



# Midland Football League Newsletter

23rd November 2016

## League News

**West Midlands Football Academy** have resigned from the Under 21 Division with immediate effect. Their playing record will be expunged shortly.

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## Travels of the Press Officer

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

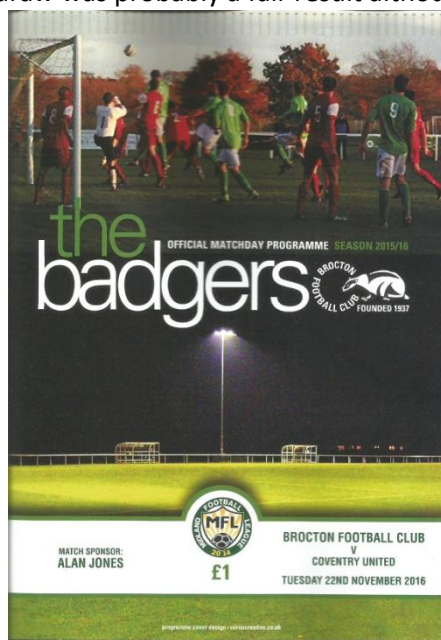
Premier Division (35)

### Brocton 1 Coventry United 1

With a number of games falling foul of the weather, it was a real bonus that this game at Silkmore Lane was taking place. Bottom club Brocton had been playing some good football without getting the results their performances deserved. Coventry United are very much upwardly mobile and in the promotion mix for this season. Brocton started brightly with Jack Edwards causing problems down the right. With their first attack of note in the 8<sup>th</sup> minute, Coventry United took the lead. Ben Taylor misjudged a long ball forward allowing the ball to bounce over him. Simeon Townsend took full advantage only to be brought down by keeper Aidan Stone in the area. Kevin Thornton made no mistake from the spot. Ross Briscoe had a half chance for Coventry in the 12<sup>th</sup> minute but blasted well wide. Brocton came close to an equaliser in the 24<sup>th</sup> minute. Edwards knocked the ball across to Dan Lomas who flicked the ball forward. Veteran striker Paul McMahon reacted quickest and lifted the ball over Richard Morris but against the crossbar. Three minutes later, a firm header from Briscoe was well saved by Stone. The game was pretty even with both sides battling away in midfield. The woodwork rescued Coventry again three minutes before half-time. Skipper Lomas picked his spot from 30 yards and his piledriver rattled the post with Morris beaten.

Brocton went close to an equaliser 4 minutes into the second half but McMahon's header drifted narrowly wide. Townsend was unlucky for Coventry as his turn and shot was blocked on the line by Adam Robinson. Brocton hit the woodwork for the third time in the 69<sup>th</sup> minute when Josh Wilson's cross deceived Morris and hit the top of the bar. In the 78<sup>th</sup> minute, Brocton were given a lifeline when a challenge in the area led to a Brocton penalty. Up stepped Dave Ablewhite but Morris saved brilliantly. Unfortunately for the Coventry keeper, Wilson reacted quickest and hammered home the rebound. McMahon was almost through but Rob Prinzel denied him with a superb tackle. With 5 minutes remaining, Ablewhite hit a fine shot but it was straight at Morris. A minute later, Dylan Osmudy skipped through the Brocton defence but slid his shot wide of the post. Edwards then hit a shot straight at the keeper as both sides went for the win. Three minutes into stoppage time, a chip from Josh O'Grady was clawed away by Stone. Stone preserved a point for Brocton making an excellent save from a shot from Osmudy.

Over the 90 minutes, a draw was probably a fair result although Brocton would feel that lady luck was not on their side.



## Review

### Premier Division

League leaders **Alvechurch** scored three unanswered first-half goals at **Rocester** and that's how the score remained. Dave Bellis scored twice and there was another for the division's leading scorer, Josh March. **Lye Town** are level on points and just two goals behind on goal difference after they beat **Coventry Sphinx** 5-0 at Stourbridge Road. Sphinx were reduced to 10 men in just the 6<sup>th</sup> minute when Aron Wint saw red and they were unable to keep out in-form Lye with Ben Billingham scoring twice. **Coleshill Town** are back in third place after they beat **Shawbury United** 6-1 at Pack Meadow. There was a hat-trick for Mykel Beckley inside the first half hour and Luke Shorthouse also scored twice. FA Cup heroes **Westfields** slipped to fourth place after they were held to a goalless draw at Allpay Park by **AFC Wulfrunians**. A last-minute goal from Lewis Taylor-Boyce gave **Sporting Khalsa** all three points in a 3-2 win at **Tividale**. **Heanor Town** are up to 6<sup>th</sup> following an excellent 4-2 win at **Loughborough University**. **Coventry United** drop to 7<sup>th</sup> after they were beaten 3-1 at Sphinx Drive by improving **Highgate United**. At the bottom, **Brocton** picked up a valuable away point in a goalless draw at **Quorn**. **Stourport Swifts** remain in the bottom four following a 1-0 defeat at **Walsall Wood**, Drew Aiton with the only goal from the penalty spot. **Boldmere St Michaels** are one place ahead of Swifts as they went down 3-1 at **Shepshed Dynamo** for whom Joe Pheasant scored twice. **Long Eaton United** followed up their excellent FA Vase win with a 2-0 victory over **St Andrews** at Grange Park with both goals coming in the last 17 minutes.

Bottom side **Brocton** made it two draws in succession as they finished 1-1 with **Coventry United**. **Boldmere St Michaels** lost their 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive home game on their new 3G pitch, **Rocester** running out 2-1 winners. **Coventry Sphinx** and **Highgate United** shared the points after a 1-1 draw at Sphinx Drive.

## League Table

1	<u>Alvechurch</u>	20	12	5	3	42	16	26	41
2	<u>Lye Town</u>	18	12	5	1	39	15	24	41
3	<u>Coleshill Town</u>	18	11	3	4	43	24	19	36
4	<u>Westfields</u>	14	11	1	2	39	16	23	34
5	<u>Sporting Khalsa</u>	17	9	4	4	39	23	16	31
6	<u>Coventry United</u>	17	9	2	6	29	21	8	29
7	<u>Heanor Town</u>	17	8	5	4	32	29	3	29
8	<u>St Andrews</u>	18	9	1	8	33	28	5	28
9	<u>Walsall Wood</u>	18	8	1	9	26	28	-2	25
10	<u>Shepshed Dynamo</u>	16	7	3	6	32	29	3	24
11	<u>Coventry Sphinx</u>	18	6	6	6	34	37	-3	24
12	<u>Quorn</u>	18	7	3	8	23	30	-7	24
13	<u>Loughborough University</u>	17	6	4	7	31	28	3	22
14	<u>Rocester</u>	17	6	4	7	35	40	-5	22
15	<u>Highgate United</u>	17	6	3	8	28	36	-8	21
16	<u>AFC Wulfrunians</u>	17	6	2	9	17	31	-14	20
17	<u>Long Eaton United</u>	16	5	4	7	26	31	-5	19
18	<u>Boldmere St Michaels</u>	17	3	6	8	22	24	-2	15
19	<u>Stourport Swifts</u>	17	3	5	9	19	31	-12	14
20	<u>Tividale</u>	18	4	2	12	24	43	-19	14
21	<u>Shawbury United</u>	19	4	1	14	31	53	-22	13
22	<u>Brocton</u>	16	2	2	12	16	47	-31	8

## Division 1

**Leicester Road** are two points clear at the top of the table as they beat **Studley** 3-1, with two late goals from Darryl Thomas sealing the victory. A last minute goal from Frederick Mtumbi gave **Stafford Town** an unexpected point at **Bromsgrove Sporting**. **Atherstone Town** are in 2<sup>nd</sup> place following a 3-1 win at Sheepy Road over visiting **Racing Club Warwick**. **Hinckley AFC** move up to 4<sup>th</sup> after an impressive 4-0 win at **Lichfield City**, the prolific Ryan Seal with two more. The scoreline of the day was undoubtedly from St Johns Park as **Heather St Johns** put 10 past bottom club **Southam United**, with Leon Weller and Ahkeem Rose both scoring twice. **Bolehall Swifts** are just 6 points off the top and they continued their good run of results with a 3-1 win at **Coventry Copsewood**, Jordan Francis scoring twice. Martin Gadsby scored twice for **Uttoxeter Town** as they beat **Pelsall Villa** 3-2 at Oldfields. Daniel Carter was another to bag a brace, this time for **Littleton** as they were held 2-2 by **Chelmsley Town**. **Cadbury Athletic** move into the top half of the table following a 3-0 win over **Pershore Town**.

League leaders **Leicester Road** suffered only their second defeat of the season, a Jake Brown goal giving **Racing Club Warwick** all three points at Townsend Meadow.

## League Table

1	<u>Leicester Road</u>	14	11	1	2	46	14	32	34
2	<u>Atherstone Town</u>	15	10	2	3	39	24	15	32
3	<u>Bromsgrove Sporting</u>	13	9	4	0	34	10	24	31
4	<u>Hinckley AFC</u>	13	9	3	1	52	16	36	30
5	<u>Lichfield City</u>	14	9	1	4	27	17	10	28
6	<u>Bolehall Swifts</u>	15	9	1	5	35	26	9	28
7	<u>Racing Club Warwick</u>	15	8	4	3	34	27	7	28
8	<u>Heather St Johns</u>	14	7	3	4	38	27	11	24
9	<u>Nuneaton Griff</u>	15	7	3	5	33	25	8	24
10	<u>Cadbury Athletic</u>	15	4	8	3	29	23	6	20
11	<u>Littleton</u>	15	6	2	7	25	31	-6	20
12	<u>Uttoxeter Town</u>	14	6	2	6	24	32	-8	20
13	<u>Heath Hayes</u>	15	5	2	8	26	27	-1	17
14	<u>Pershore Town</u>	15	5	2	8	23	31	-8	17
15	<u>Chelmsley Town</u>	15	4	2	9	24	31	-7	14
16	<u>Coventry Copsewood</u>	15	3	4	8	27	38	-11	13
17	<u>Pelsall Villa</u>	15	3	3	9	22	42	-20	12
18	<u>Stafford Town</u>	14	1	5	8	20	32	-12	8
19	<u>Studley</u>	17	2	2	13	20	55	-35	8
20	<u>Southam United</u>	14	0	2	12	5	55	-50	2

## Division 2

**Droitwich Spa** are new leaders in division 2 and they reached the summit in style with a 10-1 win over **Sutton United**. Nick Seabourne managed the unusual feat of a double hat-trick (6 goals). Connor Collins scored twice as **Fairfield Villa** move up to 3<sup>rd</sup> with a 6-3 victory over **Leamington Hibernian**. **Feckenham** beat **Bloxwich Town** 1-0 thanks to a Ryan Edwards goal to leapfrog their hosts into 9<sup>th</sup> place.

1	<u>Droitwich Spa</u>	13	8	2	3	38	15	23	26
2	<u>Alvis Sporting Club</u>	10	8	2	0	21	6	15	26
3	<u>Fairfield Villa</u>	12	7	2	3	29	22	7	23
4	<u>Paget Rangers</u>	9	7	1	1	28	10	18	22
5	<u>Knowle</u>	11	5	3	3	25	15	10	18
6	<u>Redditch Borough</u>	12	6	3	3	23	14	9	18*
7	<u>Barnt Green Spartak</u>	12	5	2	5	26	23	3	17
8	<u>Sutton United</u>	11	5	2	4	22	30	-8	16*
9	<u>Feckenham</u>	14	3	6	5	20	32	-12	15
10	<u>Bloxwich Town</u>	13	4	2	7	15	24	-9	14
11	<u>Coton Green</u>	9	3	4	2	20	14	6	13
12	<u>Smithswood Firs</u>	12	2	4	6	23	36	-13	10
13	<u>Hampton</u>	13	2	4	7	12	28	-16	10
14	<u>Leamington Hibernian</u>	12	2	2	8	20	30	-10	8
15	<u>Continental Star</u>	11	1	5	5	12	22	-10	8
16	<u>Earlswood Town</u>	12	2	2	8	14	27	-13	8

### Division 3

The result of the day came at Kirkby Road as leaders **NKF Burbage** dropped their first points of the season in a 1-1 draw with **Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons**. Bottom club **AFC Solihull** followed last week's first point of the season with their first win of the season, beating **Inkberrow** 3-1 at Tudor Grange. Steve Boyce netted a hat-trick as **FC Stratford** beat **Castle Vale Town** 5-0. A last minute goal from Chris Francis gave **Barton United** a 2-2 draw at home to **Montpellier**.

1	<u>NKF Burbage</u>	12	11	10	3	6	5	31	34	
2	<u>Shipston Excelsior</u>	11	7	2	2	8	21	7	23	
3	<u>Montpellier</u>	10	7	1	2	9	13	16	22	
4	<u>Northfield Town</u>	10	7	1	2	3	0	15	15	22
5	<u>Moors Academy</u>	9	6	0	3	2	2	18	4	18
6	<u>Alcester Town</u>	12	6	0	6	1	7	13	4	18
7	<u>FC Stratford</u>	11	5	1	5	2	3	2	1	16
8	<u>Inkberrow</u>	10	5	0	5	2	3	18	5	15
9	<u>Barton United</u>	10	3	3	4	1	7	19	-2	12
10	<u>Enville Athletic</u>	11	4	0	7	7	17	-10	12	
11	<u>Boldmere Sports &amp; Social Falcons</u>	13	2	3	8	13	29	-16	9	
12	<u>Castle Vale Town</u>	13	2	2	9	14	39	-25	8	
13	<u>Coventrians</u>	9	2	1	6	14	27	-13	7	
14	<u>AFC Solihull</u>	11	1	1	9	11	28	-17	4	



## Other Cups

A double from Matt Brennan helped **Nuneaton Griff** to a 3-1 win over Triumph Athletic in the Coventry Evening telegraph Cup.

There were 10 games involving MFL clubs in the Birmingham Vase. Three games went to penalties. **Earlswood Town** and **Coton Green** finished goalless with Coton winning the shootout 4-1. Darlaston Town and **Alcester Town** finished 2-2 after 90 minutes with Darlaston progressing 4-2 on penalties. **Smithswood Firs** travelled to Tipton Town and that too finished at 2-2 after 90 minutes. It was the home side that progressed winning 5-3 after spot kicks. Rickie Cutting scored three times as **Alvis Sporting Club** beat Jet Blades 4-1. **Barnt Green Spartak** were involved in a thriller at home to Stockton but it was the visitors that progressed winning 4-3. **Redditch Borough** made it through to the next round with a comfortable 3-0 win at Coventry Colliery. A goal from Nathan Corry gave **Knowle** victory at **Enville Athletic**. Doubles from Gareth Parfitt and Luke White helped **Hampton** to a 6-4 victory over Bustlehome. **Northfield Town** edged past **Coventrians** winning 3-2 with a double from Lewis Jones. **Paget Rangers** got back to winning ways after their excellent run in the FA Vase, Daniel Carter scoring both goals in a 2-0 win at Silhil.

## Reserves

### CHALLENGE TROPHY ROUND 1

#### Group "A"

BROCTON	5	v	0	LICHFIELD CITY
GRESLEY	2	v	0	ROCESTER

#### Group "B"

CONTINENTAL STAR	2	v	0	TIPTON TOWN
COTON GREEN	0	v	4	CADBURY ATHLETIC

### RESERVE DIVISION

ROMULUS	2	v	1	WALSALL WOOD
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1	<u>Rocester Reserves</u>	7	5	2	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	1	7
2	<u>Romulus Reserves</u>	5	4	0	1	1	4	1	0	4	1	2	
3	<u>Cadbury Athletic Reserves</u>	6	3	1	2	1	1	1	4	-3	1	0	
4	<u>Lichfield City Reserves</u>	3	2	0	1	1	5	9	6	6	6		
5	<u>Walsall Wood Reserves</u>	5	2	0	3	1	1	1	0	1	6		
6	<u>Coton Green Reserves</u>	5	2	0	3	9	1	4	-5	6	6		
7	<u>Gresley Reserves</u>	4	1	1	2	6	7	-1	4	4			
8	<u>Brocton Reserves</u>	4	0	2	2	7	1	0	-3	2			
9	<u>Continental Star Reserves</u>	3	0	1	2	1	6	-5	1	1			
10	<u>Tipton Town Reserves</u>	4	0	1	3	8	2	2	-1	4	1		

#### Leading scorers

Ezekiel Agyemang	Tipton Town	14
Terence Davies	Tipton Town	14
Oliver Roome	Rocester	13
Josh Dutton	Gresley	12
Zain Thomas	Romulus	11
Daniel Craythorne	Lichfield City	11
Kieran Smith	Brocton	9

## Under 21

### CHALLENGE BOWL ROUND 1

#### Group "A"

HIGHGATE UNITED	2	v	3	ALVECHURCH
KETTERING TOWN	3	v	1	SUTTON COLDFIELD TOWN

#### Group "B"

BROCTON	2	v	0	BEDWORTH UNITED
HEATH HAYES	11	v	0	DROITWICH SPA G & B

#### Group "C"

AFC RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	3	v	3	COLESHILL TOWN
LEEK TOWN	1	v	5	H O W ACADEMY

### U21 North

### U21 South

1 <u>Aylestone Park U21</u>	4 3 0 1 15 9 6 9	1 <u>Bedworth United U21</u>	3 3 0 0 9 3 6 9
2 <u>Sutton Coldfield Town U21</u>	3 2 1 0 11 2 9 7	2 <u>Kettering Town U21</u>	2 2 0 0 8 0 8 6
3 <u>Coleshill Town U21</u>	4 2 1 1 10 6 4 7	3 <u>Highgate United U21</u>	2 2 0 0 4 0 4 6
4 <u>Brocton U21</u>	2 2 0 0 7 0 7 6	4 <u>AFC Rushden &amp; Diamonds U21</u>	5 2 0 3 9 15 $\frac{-}{6}$ 6
5 <u>Heath Hayes U21</u>	3 0 2 1 4 11 -7 2	5 <u>Bromsgrove Sporting U21</u>	3 1 1 1 5 4 1 4
6 <u>Tamworth U21</u>	1 0 0 1 2 3 -1 0	6 <u>Alvechurch U21</u>	2 1 1 0 3 2 1 4
7 <u>Leek Town U21</u>	1 0 0 1 2 4 -2 0	7 <u>H.O.W. Academy U21</u>	5 1 0 4 7 12 $\frac{-}{5}$ 3
8 <u>West Midlands Football Academy U21</u>	4 0 0 4 2 18 $\frac{-}{16}$ 0	8 <u>Coventry United U21</u>	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
		9 <u>Kings Heath Concorde U21</u>	1 0 0 1 0 1 $\frac{-}{1}$ 0
		10 <u>Droitwich Spa BG U21</u>	3 0 0 3 2 10 $\frac{-}{8}$ 0

**James McGrady** (Heath Hayes) 17, **James Parker** (Aylestone Park) 14, **Reece Snape** (Coventry United) 14, , **Ryan Palmer** (Coventry United) 11, **Jordan Wilson** (Kettering Town) 11, **Josh Oultram** (Leek Town) 10, **Jack Tonks** (Brocton) 10, **Ben Cooling** (Heath Hayes) 10, **Brad Rolston** (Heath Hayes) 10

## Leading Goalscorers (all competitions)

### Premier Division

Josh March	Alvechurch	19
David Meese	Sporting Khalsa	17
Kieran Debrouwer	Heanor Town	16
Jack Till	Lye Town	16
Andrew Bridge	Loughborough University	15
Richard Greaves	Westfields	15
Shay Brennan	St Andrews	14
Lei Brown	Highgate United	13
Nathan Hodge	Shawbury United	12
Jamie Molyneux	Westfields (now Hereford)	12
Craig Jones	Westfields	12
Dan Polan	Westfields	12
Callum Riddell	Rocester	11
Drew Aiton	Walsall Wood	11
Karl Ashton	Rocester	10
Elliot Putman	St Andrews	10
Reece Shilvock	Stourport Swifts, Alvechurch	10

**Division 1**

<b>Ryan Seal</b>	<b>Hinckley AFC</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Alex Naughton</b>	<b>Atherstone Town</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Matthew Stenson</b>	<b>Leicester Road</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Matt Brennan</b>	<b>Nuneaton Griff</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Tom Bates</b>	<b>Nuneaton Griff</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Sam Agar</b>	<b>Hinckley AFC</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Ben Lund</b>	<b>Lichfield City</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Connoll Farrell</b>	<b>Studley, Coventry Copsewood</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Kyle Turner</b>	<b>Atherstone Town, Bolehall Swifts</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Joe Obi</b>	<b>Bolehall Swifts</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Joel Ambalu</b>	<b>Heather St Johns</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Luke Lewis</b>	<b>Uttoxeter Town</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Daniel Carter</b>	<b>Littleton</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Jordan Francis</b>	<b>Bolehall Swifts</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Wade Malley</b>	<b>Racing Club Warwick</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Jamie Clarke</b>	<b>Pershore Town</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Joe Hartshorne</b>	<b>Heath Hayes</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Jake Holt</b>	<b>Leicester Road</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Gary Turner</b>	<b>Chelmsley Town</b>	<b>10</b>

**Division 2**

<b>Daniel Carter</b>	<b>Paget Rangers</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Thomas Craine</b>	<b>Knowle</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Jak Albutt</b>	<b>Redditch Borough</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Nick Seabourne</b>	<b>Droitwich Spa</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Connor Collins</b>	<b>Fairfield Villa</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Mark Bellingham</b>	<b>Paget Rangers</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Pedro Douglas</b>	<b>Continental Star</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Joseph Wright</b>	<b>Leamington Hibernian</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Andrew Millan</b>	<b>Coton Green</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Dildale Linton</b>	<b>Alvis Sporting Club</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>James Lemon</b>	<b>Droitwich Spa</b>	<b>10</b>

**Division 3**

<b>Stuart Hendrie</b>	<b>Montpellier</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Montel Okoro</b>	<b>Moors Academy</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Dale Wigmore</b>	<b>Coventrians</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Tom Smith</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Lewis Fathers</b>	<b>Shipston Excelsior</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Jess Adcock</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Lee Hendrie</b>	<b>Montpellier</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Charlie Adcock</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Alex Coultas</b>	<b>NKF Burbage</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Daniel Priest</b>	<b>Northfield Town</b>	<b>7</b>

## Preview

### Premier Division

League leaders Alvechurch welcome Tividale to Lye Meadow with a narrow margin at the top of the table. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Lye Town entertain 6<sup>th</sup> placed Coventry United and with both sides hoping to be in the promotion mix, this should be a cracker. 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Coleshill Town face Long Eaton United at Pack meadow with the visitors in 17<sup>th</sup> position. Sporting Khalsa travel to Shepshed Dynamo with a chance to move level on points with Westfields who are 4<sup>th</sup>. Seven points in their last three games has lifted Heanor Town up the table and they welcome mid-table Rocester to The Town Ground. At the bottom, Brocton have drawn their last two and they face Stourport Swifts at Silkmore Lane with just 6 points separating the sides. 2<sup>nd</sup> bottom Shawbury United have conceded 18 goals in their last 4 games and they travel to Oak Park to tackle Walsall Wood who lie in 9<sup>th</sup> place. Two wins and two draws in their last four games has moved Highgate United away from the relegation zone and they will look to make it 5 games unbeaten when St Andrews visit The Coppice. Coventry Sphinx and Quorn lie next to each other in the league table with only goal difference splitting them. Expect a tight game at Sphinx Drive. AFC Wulfrunians have shown much-improved form in November and they welcome Loughborough University to Castlecroft.

### Division 1

League leaders **Leicester Road** have a local derby this weekend with mid-table **Nuneaton Griff** the visitors. With both sides in good goalscoring form, this could be a cracker. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed **Atherstone Town** travel to **Heather St Johns** in fine form winning 5 of their last seven. Heather put ten goals past Southam United last week and they beat the Adders 1-0 when the sides met at Sheepy Road earlier in the season. 3<sup>rd</sup> place **Bromsgrove Sporting** remain unbeaten in the league this season and they travel to a **Heath Hayes** side that have lost 4 of their last 5 league games. Game of the day could be at Rene Road as 6<sup>th</sup> placed **Bolehall Swifts** entertain in-form 4<sup>th</sup> placed **Hinckley AFC**. With Hinckley winning 7 out of 8 and Bolehall 4 out of 5, something has to give. Expect goals and lots of them. A couple of recent defeats has seen **Lichfield City** slip down to 5<sup>th</sup> but they are only 6 points off the top of the table. They welcome **Cadbury Athletic** to the McDonalds Community Stadium. There is a huge game at the bottom as the bottom two go head to head at Banbury Road. **Southam United** are having a torrid time picking up just two points this season and with a -50 goal difference. Visitors **Studley** have lost 8 of their last 9 games and a win could edge them towards the pack. **Stafford Town** are level on points with Studley and had a morale-boosting draw at **Bromsgrove Sporting** last week. They welcome mid-table **Littleton** to Evans Park this weekend. 17<sup>th</sup> meets 16<sup>th</sup> at The Bush Ground as struggling **Pelsall Villa** host improving **Coventry Copsewood**. **Racing Club Warwick** welcome **Uttoxeter Town** to Townsend Meadow and will be hoping to follow up their win over leaders Leicester Road with another three points to keep in touch with the leaders.

## Division 2

With leaders Droitwich Spa otherwise engaged, **Alvis Sporting Club** can retake top spot with a positive result at **Continental Star**. **Paget Rangers** have 4 games in hand on the leaders and they return to league action at home to **Sutton United** who conceded 10 at Droitwich last weekend. **Fairfield Villa** could move level with Droitwich should they beat **Feckenham** at The Entaco. Bottom club **Earlwood Town** entertain **Barnt Green Spartak** who have slipped down the table in recent weeks. **Knowle** welcome **Bloxwich Town** to The Robins Nest with both teams having a decent run of results. **Redditch Borough** host **Leamington Hibernian** at The Valley and when the two sides met earlier in the season Redditch ran out 2-0 winners. It's 12<sup>th</sup> versus 13<sup>th</sup> as **Smithswood Firs** host **Hampton** with both sides needing points to pull away from the bottom of the table.

## Division 3

Leaders **NKF Burbage** lost their 100% record last week and will want to get back to winning way as they entertain **FC Stratford**. 2<sup>nd</sup> placed **Shipston Excelsior**, with 4 wins out of 5, are at home to **Enville Athletic**. **Moors Academy** have 3 games in hand on the leaders and they welcome bottom club **AFC Solihull**, buoyed by their first win, to The Beehive. **Boldmere Sports & Social falcons** and **Barton United** both had creditable draws last week against the title favourites. They meet at Boldmere Road as both look to build on that result. 2<sup>nd</sup> bottom **Coventrians** have games in hand on the sides around them and they welcome 6<sup>th</sup> placed **Alcester Town** to Holbrooks Park. **Castle Vale Town** have conceded 5 in their last three league games and they face a tough trip to 4<sup>th</sup> placed **Northfield Town**.

## Reserves

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

ROCESTER v BROCTON

### RESERVE DIVISION

CADBURY ATHLETIC v LICHFIELD CITY 2.00  
TIPTON TOWN v CONTINENTAL STAR 2.00



## Under 21s

### CHALLENGE BOWL ROUND 1

#### Group "B"

BEDWORTH UNITED	v	HEATH HAYES	11.00
DROITWICH SPA G & B	v	KINGS HEATH CONCORDE	10.30

#### Group "C"

COLESHILL TOWN	v	BROMSGROVE SPORTING	10.30
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### UNDER 21 DIVISION NORTH

SUTTON COLDFIELD TOWN	v	BROCTON	10.30
TAMWORTH	v	LEEK TOWN	10.30

### UNDER 21 DIVISION SOUTH

ALVECHURCH	v	KETTERING TOWN	10.30
COVENTRY UNITED	v	H O W ACADEMY	10.30
HIGHGATE UNITED	v	AFC RUSHDEN & DIAMONDS	10.30

## Other Cups

### COVENTRY EVENING TELEGRAPH CUP ROUND 3

STOCKTON	v	CHELMSLEY TOWN	2.00
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### WORCESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP SEMI-FINALS

DROITWICH SPA	v	WORCESTER RAIDERS	2.30
MONTPELLIER	v	BEWDLEY TOWN RES.	2.30

### FAZELEY CHARITY CUP ROUND 1

COTON GREEN	v	PATHFINDER	3.00
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