



Midland Football League Newsletter

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League News

Review

Premier Division

New Year's Eve

League leaders **Alvechurch** opened up a 4 point gap at the top of the table with a comprehensive 5-0 win over **Quorn** at Lye Meadow. Church were 4 up after just 21 minutes with both Danny Dubidat and Josh March scoring twice. **Sporting Khalsa** are inching ever closer to the top three as they won the local derby at **AFC Wulfrunians** 3-1 with David Meese scoring twice. Down at the bottom, **Brocton** made it two wins out of two on the road over the holiday period with a 2-1 victory at **Highgate United**. Highgate took the lead in the 3rd minute through McCauley Manning but goals late on from Matt Hardiman and Sam Bell gave the Badgers the points. They are now just two points behind **Tividale** who went down 4-1 at **Heanor Town** despite taking a half-time lead. Keenan Layton bagged a late double for Heanor. **Walsall Wood's** improvement under Harry Harris continued with a 2-1 win at **Stourport Swifts**. **Coventry Sphinx** came from behind to beat **Shepshed Dynamo** 2-1 at Sphinx Drive, Ryan Harkin with the winner in the 87th minute. **Long Eaton United** and **Loughborough University** shared the points in a 2-2 draw at Grange Park, Jo Jackson equalising for the Scholars two minutes from time.

Bank Holiday Monday

Four games fell foul of the overnight frost much to the disappointment of the clubs concerned. Leaders **Alvechurch** saw their game postponed but they were the biggest winners on a day of significant results. **St Andrews** kicked off early and started the ball rolling with a 5-1 win over **Long Eaton United** with Shay Brennan adding 2 more to his impressive season tally. **Brocton** made it three wins on the trot inflicting 2nd placed **Lye Town's** 2nd defeat of the season with a 3-1 win at Silkmore Lane. The victory lifts Brocton off the bottom of the table with Tividale frozen off. 3rd placed **Westfields** remain 12 points behind Alvechurch with 5 games in hand after they were on the hand of a 5 goal beating at **Shawbury United**. Nathan Hodge scored 4 for the home side who ran out 5-1 winners. **Coleshill Town** moved into 3rd place following an excellent 3-1 win at **Coventry United**, who remain in 6th place. **Rochester** move up to 12th place with an excellent 3-0 win on the road at **Quorn**. **Highgate United** are just behind the Romans after they beat **Boldmere St Michaels** 4-0 at The Trevor Brown Memorial Stadium which leaves the Mikes in the relegation zone.

Loughborough University move up to 11th in the table following a 4-1 win over **Coventry Sphinx**. Sphinx took the lead in the 15th minute through Callum Woodward but two goals just past the half-hour mark gave the Scholars the lead and they never looked back.

League Table

1	<u>Alvechurch</u>	26	17	5	4	60	20	40	56
2	<u>Lye Town</u>	24	15	7	2	50	21	29	52
3	<u>Coleshill Town</u>	24	14	3	7	59	36	23	45
4	<u>Westfields</u>	21	13	5	3	55	31	24	44
5	<u>Sporting Khalsa</u>	22	12	4	6	46	28	18	40
6	<u>Coventry United</u>	24	11	4	9	36	29	7	37
7	<u>Heanor Town</u>	23	10	7	6	41	36	5	37
8	<u>St Andrews</u>	25	12	1	12	53	53	0	37
9	<u>Walsall Wood</u>	24	11	2	11	35	39	-4	35
10	<u>Coventry Sphinx</u>	25	9	6	10	47	51	-4	33
11	<u>Loughborough University</u>	25	8	8	9	47	41	6	32
12	<u>Quorn</u>	24	9	4	11	30	44	-14	31
13	<u>Rocester</u>	23	8	6	9	42	47	-5	30
14	<u>Highgate United</u>	23	9	3	11	41	47	-6	30
15	<u>Shepshed Dynamo</u>	21	8	5	8	35	33	2	29
16	<u>Shawbury United</u>	26	9	1	16	49	63	-14	28
17	<u>Long Eaton United</u>	22	7	6	9	39	45	-6	27
18	<u>AFC Wulfrunians</u>	23	7	3	13	26	47	-21	24
19	<u>Stourport Swifts</u>	23	5	7	11	34	45	-11	22
20	<u>Boldmere St Michaels</u>	22	5	6	11	31	39	-8	21
21	<u>Brocton</u>	23	5	3	15	27	61	-34	18
22	<u>Tividale</u>	23	5	2	16	30	57	-27	17

Division 1

New Years Eve

Leaders **Bromsgrove Sporting** remain unbeaten however they were held to a 1-1 draw at The Victoria Ground by 5th placed **Racing Club Warwick**. Bromsgrove took the lead through Liam Spink with Wade Malley countering for the Racers. Bromsgrove lost keeper Chris Jay through injury in the second half with outfield player Aaron Roberts taking over between the posts. **Leicester Road** took full advantage to move level on points with Bromsgrove as they beat **Chelmsley Town** 4-1 at home with Darryl Thomas scoring twice. **Hinckley AFC** are just two points off the top of the table following a 3-1 win at St Johns Park against hosts and landlords **Heather St Johns**. **Lichfield City** missed the chance to climb into the top four as they were held to a goalless draw at **Pelsall Villa**. **Coventry Copsewood** are up to 12th following a 3-0 win on the road at **Pershore Town**. A goal from Ryan Millerchip gave **Nuneaton Griff** all three points at home to **Stafford Town**. **Studley** are level on points with Stafford, **Gareth Evans** scoring their goal in a 1-1 draw with Cadbury Athletic.

Bank Holiday Monday

Bromsgrove Sporting opened up a 3 point gap at the top of the table thanks to a 5-0 win at The Victoria Ground over **Pershore Town**. Andy Nicol bagged a hat-trick for Bromsgrove with Luke Shorthouse and Jason Cowley also on target. Alan Miller was another player to get a hat-trick as **Atherstone Town** beat **Nuneaton Griff** 5-0 at Sheepy Road. Bottom club **Southam United** have now conceded 94 goals in the league with **Coventry Copsewood** the latest to put the young Saints to the sword with an 8-0 victory. Connoll Farrell scored a hat-trick for Copsewood and there were braces for Danny Fraser and Dave Akinuli. **Racing Club Warwick** remain in 5th place following a 2-0 win at Townsend Meadow over 2nd bottom **Studley**. **Uttoxeter Town** had two players sent off at **Stafford Town** however two goals from Luke Lewis ensured they returned home with all 3 points in a 2-0 victory. **Littleton's** good run came to an end at home to **Cadbury Athletic** as The Chocolatememen wrapped up a 2-0 victory with both goals from Tory Herbert. A 12th-minute goal from Ryan Conlon was enough for **Chelmsley Town** to pick up all 3 points at Pack Meadow against visiting **Pelsall Villa**.

League Table

1	<u>Bromsgrove Sporting</u>	19	14	5	0	62	15	47	47
2	<u>Leicester Road</u>	19	14	2	3	59	19	40	44
3	<u>Atherstone Town</u>	21	13	4	4	53	31	22	43
4	<u>Hinckley AFC</u>	18	13	3	2	70	23	47	42
5	<u>Racing Club Warwick</u>	21	12	5	4	60	34	26	41
6	<u>Lichfield City</u>	19	12	2	5	35	21	14	38
7	<u>Littleton</u>	21	11	2	8	41	35	6	35
8	<u>Heather St Johns</u>	20	10	3	7	47	37	10	33
9	<u>Cadbury Athletic</u>	21	7	11	3	40	27	13	32
10	<u>Bolehall Swifts</u>	20	10	1	9	45	49	-4	31
11	<u>Coventry Copsewood</u>	21	8	4	9	46	47	-1	28
12	<u>Nuneaton Griff</u>	21	8	3	10	37	43	-6	27
13	<u>Uttoxeter Town</u>	20	8	2	10	33	50	-17	26
14	<u>Heath Hayes</u>	19	6	3	10	36	38	-2	21
15	<u>Chelmsley Town</u>	21	6	3	12	39	42	-3	21
16	<u>Pershore Town</u>	19	5	2	12	23	46	-23	17
17	<u>Pelsall Villa</u>	22	4	5	13	30	56	-26	17
18	<u>Stafford Town</u>	20	2	6	12	30	45	-15	12
19	<u>Studley</u>	23	3	3	17	32	74	-42	12
20	<u>Southam United</u>	19	0	3	16	8	94	-86	3

Division 2

New Years Eve

Alvis Sporting Club maintained their 6 point lead into 2017 following a 4-1 win at home over **Hampton**. Charlie Cook scored twice and there were further goals from Dildale Linton and Rickie Cutting as Alvis remain unbeaten.

Droitwich Spa stay second after goals from Max Crisp and Macauley Finch gave them all three points at **Earlswood Town**. **Fairfield Villa** are level on points in 3rd as they beat **Continental Star** 4-0 at The Hub. **Paget Rangers** bounced back to form with a 7-1 win over **Barnt Green Spartak** with Ross Dempster scoring 3 and Myles Phipps 2. **Redditch Borough** are in 4th place after a comfortable 4-0 win over **Knowle** at The Valley Stadium. **Smithswood Firs** move up to 9th after an excellent 5-1 win over **Bloxwich Town** with the goals from 5 different scorers. Two goals from Josh Duggan helped **Sutton United** to a 3-2 win over **Leamington Hibernian**. **Feckenham** leapfrog visitors **Coton Green** following a 2-0 win at The Entaco.

Bank Holiday Monday

Fairfield Villa took full advantage of the top two being frozen out by moving into 2nd place following a 3-1 win over 4th placed **Redditch Borough** with Connor Collins scoring twice. 2nd bottom **Leamington Hibernian** opened up a 5 point gap at the foot of the table following a 3-2 win over **Feckenham**. Adam Garmson scored twice for The Millers who led at half-time. **Hampton**, one place above Hibs, also picked up a much needed 3 points with a 2-1 home victory over **Earlswood Town**. **Bloxwich Town** and **Sutton United** couldn't be separated at the Red Lion Ground, 2-2 the final score, George Crowe scoring twice for Bloxwich. **Coton Green** and **Knowle** fought out a thriller at New Mill Lane, sharing the points and 6 goals with 6 different scorers in the game.

1	<u>Alvis Sporting Club</u>	15	13	2	0	35	10	25	41
2	<u>Fairfield Villa</u>	18	12	2	4	44	26	18	38
3	<u>Droitwich Spa</u>	17	11	2	4	45	17	28	35
4	<u>Redditch Borough</u>	17	9	4	4	36	18	18	28*
5	<u>Knowle</u>	16	7	5	4	35	24	11	26
6	<u>Sutton United</u>	18	8	3	7	37	47	-10	26*
7	<u>Paget Rangers</u>	12	8	1	3	36	15	21	25
8	<u>Barnt Green Spartak</u>	18	7	2	9	33	38	-5	23
9	<u>Bloxwich Town</u>	19	6	3	10	22	37	-15	21
10	<u>Smithswood Firs</u>	18	5	5	8	36	45	-9	20
11	<u>Earlswood Town</u>	19	5	4	10	28	37	-9	19
12	<u>Feckenham</u>	20	4	7	9	25	44	-19	19
13	<u>Coton Green</u>	14	4	6	4	28	26	2	18
14	<u>Hampton</u>	19	4	4	11	21	44	-23	16
15	<u>Leamington Hibernian</u>	17	4	2	11	26	40	-14	14
16	<u>Continental Star</u>	17	1	6	10	18	37	-19	9

Division 3

Leaders **NKF Burbage** picked up a point in a 2-2 draw at **Moors Academy**. Goalscorer Jack Whitehurst was sent off for the visitors who are now 10 points clear. That gap has closed thanks to **Montpellier's** 5-0 win over **Enville Athletic** at Badsey with the division's leading scorer, Stuart Hendrie, adding three more to his tally. **Northfield Town** move into 4th place after a goal-filled afternoon at **Alcester Town**. Four goals in the first 8 minutes set the tone with Northfield eventually running out 4-3 winners. Matthew Layton scored twice for Alcester with Dan Lawrence bagging a brace for Northfield. **AFC Solihull** remain bottom going into 2017 as they went down to a 3-0 defeat at Tudor Grange at the hands of **FC Stratford**. **Castle Vale Town** edged a point further away from the bottom with a 2-2 draw at **Inkberrow** for whom Thomas Clewes scored twice. **Barton United** and **Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons** couldn't find a goal between them at Holland Sports Club.

1	<u>NKF Burbage</u>	16	14	2	0	49	9	40	44
2	<u>Montpellier</u>	14	11	1	2	45	15	30	34
3	<u>Shipston Excelsior</u>	16	9	3	4	39	34	5	30
4	<u>Northfield Town</u>	13	9	1	3	39	20	19	28
5	<u>Moors Academy</u>	13	9	1	3	32	22	10	28
6	<u>Alcester Town</u>	17	8	2	7	24	20	4	26
7	<u>FC Stratford</u>	15	7	2	6	39	26	13	23
8	<u>Barton United</u>	16	6	5	5	34	22	12	23
9	<u>Inkberrow</u>	15	5	1	9	29	41	-12	16
10	<u>Enville Athletic</u>	16	5	1	10	11	27	-16	16
11	<u>Coventrians</u>	12	4	1	7	21	33	-12	13
12	<u>Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons</u>	19	3	4	12	16	41	-25	13
13	<u>Castle Vale Town</u>	18	2	3	13	19	60	-41	9
14	<u>AFC Solihull</u>	16	2	1	13	15	42	-27	7

Reserves

1	<u>Cadbury Athletic Reserves</u>	9	6	1	2	20	14	6	19
2	<u>Rocester Reserves</u>	7	5	2	0	30	10	20	17
3	<u>Romulus Reserves</u>	5	4	0	1	14	10	4	12
4	<u>Lichfield City Reserves</u>	5	3	0	2	21	11	10	9
5	<u>Walsall Wood Reserves</u>	6	3	0	3	13	11	2	9
6	<u>Coton Green Reserves</u>	7	2	0	5	11	22	-11	6
7	<u>Gresley Reserves</u>	5	1	1	3	6	9	-3	4
8	<u>Brocton Reserves</u>	4	0	2	2	7	10	-3	2
9	<u>Continental Star Reserves</u>	3	0	1	2	1	6	-5	1
10	<u>Tipton Town Reserves</u>	5	0	1	4	8	28	-20	1

Leading scorers

Ezekiel Agyemang	Tipton Town	14
Terence Davies	Tipton Town	14
Daniel Craythorne	Lichfield City	13
Oliver Roome	Rocester	13
Josh Dutton	Gresley	12
Chad Barrett	Cadbury Athletic	12
Zain Thomas	Romulus	11
Kieran Smith	Brocton	10
Romano Graham	Walsall Wood	9

Under 21

U21 North

U21 South

1 <u>Coleshill Town U21</u>	6411178 9 13	1 <u>Kettering Town U21</u>	550015 3 12 15
2 <u>Aylestone Park U21</u>	54011911 8 12	2 <u>Bedworth United U21</u>	650119 8 11 15
3 <u>Sutton Coldfield Town U21</u>	62221715 2 8	3 <u>Alvechurch U21</u>	531115 8 7 10
4 <u>Brocton U21</u>	321010 3 7 7	4 <u>AFC Rushden & Diamonds U21</u>	93151424-1010
5 <u>Tamworth U21</u>	320119 5 14 6	5 <u>Highgate United U21</u>	4301 7 4 3 9
6 <u>Heath Hayes U21</u>	4022 6 14 -8 2	6 <u>Bromsgrove Sporting U21</u>	5212 6 6 0 7
7 <u>Leek Town U21</u>	3003 3 19-16 0	7 <u>Coventry United U21</u>	2101 1 1 0 3
8 <u>West Midlands Football Academy U21</u>	4004 2 18-16 0	8 <u>H.O.W. Academy U21</u>	81071122-11 3
		9 <u>Droitwich Spa BG U21</u>	5014 5 16-11 1
		10 <u>Kings Heath Concorde U21</u>	1001 0 1 -1 0

James McGrady	Heath Hayes	18
James Parker	Aylestone Park	17
Reece Snape	Coventry United	14
John Dodd	Tamworth	13
Brad Rolston	Heath Hayes	12
Ryan Palmer	Coventry United	11
Jordan Wilson	Kettering Town	11
Josh Oultram	Leek Town	11
Jack Tonks	Brocton	10
Ben Cooling	Heath Hayes	10
Jack Cook	Tamworth, Coleshill Town	9
Michael Wright	Tamworth	9
Nathan Cadby	Bedworth United	9

Premier Division

Shay Brennan	St Andrews	26
Josh March	Alvechurch	24
Nathan Hodge	Shawbury United	24
Richard Greaves	Westfields	23
David Meese	Sporting Khalsa	20
Jack Till	Lye Town	18
Craig Jones	Westfields	18
Kieran Debrouwer	Heanor Town	17
Andrew Bridge	Loughborough University	16
Marco Adaggio	Highgate United	15
Lei Brown	Highgate United	14
Ben Billingham	Lye Town	14
Elliot Putman	St Andrews	13
Dan Polan	Westfields	12
Nathan Dale	Quorn	12
Drew Aiton	Walsall Wood	12
McCauley Manning	Highgate United	12
Callum Riddell	Rocester	12
Charles Knowles	Shawbury United	11
Sam Hollis	St Andrews	11
Kevin Hemagou	Long Eaton United	11
Reece Shilvock	Stourport Swifts, Alvechurch	11
Dean Rathbone	Coleshill Town	11
Karl Ashton	Rocester	10
Elliott Reeves	Heanor Town	10
Daniel Dubidat	Alvechurch	10
Liam Read	Shepshed Dynamo	10
Martin Smyth	Rocester	10
Mykel Beckley	Coventry United, Coleshill Town	10

Division 1

Ryan Seal	Hinckley AFC	34
Alex Naughton	Atherstone Town	32
Connoll Farrell	Studley, Coventry Copsewood	20
Wade Malley	Racing Club Warwick	19
Matthew Stenson	Leicester Road	17
Kyle Turner	Atherstone Town, Bolehall Swifts	17
Paul Sullivan	Hinckley AFC	16
Matt Brennan	Nuneaton Griff	15
Tom Bates	Nuneaton Griff	15
Gareth Evans	Pershore Town, Studley	15
Jason Cowley	Bromsgrove Sporting	15
Luke Lewis	Uttoxeter Town	15
Joe Obi	Bolehall Swifts	14
Joel Ambalu	Heather St Johns	14
Daniel Carter	Littleton	14
Sam Agar	Hinckley AFC	13
Ben Lund	Lichfield City	13
Sean Brain	Bromsgrove Sporting, Littleton	13
Jamie Smith	Racing Club Warwick	13
Jamie Clarke	Pershore Town	12
Darryl Thomas	Leicester Road	12
David Akinuli	Coventry Copsewood	12
Jordan Francis	Bolehall Swifts	11
Jake Holt	Leicester Road	11
Joe Hartshorne	Heath Hayes	11
Chris Lloyd	Bromsgrove Sporting	11
Gary Turner	Chelmsley Town	10

Division 2

Daniel Carter	Paget Rangers	27
Thomas Craine	Knowle	18
Connor Collins	Fairfield Villa	18
Jak Albutt	Redditch Borough	15
Nick Seabourne	Droitwich Spa	14
Mark Bellingham	Paget Rangers	13
Dildale Linton	Alvis Sporting Club	13
Pedro Douglas	Continental Star	12
James Lemon	Droitwich Spa	12
Andrew Millan	Coton Green	12
Liam Fullerton	Redditch Borough	11
Joseph Wright	Leamington Hibernian	10
George Ford	Sutton United	10
Dan Pidgeon	Alvis Sporting Club	10
Martin Crawford	Smithswood Firs	10
Benet Parchment	Barnt Green Spartak	10
Tyron Smith	Smithswood Firs	10
Charlie Cook	Alvis Sporting Club	9
Sam Hulme	Smithswood Firs	9
Ross Dempster	Paget Rangers	8

Division 3

Stuart Hendrie	Montpellier	25
Daniel Priest	Northfield Town	16
Jay Tilbury	FC Stratford	13
Montel Okoro	Moors Academy	12
Dale Wigmore	Coventrians	12
Tom Smith	NKF Burbage	11
Peter Martin	Barton United	11
Jess Adcock	NKF Burbage	10
Lewis Fathers	Shipston Excelsior	9
Alex Coultas	NKF Burbage	9
Charlie Adcock	NKF Burbage	9
Dan Lawrence	Northfield Town	9
Freddy Murphy	FC Stratford	8
Nathan Astill	NKF Burbage	7
Lewis Chester	Coventrians	7
Callum Coyle	Moors Academy	7
Jake Harris	Shipston Excelsior	7
Lee Hendrie	Montpellier	7
Lewis Jones	Northfield Town	7
Matthew Layton	Alcester Town	7

Preview

FA Vase Round 4

Ely City vs Shepshed Dynamo

Shepshed travel to Eastern Counties League Ely City with both teams looking to progress to Round 5 for the first time in their respective histories. Ely are 16th in the table and have won both of their holiday games including a 5-4 win over Walsham Le Willows last time out. Alex Theobald is the leading scorer with 13 goals this season. Shepshed last win came at Long Eaton United in the previous round of the competition. They have come through three tough away ties to get to this stage and there is confidence that they can do the same again.

Gorleston vs Coleshill Town

Eastern Counties League meets MFL again in Great Yarmouth with two of the leading sides from both leagues going head to head. Gorleston are unbeaten in the league and lie in 3rd place with 5 games in hand on the leaders Mildenhall Town. Gorleston have won their last 9 games in all competitions and will provide a real challenge to the Coleman. Connor Ingram is the leading scorer with 17 goals this season. Coleshill are 3rd in the Premier Division and, after a minor blip following the departure of manager Paul Casey, have come back well winning their last three games scoring 12 goals in the process. Coleshill have plenty of goals in their squad and they will have to be on top of their game to progress. Extra-time and a replay would not be a big surprise.

Hinckley AFC vs Berkhamsted

A huge afternoon for Hinckley who welcome Spartan South Midlands league Berkhamsted to St Johns Park. The visitors are 8th in the Premier Division winning on Monday after a run of four successive defeats. Ashton Campbell is their leading goalscorer with 14 goals but, like Hinckley, they share the goals around the side. Hinckley are one step below their visitors but are flying in 4th place in Division 1 just 5 points behind leaders Bromsgrove Sporting. Seventy league goals in 18 games shows the strength of the side and in Ryan Seal, they have a player that has scored 34 goals this season. On paper, this will be a giant-killing should Hinckley emerge victorious – let's hope so.

Sporting Khalsa v Tring Athletic

Another match up against a Spartan South Midlands League side at the Aspray Arena. Visitors Tring Athletic are in 7th place in the league with 5 games in hand on the leaders. Two wins over the holiday period has helped but their results before that were mixed with a number of defeats plus a 6-1 away win at Leverstock Green. Sam Joliffe and Chris Vardy are joint top scorers with 11 goals apiece. Khalsa reached this stage following a dramatic 5-5 draw at home to Sleaford Town before winning the replay 3-0. They are in 5th place in the Premier Division and, like Coleshill will remain in the promotion mix. David Meese is having a stellar season in front of goal with 20 to his name but there are goals throughout the team. Expect another tight affair and Khalsa in the hat for round 5.

Sun Sports vs Bromsgrove Sporting

Unbeaten Division 1 leaders Bromsgrove travel to Watford to face yet another challenge to the MFL from the Spartans South Midlands League. Sun Sports are in 13th place and without a league win in 7 games. They have conceded 3 goals in each of their last four home league games which should encourage a side with the attacking prowess of The Rouslers Dominic David with 18 and Chris Blunden with 16 are the main marksmen. Bromsgrove are still unbeaten going into 2017 and lead Division 1 by 3 points. They have scored 24 goals in their last 5 league games with Jason Cowley leading the way on 15. Could the MFL possibly get two Division 1 sides through to Round 5? There is every chance

Premier Division

Game of the day sees leaders **Alvechurch** welcome **Brocton** to Lye Meadow with the Badgers having won their last three games to climb off the bottom. With their last victory being against 2nd placed Lye Town, Alvechurch will be well aware of the threat as they look to keep the promotion push on full throttle. 2nd placed **Lye Town** attempt to respond to that defeat at Brocton when they welcome a resurgent **Walsall Wood** to Stourbridge Road. The Wood have found some form under new manager Harry Harris with four wins on the trot all by the same margin, 2-1. **Westfields** will want to forget their holiday fixtures as soon as possible with one point out of 6 and 8 goals conceded. **St Andrews** are the visitors to Allpay Park and goals are likely with St Andrews having scored and conceded 53 goals this term. **AFC Wulfrunians** have lost their last 4 league games and are deep in a relegation battle. They welcome bottom club **Tividale** to Castlecroft in a game that is of massive importance to both sides. **Boldmere St Michaels** are in the drop zone and they welcome 7th placed **Heanor Town** to the Trevor Brown Memorial Ground. The game at The Town Ground between the two sides ended all square and this one should be equally as tight. **Stourport Swifts** are one place above the Mikes and they host **Loughborough University** who come into the game on the back of an excellent win on Tuesday night over Coventry Sphinx. **Shawbury United** had an excellent victory over Westfields on Monday and they travel to **Coventry Sphinx** with 5 wins out of the last 7 games. There is an attractive looking fixture at The Coppice as **Highgate United** welcome 6th placed **Coventry United**. Coventry have won two out of the last 9 games and when the sides met at Sphinx Drive, Highgate ran out 3-1 winners. Three points from their last 5 games has seen **Long Eaton United** slip to 17th position and they are worryingly close to the bottom three. They travel to mid-table **Quorn** who themselves only picked up 1 point in 3 holiday games.

Division 1

Atherstone Town can move to within a point of the leaders if they can take all 3 points at **Heath Hayes**. It should be a good game at Allard Way when two in-form sides meet. Hosts **Coventry Copsewood** have taken 15 points out of 18 and have climbed to 11th in the table. Visitors **Racing Club Warwick** are 5th and in touch with the leaders. **Lichfield City** are only 9 points off top spot and they welcome **Uttoxeter Town** to The McDonalds Community Stadium. At the foot of the table, 2nd bottom **Studley** welcome 7th placed **Littleton** to The Beehive. At Evans Park, 18th meets 17th as **Stafford Town** entertain **Pelsall Villa**. **Pershore Town** have lost 5 league games on the trot without scoring and they attempt to change their fortunes at home to mid-table **Cadbury Athletic**. There have been 37 goals in the last 6 league games involving **Bolehall Swifts** and expect the trend to continue at Rene Road when they entertain improving **Chelmsley Town**.

Division 2

Alvis Sporting Club can extend their lead back to 6 points with a win away to 2nd bottom **Leamington Hibernian**. It's 5th versus 4th at The Robins Nest as **Knowle** take on **Redditch Borough**, Redditch winning the reverse fixture 4-0. At the bottom, **Continental Star** face **Earlswood Town** at The Hub with a gap of 5 points between themselves and 2nd bottom. Sutton United meet **Smithswood Firs** and when the two sides met earlier in the season, Sutton ran out 5-4 victors. **Feckenham** entertain **Bloxwich Town** at The Entaco where a win for The Millers would see them overtake their visitors.

Division 3

Montpellier travel to **Inkberrow** and they can close the gap at the top to just 7 points should they return victorious. **Northfield Town** can stay in contact with Montpellier should they take all 3 points at **Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons**. 4th placed **Shipston Excelsior** welcome **Barton United** to London Road and a win for the home side will keep them in touch. **Moors Academy** held the leaders last week and they can build on this as they travel to Hall Drive to face **Enville Athletic**. There is a huge game at the bottom of the table as the bottom two meet at The Vale Stadium. **Castle Vale Town** are currently two points ahead of **AFC Solihull** but a win for the visitors would lift them off the bottom for the first time since August. Free-scoring **FC Stratford** welcome **Coventrians** to Knights Lane in a game that looks full of goals.

President's Cup

In the quarter-finals of The Presidents Cup, **Droitwich Spa** welcome **Barnt Green Spartak** to King George Playing Fields with the winners having a home semi-final against either Knowle or Alvis Sporting Club. **Hampton** entertain **Coton Green** in the opposite side of the draw with the winners at home to Fairfield Villa or Continental Star in the semi-final.

Reserves

CHALLENGE TROPHY ROUND 1

Group "B"

CADBURY ATHLETIC	v	ROMULUS	2.00
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RESERVE DIVISION

BROCTON	v	LICHFIELD CITY	
COTON GREEN	v	TIPTON TOWN	
GRESLEY	v	CONTINENTAL STAR	
WALSALL WOOD	v	ROCESTER	



Under 21

CHALLENGE BOWL ROUND 1

Group "A"

ALVECHURCH	v	COVENTRY UNITED	10.30
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Group "B"

BROCTON	v	TAMWORTH	10.30
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Group "C"

BROMSGROVE SPORTING	v	H O W ACADEMY	10.30
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UNDER 21 DIVISION NORTH

AYLESTONE PARK	v	LEEK TOWN	12.30
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SUTTON COLDFIELD TOWN	v	COLESHILL TOWN	10.30
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Open: HEATH HAYES

UNDER 21 DIVISION SOUTH

AFC RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	v	KINGS HEATH CONCORDE	10.30
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BEDWORTH UNITED	v	HIGHGATE UNITED	11.00
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DROITWICH SPA G & B	v	KETTERING TOWN	10.30
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Other Cups

SMEDLEY CROOKE MEMORIAL CHARITY CUP ROUND 2

FAIRFIELD VILLA	v	PAGET RANGERS	1.30
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LEICESTERSHIRE INTERMEDIATE CUP ROUND 4

LUTTERWORTH ATHLETIC RES.		NKF BURBAGE	1.00
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