

# Total Motion Midland Football League Newsletter



3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018

## League News

The chairman of Stafford Town Football Club has been recognised for his years of dedication and hard work in The New Year's Honours List.

**Gordon Evans**, who has helped transform the side into a community club in recent years, has been awarded a British Empire Medal.



The 75-year-old launched the club in 1977 and after leaving six years later he returned in 2003, and helped put it at the heart of the town by encouraging youngsters to get involved in the game through coaching.

He said: "Obviously I'm very, very proud to be honoured. I think it is very special – I feel hugely proud and so do all of my family. It's just an amazing thing to happen for you, when the letter came through from the cabinet office, I was gobsmacked."

The club is unrecognisable today from 15 years ago, thanks largely to the efforts of the chairman. It now plays in a new ground, hosting a 3G pitch, which the community is invited to use. Mr Evans, who has been away from the club in recent weeks while struggling with illness, said: "Over three or four years we got the finances right for the club.

"We started off in 2005 and 2006 doing coaching at Stafford Manor high school – we developed seven teams in the first year, moved on from there and became a community club. We started up there in the summer with about 23 kids and then by September we had over 80 children attending - it was girls and boys. We developed a ladies team in 2007 and still continue to grow over the years."

He added: "I'm a lad from a very, very poor family in Rugeley and I was the last of six – it's just phenomenal, absolutely phenomenal."

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In their Under 21 Division fixture against Heath Hayes on 11th November 2017, Worcester City played more than the allow number of over aged players. Worcester City won the fixture 8-0, therefore under Rule 8 (0) Worcester City are to be deducted 3 points from their playing total.

## Travels of the Press Officer

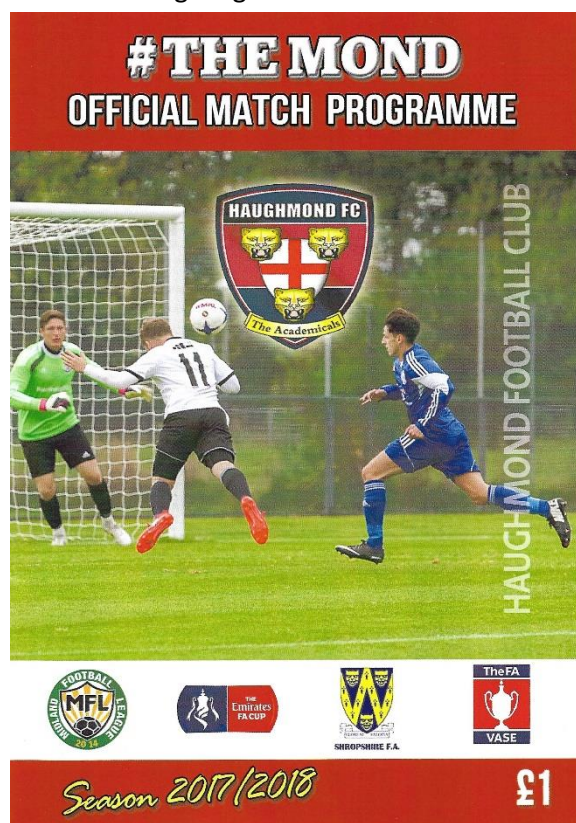
Saturday December 30<sup>th</sup>

### Total Motion Midland Football League Premier Division

#### Haughmond 0 Shawbury United 1

The last game of 2017 sees a Shropshire derby at the foot of the Premier Division table. Shawbury found themselves 5 points adrift at the foot of the table while host Haughmond were without a win in the league since October. With various games across the league postponed due to water logged pitches, The Sports Village surface looked in good condition as the game began. Kevin Renshaw had the first attempt on goal after just 26 seconds for Haughmond, but his shot was well over the bar. In the 9<sup>th</sup> minute, a ball into the Shawbury penalty area saw Haughmond centre-back Tom Hewitt appeal for a penalty but there was nothing in it. Shawbury responded with a quick break and Ben Cullen forced Sam Jones into a comfortable save. Haughmond created an opening in the 14<sup>th</sup> minute, a fine left-footed cross from Connor Courtney inches in front of Steve Hole. Courtney was involved at the other end, making a fine challenge on Liam Armstrong to thwart a Shawbury attack. Ross Jones hit the target for the visitors, but it was easily saved by Sam Jones. In the 20<sup>th</sup> minute, Renshaw was on target, but the shot failed to trouble Ian Havard in the Shawbury goal. Cullen was narrowly wide when his fierce shot took a slight deflection forcing the ball wide. Both sides were getting shots on target without troubling the respective keepers, Dave Howells for Haughmond the next to try his luck. In the 35<sup>th</sup> minute, excellent close control from Renshaw saw him make progress into the penalty area however the Shawbury defence blocked his effort. Shawbury took the lead in the 34<sup>th</sup> minute with the first piece of real quality in the game. Keanu Cooper shrugged off the challenge of a defender, found space and hit a superb shot from 20 yards into the corner. In the last minute of the half, a cross from George Carpenter was punched clear by Havard and Matt Owen's follow up shot was blocked.

Two minutes after the interval, an excellent move from Shawbury saw Cooper set-up Steve Faux and his first-time shot was saved by Jones. In the 53<sup>rd</sup> minute, Sam Phillips had an opportunity for Haughmond, but he tried to be too intricate and the chance was lost. In the 57<sup>th</sup> minute, Ross Jones miss kicked his shot but with the Haughmond defence standing watching, he picked up the loose ball and shot into the sidenetting. A good move down the left for the home side saw Courtney play the ball into the path of Matthew Fletcher, his shot being well saved by Havard. Gaps were opening up in the Haughmond defence as they chased the game and Armstrong took too long when well placed. Ross Jones made a determined run down the right touchline, his cross being well cut out by Sam Jones. In the 80<sup>th</sup> minute, Haughmond appealed for a penalty as Phillips went down in the area. With the home side appealing, Shawbury broke with Jones clearing the bar with his effort. In the 86<sup>th</sup> minute, Shawbury should have doubled their lead when Benji Robinson was in acres of space, but his shot was well saved by Jones. Shawbury saw out the final minutes to claim a much-needed 3 points and close to within two points of Haughmond.



**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December**

**Review**

**Premier Division**

With 4 of the top 5 not in action on Saturday, **Coventry Sphinx** took full advantage to climb into the top four after an enthralling Coventry derby at home to **Coventry United**. 543 spectators were present to see Sphinx run out 4-3 winners. Chris Sterling scored twice to give Sphinx a 2-0 lead while Shaquille McDonald scored twice for United in a great advert for non-league football in Coventry. 6<sup>th</sup> placed **Highgate United** went 2-0 down inside 9 minutes with David Kolodynski scoring twice for **Rugby Town**. The home side were reduced to 10 men when Sam Belcher was red carded, and the Gate came back and equalised in the 82<sup>nd</sup> minute through Marco Adaggio, 2-2 the final score. There was a 7-goal thriller at Farley Way with **Quorn** making it 13 points out of 15 with a 4-3 win over **Rocester**. Ryan Seal scored twice for Quorn who climb up to 16<sup>th</sup>. **Shawbury United** edged the Shropshire derby at **Haughmond**, Keanu Cooper with the only goal of the game in the 34<sup>th</sup> minute. **South Normanton Athletic** remain in the bottom three following a 3-2 defeat at **Heanor Town**. Marcus Tudgay scored twice for South Normanton but it was a goal from Heanor keeper Wayne White that grabs the headlines. A double from Fabian Smith sent **Long Eaton United** on their way to a 3-1 win over **Shepshed Dynamo** at Grange Park. **Boldmere St Michaels** made it two wins on the bounce as they beat **Loughborough University** 3-2 at The Trevor Brown Memorial Ground. **AFC Wulfrunians** came from behind to beat **Lye Town** 2-1 at The CKW Stadium.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>Coleshill Town</u>	21	14	4	3	50	27	23	46
2	<u>Bromsgrove Sporting</u>	20	14	3	3	47	23	24	45
3	<u>Sporting Khalsa</u>	22	12	7	3	48	24	24	43
4	<u>Coventry Sphinx</u>	21	12	5	4	46	31	15	41
5	<u>Worcester City</u>	19	11	5	3	51	22	29	38
6	<u>Highgate United</u>	19	11	4	4	34	24	10	37
7	<u>Heanor Town</u>	22	10	4	8	36	37	-1	34
8	<u>Shepshed Dynamo</u>	20	10	3	7	51	31	20	33
9	<u>Westfields</u>	18	10	3	5	47	29	18	33
10	<u>Rugby Town</u>	21	9	5	7	35	28	7	32
11	<u>Coventry United</u>	20	9	4	7	45	33	12	31
12	<u>AFC Wulfrunians</u>	22	10	1	11	28	43	-15	31
13	<u>Long Eaton United</u>	21	8	4	9	30	42	-12	28
14	<u>Loughborough University</u>	22	7	3	12	32	42	-10	24
15	<u>Stourport Swifts</u>	18	7	2	9	34	45	-11	23
16	<u>Quorn</u>	22	6	4	12	34	58	-24	22
17	<u>Lye Town</u>	21	5	6	10	20	31	-11	21
18	<u>Boldmere St Michaels</u>	20	5	3	12	30	51	-21	18
19	<u>Rocester</u>	18	3	4	11	31	49	-18	13
20	<u>Haughmond</u>	21	3	4	14	23	43	-20	13
21	<u>South Normanton Athletic</u>	21	3	4	14	23	45	-22	13
22	<u>Shawbury United</u>	19	3	2	14	24	41	-17	11

## Division 1

Leaders **Leicester Road** were involved in an action-packed game at home to **Uttoxeter Town**. The home side were 3 goals to the good after 53 minutes thanks to a hat-trick from Matt Langham. Back came Uttoxeter and a double from James Curley and a cracker from Kyle Esplin earned them a share of the points with a 3-3 draw. That result allowed **Walsall Wood** to close the gap at the top to three points as they travelled to **Lichfield City** and returned home with all three points, thanks to a 5-1 victory with Sam Agar bagging a hat-trick. There was high drama at St Johns Park where **Heather St Johns** welcomed **Studley**. Simeon Townsend equalised in the 90<sup>th</sup> minute for the Saints only for Andy Nicol to grab all three points for Studley with a winner 4 minutes into time added on. **Atherstone Town** maintained their promotion push with a 3-1 local derby win over **Nuneaton Griff** at The Mark Webster Community Stadium. At the foot of the table, **Stafford Town** took a 10<sup>th</sup> minute lead over **Paget Rangers** at Evans Park. Paget are in good form and doubles from Jack Gibson and Danny Carter sealed a 4-1 win. **Chelmsley Town** and **Heath Hayes** shared the spoils in a 2-2 draw at Pack Meadow.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>Leicester Road</u>	24	16	4	4	53	30	23	52
2	<u>Walsall Wood</u>	20	16	1	3	74	16	58	49
3	<u>Atherstone Town</u>	21	15	3	3	68	27	41	48
4	<u>Studley</u>	22	14	4	4	42	26	16	46
5	<u>Ilkeston Town</u>	21	14	3	4	53	22	31	45
6	<u>Hinckley AFC</u>	21	13	3	5	67	36	31	42
7	<u>Littleton</u>	21	13	1	7	48	25	23	40
8	<u>Racing Club Warwick</u>	18	12	3	3	46	21	25	39
9	<u>Heather St Johns</u>	22	11	3	8	68	48	20	36
10	<u>Lichfield City</u>	22	9	6	7	45	45	0	33
11	<u>Paget Rangers</u>	23	9	4	10	41	42	-1	31
12	<u>Coventry Copsewood</u>	20	10	1	9	35	42	-7	31
13	<u>Chelmsley Town</u>	23	8	3	12	31	52	-21	27
14	<u>Uttoxeter Town</u>	25	7	4	14	41	68	-27	25
15	<u>Heath Hayes</u>	22	5	7	10	58	60	-2	22
16	<u>Pershore Town</u>	22	6	4	12	33	49	-16	22
17	<u>Bolehall Swifts</u>	23	6	2	15	23	59	-36	20
18	<u>Cadbury Athletic</u>	21	4	6	11	29	43	-14	18
19	<u>Nuneaton Griff</u>	23	4	5	14	18	51	-33	17
20	<u>Brocton</u>	19	4	4	11	26	40	-14	16
21	<u>Stafford Town</u>	25	5	0	20	32	64	-32	15
22	<u>Coventry Alvis</u>	22	3	1	18	11	76	-65	10

## Division 2

Only two games survived the weather. The game between **Bloxwich Town** and **Pelsall Villa** was abandoned after 80 minutes with Bloxwich leading 2-1. In the only game to complete, Moors Academy and Knowle drew 1-1 at Tally Ho!

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>NKF Burbage</u>	14	11	2	1	37	14	23	35
2	<u>Montpellier</u>	15	9	2	4	43	22	21	29
3	<u>Hampton</u>	16	9	2	5	33	31	2	29
4	<u>Feckenham</u>	15	8	1	6	31	31	0	25
5	<u>Knowle</u>	16	7	3	6	33	29	4	24
6	<u>Smithswood Firs</u>	10	7	1	2	30	14	16	22
7	<u>Northfield Town</u>	15	6	4	5	23	20	3	22
8	<u>Earlswood Town</u>	14	5	4	5	24	24	0	19
9	<u>Droitwich Spa</u>	13	5	2	6	21	23	-2	17
10	<u>Coton Green</u>	11	3	5	3	23	16	7	14
11	<u>Moors Academy</u>	12	3	5	4	18	25	-7	14
12	<u>Bloxwich Town</u>	17	4	2	11	27	46	-19	14
13	<u>Redditch Borough</u>	12	3	3	6	20	25	-5	12
14	<u>Fairfield Villa</u>	14	3	3	8	22	32	-10	12
15	<u>Barnt Green Spartak</u>	12	2	4	6	18	30	-12	10
16	<u>Pelsall Villa</u>	12	0	5	7	12	33	-21	5

### Division 3

Plenty of goals in Division 3 in those games that survived the weather. Leaders **GNP Sports** go into 2018 unbeaten and with a 6-point lead. They won the Coventry derby at **Coventrians** by 7 goals to 1, Nathan Stoute and Scott Hammond with doubles. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed **Bartestree** also scored 7, beating **Continental Star** 7-1 at home. Tom Parry scored a hat-trick and there was a double for Theo Steele. **AFC Solihull** are up to 3<sup>rd</sup>, Andy Matthews scoring three in a 5-2 win over **Leamington Hibernian**. **Birmingham Tigers** finished the year with a 2-1 win at **CT Shush**.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<a href="#"><u>GNP Sports</u></a>	12	11	1	0	53	11	42	34
2	<a href="#"><u>Bartestree</u></a>	16	9	1	6	41	28	13	28
3	<a href="#"><u>AFC Solihull</u></a>	16	8	3	5	42	30	12	27
4	<a href="#"><u>Shipston Excelsior</u></a>	14	8	1	5	39	34	5	25
5	<a href="#"><u>Alcester Town</u></a>	12	7	2	3	35	16	19	23
6	<a href="#"><u>FC Stratford</u></a>	9	7	1	1	51	6	45	22
7	<a href="#"><u>Boldmere Sports &amp; Social Falcons</u></a>	12	7	0	5	25	22	3	21
8	<a href="#"><u>Central Ajax</u></a>	9	5	4	0	24	10	14	19
9	<a href="#"><u>Birmingham Tigers</u></a>	13	6	1	6	30	31	-1	19
10	<a href="#"><u>Inkberrow</u></a>	11	4	3	4	30	22	8	15
11	<a href="#"><u>CT Shush</u></a>	13	3	5	5	20	22	-2	14
12	<a href="#"><u>Coventrians</u></a>	14	4	2	8	26	41	-15	14
13	<a href="#"><u>Continental Star</u></a>	13	4	0	9	20	47	-27	12
14	<a href="#"><u>Enville Athletic</u></a>	12	2	4	6	13	23	-10	10
15	<a href="#"><u>Castle Vale Town</u></a>	14	1	2	11	11	62	-51	5
16	<a href="#"><u>Leamington Hibernian</u></a>	16	1	2	13	16	71	-55	5

### Polymac Packaging League Cup Round 3

**Coleshill Town** and **Sporting Khalsa** were level at 2-2 after 90 minutes with Matt Gardener equalising for The Coleman in the 85<sup>th</sup> minute. Coleshill came out on to pin the penalty shoot-out, winning 4-2 to set-up an away quarter final with Littleton.



## Leading scorers

### Premier Division

<b>Shay Brennan</b>	<b>Shepshed Dynamo</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Marco Adaggio</b>	<b>Highgate United</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Aaron Lloyd</b>	<b>Stourport Swifts</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Ryan Nesbitt</b>	<b>Boldmere St Michaels</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>George Bowerman</b>	<b>Quorn, Hinckley AFC</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Kyle Brady</b>	<b>AFC Wulfrunians, Sporting Khalsa</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Ryan Harkin</b>	<b>Coventry Sphinx</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>David Kolodynski</b>	<b>Rugby Town</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>David Meese</b>	<b>Sporting Khalsa</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Steve Hole</b>	<b>Haughmond</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Jordan Nadat</b>	<b>Coleshill Town</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Elliott Reeves</b>	<b>Heanor Town</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Dave Reynolds</b>	<b>Worcester City</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Joe Boachie</b>	<b>Loughborough University</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Lei Brown</b>	<b>Highgate United</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Jason Cowley</b>	<b>Bromsgrove Sporting</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Reuben Wiggins-Thomas</b>	<b>Rugby Town</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Craig Reid</b>	<b>Coventry United</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Martin Smyth</b>	<b>Rocester</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Nick MacPherson</b>	<b>Stourport Swifts</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Robbie Bunn</b>	<b>Bromsgrove Sporting</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Matt Gardener</b>	<b>Coleshill Town, Walsall Wood</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Lewis Rankin</b>	<b>Coventry United</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Dean Rathbone</b>	<b>Coleshill Town</b>	<b>12</b>

**Division 1**

<b>Simeon Cobourne</b>	<b>Heather St Johns</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>Daniel Carter</b>	<b>Littleton</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Paul Sullivan</b>	<b>Walsall Wood</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Alex Naughton</b>	<b>Atherstone Town</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Steve Hart</b>	<b>Hinckley AFC</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Regan Smith</b>	<b>Heath Hayes</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Sam Agar</b>	<b>Hinckley, Uttoxeter Town, Walsall Wood</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Greg Downes</b>	<b>Leicester Road</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Alex Marshall</b>	<b>Ilkeston Town</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Daniel Carter</b>	<b>Paget Rangers</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Tony Clarke</b>	<b>Walsall Wood</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>George Bowerman</b>	<b>Hinckley AFC</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Shane Benjamin</b>	<b>Heather St Johns</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Dan Griffiths</b>	<b>Lichfield City</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Odane Barnes</b>	<b>Cadbury Athletic</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Kyle Esplin</b>	<b>Uttoxeter Town</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Andy Nicol</b>	<b>Studley</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Dave Yonwin</b>	<b>Heather St Johns</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Joe Hartshorne</b>	<b>Brocton</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Matt Langham</b>	<b>Leicester Road</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Luke Cole</b>	<b>Racing Club Warwick</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Alan Miller</b>	<b>Atherstone Town</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Luke Shorthouse</b>	<b>Atherstone Town</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Michael Wright</b>	<b>Pershore Town / Littleton</b>	<b>11</b>

**Division 2**

<b>Stuart Hendrie</b>	<b>Montpellier</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Trea Bertie</b>	<b>Smithswood Firs</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Jess Adcock</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Martin Crawford</b>	<b>Smithswood Firs</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Tom Smith</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Steve Ruck</b>	<b>Knowle</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Nick Seabourne</b>	<b>Droitwich Spa</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>James Lemon</b>	<b>Droitwich Spa</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Sam Melia</b>	<b>Bloxwich Town</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Daniel Pitt</b>	<b>Fairfield Villa</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Dominic Strevens</b>	<b>Barnt Green Spartak</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Ryan Walker</b>	<b>Hampton</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Callum Coyle</b>	<b>Moors Academy</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Chris Lloyd</b>	<b>Smithswood Firs</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Ashanti Price</b>	<b>Moors Academy</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Ainsley Seivwright</b>	<b>Hampton</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Cameron Seivwright</b>	<b>Hampton</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Alex Coultas</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Adam Garmson</b>	<b>Northfield Town</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Adam Goodby</b>	<b>Coton Green</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Andrew Millan</b>	<b>Coton Green</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Daniel Murphy</b>	<b>Feckenham</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Ryan Andrews</b>	<b>Moors Academy</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Ellis Blakemore</b>	<b>Fairfield Villa</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Bradley Burgess</b>	<b>Droitwich Spa</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Umit Eminoglu</b>	<b>Feckenham</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Cameron Moriarty</b>	<b>Bloxwich Town</b>	<b>7</b>

**Division 3**

<b>Nathan Davies</b>	<b>Inkberrow</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>James Gifford</b>	<b>FC Stratford</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Andy Matthews</b>	<b>AFC Solihull</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Reece Gibson</b>	<b>Boldmere Sports &amp; Social Falcons</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Jimmy Ward</b>	<b>Alcester Town</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Dylan Parker</b>	<b>FC Stratford</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>James Drinkwater</b>	<b>Shipston Excelsior</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Louis Mann</b>	<b>Bartestree</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Leigh Phillips</b>	<b>GNP Sports</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Tom Rawlings</b>	<b>GNP Sports</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Younes Touaiti</b>	<b>Birmingham Tigers</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Charlie Cook</b>	<b>GNP Sports</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Ellis Kalach</b>	<b>Alcester Town</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Daniel Stokes</b>	<b>FC Stratford</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Ashley Wilkes</b>	<b>FC Stratford</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Abdullah Kenewa</b>	<b>Birmingham Tigers</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Marc Avery</b>	<b>Bartestree</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>William Beach</b>	<b>Alcester Town</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Thomas Cuppleditch</b>	<b>Coventrians</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Lewis Chester</b>	<b>Coventrians</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>James Clarke</b>	<b>Boldmere Sports &amp; Social Falcons</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Tyler Haddow</b>	<b>Coventrians</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Jake Harris</b>	<b>Shipston Excelsior</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Ben Hill</b>	<b>FC Stratford</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Ishak Ibisevic</b>	<b>Birmingham Tigers</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Matthew Lewis</b>	<b>Boldmere Sports &amp; Social Falcons</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Jake Montgomery</b>	<b>Central Ajax</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Tom Parnaby</b>	<b>FC Stratford</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Jack Shields</b>	<b>AFC Solihull</b>	<b>6</b>

**Reserves**

<b>Dean Fisher</b>	<b>Alvechurch</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Kane Lee</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Sam Hammerton</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Liam Arrowsmith</b>	<b>Coton Green</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Ethan Hanks</b>	<b>Alvechurch</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Josh Dutton</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Chris Hughes-Tranter</b>	<b>Cadbury Athletic</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Jarrell Hylton</b>	<b>Cadbury Athletic</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Chanda Mulenga</b>	<b>Nuneaton Griff</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Chad Barrett</b>	<b>Cadbury Athletic</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>McKlane Durdey</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Daniel Lawrence</b>	<b>Alvechurch</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Elliot Nash</b>	<b>Alvechurch</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Lewis Brade</b>	<b>Alvechurch</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Zakim Evans</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Harry Landsowne</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Ryan Lloyd</b>	<b>Bolehall Swifts</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Corey Virgo-Broom</b>	<b>Alvechurch</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Liam Wickett</b>	<b>Bolehall Swifts</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Marco Wilson</b>	<b>Gresley</b>	<b>4</b>

## Under 21

Joel Steer	Tamworth	19
Ewan Dunbar	Evesham United	16
Liam Lockett	Worcester City	15
Bailey Fuller	H.O.W. Academy	12
Ryan Palmer	Coventry United	12
Sam Jeeves	Boldmere St Michaels	11
Praise Anyanegbu	Highgate United	9
Alex Knight	Tamworth	9
<b>Andre Lawrence</b>	<b>Sutton Coldfield Town</b>	<b>9</b>
Samuel Major-Beddoes	Evesham United	9
Jordan McKenzie	AFC Redditch	9
Joseph Shirley	Heath Hayes	9
<b>Riley Keasey</b>	<b>Worcester City</b>	<b>8</b>
David King-Marstaller	Milton Keynes College	8
Lewis Ludford	Coventry United	8
Aidan Moseley	Sutton Coldfield Town	8
Sam McGonaghy	Wychall Wanderers	7
Declan McMahon	Brocton	7
Khalid Rahim	FCV Reds	7
Brandon Taverner	FCV Reds	7
Jordan Thompson	Continental Star	7

## Preview

### Buildbase FA Vase

#### Desborough Town (UCL) vs **Stourport Swifts**

Desborough sit mid table in the United Counties League having won three of their last four league games. They have scored 11 goals in their last two FA Vase victories and will be a threat at their Waterworks Field home. John Dean and Jason Turner are their leading scorers with 12 goals each. Swifts have slipped to 15<sup>th</sup> in the Premier Division following 3 successive defeats conceding 13 goals in the process. Aaron Lloyd and Nick MacPherson have scored 31 goals between them and they will need to be on form to see them through to the last 16.

#### Marske United (NL vs **Hinckley AFC**

Marske are favourites to win the FA Vase sitting in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Northern League table behind former Vase winners Morpeth Town. Their recent form should give Hinckley some encouragement as they have lost 3 out of the last 5 in all competitions which included 2 defeats at home. Craig Gott is the leading scorer with 18 goals. Hinckley are on their 3<sup>rd</sup> management team of the season following the departure of Dale Belford. Their form has been excellent until the Christmas period where they picked up a solitary point from two games. One thing Hinckley don't lack is goals with Steve Hart leading the way with 23 goals. A difficult task for Hinckley but they have a habit of beating Step 5 sides in the FA Vase.

#### Newcastle Benfield (NL) vs **Coleshill Town**

Newcastle Benfield lie 13<sup>th</sup> in the Northern League with a home record of 5 defeats in 10 matches. They have lost two of their last three, both at home, which should give Coleshill some serious encouragement. Experienced striker Paul Brayson is the main threat as he has been throughout his career. He has 16 league goals to his credit this season and will have to be shackled. The Colemen reached the semi-final of the Vase last season, losing out to eventual winners South Shields. They are top of the Premier Division and are unbeaten in their last 11 games in all competitions. The loss of leading scorer Dean Rathbone is a blow however they do have goals throughout the squad. If the Colemen can play to their best, there is no reason why they should not be in Monday's draw.

#### **Westfields** vs Hamble Club (SWL)

Hamble are mid-table in the Sydenhams Wessex league and travel to Hereford having picked up just two points in their last 5 league games. They were beaten 4-0 at home by Blackfield and Langley on Saturday which cannot have been the ideal preparation for such an important cup tie. Nathan Lynch is the leading scorer with 23 goals. Westfields are in good form and are unbeaten since the beginning of November. In recent weeks, they have been scoring on a regular basis with Jamie Molyneux and Mark Magee leading the way. Fields had a great run in the FA Cup last season and they could mount a real challenge for the Vase.

#### Wisbech Town (UCL) vs **Bromsgrove Sporting**

Wisbech are flying high in the United Counties League sitting in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 6 points behind the leaders with two games in hand. They have scored 17 goals in their last 4 league games picking up 10 points. Alex Beck and Michael Frew have scored 41 goals between them this season which is more than they achieved throughout the whole of last season. Bromsgrove are 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Premier Division following promotion last season. They reached the semi-final of the Vase last season, narrowly losing out to Cleethorpes Town. They had an epic tussle with Coventry United to get to this stage, winning on penalties after four hours of football. Bromsgrove have plenty of scoring options with Jason Cowley the main threat. A tough assignment for Bromsgrove and it may be that FA Vase experience of last season which gives them the edge.

## Premier Division

With the top two in FA Vase action, **Sporting Khalsa** can go top if they can pick up all three points at lowly **Haughmond**. Bottom club **Shawbury United** picked up a much-needed three points last Saturday and they welcome 4<sup>th</sup> placed **Coventry Sphinx** to Ludlow Stadium. Sphinx are in stunning form and are unbeaten in 10 league games. 5<sup>th</sup> placed **Worcester City** have games in hand on the sides above them and they face a tough trip to 7<sup>th</sup> placed **Heanor Town**. **Highgate United** and **Long Eaton United** are both in good form and their game at The Coppice promises to be a good one. Two sides in contrasting form meet at Stourbridge Road. Home side **Lye Town** have slipped alarmingly to 17<sup>th</sup> place while visitors **Quorn** are flying under new manager Carl Abbott. **Coventry United** are on a poor run of results and they travel to the Dovecote to face **Shepshed Dynamo** who have found their early season goalscoring form. Two sides in the bottom four meet at Hillsfield with **Rocester** entertaining **South Normanton Athletic**. The sides are separated only by goal difference so a win for either could be vital as they battle to avoid the drop. **AFC Wulfrunians** and **Boldmere St Michaels** both enjoyed victories in their final game of 2017 and will be hoping to start 2018 with a win. Four straight league defeats has seen **Loughborough University** slide down the league table and they welcome 10<sup>th</sup> placed **Rugby Town** to Holywell.

## Division 1

Leaders **Leicester Road** travel to in-form **Littleton** who have won their last 6 league games to climb to 7<sup>th</sup> in the table. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed **Walsall Wood** won all three of their holiday fixtures scoring 16 goals and conceding just one. They travel to **Paget Rangers** who also won all three holiday games scoring 10 and conceding one. Two in-form sides meet at Townsend Meadow with **Racing Club Warwick** hosting **Atherstone Town**. Both sides have been scoring plenty of goals in recent weeks and this could be a goalfest. 4<sup>th</sup> placed **Studley** have maintained their position in the promotion shake up and they welcome mid table **Lichfield City** to The Beehive. **Ilkeston Town** have been without a fixture since the 9<sup>th</sup> December and will be glad to get back in action as they travel to bottom club **Coventry Alvis** who are under new management. 2<sup>nd</sup> bottom **Stafford Town** have lost their last 8 and they travel to **Chelmsley Town** who are in 13<sup>th</sup> place. **Brocton** are one place ahead of their neighbours and they welcome **Coventry Copsewood** to Silkmore Lane. Copsewood have lost their last three conceding 15 goals in the process. **Heather St Johns** have been scoring for fun of late and they travel to Rene Road to face **Bolehall Swifts** who have lost their last 4. **Nuneaton Griff** are two points and two places above the drop zone and they welcome **Pershore Town** to The Pingles Stadium. One point from 6 games has seen **Heath Hayes** drop to 15<sup>th</sup> in the table. They welcome 18<sup>th</sup> placed **Cadbury Athletic** to The Coppice Colliery Ground.

## Division 2

Leaders **NKF Burbage** host **Moors Academy** with the lead at the top of the table a healthy 6 points. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed **Montpellier** travel to **Redditch United** looking for their 3<sup>rd</sup> win on the trot to maintain pressure on the leaders. **Smithswood Firs** have games in hand on all the sides above them and they will be looking to close the gap when they travel to bottom club **Pelsall Villa**. 8<sup>th</sup> meets 10<sup>th</sup> at The Pavilions with **Earlswood Town** at home to **Bloxwich Town**. The reverse fixture was won by Earlswood in November



### Division 3

2<sup>nd</sup> placed **Bartestree** travel to bottom club **Leamington Hibernian** on the back of a 7-1 win last weekend. Bartestree won the reverse fixture 3-0. 3<sup>rd</sup> placed **AFC Solihull** travel to 2<sup>nd</sup> bottom **Castle Vale Town**, Solihull winning the first game between the sides 5-1 at Tudor Grange. 4<sup>th</sup> placed **Shipston Excelsior**, on the back of three straight victories, entertain **CT Shush**. **Central Ajax** take their unbeaten record to **Coventrians** who conceded 13 goals in two holiday fixtures. 13<sup>th</sup> meets 14<sup>th</sup> at The Hub with **Continental Star** at home to **Enville Athletic**. It's also 9<sup>th</sup> versus 10<sup>th</sup> as **Birmingham Tigers** host **Inkberrow** where a win for the home side would see them in the top half of the table.

### Les James Challenge Cup Quarter Final

**Knowle** welcome **Fairfield Villa** to The Robin's Nest with a place in the semi-final up for grabs. League form points to a home win with Knowle winning the corresponding league fixture 2-0.

### Presidents Cup Semi-Final

**Feckenham** welcome **Hampton** to The Entaco with a place in the final against either NK Burbage or Northfield Town the prize. When these two sides met in the league in November the game ended 3-3 and everything points to an entertaining semi-final.

### Challenge Vase Semi-Final

A cracker is in prospect of Division 3 heavyweights **GNP Sports** and **FC Stratford** meet at Coventry Athletics Stadium. GNP have dropped just two pints in the league this season while visitors FC Stratford have dropped just 5. With 104 league goals between them, an action-packed afternoon is in store.

### Other Fixtures

#### BIRMINGHAM SATURDAY VASE ROUND 3

Alcester Town	v	Birmingham University Medics	2.00
Northfield Town	v	Coventry Colliery	2.00
Old Wulfrunians	v	Coton Green	2.00
Triumph Athletic	v	Barnt Green Spartak	2.00

## Reserves

### CHALLENGE TROPHY ROUND 1. Group "A"

Lichfield City	v	Bolehall Swifts	3.00
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### RESERVE DIVISION

Alvechurch	v	Knowle	2.00
Cadbury Athletic	v	Gresley	2.00
Coton Green	v	Bromsgrove Sporting	3.00

## Under 21

### CHALLENGE BOWL ROUND 3

Milton Keynes College	v	Aylestone Park	10.30
Tamworth	v	Sutton Coldfield Town	10.30

### UNDER 21 DIVISION EAST

Coleshill Town	v	Atherstone Town	10.30
Coventry United	v	Bedworth United	11.00
Kettering Town	v	AFC Rushden & Diamonds Elite	10.30
Leicester Nirvana	v	Quorn	11.00

### UNDER 21 DIVISION WEST

AFC Redditch	v	Wychall Wanderers	10.30
Droitwich Spa G & B	v	Boldmere St Michaels	10.30
Evesham United	v	Heath Hayes	10.30
Highgate United	v	Continental Star	10.30
H O W Academy	v	Brocton	10.30