Joe Jacques 7 George McGeachie 8 Ken Allison 9 Bobby Cummings 10 Alan Sproates 11 Eric Johnstone Sub Bryan Conlon (not used)

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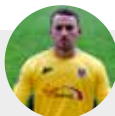
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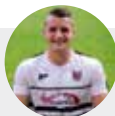
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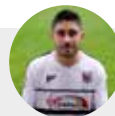
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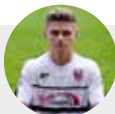
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>> BY CHRIS STOCKDALE

DFCSG *notes*

Good afternoon and welcome to our visitors today, York City, for what is sure to be a highly competitive encounter.

Ever since Martin Gray's swift departure to join The Minstermen at the start of October this has been the most eagerly anticipated home fixture of the season. Hopefully we can reproduce another fine performance similar to Boxing Day and come away with the three points.

There are simply too many ex-Darlo returnees to welcome back individually today, both on and off the pitch. I'm sure our fans will give them all a welcome to remember, especially Martin Gray who despite the manner of his departure and the events leading up to it took us to some fantastic success on the field.

Moving on to operational matters, as a board the Supporters Group are determined to play our part in improving things off the field in 2018. There is a lot of potential to grow this club but equally it will take a lot of hard work. The number one immediate priority is to put the football club finances on a firmer footing, as extensively laid out by David Johnston, and to work towards that hopefully all 500 club members will have received communication from the club about further options of support. DFCSG worked very closely with the DFC board to help develop the options presented to members and the initial response has been highly encouraging, with strong take up. As gold membership is limited to just 25 people and one-year extensions to 100 people I would encourage members who haven't yet applied to consider doing so as soon as possible. Strengthening our finances will allow the Football Club directors to focus on bringing in additional revenue rather than managing existing creditors.

Since our AGM in mid-November we've held two board meetings, with the next on Monday night, and utilising the skills of both continuing board members and new arrivals have formed several workstreams

to help drive the Supporters Group and the football club forward. We also held a highly productive working day with the Football Club directors and Tommy Wright last month.

Malcolm Cundick and Lee Kilcran will be heading up the infrastructure workstream. They will be working on establishing detailed costings of potential future development at Blackwell Meadows and the most practical way to achieve full compliance with FA ground grading regulations both in the National League and Football League. This will of course require full consultation with DRFC, DBC, etc. They will also be looking at how we can improve the experience for supporters on a matchday from an infrastructure point of view. Whilst the sporting village proposal is still outstanding there will be a halt on infrastructure spending at Blackwell Meadows (after the erection of the additional seated stand) but that won't mean we will be stopping our planning for an outcome that means we remain at Blackwell Meadows. Additionally, Malcolm and Lee will also be assisting with developing costings and proposals for infrastructure assets such as a 4G pitch and associated clubhouse as highlighted by David Johnston at the recent forum.

Tony Waters and Rob Duncan will be heading up the fundraising and community engagement workstream. I know they already have planned events in the pipeline and are working on ways to re-engage Darlington FC with the local community. It was very encouraging to see the positive reception to the Christmas gifts and hospital visit that the management team and players undertook just before Christmas. Many thanks to Geoff Gale who put a lot of hard work into organising it all and to David Collinge who stepped in as Mr Q for the visit.



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DFCSG *notes* CONTINUED



SOME OF OUR VOLUNTEERS
INSPECTING THE PITCH COVERS

We would also like to thank all the volunteers who helped to transport the pitch covers from Heritage Park to Blackwell Meadows. The 18 volunteers all did a great job, and their graft was worthwhile, as the covers all appear to be in a pretty useable condition. We would also like to thank local firm Lloyd of Bishop Auckland who supplied the machinery.

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 Alfreton Town on Saturday 13 January, departing at 11am and Leamington on Saturday 27 January, departing at 9.45am. The fare for each trip is £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 Glen on 07376 368553.

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

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REMINDER OF DARLINGTON FOOTBALL CLUB'S

GROUND REGULATIONS



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

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 make-up, 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 life-threatening 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

In 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.



QUAKER

with *Lynn Jasper*

Welcome to today's game against York City. It should be a great game and one Darlo fans have been looking forward to for a while. I hope it's going to be as good as our last home game. Come on Darlo!

Happy New Year

Everyone at Quaker Retail would like to wish our Directors, Management team, Players and our Fantastic Fans a very Happy and Healthy New Year. I hope that it's going to be a great year for all of us both on and off the field. I hope 2018 brings you all everything you wish for.

New Ties

If you haven't got your new club tie yet then why not come and have a look at one in the club shop today? We think they are very smart and quite a bit different to the last one. Priced at £12 it's just what is needed for those smarter occasions.

Suggestions

If you have any suggestions about any new items you would like to see sold in the Club shop please drop me an email at shop@dfc1883.co.uk or come and have a chat in the shop. I've had a couple of suggestions for a club jumper and beach towels both good ideas I think.

Sale Items

As the New Year begins we would like to offer you some bargains at the Club Shop.

2016/2017 Children's Kit

Our January sale is here again for our junior fans. We have a limited number of last season's home and away shirts left which we would like to offer you for £10. They are ideal for sportswear or casual wear and are hard wearing. Why not get



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yourself a bargain? We have last season's home shirt available in MB and the purple away shirt in LB and XLB. We also have a small number of last season's shorts available in our sale also priced of £5.



Football Manager 2018

To continue our sale items we have reduced our Football Manager 2018 Game to a fabulous £20 knocking £5 off our original price. Why not treat yourself with any Christmas money you might have and have hours of fun leading Darlo up through the leagues?



Pennants

Also reduced are our lovely DFC pennants. You can hang these up in a bedroom, on an office wall, in the car to show your

support for our Football Club. Now reduced to £5 isn't it time you treated yourself to one?

Well that's all from me for today. I look forward to seeing you all again soon .



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On This Day

In this series, we look back at matches on the corresponding day in our history.

January 3rd 1999

League Two

Darlington 3 Rochdale 0, attendance 2,807

We'd had a reasonably good Christmas period, with a 3-1 win over Scunthorpe, and draws against Halifax and Leyton Orient.

Darren Roberts put us in the lead just on half time, and in the second half "Super" Mario Dörner and Glenn Naylor scored further goals.

Rochdale include a former Darlo favourite, Robbie Painter.

Team: Preece, Barnard, Liddle, Tutill, Brumwell, Bennett, Oliver, Leah (sub Shutt 74), Atkinson (sub Gaughan 89), Roberts, Dörner (sub Naylor 87)

January 8th 2000

League Two

Chester City 1 Darlington 2, attendance 2,067

We'd beaten Chester 3-1 at Feethams a few weeks previously, with two goals by Peter Duffield and another by Jesper Hjørth, and after a good 3-0 win at Northampton at Christmas (manager Hodgy was banned from the touchline and watched the game from the press box) we went to the Deva Stadium.

Craig Liddle got us off to a great start after 7 minutes, and after Chester equalised just before half time, Marco Gabbiadini scored the winner on the hour. We stayed fourth in the table.

Clyde Wijnhard



Team: Samways, Heckingbottom, Tutill (sub Naylor 46), Aspin (sub Reed 82), Liddle, Oliver, Gray, Atkinson, Hjørth (sub Duffield 90), Heaney, Gabbiadini. Subs not used: Collett, Brumwell

January 3rd 2005

League Two

Darlington 3 Macclesfield 1, attendance 3,667

We'd dropped down to tenth in the table because of three straight defeats over Christmas, but then bounced back by winning 1-0 at Scunthorpe on New Year's Day, Alun Armstrong getting the goal.

We kept that good form going, and won 3-1 against Macclesfield at the Arena. Clyde Wijnhard put us in front on 26 minutes, then Neil Maddison made it 2-0. Macclesfield's scorer was Jon Parkin, who is now at York, just before half time, but Alun Armstrong made sure nine minutes from the end.

Team: S Russell, Valentine, Clarke, Fleming, Wainwright (sub Hughes 33), Webster, Gregorio (sub Kendrick 74), St Juste, Maddison, Wijnhard, Hignett (sub Armstrong 62)

Subs not used: Keltie, C Russell

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

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QUIZMASTER ANSWERS (Page 31)

FIRST HALF - GENERAL KNOWLEDGE 1. Cary Grant 2. Stan Laurel 3. Rudyard Kipling 4. Hay fever 5. Jim Bergerac
6. Catskill Mountains 7. Witham 8. Giuseppe Verdi 9. (Mashed) Chick peas 10. Mick Jagger & Keith Richard 11. A sword

SECOND HALF - SPORT 12. Reading 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. USA



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Season's Stats

VANARAMA LEAGUE

VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH 2017-18

	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	GD
1	Salford City	23	16	3	4	40	22	51	+18
2	Harrogate Town	23	14	5	4	57	29	47	+28
3	Brackley	24	12	9	3	43	22	45	+21
4	Spennymoor Town	23	12	5	5	47	37	41	+10
5	Bradford PA	24	11	6	7	41	29	39	+12
6	Blyth Spartans	23	13	0	10	52	42	39	+10
7	Kidderminster	23	10	8	5	41	28	38	+13
8	Stockport County	24	10	6	8	46	34	36	+12
9	York City	23	10	5	8	42	33	35	+9
10	Chorley	22	9	7	6	26	21	34	+5
11	Tamworth	24	10	4	10	38	42	34	-4
12	Curzon Ashton	24	7	9	8	30	37	30	-7
13	FC United	24	8	5	11	41	48	29	-7
14	Boston United	24	8	5	11	35	42	29	-7
15	Leamington	23	7	6	10	32	36	27	-4
16	AFC Telford United	22	8	3	11	29	36	27	-7
17	Southport	24	6	8	10	32	49	26	-17
18	Darlington	24	6	7	10	29	36	25	-7
19	Gainsborough Trinity	22	7	4	11	29	40	25	-11
20	Alfreton Town	23	7	2	14	35	42	23	-7
21	Nuneaton Town	23	6	5	12	31	41	23	-10
22	North Ferriby	24	1	4	19	10	60	7	-50

DARLO APPEARANCES & GOALS 2017-18

	League start	League sub	Cups start	Cups sub	League goals	Cup goals	Career League	Career Lgue sub	Career Cups start	Career Cups sub	Career Lgue goals	Career Cup goals
Adam Bartlett	17	0	1	0	0	0	25	0	1	0	0	0
Mark Bell	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	2	5	0	0	0
Mark Beck	12	0	1	0	1	0	53	0	3	1	19	0
Gary Brown	10	0	1	0	1	0	162	3	12	0	17	2
Kevin Burgess	3	3	1	0	0	0	72	5	3	0	15	0
Nathan Cartman	9	1	0	0	1	0	87	28	5	1	34	2
James Caton	12	5	1	1	1	0	12	5	1	1	1	0
Dominic Collins	23	0	1	0	0	0	23	0	1	0	0	0
Adam Dawson	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
Scott Fenwick	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
David Ferguson	13	0	1	0	4	0	29	1	1	0	5	0
Terry Galbraith	20	1	2	0	3	0	187	15	16	1	54	2
Josh Gillies	21	1	1	1	5	0	50	9	3	1	15	0
Mitchell Glover	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Josh Heaton	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0
Chris Hunter	6	0	0	0	0	0	137	6	16	1	0	0
Liam Marrs	10	2	1	0	0	0	39	4	4	0	0	0
Greg Mills	2	2	1	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0
Tom Portas	10	3	1	0	0	0	88	17	8	0	9	0
Harvey Saunders	3	16	0	1	1	0	3	27	0	1	3	0
Leon Scott	8	7	0	0	0	0	163	36	14	1	20	0
Reece Styche	3	0	1	0	3	2	3	0	1	0	3	2
David Syers	13	5	2	0	4	0	32	14	3	1	12	0
James Talbot	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Stephen Thompson	17	3	1	0	2	0	211	12	15	3	70	6
Phil Turnbull	22	0	2	0	0	0	102	1	4	1	1	0
Luke Trotman	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Jack Vaulks	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
Joe Wheatley	7	5	1	0	1	0	7	5	1	0	1	0
Ed Wilczynski	3	0	1	0	0	0	11	0	1	0	0	0
own goals	0	0	0	0	2	0						

FIXTURES & RESULTS 2017/18

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2017	VERSUS			R	S	ATT															
Sat Aug 5th	Salford	A	3.00	2-0	1777	Bartlett	Hunter	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n 2	Scott	Saund's	Marrs	Fen'ick	Wil'ski
Wed Aug 9th	Gainsborough Trinity	H	7.45	4-3	1682	Bartlett	Hunter	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Scott	Saund's	Fen'ick	Wil'ski	Thomp'n
Sat Aug 12th	Alfreton	H	3.00	4-1	1547	Bartlett	Hunter	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies2	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Scott	Fen'ick	Thomp'n	Wil'ski	Saund's
Tues Aug 15th	York City	A	7.45	0-0	3944	Bartlett	Hunter	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Scott	Thomp'n	Saund's	Wil'ski	Fen'ick
Sat Aug 19th	AFC Telford United	H	3.00	0-1	1532	Bartlett	Hunter	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Thomp'n	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Fen'ick	Scott	Saund's	Wil'ski	Fen'ick
Sat Aug 26th	North Ferriby	A	3.00	1-1	479	Wil'ski	Hunter	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Thomp'n	Gillies	Portas	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Marrs	Wheat'y	Saund's	Fen'ick	Bell
Mon Aug 28th	Spennymoor Town	H	7.45	1-1	2070	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Thomp'n	Ferg'n	Fen'ick	Portas	Caton	Wheat'y	Wil'ski
Sat Sept 2nd	Southport	A	3.00	0-2	1059	Bartlett	Burgess	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Thomp'n	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Vaulks	Portas	Saund's	Scott	Wil'ski
Tues Sept 5th	Chorley	A	7.45	1-4	1011	Bartlett	Marrs	Burgess	Turnbull	Collins	Thomp'n	Gillies	Portas	Beck	Scott	Ferg'n	Syers	Saund's	Caton	Wil'ski	Vaulks
Sat Sept 9th	Leamington	H	3.00	0-0	1277	Bartlett	Portas	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Cartman	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Scott	Vaulks	Saund's	Thomp'n	Wil'ski
Wed Sept 13th	FC United of Manchester	H	7.45	3-0	1178	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Burgess	Gillies	Wheat'y	Beck	Cartm'n	Ferg'n	Vaulks	Syers	Thomp'n	Wil'ski	Saund's
Sat Sept 16th	South Shields, FA Cup 2Q	H	3.00	0-3	1814	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Burgess	Wheat'y	Gillies	Syers	Beck	Caton	Ferg'n	Thomp'n	Scott	Saund's	Wil'ski	Vaulks
Sat Sept 23rd	Boston United	A	3.00	1-1	1051	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Wheat'y	Dawson	Thomp'n	Cartman	Caton	Ferg'n	Scott	Saund's	Vaulks	Wil'ski	Gillies
Sat Sept 30th	Curzon Ashton	A	3.00	0-1	292	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Wheat'y	Gillies	Dawson	Beck	Thomp'n	Ferg'n	Saund's	Portas	Cartman	Wil'ski	
Sat Oct 7th	Stockport County	H	3.00	1-1	1758	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Scott	Gillies	Portas	Cartman	Thomp'n	Saund's	Dawson	Wheat'y	Wil'ski	Vaulks	Syers
Sat Oct 14th	Nuneaton Town	A	3.00	1-2	764	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Scott	Gillies	Portas	Cartman	Thomp'n	Saund's	Burgess	Wheat'y	Syers	Wil'ski	Dawson
Sat Oct 21st	Bradford Park Avenue	H	3.00	2-1	1312	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Scott	Gillies	Portas	Cartman	Thomp'n	Syers	Wheat'y	Saund's	Caton	Wil'ski	Burgess
Sat Oct 28th	Blyth Spartans	A	3.00	1-3	1554	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Scott	Gillies	Portas	Cartman	Thomp'n	Syers	Burgess	Caton	Saund's	Wil'ski	Wheat'y
Sat Nov 4th	Brackley Town	H	3.00	0-3	1267	Bartlett	Marrs	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Scott	Gillies	Portas	Cartman	Thomp'n	Caton	Burgess	Saund's	Wheat'y	Wil'ski	Syers
Sat Nov 11th	Kidderminster Harriers	A	3.00	3-3	1879	Wil'ski	Heaton	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Wheat'y	Portas	Cartman	Thomp'n	Saund's	Gillies	Caton	Syers	Marrs	Scott
Sat Nov 18th	Tamworth	H	3.00	0-1	1246	Wil'ski	Trotman	Galb'th	Wheat'y	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Mills	Caton	Thomp'n	Syers	Saund's	Scott	Bancroft	Portas	Heaton
Fri Nov 24th	Harrogate Town FA Trophy 3q	H	7.45	2-3	1127	Wil'ski	Trotman	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Mills	Portas	Styche2	Thomp'n	Syers	Saund's	Caton	Vaulks		
Sat Dec 23rd	Gainsborough Trinity	A	3.00	1-2	773	Talbot	Mills	Galb'th	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Portas	Styche	Thomp'n	Caton	Heaton	Syers	Marrs	Scott	Saund's
Tues Dec 26th	Harrogate Town	H	3.00	3-1	1759	Talbot	Heaton	Scott	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Wheat'y	Styche2	Thomp'n	Syers	Glover	Saund's	Mills	Marrs	Caton
Mon Jan 1st	Harrogate Town	A	3.00	0-3	1648	Talbot	Heaton	Scott	Turnbull	Collins	Brown	Gillies	Wheat'y	Styche	Thomp'n	Syers	Galb'th	Mills	Saund's	Glover	Caton
Sat Jan 6th	York City	H																			
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Sat Mar 3rd	Tamworth	A																			
Sat Mar 10th	Curzon Ashton	H																			
Sat Mar 31st	Southport	H																			
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Sat Apr 7th	Boston United	H																			
Sat Apr 14th	FC United of Manchester	A																			
Sat Apr 21st	Nuneaton Town	H																			
Sat Apr 28th	Stockport County	A																			
Wed May 2nd	play off qualifying round																				
Sun May 6th	play off semi final																				
Sat May 12th	play off final																				

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■ Yellow Card
■ Red Card

Scorers Names in **BOLD**. Coloured names are players who featured in substitutions. (Players involved have matching colours)

Last match



V Harrogate (away) lost 0-3

> Mascots:



Jake Bainbridge is 5 years old and lives in York. His favourite player is Dominic Collins

Kayleigh Bradley is 10 years old, and plays in goal for Bishop Auckland Girls. Her favourite player is Phil Turnbull



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TODAY'S GAME IS THE FIRST BETWEEN DARLINGTON AND YORK CITY SINCE MARTIN GRAY DEPARTED AS MANAGER EARLIER THIS SEASON, BRINGING TO AN END A FIVE-YEAR TENURE WHICH BEGAN IN THE NORTHERN LEAGUE.

SEASON 2012-13 SAW QUAKERS BEGIN LIFE AT STEP 5 IN NON-LEAGUE AND WITH ONLY TWO PLAYERS - JOHN MCREADY, WHO WAS SOLD TO YORK, AND LEFT-BACK PHIL GRAY - MEANT GRAY HAD TO BUILD A BRAND NEW SQUAD.

HIS FIRST SIGNINGS WERE SHAUN REAY, DANIEL MELLANBY, DARREN RICHARDSON AND JAMIE CLARKE, AND HE WOULD CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN AS THE SEASON CONTINUED WHILE QUAKERS BATTLED FOR TOP SPOT WITH SPENNYMOOR TOWN, WHO WERE THE PREVIOUS SEASON'S CHAMPIONS.

DARLINGTON CAME OUT ON TOP, WINNING THE TITLE WITH 122 POINTS, 13 MORE THAN MOORS, HAVING BEATEN EVERY TEAM IN THE DIVISION AT LEAST ONCE.

PICTURED BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT, ARE HARRY DUNN (CHIEF SCOUT), SEAN GREGAN (COACH), COLIN GALLOWAY (SECRETARY), JACK NORTON, CHRIS PORTER, DALE CONNOR, MARTIN GRAY (MANAGER), MARK RILEY (PHYSIO), SCOTT SELBY (KITMAN) AND BRIAN ATKINSON (ASSISTANT MANAGER). MIDDLE ROW, L-R, DANNY MELLANBY, STEPHEN HARRISON, DAN SMITH, ARJUN PUREWAL, PHIL GRAY, SHAUN REAY, AMAR PUREWAL, ADAM CLOUGH AND JOE TAIT. FRONT ROW, L-R, STEVEN JOHNSON, GARY BROWN, CHRIS EMMIS, DAVID DOWSON, DARREN RICHARDSON, LEON SCOTT, ADAM NICHOLLS, MARC ELLISON AND JAMIE CLARKE



>TODAY'S TEAMS

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LIAM MARRS	
CHRIS HUNTER	
DOMINIC COLLINS	
KEVIN BURGESS	
GARY BROWN	
TERRY GALBRAITH	
TOM PORTAS	
LEON SCOTT	
PHIL TURNBULL	
DAVID SYERS	
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YORK CITY

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Referee: Adam Herczeg

Assistant referees: James Westgarth and Andrew Kitchen

> Next home matches:

Wednesday 10th January
Salford City, kick off 7.45pm

Saturday 20th January
Chorley, kick off 3pm

> Next away matches:

Saturday 13th January
Alfreton, kick off 3pm

Saturday 27th January
Leamington, kick off 3pm

Rob Duncan, a lifelong Darlington supporter and DFCSG board member is celebrating his 58th birthday in the hospitality suite with family and friends.

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Jake Bainbridge
Kayleigh Bradley



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