



Midland Football League Newsletter

30th August 2017

League News

Non-League Day will return for an eighth consecutive season on Saturday 7th October 2017. With England playing on October 8th and no Premier League or Championship games scheduled, the date provides a platform for clubs to promote the importance of volunteer-led community football, while empowering fans to show support for their local non-League side.

Once again, we are partnering with Prostate Cancer UK (PCUK) in an effort to raise funds for, and awareness of, an illness that affects thousands of men in Britain every year. Non-League Day will also continue its annual link-up with Kick It Out (KIO), raising awareness of issues, promoting equality and challenging all aspects of discrimination at all levels of the game. A number of clubs have been approached to host showpiece games on behalf of both organisations. Further details of these events will be announced in due course.

Non-League Day remains a totally volunteer-run initiative.

Review

Premier Division

The Bank Holiday weekend began on Friday evening with **Shawbury United** picking up their first points of the season with a resounding 3-0 win at **Boldmere St Michaels**. Two 100% records were on the line at Allpay Park and it was **Coventry United** who maintained their momentum with a 4-1 win over **Westfields**. **Coleshill Town** made it four wins out of four beating **Quorn** 4-3 at Farley Way. James Hicks scored a hat-trick for the home side with Reece Leek bagging a double for The Coleman. **Shepshed Dynamo** saw their 100% record go as visitors **Heanor Town** won 3-2 with a last-minute winner from Jamie Sleight. This was after Jake Betts had scored twice for Shepshed. **Worcester City** picked up their third win on the bounce beating **Loughborough University** 2-1 at The Victoria Ground. **Bromsgrove Sporting** suffered their first league defeat for well over a season as they were beaten 2-0 at Sphinx Drive by **Coventry Sphinx**. **South Normanton Athletic** are off the mark following a 2-2 draw at **Sporting Khalsa**. **Haughmond** won their first game as an MFL club, Joe Parry with the only goal of the game at **Rugby Town**. **Lye Town** remain unbeaten after four winning 4-1 at **Long Eaton United** with goals shared across the team. **Roicester** opened their account for the season beating **Stourport Swifts** 2-1 at Hillsfield. **AFC Wulfrunians** inflicted **Highgate United's** first defeat of the season, 2-1 the final score at The Coppice.

For the second game running, **Coventry United** face opposition with a 100% record and as previously it was the Red and Greens that came out on top, beating **Worcester City** 3-0 at Butts Park Arena. **Coleshill Town** are top of the pile with 15 points out of 15 after a 2-0 win at **AFC Wulfrunians**. **Heanor Town** are second winning their fifth game on the spin, 2-1 at **Long Eaton United**. **Shepshed Dynamo** bounced back from Saturday's defeat winning 5-2 at **Boldmere St Michaels**. Shane Brennan scored twice in the opening 76 seconds to send Shepshed on their way. A goal from Reece Hewitt in the 4th minute of stoppage time earned **Bromsgrove Sporting** all 3 points in a 2-1 win at The Victoria Ground over **Highgate United**. It's been an excellent start to the season for **Coventry Sphinx** and they move into the top 6 with a 1-0 win at **Loughborough University**, Ryan Harkin with the goal. **South Normanton Athletic** made it four points over the holiday period, a Kevin Hemagou goal enough to give them the points at home to **Rugby Town**. **Roicester** made it two Bank Holiday wins at Hillsfield, five different scorers in a 5-3 win over **Quorn**. **Sporting Khalsa** picked up their first win of the season beating **Haughmond** 3-0 at the Aspray Arena. **Westfields** suffered their second defeat of the weekend losing 2-0 at **Stourport Swifts**.

League Table

1	<u>Coleshill Town</u>	5	5	0	13	4	9	15	
2	<u>Heanor Town</u>	6	5	0	13	9	4	15	
3	<u>Coventry United</u>	4	4	0	18	5	13	12	
4	<u>Shepshed Dynamo</u>	5	4	0	16	7	9	12	
5	<u>Coventry Sphinx</u>	5	3	1	1	6	3	3	10
6	<u>Worcester City</u>	4	3	0	1	10	4	6	9
7	<u>Bromsgrove Sporting</u>	4	3	0	1	9	4	5	9
8	<u>Lye Town</u>	4	2	2	0	9	5	4	8
9	<u>Stourport Swifts</u>	5	2	1	2	7	7	0	7
10	<u>Westfields</u>	4	2	0	2	9	8	1	6
11	<u>Rocester</u>	5	2	0	3	9	12	-3	6
12	<u>AFC Wulfrunians</u>	4	2	0	2	4	8	-4	6
13	<u>Sporting Khalsa</u>	4	1	2	1	7	5	2	5
14	<u>Highgate United</u>	5	1	2	2	6	7	-1	5
15	<u>Rugby Town</u>	5	1	1	3	5	7	-2	4
16	<u>Haughmond</u>	4	1	1	2	3	6	-3	4
17	<u>South Normanton Athletic</u>	6	1	1	4	5	15	-10	4
18	<u>Shawbury United</u>	4	1	0	3	7	9	-2	3
19	<u>Long Eaton United</u>	5	0	2	3	6	11	-5	2
20	<u>Quorn</u>	5	0	1	4	8	16	-8	1
21	<u>Boldmere St Michaels</u>	4	0	1	3	5	13	-8	1
22	<u>Loughborough University</u>	5	0	1	4	5	15	-10	1

Division 1

Chelmsley Town continued their excellent start to the season with a 3-0 win over **Bolehall Swifts** at Pack Meadow with 2 goals for Dominic Reece. **Walsall Wood** sent a clear warning to their rivals with a 4-1 win at the ML Safety Stadium over **Atherstone Town**, Joey Butlin scoring twice. **Studley** kept up the pressure at the top of the table with a 3-0 win over **Leicester Road** who boasted a 100% record prior to the game. **Uttoxeter Town** have their first win of the season, 4-3 at home to **Coventry Copsewood** with Kyle Esplin bagging a hat-trick. **Heath Hayes** have started the season well and they are 4th following a 2-0 win over **Racing Club Warwick**. Two goals from Dennis Oppong helped **Coventry Alvis** on their way to a 4-2 win at **Cadbury Athletic**. George Bowerman scored twice for **Hinckley AFC** in a 3-1 win over promoted **Paget Rangers** at St Johns Park. **Lichfield City** and **Ilkeston Town** shared the spoils at Rene Road with Dan Griffiths scoring both goals for Lichfield. **Nuneaton Griff** won for the second time this season beating **Stafford Town** 2-0 at Evans Park. **Brocton** came from behind to beat **Littleton** 2-1 at Silkmore Lane.

In the game between the top two at Pack Meadow, it was the visitors **Walsall Wood** who maintained their 100% record with a stunning 7-0 victory over **Chelmsley Town**. Paul Sullivan scored a hat-trick and Joey Butlin two as The Wood boast a plus 17 goal difference after 5 games. That result allowed **Studley** to take over top spot with a 1-0 win at **Cadbury Athletic** courtesy of Chris Cowley. Two second half goals from Alex Naughton gave **Atherstone Town** a 2-1 win over **Hinckley AFC** in front of 418 at Sheepy Road. There was an even bigger gate at The New Manor Ground as 603 saw **Ilkeston Town** beat **Coventry Alvis** 3-0 with a brace from Alex Marshall. **Heath Hayes** are the team to watch if you want goals as there have now been 32 in 6 league games. They went down 5-3 at **Heather St Johns** for whom Simeon Cobourne scored three. In the Stafford derby, a goal from Romano Graham gave **Stafford Town** a 1-0 victory over **Brocton** at Evans Park. **Racing Club Warwick** moved up to 5th place with a 1-0 win over **Coventry Copsewood**, Adam Knight with the goal. **Bolehall Swifts** are 6th as they recorded a 2-0 win at Rene Road over **Nuneaton Griff**. A last-minute goal from Matt Langham completed the recovery for **Leicester Road** at home to **Paget Rangers**. The Bears led 2-0 but the home side came back to draw. **Littleton** edged out local rivals **Pershore Town** winning 2-0 at 5 Acres.

Lichfield City beat **Uttoxeter Town** 3-2 at Rene Road after going 1-0 down just before the half-time break.

League Table

1	<u>Studley</u>	7	5	1	1	15	9	6	16
2	<u>Walsall Wood</u>	5	5	0	2	0	3	17	15
3	<u>Chelmsley Town</u>	7	5	0	2	13	16	-3	15
4	<u>Heath Hayes</u>	6	3	2	1	19	13	6	11
5	<u>Racing Club Warwick</u>	6	3	2	1	8	7	1	11
6	<u>Bolehall Swifts</u>	7	3	2	2	11	11	0	11
7	<u>Leicester Road</u>	5	3	1	1	10	6	4	10
8	<u>Hinckley AFC</u>	5	3	0	2	15	9	6	9
9	<u>Atherstone Town</u>	5	3	0	2	15	11	4	9
10	<u>Coventry Copsewood</u>	7	3	0	4	11	9	2	9
11	<u>Stafford Town</u>	7	3	0	4	12	14	-2	9
12	<u>Lichfield City</u>	5	2	2	1	14	12	2	8
13	<u>Ilkeston Town</u>	6	2	2	2	9	7	2	8
14	<u>Brocton</u>	5	2	1	2	9	9	0	7
15	<u>Littleton</u>	6	2	0	4	9	8	1	6
16	<u>Pershore Town</u>	6	2	0	4	13	14	-1	6
17	<u>Heather St Johns</u>	5	2	0	3	13	16	-3	6
18	<u>Nuneaton Griff</u>	7	2	0	5	7	19	-12	6
19	<u>Coventry Alvis</u>	8	2	0	6	7	22	-15	6
20	<u>Paget Rangers</u>	5	1	1	3	7	9	-2	4
21	<u>Cadbury Athletic</u>	5	1	1	3	6	8	-2	4
22	<u>Uttoxeter Town</u>	7	1	1	5	10	21	-11	4

Division 2

NKF Burbage moved to the top of Division 2 with a 3-2 win at **Coton Green**, Jake Garner scoring twice. **Earlswood Town** picked up their first win of the season beating **Feckenham** 3-2 at home. Callum Jones scored twice for the home side while Daniel Murphy scored twice for The Millers. Promoted **Northfield Town** had an excellent win beating **Droitwich Spa** 3-1 at Walshes Meadow, Adam Garmson scoring twice. Callum Coyle scored twice for another promoted side, **Moors Academy**, as they won 3-2 at **Hampton**. **Bloxwich Town** have had a tough start to the season and they were beaten 2-1 at The Old Red Lion Ground by **Barnt Green Spartak**.

Result of Bank Holiday Monday came from **Bloxwich Town** who were without a point as they travelled to **Pelsall Villa** and won 8-1. Cameron Moriarty scored three with Same Melia and Dean Williams scoring twice. **Montpellier** maintained their 100% record with a 4-1 win over **Knowle**, another couple for Stuart Hendrie. Leaders **NKF Burbage** stay top following a 5-0 win over **Hampton**, Tom Smith with a hat-trick and a double from Liam Storer. **Feckenham** are 3rd as they beat previously unbeaten **Redditch Borough** 2-1. **Droitwich Spa** edged a tight game at **Fairfield Villa** winning 3-2. **Northfield Town** and **Earlswood Town** couldn't find a goal between them as they consolidated their good starts to the season.

Barnt Green Spartak and **Smithswood Firs** fought out a 2-2 draw at The Coppice. Barnt Green twice held the lead but Smithswood responded to seal the draw.

Coton Green move up to 6th place following a 4-0 win at Tally Ho over **Moors Academy** with Andy Millan scoring twice.

1	<u>NKF Burbage</u>	5	4	0	15	8	7	12	
2	<u>Montpellier</u>	3	3	0	16	1	15	9	
3	<u>Feckenham</u>	5	3	0	9	10	-1	9	
4	<u>Northfield Town</u>	5	2	2	6	4	2	8	
5	<u>Redditch Borough</u>	4	2	1	11	6	5	7	
6	<u>Coton Green</u>	4	2	1	9	5	4	7	
7	<u>Knowle</u>	4	2	0	2	11	10	1	6
8	<u>Earlswood Town</u>	4	1	3	0	4	3	1	6
9	<u>Droitwich Spa</u>	4	1	2	1	6	7	-1	5
10	<u>Barnt Green Spartak</u>	5	1	2	2	7	10	-3	5
11	<u>Smithswood Firs</u>	3	1	1	1	7	4	3	4
12	<u>Hampton</u>	4	1	1	2	6	9	-3	4
13	<u>Moors Academy</u>	5	1	1	3	5	15	-10	4
14	<u>Bloxwich Town</u>	4	1	0	3	11	13	-2	3
15	<u>Fairfield Villa</u>	4	0	1	3	3	12	-9	1
16	<u>Pelsall Villa</u>	3	0	1	2	3	12	-9	1

Division 3

FC Stratford made it two wins out of two with a 5-1 win at home over **Inkberrow**, James Gifford scoring twice. **GNP Sports** picked up their second win in two with a 4-1 win over **Enville Athletic**. **Bartestree** picked up their first win as an MFL club beating **Coventrians** 4-1, Louis Mann scoring twice.

A double from Sam Wanless moved **GNP Sports** to the top of the pile as they beat **Birmingham Tigers** 2-1. **Bartestree** made it two wins over the weekend, Miles Langford scoring twice in a 5-2 win over **Enville Athletic**. **Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons** boast a 100% record, Reece Gibson scoring twice in a 4-1 win at **Castle Vale Town**. George Hunt scored a hat-trick as **Central Ajax** beat **Shipston Excelsior** 5-1 at Ajax Park. **CT Shush** made it four newcomers in the top 6 with a 4-1 win over **AFC Solihull**, Ryan Duxbury scoring twice. **Coventrians** beat **Alcester Town** 3-0 at Holbrooks park. **Leamington Hibernian** and **Inkberrow** shared the points and four goals at Cubbington Playing Fields.

1	<u>GNP Sports</u>	3	3	0	8	2	6	9	
2	<u>FC Stratford</u>	2	2	0	11	2	9	6	
3	<u>Bartestree</u>	3	2	0	1	9	4	5	6
4	<u>Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons</u>	2	2	0	0	5	1	4	6
5	<u>Central Ajax</u>	2	1	1	0	6	2	4	4
6	<u>CT Shush</u>	2	1	1	0	5	2	3	4
7	<u>Coventrians</u>	3	1	1	1	7	7	0	4
8	<u>Continental Star</u>	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
9	<u>Shipston Excelsior</u>	2	1	0	1	5	8	-3	3
10	<u>Leamington Hibernian</u>	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	2
11	<u>Inkberrow</u>	3	0	2	1	6	10	-4	2
12	<u>Enville Athletic</u>	3	0	1	2	3	9	-6	1
13	<u>Alcester Town</u>	2	0	0	2	3	7	-4	0
14	<u>AFC Solihull</u>	2	0	0	2	2	6	-4	0
15	<u>Castle Vale Town</u>	2	0	0	2	1	6	-5	0
16	<u>Birmingham Tigers</u>	2	0	0	2	2	8	-6	0

Les James Memorial Charity Cup 1st Round

There was a fantastic crowd at Cherry Tree Walk as **Redditch Borough** beat **Montpellier** in front of 242 spectators. Thomas Kinsey scored twice as **Knowle** beat **Leamington Hibernian** 4-0. Ishak Ibisevic also bagged a brace for **Birmingham Tigers** in a 3-2 win at **Castle Vale Town**, Jordan Finlay scoring twice for the home side. **Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons** beat **CT Shush** 2-0 in front of another healthy crowd of 85. **Smithswood Firs** beat **AFC Solihull** 2-1 at Tudor Grange with goals from Trea Bertie and Martin Crawford.

Challenge Vase

James Ward scored a hat-trick for **Alcester Town** as they progressed beating **Continental Star** 3-0. **Central Ajax** made it through to the 2nd round with a 2-1 win over **Shipston Excelsior** at Ajax Park.

Reserves

CHALLENGE TROPHY ROUND 1

Group "A"

Gresley **9** v **1** Bolehall Swifts

Group "B"

Alvechurch **3** v **0** Walsall Wood

Under 21 Division

CHALLENGE BOWL ROUND 1

Atherstone Town **0** v **3** Sutton Coldfield Town

H O W Academy **2** v **1** Heath Hayes

Tamworth **4** v **0** Highgate United

UNDER 21 DIVISION EAST

Aylestone Park **4** v **5** Coventry United

Coleshill Town **1** v **1** Milton Keynes College

Kettering Town **0** v **3** Quorn

Leicester Nirvana **0** v **1** Bedworth United

UNDER 21 DIVISION WEST

Evesham United **2** v **2** Boldmere St Michaels

Worcester City **3** v **1** AFC Redditch

Wyhall Wanderers **3** v **3** Droitwich Spa G & B

Leading scorers

Premier Division

Liam Hurst	Shepshed Dynamo	6
Craig Reid	Coventry United	6
Jamie Sleigh	Heanor Town	6
Craig Bannister	Sporting Khalsa	5
Matt Gardner	Coleshill Town	5
James Hicks	Quorn	5
David Kolodynski	Rugby Town	5
Ryan Nesbitt	Boldmere St Michaels	5
Mitch Piggon	Coventry United	5
Dave Reynolds	Worcester City	5
Oli Roome	Rocester	5
Jack Till	Lye Town	5
Jake Betts	Shepshed Dynamo	4
Ryan Edmunds	Coleshill Town	4
Ben Hayes	Westfields	4
Isaac Jagroop	Highgate United	4
Reece Leek	Coleshill Town	4
Dean Rathbone	Coleshill Town	4
Elliott Reeves	Heanor Town	4
Alex Troke	Shepshed Dynamo	4
Nick Turton	AFC Wulfrunians	4

Division 1

Alex Naughton	Atherstone Town	10
George Bowerman	Hinckley AFC	8
Regan Smith	Heath Hayes	8
Joey Butlin	Walsall Wood	7
Paul Sullivan	Walsall Wood	7
Michael Wright	Pershore Town	6
Michael Bloore	Bolehall Swifts	5
Jamie Clarke	Pershore Town	5
Simeon Cobourne	Heather St Johns	5
Greg Downes	Leicester Road	5
Dan Griffiths	Lichfield City	5
Craig Marshall	Lichfield City	5
Odane Barnes	Cadbury Athletic	4
Daniel Carter	Paget Rangers	4
Jack Edwards	Brocton	4
Alex Marshall	Ilkeston Town	4
Jemeul Mills	Chelmsley Town	4
Andy Nicol	Studley	4
Josh Westwood	Studley	4

Division 2

Stuart Hendrie	Montpellier	9
Cameron Moriarty	Bloxwich Town	4
Daniel Murphy	Feckenham	4
Trea Bertie	Smithswood Firs	4
Martin Crawford	Smithswood Firs	3
Umit Eminoglu	Feckenham	3
Macauley Finch	Droitwich Spa	3
Thomas Kinsey	Knowle	3
James Lemon	Droitwich Spa	3
Steve Ruck	Knowle	3
Tom Smith	NKF Burbage	3
Liam Storer	NKF Burbage	3
Kelsn Shepard	Montpellier	3
Dominic Strevens	Barnt Green Spartak	3
Andy Millan	Coton Green	3

Division 3

Jimmy Ward	Alcester Town	5
James Gifford	FC Stratford	4
Charlie Cook	GNP Sports	3
Reece Gibson	Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons	3
Tyler Haddow	Coventrians	3
George Hunt	Central Ajax	3
Louis Mann	Bartestree	3
James Drinkwater	Shipston Excelsior	2
Ryan Duxbury	CT Shush	2
Jordan Finlay	Castle Vale Town	2
Davion Hamilton	Continental Star	2
Oliver Hayes	CT Shush	2
Calum Howles	AFC Solihull	2
Ishak Ibisevic	Birmingham Tigers	2
Joseph Kelly	Enville Athletic	2
Abdullah Kenewa	Birmingham Tigers	2
Miles Langford	Bartestree	2
Karabo Matshweni	GNP Sports	2
Stewart New	Bartestree	2
Dylan Parker	FC Stratford	2
Sam Wanless	GNP Sports	2

Reserves

Samuel Hammerton	Gresley	5
Harry Landsowne	Gresley	3
Josh Dutton	Gresley	2

Under 21

Andre Lawrence	Sutton Coldfield	4
Joel Steer	Tamworth	4
Dylan Otshudy	Tamworth	3
Ryan Palmer	Coventry United	3
Callum Goddard	Droitwich Spa BG	2
Nathaniel Greaves	AFC Redditch	2
Joshua Gunn	Aylestone Park	2
Oliver Holt	Quorn	2
Brandon Jarrett	Quorn	2
Kenon Muganda	Aylestone Park	2
Chandler Pegg	Tamworth	2
Daniel Smith	Bedworth United	2

Preview

FA Cup 1st Qualifying Round

Boldmere St Michaels vs Chasetown

The Mikes have had a difficult start to the league season picking up a solitary point. Chasetown, from the Evostik South, beat Worcester City in a replay in the previous round. Both sides conceded 5 goals on Monday, Boldmere at home to Shepshed Dynamo and Chasetown away at Frickley Athletic. On paper Chasetown should be favourites and if the Mikes are to progress it needs to be at the first time of asking.

Brocton vs Deeping Rangers

Brocton pulled off one of the shocks in the previous round knocking out Step 4 Gresley at Silkmore Lane. Deeping Rangers from the UCL league finished runners-up last season but have had mixed results so far this and drew 0-0 at Boston Town on Tuesday. A chance for the Badgers if they are on their game – they won't fancy a long midweek trip for a replay.

Haughmond vs Matlock Town

Haughmond have settled in to life in the MFL after winning the West Midlands League last season. The goalscoring form of Joe Parry and Steve Hole gives them hope against any team that visits the Shrewsbury Leisure Village. Step 3 Matlock Town are 16th in the NPL and were beaten 3-2 by Grantham at The Causeway on Monday. Matlock have a proven goalscorer in their ranks in Shaun Harrad and it will be a great achievement should Haughmond take anything out of the game.

Kings Lynn Town vs Coleshill Town

Coleshill have beaten everything put in front of them this season and the change in management appears to have taken them a step forward. Kings Lynn are 3rd in the Southern Premier League and come into the game on the back of a 3-1 win at St Ives Town. The Coleman could not have had a more difficult draw and with a big crowd expected at The Walks, a replay would be a fantastic result.

Mickleover Sports vs Hinckley AFC

Hinckley AFC seem to save their best performances for FA competitions and despite losing 2-1 at neighbours Atherstone Town on Monday, they will go into this game full of heart. Step 3 Mickleover have had a poor start to the season and lost 2-0 at Coalville on Monday. A three-step difference should be too much for Hinckley to bridge however they will be cheered on by a large away following and a real shock could be on the cards.

Shepshed Dynamo vs Leek Town

Shepshed have started the season in tremendous form with four wins out of 5 in the league plus two FA Cup victories. They have found the net on a regular basis and a 5-2 win on BH Monday sets them up for this tie. Leek Town are 7th in the Evostik South and beat Market Drayton Town 2-1 on Bank Holiday Monday with two late goals. If there is to be a shock, expect it to be at The Dovecote.

Soham Town Rangers vs Westfields

Westfields had started the season well but two defeats over the Bank Holiday weekend has set them back. Their performances in the FA Cup last season gained them a huge amount of publicity including extended TV coverage against Curzon Ashton. Soham are 17th in the Isthmian League Division 1 North and drew 2-2 with Bury Town on Monday. Westfields accounted for Isthmian Premier Leiston last season and will relish the challenge.

Premier Division

Heanor Town can take advantage of other clubs' FA Cup exploits by reaching the summit of the Premier Division should they pick up at least a point at **AFC Wulfrunians**. **Coventry United** welcome **Quorn** to the Butts Park Arena and this game promises goals. Coventry have scored 18 goals in their 100% start to the season while Quorn have seen 15 goals in their last two games. **Coventry Sphinx** will climb into the top three should they beat **Sporting Khalsa** at Sphinx Drive. **Worcester City** lost for the first time in the league on Monday and will be hoping to bounce back when they travel to Grange Park to play **Long Eaton United** who have two draws to show from their opening 5 fixtures. **Bromsgrove Sporting** have won 3 out of 4 and they host **Rocester** with the Romans winning both games over the weekend. **Lye Town** have made an unbeaten start to the season and they entertain **Loughborough University** who are currently in 22nd place. Three defeats on the trot for **Rugby Town** have seen them drop down the table. They welcome 9th placed **Stourport Swifts** to Butlin Road. Two sides that have started slowly but won last time out are **South Normanton Athletic** and **Shawbury United** and they meet at MJ Robinson Structures Arena.

Division 1

Game of the day in Division 1 should be at the Beehive where leaders **Studley** welcome 4th placed **Heath Hayes**. Wherever Heath Hayes have played this season there have been goals and expect nothing different this time round. **Walsall Wood** host **Littleton** looking to make it a perfect 6 out of 6 for Gary Birch and his team. Notwithstanding last Monday's defeat at the hands of Walsall Wood, **Chelmsley Town** have made a great start to the season and they travel to Rene Road to face **Lichfield City**. Expect another big crowd at the New Manor Ground as **Ilkeston** entertain a **Bolehall Swifts** side that have started the season brightly. **Atherstone Town** will be buoyed by Monday's win over Hinckley AFC and a repeat at Sheepy Road against **Cadbury Athletic** will see them in the top 6. **Leicester Road** started the season with three wins but a solitary point over the holiday period sees them in 7th. **Pershore Town** are the visitors this week with goals highly likely. **Racing Club Warwick** have continued last season's good form and welcome **Heather St Johns** who had an excellent 5-3 win on Monday. **Coventry Copsewood** and **Stafford Town** sit in 10th and 11th place respectively and have very similar records after 7 games. Could be a tight affair. Two sides in the lower reaches of the table meet at The Pingles Stadium with **Nuneaton Griff** hosting **Paget Rangers**. **Uttoxeter Town** host **Coventry Alvis** with both sides conceding more goals than they would like.

Division 2

Montpellier, with a 100% record after 3 games, will reclaim top spot should they take all 3 points from their visit to **Hampton**. Promoted **Northfield Town** will move into the top three if they beat **Bloxwich Town** at The Old Red Lion Ground. There is an attractive looking fixture at The Robins Nest with **Knowle** entertaining **Droitwich Spa**. The bottom two meet at the recreation ground with injury hit **Fairfield Villa** hosting **Pelsall Villa**. **Earlwood Town** are unbeaten after 4 games and they welcome 6th place **Coton Green** to The Pavilions.

Division 3

GNP Sports have made a superb start to life in the MFL with three wins out of three. They travel to **Inkberrow** looking to extend their lead at the top of the table. **Bartestree** are also enjoying life in the MFL and they travel to The Hub to face **Continental Star** who won their only league game so far. **Boldmere Sports & Social Falcons** also boast a 100% record and they welcome **Coventrians** to Boldmere Road. **Birmingham Tigers** and **AFC Solihull** are yet to pick up a point and they meet at Sedgemere Sports & Social. **Alcester Town** are also pointless after their opening two games and they travel to Cubbington Playing Fields to face **Leamington Hibernian**.

Les James Challenge Cup Round 1

On Friday evening, **Barnt Green Spartak** from Division 2 host Division 3 **Shipston Excelsior** at The Coppice. **Moors Academy** welcome league newcomers **Central Ajax** to Tally Ho for a place in round 2.

Challenge Vase Round 1

Castle Vale Town face Division 3 pacesetters **FC Stratford** at Vale Stadium.

Reserves

CHALLENGE TROPHY ROUND 1

Group "A"

Gresley *	v	Nuneaton Griff
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Group "B"

Alvechurch	v	Bromsgrove Sporting
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RESERVE DIVISION

Coton Green	v	Knowle
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Under 21 Divisions

CHALLENGE BOWL ROUND 1

Coventry United	v	Leicester Nirvana	11.00
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UNDER 21 DIVISION EAST

Aylestone Park	v	Coleshill Town	10.30
Bedworth United	v	AFC Rushden & Diamonds Elite	11.00
Milton Keynes College	v	Atherstone Town	10.30
Tamworth	v	Kettering Town	10.30

UNDER 21 DIVISION WEST

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

Other Fixtures

SMEDLEY CROOKE MEMORIAL CHARITY CUP ROUND 1

Feckenham	v	NKF Burbage
Redditch Borough	v	Enville Athletic
Smithswood Firs	v	CT Shush