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VS
SHIFNAL TOWN
Saturday 2nd September 2023
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Cheshire County League:

Champions – 1980/81

Mid-Cheshire League:

Champions – 1963/64

Runners-Up – 1950/51, 1961/62, 1964/65

Crewe Amateur Combination League:

Champions – 1946/47

Cheshire League:

Division One Runners Up – 1900/01

Shropshire & District League:

Runners-Up – 1891/92

Manchester League:

Runners-Up – 1966/67

Northern Premier League:

Div 1 South – Play-Off Winners – 2007/08

Premier Division Play-Off Final – 2008/09

CUP COMPETITION:

Cheshire Senior Cup Winners – 1932/33,

1975/76, 2007/08, 2011/12, 2017/18,

2018/19

FA Vase Winners – 2005/06

FA Trophy Semi Finalist – 2015/16

FA Cup First Round – 2011/12, 2017/18,
2019/20

North West Counties League Cup
Winners – 1994/95

Mid Cheshire League Cup Winners –
1961/62, 1963/64

SHIFNAL TOWN FA CUP - MATCH PREVIEW

Good afternoon and welcome to the Swansway Stadium for this afternoon's FA Cup First Qualifying Round tie against Shifnal Town. We would like to welcome all the directors, staff, players and supporters associated with Shifnal this afternoon.

The Dabbers' FA Cup journey continues this Saturday as Shifnal Town visit the Swansway Stadium in the First Qualifying Round.

Putting a Shif in

Shifnal Town play in the Midland Premier Division, in the 9th tier of the pyramid. They are 5th in that league having played 3 games, winning 2 and drawing 1. They won 1-0 at AFC Wulfrunians in their last game on Monday.

They have multiple games in hand on the teams around them as they have had success in more than one cup competition. To get to this stage in the FA Cup, they have beaten Hereford Lads Club and Worcester Raiders, and have also won against Studley in the FA Vase. So, if you take all competitions, it's 5 wins and 1 draw in 6 games, an impressive start to the season.

Last Time Out

The Dabbers and Shifnal have met just once before, as part of Nantwich's greatest achievement, the FA Vase triumph in 2006. We met at Shifnal in the 2nd Qualifying Round, winning 1-0 thanks to a goal from Mark Grice.

Players to Watch

Joe Cuff has 3 goals in 4 appearances so far this season. All 3 came in a blistering 32-minute hat trick in the previous round of the FA Cup against Worcester Raiders. He'll be familiar to Dabbers fans from his recent time at Stafford Rangers.

Watch out for Joshua Hesson in midfield as well, who has 2 goals and 2 assists in 3 appearances in the early part of the season.

Match Information

The usual pre-match entertainment from the Cat Radio, along with food and drink, will be available from the Atherton & Associates Lounge. Local singer Henry Myles will be performing from 1.45pm so don't miss out! The Cat will also have commentary if you can't make the game.

Please note that the Nantwich Food Festival is on this weekend so it's worth getting to the ground earlier as the town will be busier than usual.





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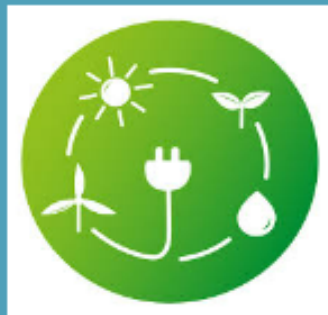


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CLITHEROE – MATCH REPORT

Clitheroe scored an 89th minute winner to take a 2-1 victory over Nantwich Town at the Swansway Stadium.

It was the first match played at the ground since the revamped artificial pitch was fitted and approved, and 465 were in attendance to see this historic game.

Ahmed Ali had a couple of early chances, the first saved by Hakan Burton in the Clitheroe goal and the next from the resulting corner straight at the keeper.

Byron Harrison forced a better save from Burton after being found by a lovely dinked through ball by Kai Evans, then Steven Hewitt fired wide from close range on the rebound.

The visitors started to grow into things, a low cross saw a Clitheroe player fling himself at it and flick it wide, an effort that could have gone anywhere.

Nathan Okome and Troy Bourne were given a torrid time by the huge figure of Sefton Gonzales up top for Clitheroe, and that provided half a chance for Domaine Rouse as Okome miscued a clearance.

Harrison headed wide just short of the half hour as both sides continued to trade blows, and another shot was hit straight at Burton.

Clitheroe's best chance of the first half came from an attack down the right, Veron Parry and Jacob Hansen combining and Hansen shooting narrowly over while under good pressure from the Nantwich defence.

The visitors had started to show their quality and took a deserved lead in the 51st minute, Reece Webb-Foster finding the corner on the second attempt. Okome was beaten all ends up on the left wing in the build up, a real rarity since he joined the Dabbers, but credit must go to Clitheroe for how they went toe-to-toe with the Nantwich defence.

Scott Butler, in his first league start for Nantwich, was impressive in carrying the ball out from his centre-back spot and even ventured close enough to have a shot, which flew over the crossbar.

Joel Connolly stooped low to try and head an Ahmed Ali cross towards goal but saw it deflected over for a corner.

The game looked as if it was fizzling out until the last 10 minutes. But then, in the 82nd, a Dabbers counter saw a big overload and AJ Leitch-Smith squandered the opportunity as he could only hit at Burton in a decent amount of space in the box.

CLITHEROE – MATCH REPORT

In the 83rd minute, the equaliser came in remarkable fashion. Sean Cooke caught everyone out with an ingenious quick free kick that found the far corner as Burton was trying to organise his wall. The ball was not moving, so the referee allowed it.

But just 6 minutes later, and Clitheroe retook the lead. A quick counterattack was finished off by John McGrath off the bench to win it for the visitors. It was a poor goal for Nantwich to concede as McGrath had most of the artificial pitch to himself to score it as Nantwich looked to complete the comeback.

In truth, the score reflected the balance of the game, even if the winner came in very tough circumstances. The Dabbers will look to get this out their system quickly with a game at 1874 Northwich on Monday afternoon.

Nantwich Town (1): Scott Maloney, Joel Connolly, Lewis Sinnott (Callum Saunders, 45), Nathan Okome, Troy Bourne, Scott Butler, Steven Hewitt, Ahmed Ali, Kai Evans (Sean Cooke, 58), Byron Harrison (AJ Leitch-Smith, 63), Paddy Kay

Subs not used: James Speare, Mohamud Ali

Goal: Cooke (83)

Clitheroe (2): Hakan Burton, Jacob Hansen, Darren Holden, Alex Henderson (Kian Bell, 90), Cameron Lancaster, Lee Pugh, Veron Parry (Ross Dent, 61), Danny Wilkins, Sefton Gonzales, Reece Webb-Foster (John McGrath, 76), Domaine Rouse

Sub not used: Scott Sephton

Goals: Webb-Foster (51), McGrath (89)

Attendance – 465





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SHIFNAL TOWN – BRIEF HISTORY IN TIME



CLUB INFO

Club Name:

Shifnal Town F.C.

Year Founded:

1964

Club Nickname:

The Town or The Reds

Current Ground:

Acoustaf foam Stadium

Current Manager:

Connor Patterson



CUP HISTORY

FA Cup:

4th Qualifying – 1982/83

FA Vase:

4th Round – 1981/82, 1982/83, 1983/84



LEAGUE HISTORY

WMRL Premier Division:

Champions – 1980/81, 1981/82,
2006/07

WMRL Division One:

Champions – 1978/79, 2015/16

LAST 5 LEAGUE SEASONS:

Season	League	POS	PL	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
2018-19	WMRL P	19/20	38	8	4	26	62	91	28
2019-20	WMRL P	ABAN	23	20	0	3	81	21	60 *
2020-21	WMRL P	ABAN	8	7	0	1	20	4	21 *
2021-22	MID P	7/19	36	16	8	12	69	45	56
2022-23	MID P	8/20	38	18	10	10	65	43	64

* 2019-20 & 2020-21 Season both curtailed due to COVID-19

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DABBERS 2023-24 SEASON

DATE	OPPONENTS	Competition	KO	H/A	SCORE	ATT
Sat 12th Aug 2023	Avro	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A	0-1	249
Tue 15th Aug 2023	Vauxhall Motors	NPL Div One West	8.00pm	H ¹	3-0	168
Fri 18th Aug 2023	Skelmersdale United	FA Cup Preliminary	7.45pm	A ²	6-0	232
Sat 26th Aug 2023	Clitheroe	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H	0-1	465
Mon 28th Aug 2023	1874 Northwich	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A	1-0	325
Sat 2nd Sep 2023	Shifnal Town	FA Cup 1st Qualifying	3.00pm	H		
Sat 9th Sep 2023	Liversedge	FA Trophy 1QR	3.00pm	A		
Sat 16th Sep 2023	Leek Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Tue 26th Sep 2023	Hanley Town	NPL Div One West	7.45pm	A		
Sat 30th Sep 2023	Bootle	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 7th Oct 2023	Trafford	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Tue 10th Oct 2023	Runcorn Linnets	NPL Div One West	7.45pm	H		
Sat 14th Oct 2023	Kidsgrove Athletic	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 21st Oct 2023	Prescot Cables	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 28th Oct 2023	Witton Albion	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 4th Nov 2023	Newcastle Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 11th Nov 2023	Stalybridge Celtic	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 18th Nov 2023	Widnes	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 25th Nov 2023	City of Liverpool	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 2nd Dec 2023	Mossley	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 9th Dec 2023	Chasetown	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		

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Match to be played at Leek Town

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Match to be played at Burscough

Player	Apps	Goals
Kai Evans	5	2
Troy Bourne	5	2
AJ Leitch-Smith	5	1
Steven Hewitt	5	1
Joel Connolly	5	0
Nathan Okome	5	0
Scott Maloney	5	0
Mohamud Ali	4	2
Callum Saunders	4	1

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Sat 23rd Dec 2023	Avro	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Tue 26th Dec 2023	Hednesford Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Mon 1st Jan 2024	1874 Northwich	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 6th Jan 2024	Clitheroe	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 13th Jan 2024	Hanley Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 20th Jan 2024	Witton Albion	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 27th Jan 2024	Prescot Cables	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 3rd Feb 2024	Leek Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 17th Feb 2024	Bootle	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 24th Feb 2024	Trafford	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 2nd Mar 2024	Kidsgrove Athletic	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 16th Mar 2024	Chasetown	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
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Sat 30th Mar 2024	Runcorn Linnets	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Mon 1st Apr 2024	Hednesford Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 6th Apr 2024	Stalybridge Celtic	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 13th Apr 2024	Newcastle Town	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		
Sat 20th Apr 2024	City of Liverpool	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	H		
Sat 27th Apr 2024	Widnes	NPL Div One West	3.00pm	A		

Player	Apps	Goals
Byron Harrison	4	0
Lewis Sinnott	4	0
Paddy Kay	4	0
Sean Cooke	3	1
Ahmed Ali	3	0
Caspar Hughes	3	0
Scott Butler	3	0
Perry Bircumshaw	2	0
Jack Sherratt	1	0

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1874 NORTHWICH – MATCH REPORT

Nantwich Town defeated 1874 Northwich 1-0 thanks to a Byron Harrison header at Townfield on Bank Holiday Monday.

Nantwich were looking to bounce back after the cruel ending to their previous game against Clitheroe, and manager Paul Carden made two changes from that starting line up, with Mo Ali and Callum Saunders coming in for Nathan Okome and Paddy Kay.

From the off, both sides tried to feel each other out, to find out where each were weakest, and to try to take advantage of that.

It was a cagey affair, with defences firmly on top, as both midfields struggled to get a firm hold of the game, with a lot of niggly fouls being given away.

The slope on the pitch was playing havoc with the way Nantwich wanted to play, and as such it took them a while to try to adapt their game plan.

However it was the home side who had the first real chance, as from a corner, it was Matt Fenton who managed to find some space, and evade his marker, to head a free header over the bar from close range.

It was a chance that he perhaps should feel that he should have done better with.

At the other end, the Dabbers were coming more and more into the game, and it was Steven Hewitt who was causing the home side's defence problems, he played a wonderful ball to Byron Harrison in the area, but with a last ditch tackle, he was foiled, but the ball fell kindly to Callum Saunders, who from just six yards out, put his shot over the bar, to the dismay of the away fans.

Chances were starting to come now, and it was Saunders who almost got on the end of a Hewitt cross with a very acrobatic bicycle kick, but he just mistimed his leap.

The away side were firmly in the groove, and it was Kai Evans who next had an opportunity to open the scoring, as from another lovely delivery by Hewitt, he chested and controlled the ball, and took aim, and his lob went just wide of the post, and it remained goalless.

Another chance just before half time came and went, this time to Evans once more, as a lovely ball from Harrison finds him, but this time his shot from the edge of the area flew over the bar.

As the whistle went for half time, Nantwich could consider themselves very unfortunate to not have opened the scoring, as the two sides went in level, with neither side managing to open the scoring.

1874 NORTHWICH – MATCH REPORT

The second half started as the first had ended, with Nantwich on top, and having managed to open up the home side's defence, with Byron Harrison bringing the ball down on the edge of the box very well, and then feeding Lewis Sinnott, and his cross found Hewitt this time, but his touch let him down, and Ellis Allen in the home goal was able to collect.

Once again, the next chance to open the scoring fell to the away side, this time it was Saunders who was ready to pounce on a chance created by Kai Evans, but the defender just nipped in from of him, to divert the chance away for a corner.

The attacking unit of Nantwich were causing a lot of issues for the home side, and they didn't really know how best to deal with them, as it was Evans who had a fantastic curling effort from the edge of the box, that was heading in the top left hand corner, before just curving too much and it went just wide.

It was beginning to feel as if it might be one of those days, when missed chances might be the story of the day, and that they might come back to haunt the Dabbers. But then, that all changed in a flash, and the best chance of the game.

Nantwich's pressure that had been building all match finally paid off, as Steven Hewitt whipped in a free-kick, which the home side didn't clear, and Byron Harrison nipped in to get to the ball just before Allen in the home goal, and he tucked the ball into the back of the net.

It was the one moment of true quality, and it was very much a hard earned goal for Harrison who had worked tirelessly throughout the game.

With the game now firmly in the visitors' hands, the hosts tried to come back into the game, and to stamp their mark on the game, but just before the last ten minutes of the game, they took this too literally, as Jack Marrow was sent off for stamping on Kai Evans.

This brought uproar from the home fans, and it took the referee a good few moments to try to restore some calm to the game once more.

From here, Nantwich managed the game very well, and stopped the hosts from creating any clear chances, and indeed almost doubled their advantage when late substitute Leitch-Smith was through on goal, but a wonderful last ditch challenge, just as he was about to shoot, prevented him from scoring what looked like a certain goal.

That was the last real action of the game, and Nantwich managed to come away with a very impressive win, and a boost to their morale, to get back to winning ways ahead of their next game at the Swansway Stadium against Shifnal Town in the FA Cup on September 2nd.

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NANTWICH TOWN – PLAYER PROFILES

SCOTT MALONEY

Goalkeeper

05 FEBRUARY 2001

The 23-year-old shot stopper joined The Dabbers in the summer from League Two side Barrow. Maloney spent his youth career at Hartlepool and Bury before making the move to barrow where he made four first team appearances for The Bluebirds.

TROY BOURNE

Defender

13 JANUARY 1998

Troy is a graduate from the Dabbers' youth team, having impressed former manager Phil Parkinson in 2015/16 pre-season training. He spent much of the 16/17 campaign on a dual registration at Alsager Town but did make a couple of first-team appearances for the Dabbers. Troy is now the club captain and picked up four awards at the 2022/23 end of year awards night, including players' player of the season and managers player of the season.

PERRY BIRCUMSHAW

Defender

Equally capable at centre back or full back, Perry joined the Dabbers early on in the 22/23 season, initially on dual registration terms from Winsford United.

But such was the manner he impressed the staff at Nantwich with his performances, he was quickly signed up permanently in September 2022 and has become a fixture in defence since.

JOEL CONNOLLY

Defender

19 NOVEMBER 2002

The 20-year-old right-back is a product of the Burnley youth academy, making it to there under 21s before being released last summer.

In October, he joined Prescot and made 14 appearances for them before joining Paul Carden here at the Dabbers for the run-in to the end of the 2022/23 season.

NATHAN OKOME

Defender

11 MAY 2001

The versatile midfielder started his career at Macclesfield Town, and has also played for other Cheshire clubs Sandbach, Knutsford, 1874 Northwich and Witton. The 21-year-old has made 6 appearances for Chorley this season, as well as having a loan spell at Glossop North End, where he made 12 appearances in all competitions up to the end of February.

LEWIS SINNOTT

Defender

04 MARCH 2004

After impressing in pre-season of the 2023/24 season, Evans was signed by The Dabbers after being released by Wrexham in the summer. Evans signed his first pro contract at the Welsh side in the COVID hit 2020 season and showcased his talents over the course of the following season when he topped the scoring charts in the National League Youth Alliance from midfield. In 2023 he left Wrexham to join Nantwich Town

NANTWICH TOWN – PLAYER PROFILES

MUHAMUD ALI

Defender

08 JUNE 1994

He began his footballing career at ADO Den Haag in Holland where he played alongside Nathan Ake in their academy. He moved to England in 2014 where he represented Northwich Victoria in the First Round of the FA Cup against Northampton. Ali has since played for various non-league sides like Curzon Ashton and Southport before joining The Dabbers, with his brother Ahmed in 2023. Muhamud has represented Somalia eight times. He was awarded man of the match in their own FIFA World Cup qualifying win against Zimbabwe in 2019.

DYLAN THOMPSON

Defender

25 OCTOBER 2002

A former Blackpool and Everton youth player who also had trials at Newcastle United, in 2021 he left for the US and joined the San Diego Toreros, the soccer team of the University of San Diego in the extremely competitive world of the US collegiate sporting system, while also studying for a Business Management degree. The 20-year-old, 6ft 3 left footed centre-back also spent some time at Asheville City in North Carolina, who play in the 4th tier of American soccer, before then playing for UNC Asheville Bulldogs, the college team of the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

SCOTT BUTLER

Defender

ON LOAN FROM WREXHAM

30 DECEMBER 2002

Wrexham-born Butler, who can play at full-back and centre-back, moved south to join Swansea in 2019 and represented them at Under-18s and Under-23 level before leaving in the summer.

The 20-year-old was on trial with Wrexham but was given a deal in October 2022 after impressing during his time at the club.

He has been a key feature in the Reserve team, impressing at the heart of the defence, and was handed the number 24 shirt in Phil Parkinson's squad.

Scott has joined Nantwich on loan until January 2024 to gain valuable experience.

STEVEN HEWITT

Midfielder

05 DECEMBER 1993

Starting out at Burnley as a youth player, he made a few league appearances for the Clarets before moving on to Chester and Southport.

A spell at Accrington followed, before some time in Wales with both Bangor City and Aberystwyth either side of Hume City in Melbourne, Australia. Most recently, the 29-year-old has been at Wythenshawe Town, where this season he's scored 3 times in 23 appearances in all competitions.

NANTWICH TOWN – PLAYER PROFILES

CASPAR HUGHES

Midfielder

09 JUNE 1993

Caspar re-joined the Dabbers from AFC Fylde at the start of the 2017-18 season, before being named captain in January 2018 after the departure of Sam Hall. While Caspar is an excellent ball-winner in midfield and can also play at full-back. The midfielder was a highly rated prospect in the famed Crewe Alexandra youth academy before joining Nantwich, where he spent two solid seasons before moving on to Fylde. The midfielder helped Fylde gain promotion from both the Northern Premier League and the National League North and is regarded one of the better midfielders in the league.

SEAN COOKE

Midfielder

03 SEPTEMBER 1992

A productive attacking midfielder, A danger from set-pieces – especially free-kicks – Sean has a keen eye for goal and has proved that not only with Nantwich but at other clubs higher up the non-league pyramid. Sean, along with Caspar Hughes, was part of the AFC Fylde side that won promotion from the Northern Premier Division and has also played for FC United of Manchester. Cooke broke through into the Nantwich side at a young age and is the only player to start in all 3 Dabbers' FA Cup First Round appearances. He has also won the Northern Premier League's Young Player of the Season as well as making three Team of the Season appearances.

PADDY KAY

Midfielder

The Young midfielder impressed in the handful of games he played for Nantwich In pre-season. However, after joining Warrington Town in the summer, he joined the Dabbers on loan to pick up some minutes in men's football.

AHMED ALI

Midfielder

23 OCTOBER 1990

Brother of Dabbers defender Muhamud, Ahmed was born in Somalia before moving to The Netherlands where he began his footballing career. In 2013 he moved to England where he continued to play football for Redditch, Bromsgrove Sporting & Halesowen before signing for Nantwich in 2023. Ali has also represented Somalia 8 times; He captained his country to their first ever FIFA World Cup victory when they beat Zimbabwe 1-0 in September 2019.

KAI EVANS

Forward

27 JANUARY 2004

After impressing in pre-season of the 2023/24 season, Evans was signed by The Dabbers after being released by Wrexham in the summer. Evans signed his first pro contract at the Welsh side in the COVID hit 2020 season and showcased his talents over the course of the following season when he topped the scoring charts in the National League Youth Alliance from midfield. In 2023 he left Wrexham to join Nantwich Town

NANTWICH TOWN – PLAYER PROFILES

BYRON HARRISON

Forward

15 JUNE 1987

The 6ft3, vastly experienced striker has nearly 150 Football League appearances, the majority of which were during a successful spell at Cheltenham Town where he scored 20 goals in 94 games between 2012 and 2015.

In more recent years, he also performed strongly for Barrow in the National League, scoring 32 times in 67 appearances in 2 seasons that ended in 2018, before he returned in 2019/20 to help them gain promotion to the EFL.

Starting his career in non-league with clubs like Havant and Waterlooville and Boreham Wood, he earned a move to League 2 Stevenage in 2010, before spending time at AFC Wimbledon and Chesterfield as well as that run with Cheltenham.

In 2018, he returned to non-league, and has played for teams such as Sutton, Barnet and most recently Altrincham.

AJ LEITCH-SMITH

Forward

06 MARCH 1990

Currently in his second spell at The Dabbers. Leitch-Smith brings a wide array of talent of experience to our forward line, he has made a living of scoring goals in the EFL and has represented teams like Port Vale, Crewe Alexandra, Shrewsbury Town and Morecambe. AJ is a local lad and is a great addition to the Dabbers side..

CALLUM SAUNDERS

Forward

26 SEPTEMBER 1995

Currently in his second spell at the club. Saunders has been a consistent goal scorer for several years. He scored 29 goals in 75 appearances across his previous time at the Dabbers.

He was the Dabbers' top scorer in the 2018/19 season and curtailed 2020/21 season.

Callum was most recently at Stafford, where he spent the 2022/23 campaign. The season before, he was joint third highest goal scorer in the NPL Premier with 18 goals.

Outside of the NPL Saunders made 27 senior appearances for Crewe Alexandra where he began his footballing career at a young age.



The Daniel Wilkinson Foundation is a charity set up in memory of Daniel Wilkinson who died in 2016 aged 24, while playing the game he loved, from an underlying heart condition called Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Cardiomyopathy (ARVC).



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.

Other than feeling light-headed on a few occasions in the month before he died, he had no symptoms!

SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH IN THE YOUNG (SCD)

- SCD is the leading cause of death in young athletes during sport and the majority of deaths occur with NO SYMPTOMS or family history.
- ARVC can be found in one in every 1,000 to 5,000 young adults - IF IT IS LOOKED FOR.
- Warning signs may include light-headedness, fainting, palpitations, swollen legs, breathlessness.
- Every week in the UK, 12 apparently fit and healthy young people (aged 35 and under) die from previously undiagnosed heart conditions.
- In Italy, where screening is mandatory for all young people engaged in organised sport, they have reduced the incidence of young sudden cardiac death by 89%.

OUR MISSION

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.

Tragedies can be prevented through cardiac screening. It is vital that young people are identified and treated.

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PITCHING IN NPL RESULTS & FIXTURES

NPL Division One West Results - Monday 28th August 2023

1874 Northwich	0	1	Nantwich Town	325
Avro	3	2	Stalybridge Celtic	523
Bootle	0	0	Prescot Cables	712
Clitheroe	0	1	Widnes	804
Hanley Town	1	3	Newcastle Town	283
Hednesford Town	1	1	Chasetown	1,486
Leek Town	2	4	Kidsgrove Athletic	710
Mossley	1	0	Trafford	507
Runcorn Linnets	4	2	Witton Albion	729
Vauxhall Motors	3	2	City of Liverpool	220

NPL Division One West Fixtures - Saturday 2nd September 2023

Chasetown	vs	Avro	3.00pm
Newcastle Town	vs	1874 Northwich	3.00pm
Stalybridge Celtic	vs	Hednesford Town	3.00pm
Trafford	vs	Bootle	3.00pm

Selected FA Cup Fixtures - Saturday 2nd September 2023

Anstey Nomads	vs	Hanley Town	3.00pm
Bamber Bridge	vs	Mossley	3.00pm
Charnock Richard	vs	Runcorn Linnets	3.00pm
Clitheroe	vs	Hyde United	3.00pm
Lancaster City	vs	Witton Albion	3.00pm
Leek Town	vs	Grimsby Borough	3.00pm
Lincoln United	vs	Kidsgrove Athletic	3.00pm
Nantwich Town	vs	Shifnal Town	3.00pm
Prescot Cables	vs	North Ferriby	3.00pm
Widnes	vs	Emley	3.00pm

PITCHING IN NPL STANDINGS

		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
	1 Kidsgrove Athletic	5	5	0	0	20	7	+13	15
	2 Chasetown	5	3	2	0	7	4	+3	11
	3 Avro	5	3	1	1	7	5	+2	10
	4 Widnes	5	3	0	2	8	3	+5	9
	5 Mossley	5	3	0	2	6	5	+1	9
	6 Stalybridge Celtic	5	2	2	1	6	5	+1	8
	7 Prescot Cables	5	2	1	2	5	3	+2	7
	8 Leek Town	5	2	1	2	9	8	+1	7
	9 Newcastle Town	5	2	1	2	7	6	+1	7
	10 Clitheroe	5	2	1	2	6	5	+1	7
	11 Runcorn Linnets	5	2	1	2	9	10	-1	7
	12 Nantwich Town	4	2	0	2	5	3	+2	6
	13 Witton Albion	5	1	3	1	9	10	-1	6
	14 Bootle	5	1	3	1	4	5	-1	6
	15 Hednesford Town	5	1	2	2	6	10	-4	5
	16 City of Liverpool	5	1	1	3	7	10	-3	4
	17 Vauxhall Motors	5	1	1	3	5	11	-6	4
	18 Trafford	5	0	3	2	3	7	-4	3
	19 1874 Northwich	5	0	2	3	3	9	-6	2
	20 Hanley Town	4	0	1	3	3	9	-6	1



NANTWICH TOWN

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Paul Carden

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9	Callum SAUNDERS
10	Kai EVANS
11	Byron HARRISON
12	Caspar HUGHES
13	James SPEARE (GK)
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15	Lewis SINNOTT
16	Jacob EDWARDS
17	Nathan OKOME

SHIFNAL TOWN

MANAGER

Connor Patterson

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14	Eshan GREEN
15	Kieran BUCKLEY
16	Lewis JARMAN
20	Emem JONES
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