# THE FLYERS 23 24

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OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME



Lye Town vs Boldmere St Michaels

**Tuesday 15th August 2023** 

Kick Off: 7.45pm

Tividale FC, The Beeches, Packwood Road, B69 1UL

**Northern Premier League: Midland Division** 

www.lyetownfc.net







## Lye Town Football Club

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#### **CLUB OFFICIALS**

Chairman

Brian Blakemore

**General Manager** 

James Didlock

Secretary

Paul Roberts

#### **Committee Members**

Craig Dedicoat, James Didlock,
Paul Roberts

**Child Welfare Officer** 

James Didlock

#### Club Website/Programme Editor

Neil Stevens-Wood

#### **TEAMS**

First Team Manager

Grant Joshua

#### First Team Management

Chris Rabone,

Ross Harris, Jason Scott

First Team Physio

Paul Millward

#### **Ladies Team Management**

Clive Rogers, Craig Dedicoat, Dan Ludlow, Kyle Hickman

**Youth Team Management** 

Dave Sturmey, John Sturmey, Naz Gennard, Aaron Williams

**Under 16's MJPL Management** 

Darren Andrews-Wood, Paul Grainger

**Under 16's SDYFL Management** 

Damian Whitcombe

**Under 15's MJPL Management** 

James Didlock, Gary Tolen, Wes Mills



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Lye Town Football Club is registered as a Community Amateur Sports Club Registration number CASC 06084

#### **Club Honours**

#### First Team

FA Cup 3rd Qualifying Round 1979-80, 1986-87, 1989-90

FA Vase 4th Round 1995-96, 2018-19

FA Trophy 3rd Qualifying Round 1975-76, 1979-80

Midland Football League Premier Division Runners Up 2022-23

West Midlands (Regional) League
Premier Division Champions 1997–98, 2013–14
Premier Division Runners Up 1976-77, 1977-78, 1979-80, 1980-81, 2012-13

West Midlands (Regional) League Cup Winners 1975-76 West Midlands (Regional) League Cup Finalists 1997-98

Worcestershire Combination Champions 1935-36

Worcestershire Senior Urn Winners 2013–14
Worcestershire Senior Urn Finalists 2002-03, 2005-06, 2017-18

Birmingham Midweek Floodlit Cup Winners 2010-11, 2012-13

Birmingham Junior Cup Winners 1933-34, 1937-38, 1938-39

J W Hunt Cup Winners 2021-22

Smedley Crooke Cup Winners 2011-12, 2022-23 Smedley Crooke Cup Finalists 2018-19

#### **Youth Team**

Midland Floodlit Youth Western Division Champions 2005-06, 2015-16

BCFA Midweek Youth Challenge Cup Winners 2015-16

West Midlands Youth League Champions 2002-03, 2003-04

West Midlands League Cup Finalists 1991-92, 2002-03

FA Youth Cup 2nd Round 2004-05

Midland Floodlit Youth League Central Division Winners 2010-11

Worcestershire FA U18's Cup Finalists 2013-14

Our first week of the new season has started with mixed results.

We started with the FA Cup away to Kidsgrove Athletic and got a creditable draw with chances to have won the game.

The replay was a disappointment as we lost a close game 2-1 and



despite putting Kidsgrove under considerable pressure towards the end of the game couldn't find that elusive equaliser.

On Saturday our first ever game at Step 4 was an historic moment for the club.

We gained a decent 2-2 draw away to Hinckley LR FC.

We certainly didn't look out of place at this level and should probably have won the game with their 2nd goal in particular being a result of poor defending from a set piece.

What a great stadium they have but it was such a shame to see such a small crowd, only 83. They deserve more.

The support from the Lye faithful was excellent and much appreciated

The season is now in full swing and tonight we welcome our friends Boldmere St Michaels

I am sure this will be a stern test after their strong showing last season, finishing 9th and only 5 points shy of the play offs.

We welcome everyone associated with Boldmere to our temporary home of Tividale and wish them a pleasant evening and a safe journey home.

Yours in football

Brian Blakemore Chairman, Lye Town FC



# Managers Thoughts

'I'm content with a point (Saturday) to get us off and running. I feel we were the better team bar a fifteen minute spell after they got the equaliser. We've taken the lead twice and are somewhat disappointed that we've relinquished that. I thought we nullified their threats pretty well and looked a threat going forward.

We look ahead to another battle with a team who should have made the play offs last season in Boldmere.

We have to stand up to that physical threat again which will be a constant theme throughout the season.

I still think we're lacking a bit of sharpness, so Saturday's game will help with that'.

Grant Joshua
First Team Manager, Lye Town FC



# History of Lye Town FC

The club were established in 1930 as Lye & Wollescote Amateur Football Club and joined the Worcestershire Combination. They were renamed Lye Town the following year. The club were runners-up in the Worcestershire Combination in 1932–33 and won the Birmingham Junior Cup the following season. Lye were league runners-up again in 1934–35 before winning the league in 1935–36. Lye were runners-up in the Worcestershire Combination for a third time in 1937–38, also winning the Birmingham Junior Cup, retaining the Cup the following season.

Following World War II Lye played in the Central Amateur League in the 1946–47 season before joining the Birmingham & District League in 1947. Lye were placed in the South Division when the league was re-organised in 1954, with a tenth-place finish seeing us placed in Division One for the 1955–56 season. We subsequently finished bottom of the Division and were relegated to Division Two. The league reverted to a single division in 1960 and was renamed the West Midlands (Regional) League in 1962.

The league gained a second division in 1965, with Lye becoming members of the Premier Division. Despite finishing bottom of the Premier Division in 1965–66 and 1966–67, the club were not relegated to Division One. Lye were Premier Division runners-up in 1976–77 before finishing second in three consecutive seasons between 1978–79 and 1980–81. In 1997–98 the club were Premier Division champions, but were not promoted to the Midland Alliance due to ground grading regulations.

2010–11 Lye won the Birmingham Midweek Floodlit Cup, beating Nuneaton Griff 1–0 in the final. Lye were Premier Division runners-up in 2012–13 and won the Floodlit Cup for a second time with a 2–1 win over Southam United in the final. The club went on to win both the Worcestershire Senior Urn and the Premier Division the following season, earning promotion to the Premier Division of the newly formed Midland League. In the 2021–22 season Lye won the JW Hunt Cup.

In 2022-23 Lye finished second to Walsall Wood in the Midland League Premier Division. Having come runners up they were drawn away to Cambridgeshire side St Neots Town in a Step 4/5 Inter Play-Off game. Lye won 6-1 and gained promotion to Step 4 for the first time in their history.

#### **GROUND**

The club play at the Sports Ground on Stourbridge Road, which is shared with the local cricket club. a temporary rail is erected on the northern side of the pitch during the football season.



A seated stand was built at the Stourbridge Road end after World War II. A new stand was built on the southern side of the pitch in 1971, with the seats from the post-war stand later moved into the newer stand when the older stand was demolished. The club has a covered standing area with a barrel roof built behind one goal.



## Club Sponsors









## Fixtures & Results

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**SCORERS** 

Bridgewater

Palmer, Archer

ATT

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DATE	OPPONENT	COMP	V
05/08	Kidsgrove Athletic	FAC	Α
08/08	Kidsgrove Athetic*	FAC	Н
12/08	Hinckley LR	NPLM	Α
15/08	Boldmere St M*	NPLM	Н
21/08	Coleshill Town	NPLM	Α
26/08	Anstey Nomads	NPLM	Α
28/08	Walsall Wood	NPLM	Α
02/09	Rugby Town	NPLM	Н
09/09	Harborough Town	FAT	Α
16/09	Sutton Coldfield Town	NPLM	Н
30/09	Corby Town	NPLM	Α
07/10	Sporting Khalsa	NPLM	Н
14/10	Harborough Town	NPLM	Α
21/10	Bedworth United	NPLM	Α
28/10	Spalding United	NPLM	Н
04/11	Loughborough Dynamo	NPLM	Α
11/11	Gresley Rovers	NPLM	Н
18/11	Cambridge City	NPLM	Α
25/11	Quorn	NPLM	Н
02/12	Shepshed Dynamo	NPLM	Α
09/12	AFC Rushden & D	NPLM	Н
16/12	Boldmere St Michaels	NPLM	Α
23/12	Hinckley LR	NPLM	Н
26/12	Coventry Sphinx	NPLM	Α
01/01	Walsall Wood	NPLM	Н
06/01	Anstey Nomads	NPLM	Н
13/01	Coleshill Town	NPLM	Н
20/01	Spalding United	NPLM	Α
27/01	Bedworth United	NPLM	Н
03/02	Sutton Coldfield Town	NPLM	Α
17/02	Corby Town	NPLM	Н
24/02	Sporting Khalsa	NPLM	Α
02/03	Harborough Town	NPLM	Н
16/03	AFC Rushden & D	NPLM	Α
23/03	Shepshed Dynamo	NPLM	Н
30/03	Rugby Town	NPLM	Α
01/04	Coventry Sphinx	NPLM	Н
06/04	Gresley Rovers	NPLM	A
13/04	Loughborough Dynamo		Н
20/04	Quorn	NPLM	A
27/04	Cambridge City	NPLM	Н







Saturday 12 August | 15:00 Northern Premier League: Midland Division FT Hinckley LR 2-2 Lye Town

Att: 83

Referee: Steven Taylor

Venue: Leicester Road Stadium, LE10 3DR

#### **HINCKLEY LR**

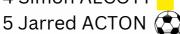
1 Will HIGHLAND

2 Yeagan GORE 🖎 🔻



3 Louie GILL

4 Simon ALCOTT





7 Liam READ

8 Dom BRENNAN 🥫



9 Andre WILLIAMS

10 Tendai DAIRE

11 Aaron NUTTALL

12 Jordan BURROWS 🔁



15 Spencer EDWARDS

16 Joseph LYNE 🔁

21 Dom ROGGERO

#### LYE TOWN

1 Ben NEWEY

2 Dan BROOKES

3 Ryan BRIDGEWATER

4 Kieron NORTHWOOD

5 Adam MEACHAM

6 Isaac ADEGOKE

7 Sam TYE

8 Lewis ARCHER 🖒 🔁



9 Joe PALMER 🐔 10 Ben BILLINGHAM

11 Maxwell NGBEKEN



12 Jack DOWNING

14 Oliver WEST



15 Dennis DIGIE <





17 Jack BOSTOCK



### League Results

Northern Premier League: Midland Division

#### **Saturday 12th August**

AFC Rushden 0-1 Sporting Khalsa
Anstey Nomads 3-1 Harborough Town
Boldmere St Michaels 2-3 Corby Town
Cambridge City 3-2 Gresley Rovers
Coleshill Town 4-2 Loughborough Dynamo
Coventry Sphinx 1-1 Quorn
Hinckley LR 2-2 Lye Town
Rugby Town 1-0 Sutton Coldfield Town
Shepshed Dynamo 1-2 Bedworth United
Walsall Wood 1-3 Spalding United

### **Midweek Games**

Northern Premier League: Midland Division

#### **Tuesday 15 August**

Bedworth United v Anstey Nomads
Gresley Rovers v Coventry Sphinx
Harborough Town v Cambridge City
Loughborough Dynamo v Hinckley LR
Lye Town v Boldmere St Michaels
Quorn v Rugby Town
Spalding United v AFC Rushden & Diamonds
Sporting Khalsa v Coleshill Town
Sutton Coldfield Town v Walsall Wood
Wednesday 16 August
Corby Town v Shepshed Dynamo



# League Table Northern Premier League: Midland Division

#	Team	Pl	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	Α	Diff	Pts
	Coleshill Town	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	2	2	3
2.	Anstey Nomads	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	2	3
3.	Spalding United	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	1	2	3
4.	Cambridge City	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
5.	Corby Town	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	1	3
6.	Bedworth United	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
7.	Rugby Town	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
8.	Sporting Khalsa	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	3
9.	Hinckley LR	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	1
10.	Lye Town	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	0	1
11.	Coventry Sphinx	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
12.	Quorn	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
13.	Boldmere St Michaels	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
14.	Gresley Rovers	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
15.	Shepshed Dynamo	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
16.	AFC Rushden & Diamonds	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
17.	Sutton Coldfield Town	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
18.	Loughborough Dynamo	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	4	-2	0
19.	Harborough Town	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
20.	Walsall Wood	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0



# Todays Visitors

**Team:** Boldmere St Michaels

Nickname: The Mikes

**Founded: 1883** 

**Ground:** The Trevor Brown Memorial Ground

Church Road

**Boldmere** 

Sutton Coldfield

**B73 5RY** 

Capacity: 2500

Chairman: Rob Mallaband

First Team Manager: Neil Kitching

First Team Assistant: Nick Amos

#### **Backroom Staff:**

Coach – Ian Cooper G/K Coach - Scott Cooksey Physio – Lauren Holden





#### Lewis Allison

Lewis is a product of our Mikes youth policy and has recently stepped up to the first team squad from the U21 squad. He is equally at home at full back or in midfield.

#### Mitch Botfield

Mitch, a midfielder signed fr Mikes for season 2023-24. He was with Darlaston Town last season anf his previous clubs include Stourbridge and Halesowen Town. He also had a spell in the USA playing for Ashville FC.

#### **Andre Brown**

Andre signed for Mikes early in 2022-23 season from Bromsgrove Sporting. He is a strong player up front to supplement the strikers but is capable of finding the net himself.

#### Tazivaishe Chibaya

Taz is a young defender who has joined Mikes on a dual registration with Chelmsley Town. It's hoped he will grow into the football at this level and is showing great promise.

#### Sam Cooksey

Sam, a goalkeeper has been a regular in Mikes U21 team after being in the youth set up at Rushall Olympic.

#### **Harry Craven**

Harry is a product of Mikes Youth and is now in his eigthth season with the first team. He has been a representative at County level. He plays at centre back where he has developed into a stalwart of the defence. He has been awarded the captain's armband on several occasions. He had exceeded 200 games for Mikes before his 24th birthday

#### Joe Daley

Joe is an uncompromising midfielder who joined Mikes in 2021-22 season after time at Wolverhampton Casuals and after making his mark in Mikes first team is now a regular on the team sheet. He is currently back in training after a spell out with a shoulder injury and making good progress.

#### **Ricardo Dudley**

Ricardo has joined Mikes for season 2023-24. He is a defender with previous experience at Barwell, Bedworth United, Racing Club Warwick and more recently Fairfield Villa.

#### **Matthew Funge**

Matt is a new signing for 2023-24. He was previously with Halesowen Town and had loan spells at Tividale and Sutton Coldfield Town. He is a striker.

#### **Ben George**

Ben made the move to Mikes from local rivals Sutton Coldfield Town for the 2021-22 season. He is a right back who likes to get up the field and will support the midfield when the opportunities arise.

#### Shaquille Leachman-Whittingham

Shaquille is a well travelled winger who counts among his previous clubs Walsall, Tividale, Corby Town Redditch United, Rushall Olympic and, last season, Gresley Rovers.

#### **James Mace**

James joins Mikes for the 2023-24 campaign after a twelve season spell at Leamington where he was a favourite with the supporters. He is a defender.

#### **Dan Moore**

Dan has joined Mikes for season 2023-24 as our goalkeeper. After being at Burton Albion and Belper Town, Dan had a short spell at Leamington last season.

#### **Callum North**

Callum will almost certainly be the youngest squad member for the current season. He is a striker who has earned his place in the squad after a splendid season for Mikes U21s for whom he was the team captain.

#### **Owen Parry**

Owen returned to Mikes in October 2022 after 2 seasons at Rushall Olympic. He is a midfielder/forward who was with Mikes from his academy days.

#### **Harry Sweeney**

Harry joined Mikes from Chelmsley Town in 2019 and has been a regular left back in the first team. He is gradually developing into a wing back and that's probably where his future lies.

#### Michael Tait-Moran

Michael signed for Mikes in January 2023. He came through the junior ranks at Aston Villa where he had brief first team experience. His other previous club were Stafford Rangers and Tamworth. He is a forward.

#### **Jake Wilkes**

Jake is a central defender who has been a regular in Mikes U21 team and out on loan to Smethwick Rangers. He has now fought his way into the first team squad

#### **Liam Wilson**

Liam has worked his way through Mikes junior set up and was a prominent player in last season's successful U21 team. He is a full back.

#### **Owen Woodhouse**

Owen is an addition to our back line players joining Mikes in August 2023. He has previous experience at Tividale and Halesowen Town.





# **Club History**



The club was established in 1883 as a youth football team attached to the local church and soon progressed from playing friendlies against other church sides to playing competitive league football. As the boys outgrew youth football, they organised an open-age team, which played in various local leagues. In the 1947-48 season, they reached the semi-finals of the FA Amateur Cup, losing 2-0 to Barnet in front of 27,000 at Highbury. In 1949, the club joined the Birmingham & District League.

During the 1950s the club's fortunes declined somewhat, as they resolved to remain staunchly amateur at a time when their rivals were becoming semi-professional. In 1963 the club moved leagues to the Worcestershire Combination, later re-named the Midland Football Combination, where they were to remain for thirty years.

The most successful period was during the 1980/90s when they claimed the championship on three occasions (1985/86 under John Morris) and 1988/89 and 1989/90 plus two league cup triumphs in 1989/90 (the double) and 1990/91 (under Alan Parsons).

This level of success saw the Mikes become founder members of the Midland Alliance in 1994, where they played until 2013-14, generally finishing in the top half of the table.

The club has won the Walsall Senior Cup on five occasions 1986/87 (under John Morris), 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08 (under Mick Bayley) and 2018/19 (under Stuart Grosvenor).

In the final season of the Midland Football Alliance, 2013-14 the club achieved its best position of runners-up (under Stuart Grosvenor). The Mikes were the only club to play in all twenty seasons in the Midland Alliance, reaching the league cup final twice in that time losing on both occasions to Market Drayton Town and Stratford Town

In 2014-15 they became founding members of the Midland Football League Premier Division, scoring the first goal in the new competition in a 9-1 opening day win at Rocester.

The most exciting chapter in the club's history took place in 2016 with a total stadium refurbishment and installing the latest artificial turf pitches, including two new floodlit courts for training and small-sided matches. Vice-Chairman Ralph Simmons was the driving force in this major change. The project was funded primarily by private investment to secure the club's future by investing in junior teams from age seven upwards

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The Junior section was awarded the FA Charter Standard and made its first move into Saturday Development football with two Midland Junior Premier League teams for 2017-18. The club has also been awarded Wildcats status as an FA-affiliated centre for girls' football.

2017-18 also saw the launch of two new senior teams. Our brand new Academy in partnership with BMet (Sutton College) saw our BTEC students enter the National League Under 19 Youth Alliance, with the club also introducing an Under 21 team to bridge the gap to first-team football, playing in the MFL Under 21 Division.

The Junior section now has eight teams competing in the Midland Junior Premier League and two Under 18 sides playing in the Midland Floodlit Youth League. In all the club has over fifty teams playing on Saturdays or Sundays.

The Women's team at the club won the National League Division 1 (Midlands) last season and will be playing in the National League Northern Premier Division in 2022/23. Unfortunately, they had a disappointing time and finished second last so the 2023/24 season will see the team competing back in the National League Division 1 (Midlands).

The floodlights installed circa 1990 have recently been upgraded due to the generosity of the Sutton Coldfield Town Council and a new dressing room block incorporating Hospitality and Boardroom facilities was brought into full use during the 2021/22 season.

The clubhouse was refurbished in 2019 with further in hand now the new dressing room block in use. Work is now underway to demolish the old dressing rooms, introducing a junior recreation area, offices and a sensory room. The club shop will move from its current location in the dressing room block and be internally accessed from the extended main bar once building work is complete. The current area occupied by the club shop will house washing and kit storage facilities

Managerial changes at the club are few current President Alan Parsons, a John Morris signing in 1987 held the hot seat for 16 years following Morris' departure to Halesowen Town; Rob Mallaband, the current Chairman has had two spells split by Mick Bayley's three-year reign whilst Stuart Grosvenor's tenancy lasted six seasons. In early September 2019, the club Board decided a change of football manager was required and following great interest were delighted to appoint former player Neil Kitching along with his assistants Nick Amos and Ian Cooper to the hot seat. Taking over with the club in the lower reaches of the table the management improved matters as the season progressed and were in a healthy position before COVID struck the country. Their efforts were finally rewarded in the 2021/22 season when a second-placed finish saw them win a promotion/relegation playoff game at Chalfont St Peter 4-0.

In the debut season in The Northern Premier League Midlands Division the final placing of ninth was a disappointment as the club had occupied fourth or fifth place throughout the season and looked to have secured a play-off place. Injuries plus defeats in the last three matches proved the undoing. The highlight of the campaign was the double over promotion favourites (they went through via the pay-offs) Halesowen Town. Will the 2023/24 season better last season's efforts?

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# Lye Town Player Stats

Player	League		Cı	ıps	Total		
	App	Goals	Арр	Goals	Арр	Goals	
	1 (0)	0	0 (2)	0	1 (2)	0	
ADEGOKE Isaac (M)	1(0)	0	0 (2)	0	1 (2)	0	
ARCHER Lewis (F)	1(0)	1	0 (0)	0	1(0)	1	
ASHMORE Jamie (D)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
BARKER Fin (F)	0 (1)	0	1 (1)	0	1 (2)	0	
BILLINGHAM Ben (M)	1 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	
BILLINGHAM-BELLE Kye (M)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
BOSTOCK Jack (D)	0 (0)	0	1 (1)	0	1 (1)	0	
BROOKES Dan (D)	1 (0)	0	0 (1)	0	1 (1)	0	
BRIDGEWATER Ryan (D)	1 (0)	0	2 (0)	1	3 (0)	1	
CHILTON Jason (D)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
CLARKE Lewis (M)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
DIGIE Dennis (M)	0 (1)	0	0 (1)	0	0 (2)	0	
DOUGLAS James (M)	0 (0)	0	1(0)	0	1 (0)	0	
DOWNING Jack (F)	0 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	
HALL Sam (D)	0 (0)	0	1(0)	0	1 (0)	0	
HANSON Adam (M)	0 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	
LLOYD Jake (M)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
MEACHAM Adam (D)	1 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	
NEWEY Ben (GK)	1 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	
NGBEKEN Maxwell (M)	1 (0)	0	1(0)	0	2 (0)	0	
NORTHWOOD Kieron (M)	1 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	1(0)	0	
PALMER Joe (F)	1(0)	1	1(0)	0	2 (0)	1	
PEARLMAN Jack (D)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
SCOTT Nathan (M)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
STOREY Bailey (M)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	
TYE Sam (M)	1 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	3 (0)	0	
WEST Oliver (M)	0 (1)	0	2 (0)	0	2 (1)	0	
WORSEY Lewis (D)	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	







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#### **OPENING HOURS**

Monday: 6:00am - 10:00pm

Tuesday: 6:00am - Midnight

Wednesday: 6:00am - 10:00pm

Thursday: 6:00am - Midnight

Friday: 6:00am - 10:00pm

Saturday: 8:00am - 8:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am - 8:00pm

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## **Upcoming Fixtures**

#### First Team

Mon 21 Aug 19:45 Northern Premier League Midland Division Coleshill Town v Lye Town

Sat 26 Aug 15:00 Northern Premier League Midland Division Anstey Nomads v Lye Town

Mon 28 Aug 15:00 Northern Premier League Midland Division Walsall Wood v Lye Town

Sat 02 Sep 15:00 Northern Premier League Midland Division Lye Town v Rugby Town

> Sat 09 Sep 15:00 FA Trophy 1st Qualifying Round Harborough Town v Lye Town

 Please keep an eye on possible fixtures changes via our social media channels and website www.lyetownfc.net



## **Away Day Information**



TEAM	GROUND	POSTCODE	DISTANCE (MILES)		
AFC Rushden & Diamonds	Hayden Road Sports Ground	NN10 OHX	74		
Anstey Nomads	Callingtons Community Complex	LE7 7BP	48		
Bedworth United	The Oval	CV12 8NN	39		
Boldmere St Michaels	Trevor Brown Memorial Ground	B73 5RY	17		
Cambridge City	Histon FC, Bridge Road	CB24 9PH	113		
Coleshill Town	Pack Meadow	B46 3JE	29		
Corby Town	Steel Park	NN17 2FB	78		
Coventry Sphinx	Sphinx Industrial Supplies Arena	CV3 1WA	31		
Gresley Rovers	The Moat Ground	DE11 9RE	47		
Harborough Town	Harborough Town Community	LE16 9HF	68		
Hinckley LR	Leicester Road Stadium	LE10 3DR	51		
Loughborough Dynamo	ADT Stadium	LE11 3TN	57		
Quorn	Farley Way Stadium	LE12 8RB	50		
Rugby Town	Rugby Town FC, Butlin Road	CV21 3SD	42		
Shepshed Dynamo	The Dovecote Stadium	LE12 9BN	55		
Spalding United	Sir Halley Stewart Playing Field	PE11 1DA	119		
Sporting Khalsa	Guardian Warehousing Arena	WV13 3BB	12		
Sutton Coldfield Town	Central Ground	B72 1NL	18		
Walsall Wood	John Sylvester Stadium	WS9 9NP	22		





# Ever thought of volunteering to help your local football club?

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Take a look around you at the crowd tonight. My bet is the need for the club to attract a new generation of fans will be pretty obvious.

But that's nothing new.

When I started chronicling the exploits of The Lye, as a trainee on the Stourbridge News 26 years ago, the talk was of how to attract younger fans to non-league football.

In those days, there was a two-pronged strategy. On the one hand, the Stourbridge News sports editor – and their peers – would write about local football as though it was the Premier League: previewing matches in ever greater detail and hyping up "title crunch" games and "relegation dogfights."

At the same time, non-league enthusiasts tried to sell a day in the "Banks's League" as a wholly different experience to trips to Molineux or Villa Park. While price was the obvious differential (and look at the yawning gap now), supporters at The Grove and Halesowen Harriers would mention that you could wander around the ground without aggro, take an affordable pint pitchside and share a beer and chat with manager and players after the game.

That was true, and remains the case. The problem is, selling the folksy charm of non-league was never likely to attract children and teenagers who already had their weekender social circles sorted.

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While it was my dad who took me to my first Lye games – a four-minute walk from his parents' house – I started coming on my own as an expression of freedom. Me and a few schoolmates from Thorns used to walk from our homes up around the Penfields estate to watch games under lights at The Lye. We were too young to imagine being served beer but it was a thing to do on our own, independent of our parents. It gave a sense of freedom, of adult-like responsibility. I guess the point is it was a welcoming environment where we could perch on a wall, listening to the night's big games on a transistor radio – or with our individual "Walkmans". We weren't excluding the big games but having a taste of the floodlit experience by being at a match ourselves.

Is that something that could be replicated today, in a period where Gen Z and Generation Alphas are far more difficult to pry out of their bedrooms? Is there some way to get the message out to parents that The Sports Ground is a safe, affordable place to hang out? That someone will keep an eye on younger fans – and keep them in line if need be?

Nights out down the Lye could bring valuable face-to-face social experience (particularly with people outside usual peer groups). It could plant the seed of an idea of local community, of loyalty, of how to lose – as well as win – without the violent edge of tribalism seen and heard at big stadia.

Could that be achieved? Is there a way The Lye can offer a welcome to the Tik Tok-ing, phone gazing, multimedia cohort of the younger generations? It might be a way forward.

Max Hall is a Lye Town supporter and former Stourbridge News sports editor who lives in Genoa

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- 1. Brazil beat which country 2-0 in the 2002 World Cup Final?
- 2. Which English football club was previously known as both 'Excelsior' and 'New Brompton'?
- 3. The Hawthorns is home to which English football club?
- 4. Which Liverpool defender won the PFA Player of the Year award in 2018-19?
- 5. Which English midfielder won 30 caps for his country, scoring seven goals? His injury record earned him the nickname 'Sick Note'.
- 6. Born in Glasgow in 1962, which midfielder won 73 caps for the Republic of Ireland whilst playing for Oxford United, Liverpool, Aston Villa and Crystal Palace?
- 7. Which English defender became the first to move between two English clubs for over £30 million in 2002?
- 8. Which German striker was known as Der Bomber?
- 9. Name the top Premier League goalscorer to never have been capped for his country? (Hint: he now has a son named Tyrese playing for Stoke City)
- 10. Four Manchester United players have won the European Footballer of the Year award; can you name them?

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## Half Time Wordsearch

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DATE	КО	СОМР	OPPOSITION	V	RESULT
Sun 03 Sep	14:00	WMRP	Worcester City Women	Α	
Sun 10 Sep	14:00	WMRP	Lichfield City Ladies	Н	
Sun 17 Sep	14:00	WMRP	Shifnal Town Ladies	Α	
Sun 24 Sep	14:00	WMRP	Crusaders Women	Н	
Sun 08 Oct	14:00	WMRP	Shrewsbury Town Women	Н	
Sun 15 Oct	14:00	WMRP	Coundon Court Ladies	Α	
Sun 22 Oct	14:00	WMRP	Kidderminster Har' Women	Н	





## Youth Team Midland Floodlit Youth League Western Division



DATE	КО	СОМР	OPPOSITION	V	RESULT
Mon 14 Aug	19:45	FA Youth Cup	Paget Rangers	Α	W 3-1
Mon 21 Aug	19:45	MFYL West	Gornal Athletic	Α	
Mon 11 Sep	19:45	MFYL West	Dudley Town	Α	
Wed 20 Sep	19:45	MFYL West	Wednesfield	H	
Wed 04 Oct	19:45	MFYL West	Dudley Sports	H	
Wed 11 Oct	19:45	MFYL West	Bilston Town	H	
Wed 18 Oct	19:45	MFYL West	Walsall Wood Juniors	Н	
Thu 26 Oct	19:45	MFYL West	Shifnal Town	Α	





Under 16's Midland Junior Premier League



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Under 16's Stourbridge & District Youth Football League



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Under 15's Midland Junior Premier League



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- 2. Not trespass on the playing area or surrounding area
- 3. Not climb on any building, wall or fence
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- 5. Not throw coins or other missiles
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- 7. Pay an entry fee where appropriate and according to the current entry regulations and prices.

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Dan played football from an early age and joined Hull City AFC when he was 10, earning a professional contract aged 18. Loughborough University followed where he completed a degree in Accounting and Financial Management while playing non-league football. He was an athlete who enjoyed the gym and took his health and nutrition very seriously. He lived life to the full and had so much ahead of him.

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The Daniel Wilkinson Foundation has been set up to raise awareness of SCD and to provide funding towards heart screening, defibrillators and CPR/defibrillator training primarily for grass-roots sporting teams.

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