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UP THE BEARS

BY KEN MEAD
CLUB SECRETARY

A very warm welcome is extended to everyone at the Cleric Stadium today and particularly to the players, officials and supporters of Wythenshawe who have made the trip for this evening's Pitching In Northern Premier League Division One West match.

The early stage of this season is shaping up in a familiar pattern seen over recent years. The Bears make an indifferent start to the season and then either come good in a major way or lose their way and end up struggling. In season 2023/24, the Bears lost 4 and drew 1 of the opening 7 games (including an FA Cup exit at the hands of Witton Albion) then proceeded to win 11 and draw 1 of the next 12 matches. That season ended with the Bears winning the Midland League and League Cup and the last 6 games saw the Bears score 36 goals and concede just 3.

Season 2024/25 was the Bears first back in the NPL First Division and again a shaky start including an FA Cup exit at home to Bury and an opening home league defeat 3-0 by Trafford before their first point away (3-3 at Chasetown). No one could have envisaged then that the Bears would go on an unbeaten run of 15 league matches with 11 wins and 4 draws that earned them a

3rd place finish and an eventual place in the play off final away at Hednesford Town.

Last season saw a similar start. 1 win in the opening 6 games but this time, 4 wins in 6 games (only 2 league wins, 2 cup wins and 2 cup defeats) followed. However, just 8 more league wins and a last day escape from relegation was the story. This is the type of season all the hard work has been put in to avoid.

So, this season we have played 4 matches. We started with a first day exit from the FA Cup, followed by a tightly fought 1-1 league game here against Vauxhall Motors. Our first win was at home to Beverley Town in the FA Trophy by a slender margin of 1-0 after they had seen Dave Parton save their penalty. Our first league defeat came a week ago at Staybridge Celtic, 1-0, and those present know we should have taken at least a point. We did not have a fixture last Saturday and chose not to seek one after injuries to Owen Morris, Danny Needham and Julius Ndene exacerbated by the absence of Darren Chadwick. We hope that Owen and Julius have recovered sufficiently to be available tonight. We will need to be close to full strength to take on a confident Wythenshawe side who were relegated from the NPL 2 years ago and came straight back last season.

They have made a good start to the season with 2 FA Cup wins 2-0 at home to Padiham and 3-1 last Saturday at home to Clitheroe, and an opening league defeat 3-0 away at Hanley Town followed by 2 wins, 1-0 v Runcorn Linnets and a remarkable 4-3 home win v Newcastle Town after finding themselves 3-0 down after just 23 minutes. So, the evidence is there that Wythenshawe are a force to be reckoned with.

Our next match is another home game on Saturday 29th in the Isuzu FA Trophy 1st Qualifying Round ko 3pm against Atherton Collieries. As there are no replays in the FA Trophy, we will be on the road on Bank Holiday Monday 31st August ko 3.00pm as we travel to Kidsgrove Athletic. Then, there is the possibility that our next scheduled league game on 5th September away at Prescot Cables may have to be rearranged if Prescot beat Litherland Remeyca tonight in their FA Cup replay, as they will then be involved in the First Qualifying Round on that day.



We hope everyone here enjoys the match and importantly, stays safe and has a safe journey home.

Ken

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PLAYING SQUAD 2026/27:

David Parton | Goalkeeper

Dave has been a central figure in some of the most memorable moments of Congleton's recent history. The former Stoke City goalkeeper has also represented Nantwich Town, Kids Grove Athletic and Whitchurch Alport. He joined the Bears in 2020 and has since passed 200 appearances, combining reliable handling and shot-stopping with a particular reputation for saving penalties. Parton played in the sides that reached the FA Vase semi-final, won the Cheshire Senior Cup and Macron Cup double in 2023, and secured the Midland League title in 2024. He brings continuity, experience and a calm presence to Richard Duffy's squad.

Matthew Liptrott

Jack Bates | Defender

Jack joined Congleton in August 2025 after leaving Wigan Athletic, where he developed through the Latics' academy system. A young, energetic defender, he quickly established himself during his first season at the Cleric Stadium and demonstrated the versatility contributing defensively in the full back and center half roles. His academy background gave him a strong technical and tactical grounding, while a full campaign in senior non-league football added valuable experience of the demands of the Northern Premier League. Returning for a second season with the Bears, Bates offers mobility, composure and further potential to develop within Richard Duffy's rebuilt squad.

Darren Chadwick | Defender

A highly experienced and dependable member of the Bears squad, Darren has represented Congleton since 2021. Comfortable at the heart of the defence and a regular threat from set pieces, 'Chadders' also has the composure to take responsibility from the penalty spot. He made 30 appearances and scored three goals during 2025/26, following several seasons as an important part of Richard Duffy's side. His Congleton career includes the 2023 Cheshire Senior Cup and Macron Cup double, the 2024 Midland League championship and the 2025 NPL West play-off campaign. Darren's leadership, defensive strength and eye for an important goal remain valuable assets.

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PLAYING SQUAD 2026/27:

Richard Duffy | Player-manager / Defender

Richard's playing appearances have become rarer over time as he focuses more on his work on the touchline and leading the football management of the club. He occasionally utilises his experience to step into the defence when required. The former Wales international enjoyed a long Football League career with Swansea City, Portsmouth, Coventry City, Millwall, Exeter City and Port Vale before moving into non-league football. Since taking charge at Congleton, he has overseen an FA Vase semi-final, the Cheshire Senior Cup and Macron Cup double, the 2023/24 Midland League title and a run to the NPL West play-off final. His standards, tactical knowledge and understanding of the game continue to shape the squad.

Marco Fregapane | Right-back

A familiar and popular face returns to the Cleric Stadium. Marco rejoined Congleton during the summer of 2026 after spending the previous season with Welsh Premier side Connah's Quay Nomads, where he gained experience in a full-time, top-flight environment. Still a young defender, he had already made more than 100 first-team appearances for the Bears before leaving in 2025 and became a firm supporters' favourite through his energy, commitment and attacking runs from right-back. Nicknamed the 'Sicilian Bulldog', Marco now returns with broader experience and an even stronger understanding of what it means to represent his hometown club.

Matthew Liptrott | Full-back / Midfielder

Matthew returns for a second season at Congleton after joining the Bears in 2025. A product of Blackpool's academy, he gained early senior experience on loan with Stalybridge Celtic and Radcliffe before continuing his development in non-league football. Able to play at full-back or in midfield, he brings pace, athleticism and useful flexibility to the squad. His first year at the Cleric Stadium allowed him to establish himself at Northern Premier League level and build an effective partnership on the right side of the Bears defence. At 23, Liptrott combines a strong academy education with significant room for further progression.

Owen Morris | Defender

Owen joined Congleton in the summer of 2024 after moving from South Wales to pursue his football ambitions in England. A composed and mobile defender, he played his part in the Bears' run to the 2025 NPL West play-off final before making 15 appearances and scoring once during an injury-disrupted 2025/26 campaign. Comfortable carrying the ball and contributing to the build-up from the back, Owen offers Richard Duffy a different defensive profile as well as the flexibility to operate in more than one role. He enters his third season at the Cleric Stadium looking to further establish himself and continue his development.

Julius Ndene | Defender

Julius is a new addition for 2026/27 after joining the Bears from Leek Town. Born in Stockport, the 23-year-old defender arrives with Northern Premier League experience and has already impressed during pre-season with his calmness in possession and composed approach to defending. Athletic and comfortable on the ball, he adds youth, mobility and competition to Richard Duffy's defensive options. His performances in the summer fixtures earned positive reviews from the club supporters and provided an early indication of how he can contribute at the Cleric Stadium. The coming campaign will be Julius's first season in Congleton colours.

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PLAYING SQUAD 2026/27:

Shakeel Jones-Griffiths | Central midfielder

Shakeel returns to Congleton for a second spell after playing in the Northern Premier League Premier Division with Hyde United. He came through Bolton Wanderers' youth system and has also represented Glossop North End and Bury, as well as passing 100 appearances during his time with Hyde. A powerful and technically capable central midfielder, he brings energy, ball-winning ability and experience from a higher level. Supporters will remember his contribution during his earlier spell with the Bears, including a goal in the club's 2022/23 FA Vase run. Now 26, 'Shak' returns as a more experienced and rounded player.

Theo Knight | Attacking midfielder / Winger

Theo arrives at the Cleric Stadium following an impressive 2025/26 season with Whitchurch Alport. The 21-year-old attacking midfielder can operate centrally or from a wide position and has earned a reputation for direct running, creativity and the ability to produce spectacular goals. His performances in Shropshire attracted attention and made him one of Richard Duffy's notable summer additions. Still at an early stage of his senior career, Theo offers pace and unpredictability in the final third and will be looking to translate his strong form at Step 5 into the Northern Premier League with the Bears.

Daniel Needham | Midfielder / Forward

One of the defining players of Congleton's recent era, Dan passed 200 appearances for the Bears during 2025/26. A dynamic attacking midfielder who can play in several forward roles, 'BGDN' has repeatedly delivered on major occasions. His goals were central to the FA Vase semi-final run, the 2023 cup double and the 2023/24 Midland League title-winning season, when he finished as the club's leading league scorer with 21 goals. Needham combines relentless energy with intelligent movement and a genuine goal threat. His experience and understanding of Richard Duffy's methods make him a particularly important link between the established squad and this summer's new arrivals.

Dallas Omoruyi | Winger

Dallas earned his move to Congleton after impressing throughout the 2026 pre-season programme. The winger spent part of his development with Stockport County before gaining senior experience in non-league football. Quick, direct and eager to attack defenders, he gives the Bears another option in the wide areas and has already shown his ability to get into scoring positions, finding the net during the summer victory over Abbey Hulton United. This will be Dallas's first competitive season at the Cleric Stadium, and his pace and willingness to run at opponents should add a fresh dimension to Richard Duffy's attacking options.

João Soares | Midfielder

Portuguese midfielder João joined the Bears after catching the eye during the 2026 pre-season schedule. The 23-year-old was most recently with Daisy Hill and arrives with the opportunity to establish himself at Northern Premier League level. Comfortable receiving the ball and linking play through midfield, he adds a different technical profile to Richard Duffy's squad. His pre-season performances showed enough quality and composure to earn a place in the group ahead of the new campaign. This will be João's first season at Congleton, and he will be looking to build quickly on the promising impression he made during the summer.

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PLAYING SQUAD 2026/27:

Peter Williams | Midfielder

Pete returns to the Bears for another spell after a very brief fling over the summer at another local club. Previously reaching the landmark of 200 Congleton appearances. Pete is a composed and versatile midfielder that has been an important part of the club's most successful recent period, contributing to the FA Vase semi-final run, the Cheshire Senior Cup and Macron Cup triumphs and the 2023/24 Midland League championship. His quality from set pieces and the penalty spot has produced several significant moments, including successful shoot-out kicks in both 2023 cup finals. 'Willo' brings experience, calmness in possession and a deep understanding of Richard Duffy's standards and the culture of the club.

Kieran Garner-Knapper | Forward

Kieran enters his third season with the Bears after joining during the summer of 2024. The energetic forward has worked his way up through the non-league pyramid and brought that same hunger to the Cleric Stadium. Capable of playing across the front line, he presses defenders, runs the channels and provides a direct attacking outlet. Kieran made 40 appearances and scored five goals during 2025/26, underlining his importance to the squad during a demanding campaign. His pace, work rate and ability to stretch opponents continue to make him a valuable part of Richard Duffy's attacking plans

Matthew Gillam | Forward

Matty begins his third season at Congleton after joining the club in 2024. A product of Rochdale's academy, he made 20 Football League appearances for the Dale and gained experience with Stalybridge Celtic and Cork City before spells at Guiseley, Atherton Collieries and Glossop North End. Strong, mobile, willing to work across the front line with exception technical ability, he can lead the attack or operate in support of another striker. His professional background and experience across several levels give Richard Duffy a proven and adaptable forward option as the Bears prepare for the new campaign.

Dylan Scott | Forward

Dylan joins the Bears with Football League experience and an impressive development pedigree. The Stone-born striker progressed through Burton Albion's academy, made his League One debut in 2024 and scored his first senior goal in the EFL Trophy. Productive loan spells with Hanley Town were followed by experience at Mickleover, Leek Town, Stalybridge Celtic and Stafford Rangers. An energetic, hard-working forward who presses from the front and attacks space, Dylan has already opened his Congleton account during pre-season. At 20, he combines senior experience with considerable potential and adds pace and intensity to the Bears' forward line.

Robert Stevenson | Centre-forward

Rob arrives at Congleton as one of the most proven forwards in the division. A former Stoke City youth player, the Stoke-on-Trent-born striker became a leading figure at Leek Town, scoring more than 100 goals across eight seasons before moving to Hednesford Town in 2024. His progress there was interrupted by a serious head injury, making his return to regular football particularly welcome. Strong, intelligent and experienced in leading a Step 4 attack, Stevenson offers goals, hold-up play and a focal point for the players around him. He joins the Bears ready to begin a new chapter at the Cleric Stadium.

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PLAYING SQUAD 2026/27:

Joseph Woolley | Forward

Joe is a new arrival for 2026/27 and brings considerable experience of football across the Northwest and Staffordshire non-league scene. The 30-year-old forward has previously represented Kidsgrove Athletic, Leek Town and Bootle, giving him a strong knowledge of both the division and many of the opponents the Bears will face. Mobile and capable of operating across the attacking line, he adds further competition and flexibility to Richard Duffy's forward options. Joe arrives at the Cleric Stadium at a good stage of his career, combining physical maturity with extensive Step 4 experience and an understanding of the demands of the Northern Premier League.

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HOW IT STARTED...

Originally founded in 1946 as Wythenshawe Lads' Club by Reg Gauntlet, a local window cleaner, gathering together a group of kids kicking a ball about in the street, started playing friendlies, held meetings with parents in a wooden hut in the grounds of Cringlewood House, Yew Tree Lane. They then set up home by hiring a room in an old farmhouse in Daine Avenue, Rackhouse. A couple of years later Noel Timpson, of Timpson Shoes, purchased two ex-WW2 Nissen huts and sited them within the farmhouse grounds.

Wythenshawe, their first kit being white shirts, black shorts, black socks, first manager Bob Collins, progressed through the Manchester Federation of Lads' Clubs League 1946-49. In 1949, as the lads grew into maturity and no longer eligible for Lads Club football, they very briefly changed their name to Park Rangers, playing in Wythenshawe Park, before Harry Dalton developed them into 'The Ammies', changing their name to Wythenshawe Amateurs, managed by Jim Cooper, to provide football for all ages. Dalton was a Sheffield Wednesday supporter, hence the Ammies royal blue & white striped kit.

They became members of the South Manchester and Wythenshawe League 1949-53 racing through the lower divisions, top goalscorer being Bob Halliday with an incredible 72 goals in season 1951-52, before securing the First Division Championship in 1953.

They then entered the Altrincham and District League 1953-54.

In 1956 Wythenshawe played Manchester United, including Bobby Charlton, in the Altrincham District FA – Whitaker Cup Final. This was a great day for Wythenshawe because not only did they hold a very talented United team to a draw but according to press reports at the time were quite as good as their opponents. After two lots of extra time the score was 1-1, the cup was shared with each team holding it for six months.

Climbing the football pyramid they were accepted into the Lancashire and Cheshire League 1954-72 winning the double in their first season, the Third Division 'A' and Hellowell Shield. Between 1955-57 they achieved the distinction of promotion in three successive seasons,

1955 Third Division 'A' champions, 1956 Third Division runner-up, 1957 Second Division champions. Also First Division champions 1962 and three time winners of the Rhodes Cup (1958, 1961, 1972).

They established themselves in the Manchester League in 1972-73 season, winning automatic promotion to the Premier Division by becoming champions of the First Division in their first season, three time champions of the Premier Division (1990, 1993, 2003) runner-up ten times (1980, 1985, 1992, 1994, 2001, 2002, 2006, 2010, 2017, 2018) and record winners (7) of the Gilgryst Cup (1986, 1987, 1990, 1999, 2001, 2009, 2018) twice finalist (1980, 1988). Three time winners of the Lancashire Amateur Cup (1976, 1990, 1996) finalist six times (1982, 1983, 1987, 1991, 1993, 1994).

The club led a somewhat nomadic existence, playing their games at Cleveland playing fields 1946-49, Wythenshawe Park 1949-58, The Christie playing fields 1958-61, Federation of Lads' Club Ground Chorlton, later called Harry Dalton playing fields 1961-83, then in 1983 they became tenants at Wythenshawe Cricket Club, Longley Lane, albeit when the football and cricket seasons overlapped the club had to find alternative venues, Flixton FC 2015, St Paul's High School 2016-17, settling at Hollyhedge Park in 2017.



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From season 1967-68 the first team took part in the FA Amateur Cup, which in 1974 became the FA Vase, in 1985 they reached the 5th round narrowly losing 2-1 away to the eventual winners Halesowen Town. The previous round saw the Ammies win 6-0 at home to Rushall Olympic before its then largest attendance of 255, tenfold their average, and producing their first ever match programme. The senior section alone have won over 50 trophies. In 1989-90 the first team, managed by Ray Mallalieu, achieved the treble by winning the Lancashire Amateur Cup, Manchester League Premier and Gilgryst Cup, while the reserves added the Second Division title and the Sunday team winning the Wythenshawe and District Sunday League Challenge Cup.

Although youth teams have sporadically existed since the Lad's Club days, In 1989 Stephen Hall and Jim Roberts formalised a Junior Section at the club, entering one team, Under 9's, in the Timperley and District Junior League.

The Sunday team started in the Wythenshawe & District Sunday League, winning the Challenge Cup in 1990, and winning the League Cup in 2003.

Due to a change to the FA's ground grading requirements in 1996 the club were no longer eligible to enter the FA Vase, on top of that, because they were not allowed to develop the cricket ground, they could not seek promotion in the National League System from the Step 7 Manchester League to the Step 6 North West Counties Football League.

Wythenshawe were not deterred by this setback and planning permission was granted by Manchester City Council in October 2007 to build a 150 seater floodlit stadium in Hollyhedge Park. Raising sufficient funds to build this facility, even to simply fence in the ground, was an ongoing challenge, being adversely affected by a recession.

In 2009 a women's team was formed, managed by Paula Mercer, in 2011 became champions of Cheshire & Manchester Women's League Division Two East and finalist in their respective cup, then transferred to the Cheshire Women's & Youth League.

In June 2011 the club changed its legal entity from an unincorporated association to that of a private limited company by guarantee, with charitable status. The company dissolved in November 2019.

The Sunday team re-formed in 2012, managed by Paul O'Keefe, immediately winning the double, Division 1 champions and cup winners, in the Altrincham Sunday League in 2013. In 2014 they joined the Stockport Sunday League, immediately becoming Division Four champions in 2015, Division Three champions in 2016 with a 100% win record, latter two seasons scoring 359 goals.

In July 2013 Committee member John Cotton noticed an article for a Budweiser £50,000 regional grant he felt the club could win, he passed the article to then Vice-Chairman Carl Barratt who took up the mantle. Fortune struck on Halloween that year, which changed the future of the club forever, when Barratt received the news that he was successful in winning the grant, this also enabled the club to compete against seven other clubs nationwide for an additional £100,000 in a public Facebook vote during February 2014, they obtained the most votes and secured the additional funds.



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The club in 2015 introduced the 'John Walker Tournament', an annual nationwide summer festival of football for children and youths aged 7-17, attracting over 100 teams with over 1,000 players. A further honour bestowed upon 'Mr Wythenshawe Amateurs' was the naming of the main stand 'The John Walker Stand' in 2020.

The football and cricket clubs workable relationship, in its latter years, became strained and culminated in the Ammies being rendered homeless when evicted by the cricket club in May 2015 after 32 years use. The Hollyhedge Park Project was now, more than ever, an increasingly important chapter in the clubs future. Whilst the project was coming to fruition games were played at Flixton FC and St. Paul's High School, with hospitality at the Winston Conservative Club and Northenden Social Club.

The penning of this crucial chapter recommenced in July 2016 when the club secured funding of £812,000, which included £382,317 from the Premier League & The FA, the £150,000 from Budweiser, £146,000 from the National Lottery, building work began in earnest in February 2017 for a clubhouse, new pitch, drainage, car park and fencing after a new long term lease was finally agreed with the council.

In March 2017 the club became a Community Benefit Society, its first Board of Directors being Basil Kabbani (Chairman), Carl Barratt (Vice-Chairman), Peter Andrews, John Cotton, Stuart Furnival, Ray Gibson, Stephen Hall, Neil Owen. The stadium was completed in September 2017, the first match was played on 30th, drawing 1-1 v. Hindsford in the Manchester League, the 32 year old attendance record was broken with 277, itself subsequently surpassed. Further improvements brought the ground up to Step 6 standard and was officially opened on 6th May 2018 by former England & Manchester United captain Bryan Robson. Promotion was gained in May 2018 when the FA allocated the first team to a restructured North West Counties Football League, this meant that the club was competing at semi-professional level for the first time,

they finished a creditable fourth in the First Division South in their first season.

In 2018 the women's team finished runner-up in the CW&YL and promoted to the North West Women's Regional League, also entering the Women's FA Cup for the first time, beating Accrington Stanley at home 5-1 in the Preliminary Round then bowing out in the 1st Qual.Rd v. Accrington Girls & Ladies at home 1-3 before the women's then record attendance of 142. In 2019 the youth team entered the FA Youth Cup for the first time. In 2022 the youth development squad, managed by Brad Monks, became the clubs first team to win a regional league division, champions of the North West Youth Alliance Development Division, and were also finalist in their respective cup in their first season. They also reached the FA Youth Cup, First Round Proper, losing 3-0 away at Bolton Wanderers. In 2019 the first team returned to the national stage when they re-entered the FA Vase.

The following season 2020-21, they made their debut in the FA Cup, in the Extra Preliminary Round beat Shelley at home 4-2 in a memorable penalty shootout after a 1-1 draw in 90 mins, exited in the Preliminary Round v. Trafford at home 1-4.

The first full season, 2021-22, following two coronavirus pandemic hit seasons, managed by Shane Goldrick, they reached the NWCFL Division One South play-offs, losing to FC Isle of Man in the semi-finals.



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They improved on that the following season, 2022-23, arguably the clubs most successful, with a first team double, winning automatic promotion to the Premier Division by becoming champions, their first ever semi-professional title, then adding the First Division Champions Cup, reserves won the Altrincham District FA Senior Cup, Sunday team champions of the Stockport Sunday League, Division Two.

Sacha Lord, co-founder of the music festival Parklife and The Warehouse Project, in May 2023 joined the Board and installed as Chair in June 2023. Barratt, appointed as Chair in 2019, remained on the Board as Vice-Chair.

In June 2023, the club changed its name, dropping 'Amateurs', becoming Wythenshawe Football Club, with the playing name Wythenshawe, there was also an alteration to the club crest to reflect the change. The club's purple patch continued in 2024, the first team winning back-to-back titles, the double-double, Premier Division champions, being promoted to the Northern Premier League, the club's highest ever level, the champions cup

Women's team, managed by James Mulvihill, winning the quadruple, NWWRF Division One South champions, winners of Lancashire FA Challenge Cup, Altrincham District FA Senior Cup and Division One Champions Super Cup. Sunday team double, champions of the Manchester Amateur Sunday Football League, Division 1 and Memorial Cup winners. Veterans teams, Over 35's & Over 45's champions of the Cheshire Veterans Football League, Division 3 & Division 1 respectively.

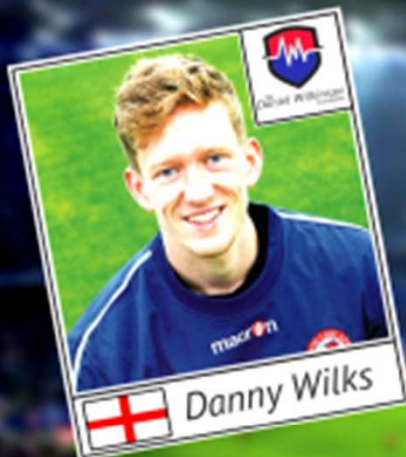
Their stay in the Northern Premier League was short-lived, returning to the NWCFL after one season, suffering their first relegation in the clubs 80 year history.

While the Women's team went in the opposite direction, back-to-back titles, in North West regional football, to the Women's National League.

In the summer of 2025, Lord and the whole Board resigned, a new Board was elected, Barratt returning as Chair, with Steven Donlon, David Boyes, John Cotton, James Dimmick, Andrew Phillips, Gareth Townsend and Diane Whelan. Fresh support on and off the pitch, season 2025-26 the first team, managed by James Kinsey, with an instant bounce-back to the NPL, winning the double, NWCFL title, with 106 points and 128 goals and the Champions Cup.

The Veterans team gained international recognition with an array of Premier League and international stars, including Stephen Ireland, Papiss Cissé, Emile Heskey, Joleon Lescott, and Antonio Valencia, winning the quadruple, 208 goals in 26 games, and back-to-back titles.

The club achieved a record 39 trophies.



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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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ANDYSMANCLUB is a free peer-to-peer group that provides a place for men to come together in a safe and open environment to talk about the issues or problems that they have faced or are currently facing.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The process is about bringing men together who have been in similar situations, to help each other on a peer to peer basis, sharing how they have dealt with various situations through lived experiences. No matter how big or small your problem feels, we are here to support each other. The 5 questions that are asked each week are designed not only to encourage men to talk, but to start to focus on the positives and on strategies to keep moving forward. There is no pressure to answer any of the questions and it is not uncommon for men to just listen for the first few sessions. The clubs all run on the same format and adhere to the same guidelines. A key principle of ANDYSMANCLUB is anything that is said in the club, stays within the club.

WHO IS IT FOR?

The club is open to any man 18 or over, who is going through a storm, been through a storm or just wants to meet a good group of people with the aim of improving one another.

WHEN IS IT?

ANDYSMANCLUB meet every Monday at 7pm (excluding Bank Holiday Mondays).

WHERE IS IT?

ANDYSMANCLUB has clubs in many locations across the UK. Check our website below for a full list.

HOW DO I JOIN?

Just turn up on the night. No registration or referral is required, all we ask is that you arrive before 7pm. The full list of our locations is available on our website.

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CLUB INFORMATION

CLUB OFFICIALS:

CHAIRMAN: Charles Porter

SENIOR FOOTBALL: Mark Parton

SECRETARY: Ken Mead

MEDIA: Adam Gosling

FIRST TEAM:

MANAGER: Richard Duffy

ASST MANAGER: Louis Dodds

CLUB PHYSIO: Abi Blythe

RESERVE TEAM:

MANAGER: Martin Cornes

GROUNDSMAN: Paul Minshull

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PRICES:

Adults - £12*

Concessions - £8*

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Accompanied Under 10's FREE*

*League games only

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Company Number – 14885130

Director – Charles Porter

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		P	+/-	Pts
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	2 Shifnal Town	3	+6	9
	3 Prescot Cables	4	+3	8
	4 Stalybridge Celtic	4	0	7
	5 Stafford Rangers	2	+5	6
	6 Lower Breck	2	+4	6
	7 Wythenshawe	3	-1	6
	8 Vauxhall Motors	4	-1	5
	9 Hanley Town	3	+2	4
	10 Runcorn Linnets	4	-1	4
	11 Witton Albion	3	+2	3
	12 Mossley	2	+1	3
	13 1874 Northwich	3	0	3
	14 Atherton Collieries	2	-1	3
	15 Newcastle Town	3	-2	3
	16 Padiham	3	-3	2
	17 Congleton Town	2	-1	1
	18 Nantwich Town	2	-2	1
	19 Chasetown	2	-2	1
	20 Clitheroe	1	-1	0
	21 Kidsgrove Athletic	1	-1	0
	22 Lichfield City	4	-13	0

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