

# the yellows

Season 2020/2021

Official On-Line Match Programme



Buildbase FA Trophy Third Qualifying Round Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020 3.00 p.m. k.o.  
**WARRINGTON TOWN v LANCASTER CITY**

# Welcome to Cantilever Park

## THE TEAMS

<b>Warrington Town</b> (yellow with blue trim/blue/yellow)	V	<b>Lancaster City</b> (blue/yellow/blue)
<b>Charles Albinson</b>	1	<b>Sam Ashton</b>
<b>James Baillie</b>	2	<b>Ben Hudson</b>
<b>Michael Rose</b>	3	<b>Niall Cowperthwaite</b>
<b>Charlie Munro</b>	4	<b>Andrew Teague</b>
<b>Mark Roberts ©</b>	5	<b>Sam Bailey</b>
<b>Matt Regan</b>	6	<b>Simon Wills</b>
<b>Jack Mackreth</b>	7	<b>Robert Wilson</b>
<b>Chris Holroyd</b>	8	<b>Charlie Bailey</b>
<b>Josh Amis</b>	9	<b>Holland-Wilkinson</b>
<b>Bohan Dixon</b>	10	<b>David Norris</b>
<b>Jack Dunn</b>	11	<b>Tom Kilifin</b>
<b>Craig Carney</b>	12	<b>Lewis Fensome</b>
<b>Jordan Buckley</b>	14	<b>Christian Sloan</b>
<b>Joel Amado</b>	15	<b>Jacob Gregory</b>
<b>Callum Grogan</b>	16	<b>Matty Blinkhorn</b>
<b>Mitch Duggan</b>	17	<b>Max Povey</b>
<b>Paul Carden</b>	Manager	<b>Mark Fell</b>

**Referee**  
**Assistant**  
**Assistant**

**Darren Strain**  
**Darren Whitfield**  
**David Barnett**



Buildbase FA Trophy 3<sup>rd</sup> Qualifying Round  
Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020, kick off 3-00 p.m.



# Town Talk

## Saturdèjà vu



Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen and welcome to Cantilever Park for this Buildbase FA Trophy 3<sup>rd</sup> Qualifying Round fixture. May I take this opportunity



to offer a warm welcome to all players, officials and supporters of Lancaster City Football Club to Warrington? I trust you all have an enjoyable stay and a safe journey home after the match.

Just last Saturday Town travelled up to Lancaster for our first league game of the current campaign. City won that one by the odd goal in three. The Trophy draw as it was means we meet on successive Saturday's. Those anomalies do occasionally crop up. Nothing against Lancaster but I am always a little disappointed when we draw teams from our own division in cup matches. Part of the attraction of cups is to play and visit clubs not often visited, and very occasionally first time visits, although we would need to get through a few rounds for that in my case where the geographic spread is increased. I am sure there are those at Lancaster who share the same sentiments about having drawn us. As it is both FA Cup and Trophy have seen us paired with divisional opposition this season. Let's hope the trophy encounter sees us progress further than the cup. Over the years we have met many times and games are normally close fought affairs. I make this to be our forty eighth meeting in all.

Looking back to past matches on which to reflect we only have last Tuesday's visit of promotion challengers Buxton to consider. The game was not completed though as sadly Scott Brown picked up a serious injury late in the first half. He was taken by ambulance from the ground to hospital and it has now been confirmed that he has suffered a badly broken leg.

At the very least, he is likely to miss the remainder of the 2020-21 season.

Manager Paul Carden has confirmed has had spoken with Scott the morning after the incident and advised

"He's had a tibia and fibula break and he's having an operation on Wednesday, which is good.

It's a clean break which is slightly better if there's no complications but obviously, he's going to be out for a long while.

He's a good lad and has a good way about him in that he's very spirited."

The 35-year-old lay on the turf, surrounded by teammates and covered in coats and layers to keep him warm, for over an hour before paramedics arrived to transfer him to hospital.

Brown is on a season-long loan at Cantilever Park from League Two side Harrogate Town. On behalf of everyone at the club our best wishes for a speedy recovery are offered and we hope that that recovery can be as full and swift as is possible.

This coming Tuesday we travel to FC United of Manchester, kick off 7-45. Tickets to that will be limited so watch out for information on the website and social media. We are currently have no game next Saturday as Scarborough Athletic have registered positive COVID test so will not play for two weeks.

Don't forget to check the new and improved Warrington Town website for all the latest news and results involving everything to do with Warrington Town. This can be accessed at

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Finally enjoy the match and may the best team from North Cheshire with a Town suffix win. Paul R.



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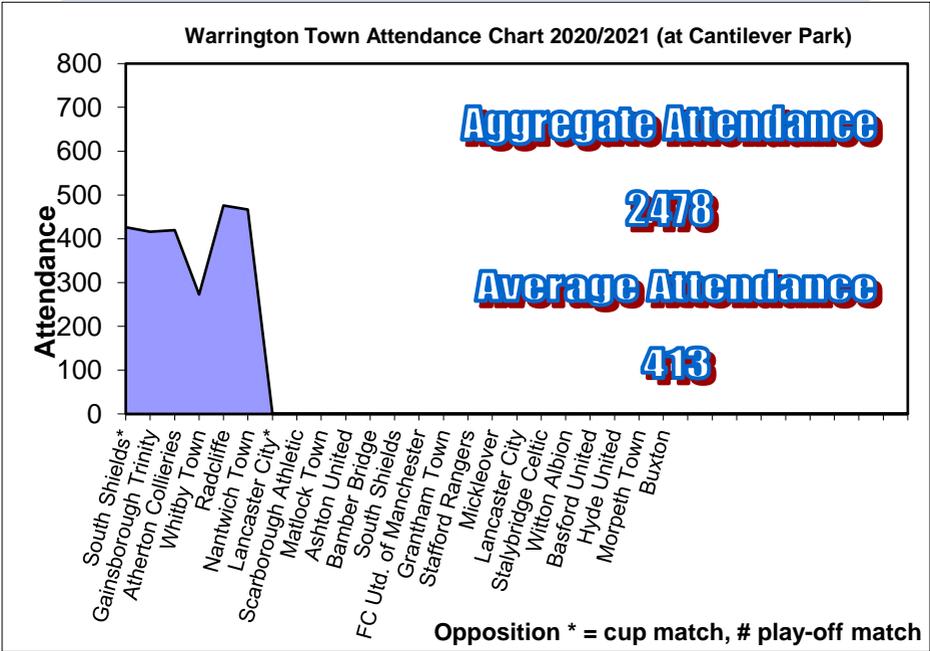
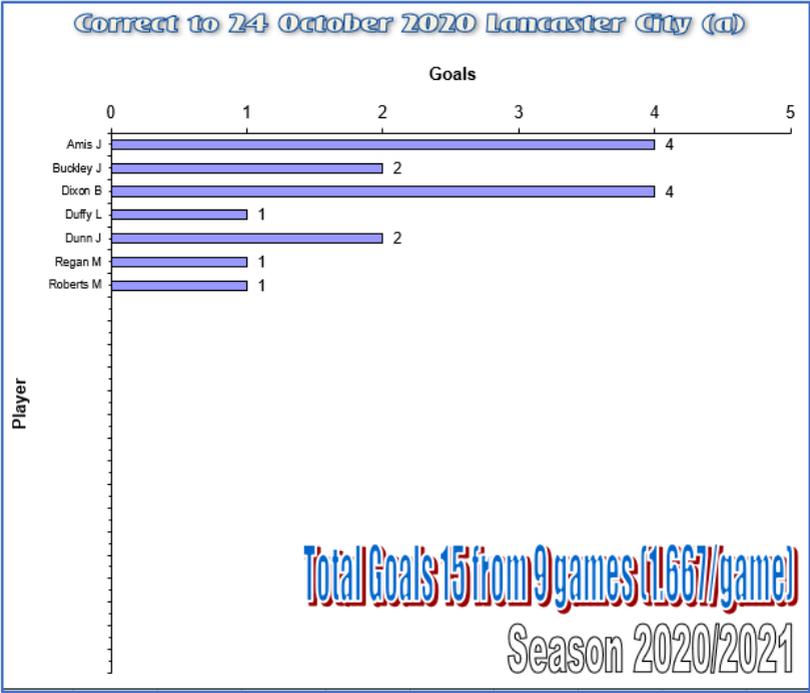
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# Scott Brown

Best wishes for a speedy recovery from all at Warrington Town FC





**Matt Regan**

# TOWN v LANCASTER CITY FC - THE HISTORY OF THE CLASH

## THE FULL RECORD (League games only - 3 points for a win)

P	HOME					AWAY					Pts	GD
	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A		
38	9	5	5	36	22	6	4	9	30	39	54	+5

### CUP MATCHES – SEVEN

1982/1983 North West Counties League Cup 3 Lancaster City 1 Warrington Town 1  
 North West Counties League Cup 3 Replay Warrington Town 1 Lancaster City 0  
 1993/1994 Northern Premier League Cup 1 Warrington Town 1 Lancaster City 1  
 Northern Premier League Cup 1 Replay Lancaster City 4 Warrington Town 2  
 1996/1997 FA Trophy 1Q Warrington Town 0 Lancaster City 2  
 2017/18 Integro League Cup 2 Warrington Town 0 Lancaster City 2  
 2020/21 Buildbase FA Trophy 3Q Warrington Town v Lancaster City

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Town and Lancaster have met on a number of occasions and were regular opponents in the early 1990's but since those UniBond League Division One days failed to meet in the intervening period, until the sides were placed in the same division in 2008/09. The first ever meeting came in 1982/1983 at The Giant Axe. It was a North West Counties League Cup Third Round tie and ended 1-1. The replay took place at Cantilever Park and Town won 1-0. Three years passed and we found ourselves in the same division for the first time. Town recorded a double winning both games 2-1 in the North West Counties League Second Division. A year on and Town won promotion finishing second. It was a carbon copy of the previous season with two more victories by a 2-1 score line. Lancaster however must have been elevated above Town to the new UniBond League Division One and that was the next time we would meet. It was season 1990/1991 and Town won 5-0 at home but lost 2-1 away. Twelve months on and Town won 2-0 at home but lost 3-0 away. The next season it was 0-2 in Warrington and 2-2 away. Who remembers that one then, notable for the fact that Lancaster scored a goal through a hole in the side of the net? The shot had gone wide of the post but still ended up in the back of the net and the hapless ref gave a goal. I have never ever seen this feat repeated in countless years of watching football, although I have seen one go in the goal, through a hole in the net in the centre of the goal, and the ref give a goal kick. I wonder if it was the same ref? That was not a Lancaster game though. Season 1993/94 saw us draw 1-1 in Warrington and go down 1-0 in Lancaster. We also drew 1-1 in a NPL Cup First Round tie with Lancaster winning the replay 4-2 on their ground. Another year on and Town won 3-0 at home and 2-1 away. 1995/96 saw a 1-1 draw in Warrington and a 2-4 reverse in the corresponding fixture. Lancaster were promoted to the Premier Division that year, but we still met the following season in the FA Trophy First Qualifying Round. Lancaster comfortably won 2-0 and that was the last meeting until 2008/2009. That league meeting came in mid September and it was an identical tale as Lancaster again won 2-0 at Cantilever Park. In mid January on a typical cold and wet evening we met again at the Giant Axe. It was Joey Dunn's first game in charge. Apart from a ten minute spell late in the first half Town totally dominated this one and the main surprise was that we only won by a 3-2 score line.

The first meeting in 2009/10 was a different story altogether as a rampant Lancaster side went four up after only twenty three minutes. Town steadied the ship and the scored ended 4-1 with Chris Gahgan replying for Town. The return game was the final game of the season with City winning 1-0. They were assured of second place and Town could go no lower than tenth (we finished ninth). A decent gate of 266 attended. The first game of 2010/11 was a highly entertaining affair and one that

will be fondly remembered by Town fans. Lancaster had much the better of the first half, but Town went in leading by a single goal at half time. The second half belonged to Town as we ran out 4-0 winners, although City missed a penalty at two down that would no doubt have changed the reflection of the game had it gone in. We scored some great goals and passed the ball around superbly. The England match (beat Switzerland 3-1 away) the same night kept the crowd down predictably, but 170 spectators saw a better game of football I reckon. The return game came in early January 2011 and again we saw a hard fought and generally even contest. City took an early lead, but Town levelled through Anthony Hickey just before the interval. Town's winner came from the penalty spot via Louis Corrigan seven minutes from time giving us a fine double for the season.

2011/12 saw the weather initially intervene as Christmas approached meaning it was well into 2012 before we actually met. Town put up a superb performance at Cantilever Park to soundly beat City 4-0, scoring some great goals in the process. Rob Hardwick, Dale Wright, Lee Madin and River Humphreys all registered one apiece. The return game was the final match of the season for both clubs and with nothing to play for Town fielded a virtually complete youth team just to give them some match experience at this level. Not surprisingly this showed in the final score, Lancaster winning 5-1.

The first meeting of 2012/13 was one to forget for Town. Leading 1-0 at the break we proceeded to miss a bag-full of chances, but no prizes are given for hitting the woodwork. City had three chances and scored them all, the last one in the final minute from the penalty spot. We also had Luke Holden sent off and lost Kevin Townson and Peter Dogan to nasty injuries. A bad day all round. The return came in mid January 2013. Town led at the break thanks to a first goal for Fraser McLachlan. City drew level after the break, and it stayed all square at 1-1. The first meeting of 2013/14 was our second game of the season. It was an entertaining game and full of chances. Too many spurned by Town plus frailty at the back meant it was the visitors who went home happy after a 3-2 win. Mannix and Wharton scored for Town in a game where the lead changed three times. When we met again in December Town sat on top of the table, but the lad was cut to three points as we lost 3-1. Ciaran Kilheaney scored for Town It was our fifth league game of the season when we travelled to the Giant Axe on a Tuesday evening in September. We saw an entertaining game that ebbed and flowed. Scott Metcalfe gave us the lead but things were level at the break and so it stayed. A draw was probably a fair result, but it would be fair to say both sides felt they could have had more. The return came in late January 2015 with both sides in mid table but with games in hand on some clubs above. Town leapfrogged Lancaster in the table with a 2-1 win. All goals came in the second half. Town led through Chris Gahgan and Scott Metcalfe (pen) before losing keeper Karl Wills. Karl was dismissed when handling the ball outside the area. City pulled one back against the ten men but could not find the equaliser. The first meeting of 2015/16 came on 8<sup>th</sup> September in Warrington and as far as we were concerned it was one that got away. Town dominated most of the game but only scored once and sure enough it cost us as City levelled it with a minute to go. Frustration reigned that evening alright. When we met again Town were thirteen points clear at the top of the table but were thwarted by a play-off chasing City who won 2-1. Ben Deegan pulled a goal back for Town, but we could not find an equaliser. It was our fourth and final defeat of the season as we stormed to the league title with a record points haul. Promotion followed so we missed each other that season but only had to wait the one as City were also champions the year after is. We met at The Giant Axe for the second game of the season and shared the points in a 2-2 draw. Town had played the better football but could not kill off the City challenge and an equaliser came three minutes into added time. Jerome and Hine scored for Town giving us the lead on each occasion. It meant both teams were unbeaten on four points after two games. The return game came in early October with both teams looking at a promotion challenge. Town were dominant in this one though scoring some great goals, three from debutantes (goals 1, 2 & 5). James Barrigan started the procession and Liam Goulding added before half time. It was 3-0 after the break when Sean Williams hit a cracker. City made it 3-1 but within a minute Caleb Richards restored the lead. Jamie McDonald added the fifth in injury time, final score 5-1. We did meet for a

third time that season and Lancaster City won 2-0 in Warrington in the Integro League Cup 2<sup>nd</sup> Round. To be honest it was an extra game we did not need given our promotion challenge and Town made nine changes with four academy players debuting in defence, so the defeat was no real surprise. As in the previous season we played our second game of the new season away to Lancaster in 2018/19. We fell behind but Tony Gray and Josh Amis turned the tie in our favour. A third from Josh Amis saw us win 3-1. We met again in mid January 2019 with Town pushing for promotion and City just above a relegation place. We played poorly and City played well deservedly taking the lead with seven minutes to go. Town's never say die attitude paid off and Tony Gray fired a wonder free kick into the top corner four minutes into added time to leave the score at 1-1. A point was not enough to prevent City dropping into the bottom three. The first meeting of 2019/20 came in early October. The points, goals and red cards were shared in a 2-2 draw, although City were lucky not to add to the later. The return came on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2020 with both teams in play-off positions. Town led through a Jack Mackreth strike, but City turned it around just before half time and held on to win 2-1

## **LOOKING BACK TO OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup> – ON THIS DAY...**

### **1953/1954**

Stockton Heath lost 3-2 at home to Northwich Victoria Reserves in a Cheshire Amateur Cup Second Round tie. Arnold and Rudge hit the target for Heath.

### **1970/1971**

Town drew 2-2 away to Knutsford in a Mid Cheshire League match thanks to goals from Nicholls and James.

### **1976/1977**

Town lost 1-0 away to Kidsgrove Athletic in a Mid Cheshire League Division One match.

### **1981/1982**

Town recorded a win with a 1-0 scoreline at home to Radcliffe Borough in a Cheshire League Division Two fixture. Hughes was the marksman that day.

### **1992/1993**

Town won 3-2 at home to Guiseley in a HFS Loans League Division One match. The scorers were Neil Whalley (2) and Paul McNally.

### **1993 – 2006**

Two postponements versus Woodley Sports and Castleton Gabriels

### **2006/2007**

Town won 3-1 at Colwyn Bay after extra time in the UniBond League Cup First Round. We had to come from behind to draw level in normal time but scored twice without reply in extra time. On target were Connell and Graeme Mitchell (2). The attendance was 141.

### **2009/2010**

I don't normally make a note of postponements but this one was a little out of the ordinary and perhaps has only happened once where we are involved? Warrington Town v Woodley Sports. UniBond League Division One North. Match postponed. Flu epidemic at Woodley Sports.

### **2015/2016**

Town hosted Brighouse Town in the FA Trophy 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifying Round and made progress with a 2-0 win. 235 attended seeing James McCarten and Ciaran Kilkeaney score our goals.



**Report (James Gordon)**  
**Warrington Town 0 Buxton 1**  
**(match abandoned)**  
**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2020**  
**Pitching In NPL Premier Division.**



**WARRINGTON Town's game against Buxton was abandoned late in the first half after midfielder Scott Brown suffered a serious injury.**

The Yellows were trailing 1-0 in the 39th minute when Brown went down in the centre circle, and the signals from team mates immediately highlighted the seriousness of the situation.

An ambulance was called, with both sides returning to the changing rooms, but after half an hour with no sign, the referee decided to abandon the match.

Brown was lying still in the centre circle, with a suspected broken leg, covered with coats and blankets, for nearly an hour and a half until the ambulance arrived and he was taken to hospital.

Remarkably, the last meeting between the two sides was also abandoned – back in February, when the Yellows were 1-0 up away at Buxton before snow put paid to proceedings.

As for the game itself, Buxton were well worth their goal lead – James Hurst heading home from Diego de Girolamo's corner in the 36th minute.

The Bucks could have scored four in the opening 15 minutes, hitting the underside of the bar through James Walshaw and then a low drive by Hurst came back off the face of the post.

Charlie Albinson and Mark Roberts also made last-ditch contributions to keep the game goalless, until Buxton's pressure finally told.

All that paled into insignificance once the seriousness of Brown's injury became clear – the midfielder had only returned to the line-up this evening following a three-match ban.



## Introducing... Lancaster City FC



### EARLY YEARS - 1911 to 1930

The Club was born out of meetings at the Market Hall Tea Rooms, Lancaster on 09 May 1911 and 07 July 1911. There had

been a lot of local support for having another representative side in the Lancashire Combination since the demise of the previous Lancaster FC in 1910, the main driving force being Mr John McGregor. The Club's application to join the Lancashire Combination was accepted at a Combination meeting on 01 June 1911 and they were notified that they would be one of 16 teams playing in the Second Division of the Combination in 1911/12.

The Club's opening fixture was a 2-0 victory against Great Harwood on the 02 September 1911 at Quay Meadow, Lancaster, unfortunately this one of only four victories in the season and Lancaster finished bottom of the Division in sixteenth place with the following record:

P – 30: W - 4, D - 4, L - 22, Goals for 29, Goals against 123, Points 12.

A steady improvement over the following three seasons saw the Club finish in second place in 1914/5, the final season before the Great War, and in that same season record a club record in the FA Cup when defeating Appleby 17-2.

There was no further competitive football until 1919 but on the resumption, Lancaster finished second in 1919/20 season and fifth the following season in the Lancashire Combination, there now only being one Division. It was at this point that the club's ambitions suffered a massive setback when they were refused admission to the new Third Division (North) of the Football League, had the club entered the league their standing today may have been very different. Town did take advantage of the absence of the clubs who had been elected to the league by winning the Lancashire Combination for the first time in 1921/22, and then again in 1929/30. The club also had a great FA Cup run in 1921/22 that saw the Blues knock out Third Division clubs Stockport and Barrow.

### 1931 to 1940

In the 1930s, Town won two more Combination titles and managed to attract regular crowds of around 3,000, equal to many league clubs at that time and during the next decade the club had more successes as it added back-to-back Championships in 1934/35 and 1935/36 and won the Lancashire Challenge Trophy in 1930/31 and 1933/34. The town of Lancaster was given its City Charter in 1937, one of the cities to be granted the charter as part of King George VI's coronation celebrations and the club was appropriately renamed Lancaster City.

### 1941 to 1960

After the Second World War ended in 1945, City enjoyed some tremendous support with gates reaching 4,500 but failed to build on it although they did

reach the FA Cup Second Round in 1946/47 and were Combination Runners-Up and Lancashire Junior Cup Winners in 1951/52.

### **1961 to 2000**

Since the 1960s Non-League football has always been in something of a state of flux, new leagues and divisions being created on a fairly regular basis. This restructuring saw City playing teams from a much wider geographical area than previously due to their presence from 1970/71 in the Northern Premier League (NPL). In 1972/73 City reached the FA Cup Second Round Proper but lost out by the odd goal against Notts County. In 1976/77 City achieved their highest Northern Premier League finish of seventh and in 1979/80 City were the League Challenge Cup runners-up when losing 2-0 to Runcorn at Manchester City's Maine Road Stadium.

In 1982 the Clubs fortunes nose-dived when City, finishing in seventeenth position (three places above their local rivals Morecambe) asked to drop down to the North West Counties League (NWCL) for the following season due to financial difficulties.

There ensued five seasons in the North West Counties League, the final two in Division 2 after being relegated in 1984/85. The formation of the Northern Premier League First Division in 1987 propelled the club back to a higher level as founder members but success eluded City until 1994/95 when the club won the President's League Cup, a feat they duplicated the following season. The comeback was completed by also winning promotion in 1995/96 and thus doing the 'double' in what was now the Unibond League and during the same period the club opened its new social club, the Dolly Blue Tavern. Now in the Unibond Premier League City consolidated a mid-table position and completed the decade with a sixth position in the League and victory in the NPL Challenge Cup against Workson Town.

### **2001 to PRESENT**

The new decade started where the last one finished, regaining the NPL Challenge Cup and recording our highest League position so far of fourth and this feat was bettered in 2001/02 when a third spot was achieved. In 2003/04 the Club once again reached the First Round Proper of the FA Cup, losing out by the only goal of the game at Milton Keynes and at the end of that season City were among 15 clubs from the Premier Division admitted to the newly formed Nationwide Football Conference North Division.

By the 2006/07 season the club was once again in financial difficulties and a shareholders committee was formed to run the affairs of the club. In order to survive it was decided to put the Club into Administration and although the Club finished bottom of the League with only one point, anyone who followed the Club at this difficult time would know how much the present set up owes to all involved, both on and off the pitch, in keeping the Club going. The Club reformed as Lancaster City FC Ltd and continued in the 2007/08 season after dropping two levels to the Unibond League First Division North where they finished in mid-table. The following year the Dolly Blues improved and were just three

points short of that fifth and final Play-off position and in 2009/10 a further improvement was made, in what was to be the last season of a 17 year Unibond League Sponsorship, with a second place finish that saw the Club in the Play-offs. Having reached the Play-off Final against Colwyn Bay, who had finished 21 points behind them in the League, City had the heartbreak of being beaten by the only goal of the game, a penalty two minutes from the end. The Club did win a Trophy with the League Fair Play Award but that was a scant reward for their efforts.

In 2010/11 City ended in eighth place but did win the President's Cup, defeating four sides from the top five, and retained the League Fair Play Award as well as winning the prestigious FA National Fair Play and Respect Award, representing clubs from Tiers 1 to 4. The club retained the League's Fair Play award in 2011/12 but finished 3 points off the play offs and whilst the Play-offs were tantalisingly close in Darren Peacock's first season as manager in 2013/14, failing on goal difference, the addition of ex-England player Trevor Sinclair as coach didn't achieve the success the Club so desperately craved and the managerial roundabout saw Phil Brown, an old Club stalwart, in charge and in the process of a re-building programme.

A sign of things to come was the Club's tremendous effort in holding Chorley to a draw in the 2015/16 LFA Challenge Trophy Final at Bolton, eventually losing 3-1 on penalties and the new management team used this as a springboard for the 2016/17 season which saw further success with an Evo-Stik Division 1 North league title and automatic promotion to the Premier Division. In addition, the club also regained the League's Fair Play award again after a break of two years, thus winning it for the fifth time in the last eight years. After gaining promotion to the Premier League the plan to consolidate in the Division for the 2017/18 finishing seventeenth assured we did just that, also for the second year running the "Dolly Blues" picked up The Presidents Trophy for Fair Play gaining the Highest points across all three Divisions

2018/19 Season didn't get off to a good start for the "Dolly Blues" seeing us at the foot of the table early on and saw Phil Browns resignation, the search for a new Manager began, in the interim Craig Stanley and Matty Blinkhorn took control and gained our first points of the season. The Clubs thanks go to Craig and Matty for their contributions at a difficult time for City. October saw the appointment of Mark Fell as Manager and things started to change for the better, the team went on to finish twelfth in the Premier Division and although Lancaster City didn't win the Presidents Trophy for the third consecutive season we did win the Premier Division's Fair Play award.

What can be said about the 2019/20 campaign – the season that never was - as we all know COVID 19 ended the season on March 14 2020 with the "Dolly Blues" finishing in a Play-off position after a good season and who knows what would have happened is all speculation, so we now look forward to the new season and new challenges.



## Lancaster City FC – The Players



### MANAGEMENT TEAM

**MARK FELL - Manager:** Lancaster City Football Club announced the appointment of first team Manager, Mark Fell in October 2018. Fell, joins the club from Ramsbottom United, who progressed well under Mark's leadership since he took sole charge over the club in January 2017, a change that saw an improvement from eighteenth place to tenth with a run of 10 unbeaten games. Fells former clubs include Accrington Stanley, Preston North End, and Nelson FC. The Dolly Blues' Chairman Stuart Houghton said: 'I am extremely pleased to welcome a manager with the passion and experience Mark possesses. He and his Assistant Graham Lancashire bring a different dimension to a very challenging and highly competitive league.'

**GRAHAM LANCASHIRE – Assistant Manager:** Lancashire progressed through the youth ranks with Burnley, who he made his Football League debut for in the 1990/91 season. He shortly after signed professional terms with the Clarets. The following season saw him net nine league and one cup goal as Burnley won the Division Four championship. He spent time on loan with Halifax Town in 1992/93 and then had a memorable temporary spell with Chester City in the closing stages of the following season. He scored seven times in 11 appearances to help clinch promotion for the Blues, including a last-gasp winner against promotion rivals Preston North End in April 1994. Lancashire moved to Preston for £55,000 in December 1994, but was to make just six appearances when the club won the Division Three title the following season. In April 1996 he was transferred for £35,000 to Wigan Athletic, where he had played on loan in the previous months scoring three goals. He joined Rochdale for £40,000 in October 1997. He played at Spotland for four years leaving at the end of the 2000/01 season. This marked the end of Lancashire's professional career, as he joined non-league side Hednesford Town.

### PLAYING SQUAD

**BEN ANDERSON:** Born July '98 in Blackpool, The young full back joins the first team after spending last season with Lancaster City Reserves. Ben joins us from AFC Fylde also captaining the Lancaster University Football Team last season.

**SAM ASHTON:** Born Oct '86 in Bolton. The 32-year-old experienced stopper started his career at Bolton before a five-year spell at FC United of Manchester. He then spent a period at Skelmersdale before arriving at Victory Park via Southport. At Chorley, he was an ever present in the side that got promoted to the Conference North, but a serious knee injury meant he sat out the majority of the '16/17 season. After a full recovery he joined Ramsbottom United where he spent last season.

**CHARLIE BAILEY:** Born June '97 in Lancaster. A former Morecambe player the attacking midfielder joined from Kendal Town. The addition of intelligent players like Charlie will give us more craft and creativity, and ultimately makes us more effective in attack. Charlie showed last season the quality he has. He's an excellent footballer. Players with creativity like Charlie has are hard to come by.

**SAM BAILEY:** Born Sept '95 in Lancaster. Sam, a fan-favourite well known to City fans, signs after a successful spell at Kendal Town where he netted 17 league goals in their 2016/17 campaign. The versatile player graduated from Bolton Wanderers' Academy has played in a number of positions across the pitch, predominantly in central midfield and the right wing. Sam's proved to be an excellent signing for us. He performed very well last season.

**MATTY BLINKHORN:** Born Mar '85 in Blackpool. Blinkhorn started his career with Blackpool FC as a youth player and was loaned to Luton Town, Bury and Morecambe FC before making that move permanent. He then moved to the Republic of Ireland where he played in the LOI Premier League for Sligo Rovers. Blinkhorn then returned to England with York City where he played for one season before moving to Hyde and eventually AFC Fylde. His honours include the 2004 Football League Trophy with Blackpool, the 2010 and 2011 FAI Cups as well as the 2010 League of Ireland Cup with Sligo Rovers.

**NIALL COWPERTHWAITTE:** Born Mar '92 in Barrow-in-Furness. The 27-year-old midfielder arrives with an excellent pedigree having won the National League North with Barrow, his career began with Morecambe before a switch to Barrow and then a prolonged absence from the game through an ACL injury. Known for his adaptability, the Grange based, 6ft 2 son of former Barrow striker Colin Cowperthwaite has penned a one-year deal with the Dolly Blues and manager Mark Fell says he is looking forward to working with his latest recruit,

**PAUL DAWSON** Born Jan '99 in Lancaster. Lancaster City made a further addition to the squad in late January with midfielder Paul Dawson following Brad Carsley from Bamber Bridge to the Giant Axe. The 20-year-old, who lives literally a stone's throw from Giant Axe is a product of the Academy at Morecambe. He grew up playing for local sides at junior level, he spent a season at Kendal in '17/18 before a summer move to Bamber Bridge under Neil Reynolds and most recently has been acclaimed as one of the most in-form midfielders in the division, cemented by a hat-trick just a week before becoming a "Dollie" against Hyde.

**PAUL DUGDALE:** Born May '88 in Bolton. Dugdale made 98 appearances for City before leaving for Clitheroe at the end of the 2018/19 season to team up with Phil Brown. The 32-year-old is vastly experienced and brings the versatility of playing as either a left-back or centre-half.

**TAYLOR FAGAN:** Born July '03 in Lancaster Taylor is another player that has rose from the reserves last season. He made three appearances for the first team last season and earned his call up to the first team for the 2020/21 season

**LEWIS FENSOME:** Born Feb 2000 in Preston. Right back Fensome had previously enjoyed a loan spell at Giant Axe for season '17/18 and now returned on a permanent deal at the beginning of this season after leaving PNE in the summer. Fensome joined the squad in pre-season and played the first two league games already, clearly impressing manager Phil Brown. "Lewis has done well in pre-season games and has earned his place in the squad. Although a young player Lewis has looked comfortable. The experience he gained last year has helped him a lot.

**JACOB GREGORY:** Born Jun '96. Jacob has moved back to Giant Axe for the 2020/21 season. Fleetwood-based Gregory was part of the championship-winning side in 2017. He then went onto play for Colne and Clitheroe. The ex-Fylde and Blackpool youngster, still only 24, is comfortable anywhere on the right-hand side.

**ROB HENRY :** Born Oct '87 Preston. Rob has come back to his old stomping ground as coaching staff. With 290 appearances in Dolly Blue, Rob knows the club inside out, he originally returned with Fell in October 2018 but left for Northwich last summer to prolong his playing career. A UEFA A licence coach with vast experience in the academy at PNE, Rob returns to add his knowledge and experience to help the current crop progress in their quest for promotion.

**BEN HUDSON:** Born Dec '92 in Blackpool. This likeable right sided defender made his debut in Sept 2012 after joining from AFC Fylde. Previous clubs include Bradford City and Preston North End. Only played several games last season due to injury but has made 130 Appearances. Hudson, made 32 appearances last season, receiving the Player of the Match award once. An old-fashioned defender who goes about his work quietly. He is powerful and disciplined. He can play in various defensive positions.

**TOM KILIFIN:** Born Mar '93 in Lancaster. Made the move back to the "Dolly Blues" in Jan 2017 signing from Kendal Town. A strong forward a local lad who has come back home. Tom left the club to join Northwich Victoria for the 2019/20 season however the boomerang has come back to his home once again.

**WILL MCGLADERRY:** Born Mar '02 in Barrow. Will came to us in pre-season and has shown he can play on the left side/wingback. A strong player who can push forward, his work rate has earned him a first team call up.

**DAVID NORRIS:** Born Feb '81 in Peterborough. Experienced midfielder David Norris came to Giant Axe in November from National League North club Boston. The midfield lieutenant needs no introduction to football fans, a combative midfielder who has over 400 football league games under his belt for the likes of Leeds, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Ipswich and Blackpool. This season he played several games for Boston before leaving the club due to the distance from his Bolton home. David finished his full-time career two seasons ago, having played 30 games for Blackpool in 2016, he went onto play for Salford City in their promotion season, and nearly 59 games for Shaw Lane.

**MAX POVEY:** Born May '98 in Blackpool. Max is in his second season with City who played understudy to Sam Ashton between the sticks. Max is a young keeper with lots of potential and shows it when chances for him come along he had a bad injury at the beginning of last season but has come back stronger

**CHRISTIAN SLOAN:** Born Oct '95 Barrow. After a successful trial period, the versatile midfielder, Christian Sloan, who's had spells at Barrow and Kendal, impressed in training and games and becomes the Dollies fifth signing of the summer. He's dynamic, tenacious and has good quality on the ball. he's got great potential and a drive about him to play as high as he can.

**GLENN STEEL:** Born Mar '83 in Preston. Joined us in Jan 2017 and brought all his experience and know how. A strong defender and calmness helps players around him. Signed from Bamber Bridge. Glenn made 35 appearances last season, scoring 1 goal and receiving the Player of the Match award on six occasions. Glenn's level of performance last season was consistently high. His defending qualities and strong character will be of vital importance in our quest to be successful this season.

**ANDREW TEAGUE:** Born Feb '86. The Dolly Blues unveiled the 34-year-old as their first signing of the summer. Sold to the Magpies in 2010, the centre-back went on to play 390 games for the National League North club, winning three promotions under Garry Flitcroft and his successors Matt Jansen and current boss Jamie Vermiglio. Teague has also enjoyed spells with Macclesfield Town and with both Tamworth and Hyde on loan. his defensive strengths will be a welcome addition.

**RHYS TURNER :** Born Jul '95 in York. A former PNE Academy graduate, Rhys initially signed for City as an 18-year-old before a move to Stockport County. He went onto play in the Football League for Oldham Athletic, Macclesfield and Morecambe before moving to Barrow in the National League. The 25 year old, Preston based forward suffered hamstring injuries which blighted the latter part of his career but now after a period of rehabilitation is fully fit and is looking forward to getting back onto the pitch at the Giant Axe.

**JOSH WINDER:** Born Apr '02 in Lancaster. Josh is a local lad and a product of Lancaster City Reserves from last season he also learning his trade at Wyre Villa following a couple of call ups from last season and a good pre-season he got the call up to the first team for the upcoming '20/21 season

**SIMON WILLS:** Born Dec '91 in Southport. The no-nonsense defensive midfield player returns for his seventh season. Simon originally came through the Reserve side while attending Myerscough College. His tough tackling and strong running for the cause has now made over 160 appearances. Simon joined the Dolly Blues in December 2012 from Kendal Town. Last season Wills made 46 appearances, scored one goal and was given the Player of the Match award on six occasions. He is extremely competitive, gives his all every game and sets the tempo for everyone.

**ROBERT WILSON:** Born June '90 in Kendal. Rob is no stranger to the Dolly Blues as he was once a part of the set up at Giant Axe. Other than Lancaster City, Wilson played for Workington AFC, AFC Fylde, Kendal Town and recently, American side, Cincinnati Dutch Lions. Wilson, a midfielder, was ever-present for Workington last season, making 40 appearances, scoring 4 goals and notching 2 assists.



# Lancaster City FC





## Town in the FA Trophy/Vase/Amateur Cup over the years the full record



Season	Round	Opponents	H/A	Score	Season	Round	Opponents	H/A	Score
<b>English Amateur Cup</b>					1976/77	2	Ham Town	A	4-1
1954/55	1	Manchester University	H	4-1		3	Anson Villa	A	0-1
	2	Newton Athletic	A	0-2	1977/78	Prelim	Whalley Range	A	1-0
1955/56	1	I. C. I. Alkali	H	1-1		1	East Chorlton	H	2-1
	1R	I. C. I. Alkali	A	4-1		2	Clay Cross	H	3-2
	2	Hoylake	A	2-3		3	Lytham St. Anne's	H	2-0
1956/57	1	Port Sunlight	A	2-2		4	Prescot Town	H	0-2
	1R	Port Sunlight	H	4-3	1978/79	Prelim	Lytham St. Anne's	A	1-2
	2	Stoneycroft	H	5-1	1979/80	1	Kiveton Park	H	0-2
	3	Runcom Athletic	H	2-4	1980/81	Prelim	Wythenshawe Amateurs	A	2-5
1957/58	1	Whitchurch Alport	A	0-4	1981/82	Prelim	Stocksbridge Social	H	4-0
1958/59	1	Earle	A	4-0		1	Linotype	A	1-0
	2	Northern Nomads	A	1-1		2	Hallam	H	0-0
	2R	Northern Nomads	H	4-1		2R	Hallam	A	0-1
	3	Middlewich	H	3-1	1982/83	Prelim	Wren Rovers	H	1-2
	4	I. C. I. Alkali	A	1-4	1983/84	Prelim	Prescot B. I.	A	3-2
1959/60	1	Stork	A	1-1		1	Garforth Miners	A	2-1
	1R	Stork	H	1-0		2	Hallam	H	1-0
	2	Newton	H	3-3		3	Appleby Frodingham	H	4-0
	2R	Newton	A	0-4		4	Guiseley	A	0-3
1960/61	1	I. C. I. Alkali	H	0-0	1984/85	Prelim	Ashton Town	A	1-0
	1R	I. C. I. Alkali	A	1-4		1	Cheadle Town	H	5-0
1961/62	1	Guinness	H	1-1		2	Farsley Celtic	A	2-1
	1R	Guinness	A	0-1		3	Fleetwood Town	A	0-2
1962/63	1	Newton	A	0-1		3	Appleby Frodingham	H	4-0
1963/64	1	Moreton	H	1-1		4	Guiseley	A	0-3
	1R	Moreton	A	2-1	1984/85	Prelim	Ashton Town	A	1-0
	2	Guinness Export	A	1-5		1	Cheadle Town	H	5-0
1964/65	1	Old Altrinchamians	H	0-1		2	Farsley Celtic	A	2-1
1965/66	1	Middleton	H	5-1		3	Fleetwood Town	A	0-2
	2	Liverpool University	H	4-0	1985/86	1	Atherton Collieries	H	2-0
	3	Guinness	A	0-1		2	Atherton L.R.	H	1-0
1966/67	---	Not known/did not enter	---	---		3	Wythenshawe Amateurs	H	2-1
1967/68	1	Ashville	A	0-2		4	Waterloo Dock	A	2-0
1968/69	---	Not known/did not enter	---	---		5	Atherstone United	H	3-1
1969/70	---	Not known/did not enter	---	---		6	Hucknall Colliery	H	3-1
1970/71	1	Chloride	A	1-1		S/F-1	Halesowen Town	H	1-1
	1R	Chloride	H	0-1		S/F-2	Halesowen Town	A	3-3
1971/72	1	Knowle	A	0-2		S/F R	Halesowen Town	N	3-6
1972/73	1	Lostock Gralam	A	0-1		S/F R	(at Telford United)	N	---
1973/74	1	Wythenshawe Amateurs	H	w/o	1986/87	2	Louth United	A	4-2
	2	Anson Villa	A	2-4		3	Borrowash Victoria	H	2-0
						4	Gresley Rovers	H	4-3
						5	Vauxhall Motors (Luton)	H	2-1
						6	Haverhill Rovers	A	3-1
1974/75	Prelim	Moulton	H	1-1		S/F-1	Collier Row	H	2-0
	Prelim	Moulton	A	0-6		S/F-2	Collier Row	A	1-0
1975/76	Prelim	Wigan Rovers	A	0-1		F	St. Helens Town	N	2-3
1976/77	Prelim	Y. M. C. A.	H	6-1	1986/87	F	(at Wembley)	N	---
	1	Newton	H	3-0					

		<b>FA Vase</b>		2005/06	1Q	Frickley Athletic	H	1-1	
1987/88	2	Farsley Celtic	H	2-3	1QR	Frickley Athletic	A	1-1	
1988/89	2	Vauxhall G. M.	H	0-1	1QR	Penalties	-	5-4	
1989/90	1	Atherton L R	H	2-0	2Q	Bridlington Town	A	2-2	
	2	Garforth Town	H	2-0	2QR	Bridlington Town	H	1-0	
	3	Netherfield	H	3-1	3Q	Kidsgrove Athletic	H	4-0	
	4	Emley	H	0-3	1	Blyth Spartans	H	1-2	
1990/91	1	Maine Road	A	2-0	2006/07	Pre	Wakefield	H	3-2
	2	Guiseley	H	2-2	1Q	Clitheroe	H	0-1	
	2R	Guiseley	A	1-1	2007/08	Pre	Rossendale United	H	3-2
	2 2R	Guiseley	H	1-3	1Q	Romulus	A	1-0	
		<b>FA Trophy</b>			2Q	Ossett Town	H	0-3	
1991/92	1Q	Goole Town	A	1-2	2008/09	Pre	Chorley	A	0-0
1992/93	2Q	Shepshed Albion	H	3-0	<u>Pre R</u>	Chorley	H	3-0	
	3Q	Stockton	H	5-2	1Q	Matlock Town	A	1-0	
	1	Guisborough Town	H	2-1	2Q	Romulus	A	2-2	
	2	Bishop Auckland	A	1-0	2QR	Romulus	H	3-1	
	3	Merthyr Tydfil	A	1-1	3QR	Nantwich Town	H	0-1	
	3R	Merthyr Tydfil	H	3-2	2009/10	Pre	Sheffield	H	5-2
	4 (Q/F)	Sutton United	A	1-2	1Q	Whitby Town	A	2-5	
1993/94	1	Gretna	A	1-1	2010/11	Pre	Shepshed Dynamo	A	1-2
	1R	Gretna	H	2-3	2011/12	Pre	Sheffield	A	2-2
1994/95	3Q	Colwyn Bay	H	1-1	<u>Pre R</u>	Sheffield	H	2-3	
	3QR	Colwyn Bay	A	0-3	2012/13	Pre	Leek Town	H	1-2
1995/96	1Q	Racing Club Warwick	A	0-1	2013/14	Pre	Ramsbottom United	H	1-2
1996/97	1Q	Lancaster City	H	0-2	2014/15	Pre	Mossley	H	1-2
		<b>FA Vase</b>		2015/16	Pre	Ossett Town	A	2-1	
1997/98	2	Poulton Victoria	H	0-1	1Q	Brighouse Town	H	2-0	
1998/99	1	Ossett Albion	H	3-1	2Q	Basford United	H	3-0	
	2	Louth United	H	2-0	3Q	AFC Fylde	H	0-2	
	3	Hearon Town	H	2-1	2016/17	1Q	Nantwich Town	H	0-2
	4	<del>Thame United</del>	H	0-2	2017/18	1Q	Bamber Bridge	H	2-1
1999/200	1	Curzon Ashton	A	3-3	2Q	Ashton United	H	1-1	
	1R	Curzon Ashton	H	3-1	2QR	Ashton United	A	2-2	
	2	Dunston F B	A	2-1	2QR	Penalties	-	4-2	
	3	Vauxhall	A	1-2	3Q	Tamworth	A	2-2	
2000/01	1	Abbey Hey	A	4-0	3QR	Tamworth	H	3-0	
	2	Fleetwood Freeport	H	0-3	1	Altrincham	H	0-0	
2001/02	1Q	Bottesford Town	H	9-1	1R	Altrincham	A	2-1	
	2Q	Yorkshire Amateurs	H	5-1	2	Ebbsfleet United	A	1-1	
	1	Durham City	H	1-2	2R	Ebbsfleet United	H	2-0	
2002/03	1Q	Easington Colliery	A	1-0	3	Wealdstone	A	1-2	
	2Q	West Allotment Celtic	A	1-1	2018/19	1Q	Prescot Cables	H	0-1
	2QR	West Allotment Celtic	H	3-1	2019/20	1Q	Ashton United	H	0-1
	1	Flixton	H	1-2	2020/21	3Q	Lancaster City	H	??
2003/04	1Q	Washington	A	2-0					
	2Q	Cammell Laird	A	2-0					
	1	Esh Winning	H	1-0					
	2	Northallerton Town	A	1-1					
	2R	Northallerton Town	H	2-0					
	3	West Allotment Celtic	H	1-2					
		<b>FA Trophy</b>							
2004/05	Pre	Ossett Albion	H	2-3					

Record win & winning Margin 2001/02 (Vase) 9-1 Bottesford Town (H) 1st Qualifying Round  
Record defeat & losing margin 1974/75 (Vase) 0-6 Moulton (A) 1st Round Replay  
Highest Aggregate score 2001/02 (Vase) 9-1 Bottesford Town (H) 1st Qualifying Round  
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Trophy 4th Round (Q/F) 1992/93



**Jordan Buckley**



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## The Buildbase FA Trophy

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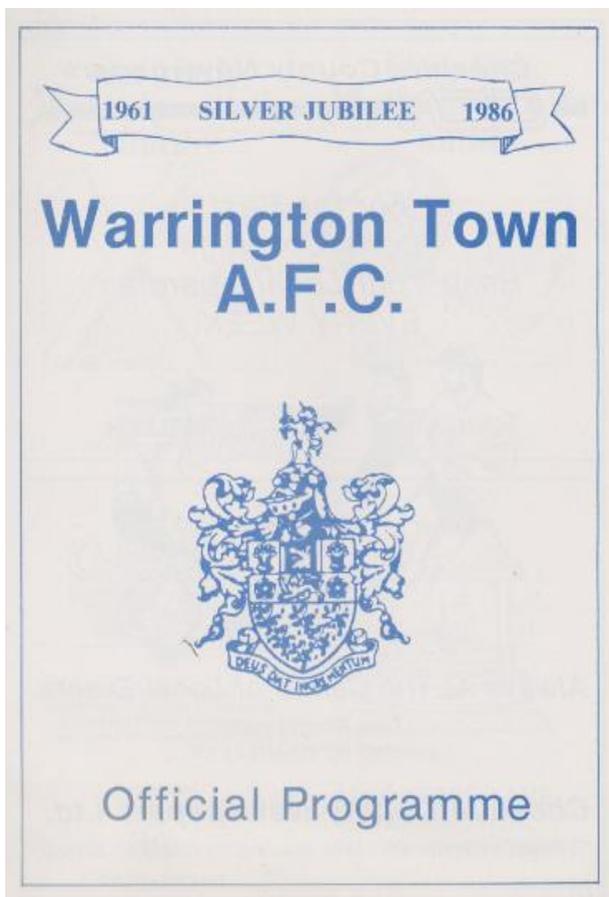


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1	FC United of Manchester	VS	Marske United	38	Bowers & Pitsea	VS	Hornchurch
2	Atherton Collieries	VS	City Of Liverpool	39	Royston Town	VS	Hythe Town
3	Hyde United	VS	Frickley Athletic	40	East Thurrock United	VS	Cheshunt
4	Warrington Town	VS	Lancaster City	41	Faversham Town	VS	Haringey Borough
5	Kendal Town	VS	Buxton	42	Walton Casuals	VS	Folkestone Invicta
6	Ashton United	VS	Clitheroe	43	Merstham	VS	Carshalton Athletic
7	Radcliffe	VS	Bamber Bridge	44	Coggeshall Town	VS	Wingate & Finchley
8	Scarborough Athletic	VS	Witton Albion	45	Kings Langley	VS	Brightlingsea Regent
9	Pickering Town	VS	Runcorn Linnets	46	Lowestoft Town	VS	Lewes
10	Marine	VS	Stalybridge Celtic	47	Biggleswade Town	VS	Heybridge Swifts
11	Glossop North End	VS	Workington AFC	48	Hanwell Town	VS	Beaconsfield Town
12	South Shields	VS	Colne	49	Uxbridge	VS	Hayes & Yeading United
13	Morpeth Town	VS	Whitby Town	50	Enfield Town	VS	Ramsgate
14	Newcastle Town	VS	Nuneaton Borough	51	Barking	VS	Sittingbourne
15	Evesham United	VS	Leek Town	52	Bishop's Stortford	VS	Brentwood Town
16	Redditch United	VS	Nantwich Town	53	Hitchin Town	VS	Herne Bay
17	Tamworth	VS	Banbury United	54	Bognor Regis Town	VS	Tooting & Mitcham United
18	Bromsgrove Sporting	VS	Colehill Town	55	Whitehawk	VS	Cray Wanderers
19	AFC Rushden & Diamonds	VS	Ilkeston Town	56	Aylesbury United	VS	Margate
20	Yaxley	VS	Grantham Town	57	Leatherhead	VS	Potters Bar Town
21	Loughborough Dynamo	VS	Bedford Town	58	Chesham United	VS	Whyteleafe
22	Rushall Olympic	VS	Barwell	59	Horsham	VS	Welwyn Garden City
23	Mickleover	VS	Dereham Town	60	Felixstowe & Walton United	VS	Metropolitan Police
24	Coalville Town	VS	Matlock Town	61	Corinthian Casuals	VS	Hendon
25	Peterborough Sports	VS	Gainsborough Trinity	62	Frome Town	VS	Farnborough
26	Stourbridge	VS	Stamford AFC	63	Taunton Town	VS	Truro City
27	Basford United	VS	Alvechurch	64	Bracknell Town	VS	Cinderford Town
28	Corby Town	VS	Hednesford Town	65	Dorchester Town	VS	Gosport Borough
29	St Neots Town	VS	Worksop Town	66	Moneyfields	VS	Kidlington
30	St Ives Town	VS	Stafford Rangers	67	Thame United	VS	Wimborne Town
31	Stratford Town	VS	Kidsgrove Athletic	68	Salisbury	VS	Tiverton Town
32	Maldon & Tiptree	VS	Kingstonian	69	Wantage Town	VS	North Leigh
33	Hastings United	VS	Ashford Town (Middx)	70	Hartley Wintney	VS	Poole Town
34	Leiston	VS	Worthing	71	Weston Super Mare	VS	Larkhall Athletic
35	Burgess Hill Town	VS	Harrow Borough	72	Highworth Town	VS	Swindon Supermarine
36	Marlow	VS	Berkhamsted	73	Yate Town	VS	Bideford AFC
37	Needham Market	VS	Three Bridges				

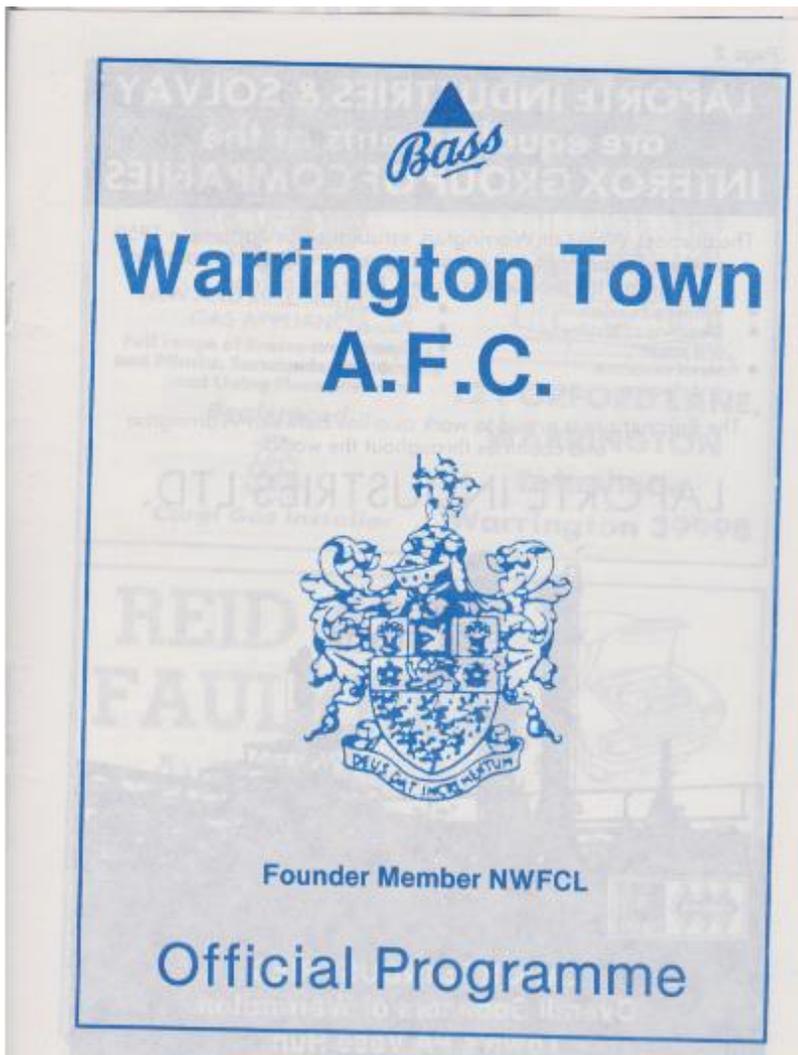
# Warrington Town Programme Reflections

In a change of approach from the traditional programme review feature for the next few Warrington Town issues we focus on past Warrington Town productions, starting with the earliest I have available in my own collection. So, in no particular order we start with...



1986

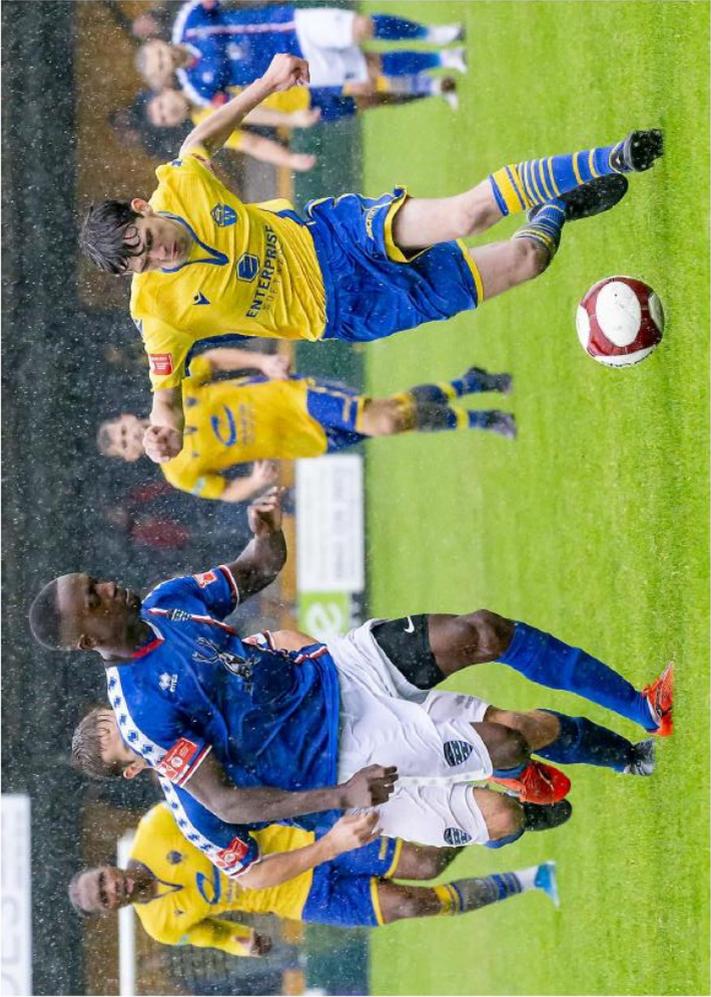
A 12 pager. Glossy shell with a single sheet insert. This was among the earliest days for me watching Town (this was versus Great Harwood Town). Earlier visits had not always seen a programme obtained or available



1988

20 pages all printed in blue ink on white paper. The cover was not glossy in this issue although the design was very similar to the 1986 offering. Lots of stats in this issue, by far the dominant category. The paper is quite thin, and you can see the print on the other side showing through.

Date	Opponents	Competition	Result	Attendance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	15	17	18	19
22-Sep	South Shields	FA Cup	0-1	426	Almson	Baillie	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson	Almson
25-Sep	Gainsborough Trinity	PNE-DOV	3-0	416	Almson	Baillie	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
25-Sep	Whitby Town	PNE-DOV	2-0	420	Almson	Baillie	Taylor	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
03-Oct	Whitby Town	PNE-DOV	1-0	273	Almson	Baillie	Rose	Brown	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
17-Oct	Whitby Town	PNE-DOV	1-0	425	Almson	Baillie	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
20-Oct	Nantwich Town	PNE-DOV	2-2	457	Almson	Grogan	Taylor	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
24-Oct	Lancaster City	PNE-DOV	1-2	197	Almson	Grogan	Taylor	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
27-Oct	Barnsley*	PNE-DOV	0-1	N/A	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
31-Oct	Lancaster City	FA Cup	0-1	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
07-Nov	Scarborough Athletic	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
07-Nov	Scarborough Athletic	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
14-Nov	Grantham Town	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
24-Nov	Stafford Rangers	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
25-Nov	Stafford Rangers	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
01-Dec	Whitby Town	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
02-Dec	Whitby Town	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
12-Dec	Hills United	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
19-Dec	Aston United	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
19-Dec	Aston United	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy
25-Dec	Whitby Town	PNE-DOV	0-0	197	Almson	Grogan	Rose	Murro	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Roberts	Dixon	Dixon	Baillie	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy	Duffy



Luke Duffy on the ball v Whitby Town

All Whittington Town pictures by John Hopkins unless otherwise stated

Key - PNE-DOV = Pitching in Northern Premier League Premier Division, NPL-DOV = Northern Premier League Premier Division Play-Off, EFA-C = Emirates FA Cup, CSC = Chester County FA Senior Cup, BFAT = Bulibase FA Trophy, LLC = Integro League Cup.  
 Home matches in bold italics  
 \* = scores in bold  
 † = match abandoned, serious injury to Scott Brown





# THE NON-LEAGUE PAPER



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By Jon Couch

A JOURNALIST is only as good as their contacts book, as they say – so we at The Non-League Paper reckon we're onto a pretty good thing.

Printing a weekly paper throughout lockdown, without a ball being kicked, wasn't easy. In fact, it was only made possible by the 'fraternity' – the chairmen and women, managers, players and supporters of football clubs across the land.

We're pretty lucky at The NLP. We have a loyal following and an enviable understanding with the people we represent.

Yes, of course, we realise that having a relationship with the Press is in their interests, but it goes beyond that. A great number of players and managers can be counted as friends and we are very proud of that.

A conversation I had with a Step 3 manager the other day reminded me of a very special relationship I struck up with a manager as a young reporter, working on my local paper in Aldershot.

George Borg arrived at the Recreation Ground with a high profile and a no-nonsense nature. If he wanted, he could have spat out a young whippersnapper like me.

Instead, we became very close and, although he doesn't know it, it was he who lit the flame for my love affair with the Non-League game.

On one occasion, I remember my back page lead story falling through, leaving me high and dry an hour before deadline.

In desperation, I gave George a call and explained my dilemma, asking him if he could confirm any transfer speculation to help fill the void.

What he gave me was a stronger exclusive than I had originally which became a popular talking point on the terraces.

As in most walks of life, a working relationship requires an 'I'll-scratch-your-back-if-you-scratch-mine' thesis. George was a big advocate of this.

I remember waiting outside the dressing room door for the Shots boss among a posse of TV crews and national journalists following a FA Cup tie with Brighton & Hove Albion in November 2000.

Accepting I would probably only get a fraction of his time, I did contemplate easing his burden by slipping off and calling him later.

Just as I did though one of the players came to the door and asked specifically for myself and my counterpart from the Farnham Herald to come through and speak to George in the managers' room at the back.

The face of the national guys was a picture as the two of us hustled our way through the crowd but when we got to the manager's changing area, there he was sat on the bench with only a small hand towel to protect his modesty! It was probably the strangest interview I had ever carried out!

To this day, I always keep an eye out on how George's Braintree Town side fare come 5pm on a Saturday. It's a relationship which taught me so much and one I will always treasure.

## Premier Division 2020/21

Correct to 30  
October 2020

#	Team	Pd	W	D	L	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
1	Basford United	9	3	0	1	3	1	1	6	1	2	15	9	6	19
2	Warrington Town	8	4	1	0	1	0	2	5	1	2	15	8	7	16
3	Mickleover FC	8	4	0	1	1	1	1	5	1	2	15	10	5	16
4	Witton Albion	7	3	0	1	2	0	1	5	0	2	13	7	6	15
5	Buxton	7	2	2	0	2	0	1	4	2	1	19	10	9	14
6	Matlock Town	6	2	1	0	2	0	1	4	1	1	10	4	6	13
7	Atherton Collieries	8	2	1	1	2	0	2	4	1	3	13	8	5	13
8	South Shields	8	2	1	2	1	2	0	3	3	2	11	8	3	12
9	Gainsborough Trinity	7	3	0	1	1	0	2	4	0	3	13	11	2	12
10	Whitby Town	8	2	0	0	1	2	3	3	2	3	13	14	-1	11
11	Scarborough Athletic	8	1	1	0	2	1	3	3	2	3	10	11	-1	11
12	Radcliffe FC	8	2	1	2	1	0	2	3	1	4	14	19	-5	10
13	Nantwich Town	5	2	0	0	0	3	0	2	3	0	9	5	4	9
14	Lancaster City	6	1	1	1	1	2	0	2	3	1	11	9	2	9
15	FC United of Manchester	6	1	3	0	0	1	1	1	4	1	6	6	0	7
16	Morpeth Town	6	0	1	0	1	2	2	1	3	2	7	9	-2	6
17	Hyde United	5	0	2	0	1	0	2	1	2	2	4	5	-1	5
18	Ashton United	6	0	2	1	1	0	2	1	2	3	5	11	-6	5
19	Stalybridge Celtic	8	1	1	3	0	1	2	1	2	5	7	17	-10	5
20	Bamber Bridge	8	1	0	3	0	1	3	1	1	6	5	15	-10	4
21	Grantham Town	7	0	1	3	0	1	2	0	2	5	5	14	-9	2
22	Stafford Rangers	7	0	0	3	0	1	3	0	1	6	2	12	-10	1



## North West 2020/21

Correct to 30  
October 2020

#	Team	Pd	W	D	L	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
1	Workington	8	3	1	0	2	2	0	5	3	0	17	7	10	18
2	Ramsbottom United	7	3	1	0	2	0	1	5	1	1	17	8	9	16
3	Colne	7	2	0	1	3	1	0	5	1	1	15	7	8	16
4	Dunston	7	2	1	1	3	0	0	5	1	1	13	8	5	16
5	Clitheroe	7	2	1	0	2	1	1	4	2	1	13	8	5	14
6	Runcorn Linnets	6	1	1	0	2	2	0	3	3	0	14	10	4	12
7	Marske United	5	2	1	0	1	1	0	3	2	0	14	5	9	11
8	Marine	5	2	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	2	10	4	6	9
9	Kendal Town	8	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	3	3	8	11	-3	9
10	Tadcaster Albion	7	2	0	1	0	2	2	2	2	3	10	10	0	8
11	Mossley	6	2	0	2	0	1	1	2	1	3	10	10	0	7
12	Trafford	7	1	2	0	0	2	2	1	4	2	8	11	-3	7
13	City of Liverpool FC	7	1	0	1	1	1	3	2	1	4	14	18	-4	7
14	Pickering Town	8	2	1	2	0	0	3	2	1	5	6	16	-10	7
15	Prescot Cables	5	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	1	3	7	9	-2	4
16	Brighouse Town	7	1	1	3	0	0	2	1	1	5	11	18	-7	4
17	Ossett United	8	1	0	3	0	1	3	1	1	6	6	15	-9	4
18	Widnes	5	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	2	3	5	11	-6	2
19	Pontefract Collieries	6	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	2	4	4	16	-12	2



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## South East 2020/21

Correct to 26  
October 2020

#	Team	Pd	W	D	L	W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
1	Loughborough Dynamo	8	3	1	0	3	0	1	6	1	1	16	9	7	19
2	Newcastle Town	7	3	1	0	2	1	0	5	2	0	17	6	11	17
3	Leek Town	7	4	0	0	1	1	1	5	1	1	23	7	16	16
4	Kidsgrove Athletic	7	3	0	0	2	1	1	5	1	1	13	7	6	16
5	Worksop Town	7	3	0	1	1	2	0	4	2	1	20	9	11	14
6	Stamford	7	3	1	0	0	3	0	3	4	0	20	6	14	13
7	Belper Town	8	2	1	1	2	0	2	4	1	3	22	12	10	13
8	Lincoln United	7	2	1	1	2	0	1	4	1	2	21	11	10	13
9	Ilkeston Town	6	1	1	0	3	0	1	4	1	1	15	11	4	13
10	Chasetown	7	0	1	2	3	0	1	3	1	3	13	12	1	10
11	Frickley Athletic	8	1	0	3	2	0	2	3	0	5	14	14	0	9
12	Stocksbridge Park Steels	8	1	0	3	2	0	2	3	0	5	15	23	-8	9
13	Cleethorpes Town	8	2	0	1	0	2	3	2	2	4	14	14	0	8
14	Carlton Town	8	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	2	4	11	14	-3	8
15	Sutton Coldfield Town	7	1	2	1	1	0	2	2	2	3	11	22	-11	8
16	Glossop North End	9	2	2	1	0	0	4	2	2	5	7	21	-14	8
17	Spalding United	7	2	0	2	0	0	3	2	0	5	8	11	-3	6
18	Sheffield FC	5	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	4	8	-4	4
19	Wisbech Town	8	1	0	3	0	0	4	1	0	7	5	26	-21	3
20	Market Drayton Town	7	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0	7	2	28	-26	0



**Jack Mackreth**