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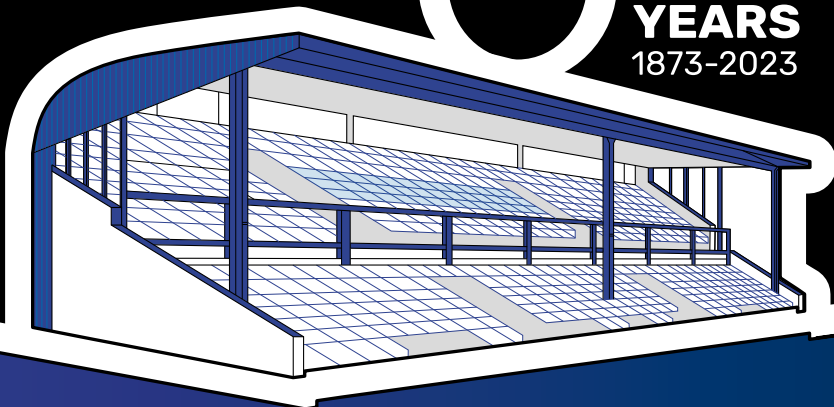


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GAINSBOROUGH TRINITY FC

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FROM THE BOARD ROOM

Good afternoon everyone,
and a huge welcome to
the Lancaster City players, fans
and directors.



Our last home game and indeed our last league game against Ashton was an incredible game, I thought the lads played and battled really well and we were so unlucky not to claim all 3 points that I felt, we deserved. The game was a great advert for football at our level, and I hope everyone enjoyed it and will come back for more.

With the game last Saturday against Whitby called off, it has given the lads a ten day break from competitive football to get recharged and prepared ready for today.

I must again extend a massive thank you to all our sponsors, from today's match sponsors to sign sponsors, every single one matters to us - no matter how big or small.

Today, our match sponsor are very special as they are life long supporters of the club and sponsor a game every season. They are Mick

& Dan Page, John Goddard and Frank Newman. Thank you to you all for your support again and backing the Blues as you do, without question. Dan also can be found today in the hut doing the announcing on the P.R system, for which we are very grateful.

The Club 150 has been really well received, thank you to all that have entered and congratulation to all the winners of the first 2 draws, we have given out £1200 in prize money, if you would like to be involved please get in touch with a chance to win the £300 cash 1st prize, the next draw is Thursday 9th November.

Thank you for coming and supporting the lads at the Kal Group Stadium, let's get behind the lads and act as the 12th man!
Yours in football,

Dave Horsley
Co-Chairman





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FROM THE BENCH

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to all from Lancaster City F. C. who have made the journey over to Lincolnshire for our Pitching In Northern Premier League fixture this afternoon. We hope you enjoy your visit to us and wish you all a safe journey home after the game.

We were all disappointed that last Saturday's away game against Whitby Town was postponed, particularly as we'd had such a good week and were feeling so prepared. Unfortunately it wasn't to be.

Our last home game on Tuesday 24th October against high flying third placed Ashton United was, in my opinion, the best performance since I arrived. It was a performance where I felt that a lot of work that we had done was coming to fruition. There are always areas to work on, but overall I am very pleased with the progress that we are making. It's certainly the best we have been with the ball. Bobby Johnson gave us a well deserved lead with his quality strike which was the result of some excellent team work – Dayle Southwell played a lovely pass into Declan Howe, who laid off the ball for Bobby to smash it into the top corner of the net.

We should have put the game to bed, but the Ashton goal keeper had an excellent evening, making many excellent saves which included plucking a super shot from Bailey Conway before it could nestle into the top corner of their net. Ashton scored from a 30 yard strike into the bottom corner, in off the post to get them back into the game.

Declan Howe then scored his second goal in four days, an outstanding chip after being played through by a superb pass from George Hornshaw. We were bitterly disappointed to lose the lead in a game we had dominated. However, that's four league games unbeaten with 8 points put on the board. We must not get complacent and will continue to work hard as a group.

Today will be another stern test against a Lancaster team who are strong and experienced, but we will be ready for the challenge.

A special mention to our ground staff led by 'Woody' for maintaining our grass pitch and for making it playable – what a superb job you do, thank you and keep up the good work! Having worked at many clubs over the years I can appreciate the hard work that goes into making sure our players have a good surface to play their fixtures on.

Please get behind the lads again today, your support really does spur the lads on to perform.

Up the Holy Blues!
Russ





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Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the Kal Group Stadium for today's game. We are looking forward to getting back out on the grass.

Lancaster at home will be a very tough game, as seen in last years fixture at home. In my first game at the club coming on 2-0 down, they have experience in all areas. However if we apply ourselves right, do the basics well, and work hard we're more than capable of coming away with three points.

It is massive to keep up our good run of form going and keep getting points on the board and climbing the table.

Hopefully the weather holds up and we can get back on the pitch as it was frustrating not to play at the weekend.



The lads are preparing well in training and as a team know how important these type of games, against sides around us, are.

We will need the fans behind us in good numbers and voices to spur us on!

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1.	Radcliffe	13	7	0	0	5	0	1	12	0	1	46	15	31	36	
2.	Warrington Rylands	14	5	0	1	3	5	0	8	5	1	21	12	9	29	
3.	Ashton United	13	6	0	1	2	1	3	8	1	4	23	23	0	25	
4.	Worksop Town	12	4	2	0	3	0	3	7	2	3	25	16	9	23	
5.	Marine	12	5	0	2	2	1	2	7	1	4	23	16	7	22	
6.	Hyde United	13	4	1	1	3	0	4	7	1	5	17	15	2	22	
7.	Macclesfield	13	4	1	1	2	1	4	6	2	5	24	16	8	20	
8.	Guiseley	13	4	1	2	1	4	1	5	5	3	21	20	1	20	
9.	Morpeth Town	13	4	2	0	1	2	4	5	4	4	30	24	6	19	
10.	Ilkeston Town	13	3	1	2	3	0	4	6	1	6	24	19	5	19	
11.	Workington	14	5	0	2	1	1	5	6	1	7	24	32	-8	19	
12.	Lancaster City	13	3	2	1	2	1	4	5	3	5	19	17	2	18	
13.	Matlock Town	14	3	2	1	2	1	5	5	3	6	27	28	-1	18	
14.	Whitby Town	10	2	0	3	3	2	0	5	2	3	22	18	4	17	
15.	FC United of Manchester	14	4	1	2	1	1	5	5	2	7	21	28	-7	17	
16.	Gainsborough Trinity	13	3	4	0	1	0	5	4	4	5	20	26	-6	16	
17.	Bamber Bridge	12	2	3	1	1	3	2	3	6	3	16	15	1	15	
18.	Bradford (Park Avenue)	14	3	1	3	0	3	4	3	4	7	14	21	-7	13	
19.	Marske United	15	3	0	5	1	0	6	4	0	11	22	40	-18	12	
20.	Basford United	14	2	3	2	0	0	7	2	3	9	13	21	-8	9	
21.	Stafford Rangers	13	1	2	4	1	0	5	2	2	9	11	25	-14	8	
22.	Atherton Collieries	13	1	1	5	1	1	4	2	2	9	12	28	-16	8	

TODAY'S FIXTURES

SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2023 NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - PREMIER

15:00 Ashton United vs Bamber Bridge

15:00 Atherton Collieries vs Ilkeston Town

15:00 Basford United vs Bradford (Park Avenue)

15:00 FC United of Manchester vs Hyde United

15:00 Gainsborough Trinity vs Lancaster City

15:00 Marske United vs Macclesfield

15:00 Matlock Town vs Radcliffe

15:00 Warrington Rylands vs Guiseley



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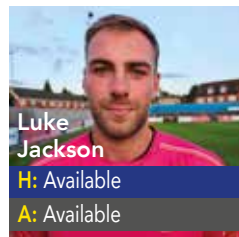
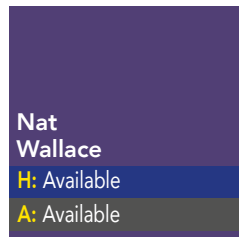
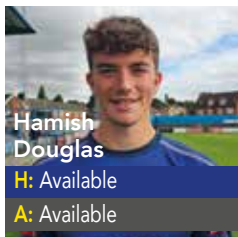
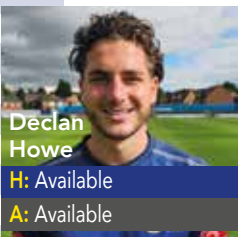
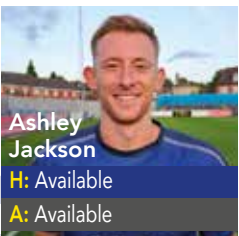
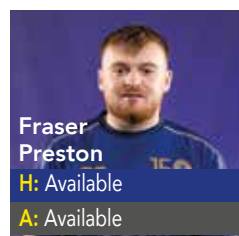
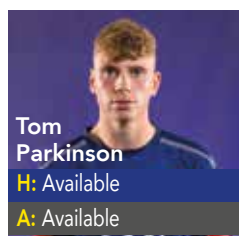
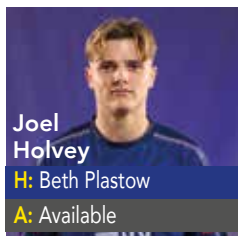
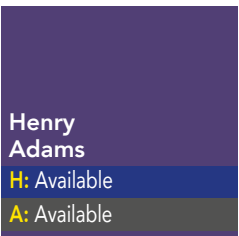
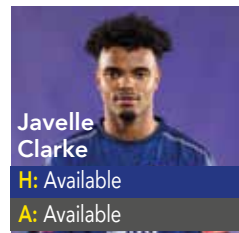
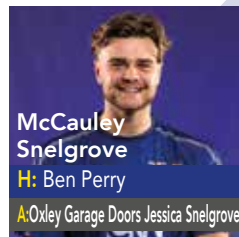
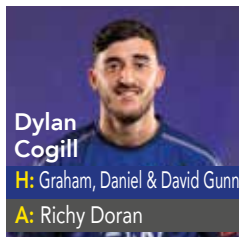
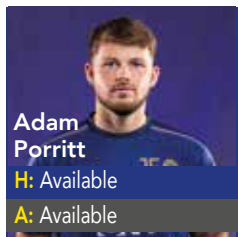
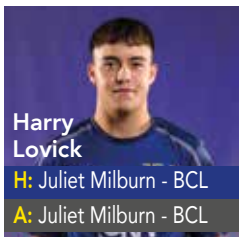
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26.08.23	Bamber Bridge	NPL				
02.09.23	Matlock Town	FA Cup 1Q			The Blues Volunteers	The Robinson Family
16.09.23		NPL				
23.09.23	Atherton Collieries	NPL	Kerry Taste Nutrition	Wright Vigar	Crooked Billett Nomads	Darren Ashley
03.10.23	Matlock Town	NPL			Horsley's of Gainsborough	
07.10.23	Guiseley	FA Trophy 3Q				
14.10.23	Warrington Rylands	NPL	AMP Rose		Sills & Betteridge	
24.10.23	Ashton United	NPL				
04.11.23	Lancaster City	NPL			Mick & Dan Page/John Goddard /Frank Newman	
18.11.23	Bradford PA	NPL			Stuart Allbones, Dave Lane, Mark Bellamy	Stuart Hogg
02.12.23	FC United of Manchester	NPL	Midland Packaging Dies		Simon Casswell Farming	Humber Security
09.12.23	Ilkeston Town	NPL			Humber Security	Bradshaws Transport
23.12.23	Macclesfield	NPL	In Memory of Liam Guilliatt	In Memory of Liam Guilliatt	SIS Facades Crooked Billett Nomads	
01.01.24	Workshop Town	NPL	Upto Fish Shop	Go Green	E J B Electrical Services	The Ollertons The Dixon Family
13.01.24	Morpeth Town	NPL				Trish & Clare Hardwick
27.01.24	Marske United	NPL			Sills & Betteridge	
17.02.24	Basford United	NPL				
02.03.24	Whitby Town	NPL	Everyone Active	Fillingham Trees		
23.03.24	Workington	NPL	Cliff Bradley & Sons	Cliff Bradley & Sons	In Memory of Grahame Stockdale	Lyn Bland
01.04.24	Stafford Rangers	NPL	Horsleys of Gainsborough		Booth Construction Ltd	
13.04.24	Hyde United	NPL			Sills & Betteridge	
27.04.24	Radcliffe	NPL				

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DATE	OPPOSITION	COMP	H/A	RES	ATT.	STARTING XI					
Sat 12 Aug	MARINE	NPLP	H	(0) 0-0 (0)	623	Wharton	Hornshaw	Butroid	Lovick	Cogill	Porritt □
Tue 15 Aug	Ilkeston Town	NPLP	A	(1) 4-0 (0)	529	Wharton	Hornshaw □	Butroid	Lovick	Cogill	Flint
Sat 19 Aug	Macclesfield	NPLP	A	(2) 3-0 (0)	3387	Wharton	Hornshaw □	Butroid	Lovick □	Cogill	Flint
Tue 22 Aug	GUISELEY	NPLP	H	(3) 4-0 (0)	502	Wharton	Hornshaw	Butroid	Lovick □	Cogill	Flint 1
Sat 26 Aug	BAMBER BRIDGE	NPLP	H	(0) 1-1 (0)	452	Wharton	Hornshaw □	Butroid	Lovick	Cogill	Flint
Mon 28 Aug	Workshop Town	NPLP	A	(0) 4-0 (0)	909	Wharton	Porritt	Butroid □	Lovick	Cogill □	Flint
Sat 2 Sep	MATLOCK TOWN	FAC 1QR	H	(1) 1-1 (0)	372	Wharton	Hornshaw	Butroid	Lovick	Cogill	Flint
Tue 5 Sep	Matlock Town	FAC 1QR R	A	(3) 5-2 (2)	447	Wharton	Hornshaw	Butroid	Lovick	Cogill □	Flint 1
Sat 9 Sep	Morpeth Town	NPLP	A	(1) 2-0 (0)	387	Wharton	Hornshaw	Butroid	Moore-Billam	Cogill □	Flint
Sat 16 Sep	STAMFORD AFC	LIN SC1	H	(0) 3-2 (0)	201	Wharton(75)	Hornshaw	Butroid(46)	Lovick (65)	Cogill	Porritt
Sat 23 Sep	ATHERTON COLLIERIES	NPLP	H	(1) 4-1 (0)	548	Wharton □	Hornshaw	Butroid	Conway	Douglas	Cogill 1
Sat 30 Sep	Basford United	NPLP	A	(0) 3-0 (0)	384	Yam	Hornshaw	Butroid(62)	Conway □	Douglas	Cogill
Tue 3 Oct	MATLOCK TOWN	NPLP	H	(3) 5-3 (1)	357	Jackson	Hornshaw(80)	Jackson 1	Conway	Douglas 1	Cogill 1
Sat 7 Oct	GUISELEY	FAT 3QR	H	(0) 1-3 (2)	342	Jackson	Hornshaw	Jackson	Conway	Douglas 1 □	Cogill □
Sat 14 Oct	WARRINGTON RYLANDS	NPLP	H	(1) 1-1 (0)	472	Jackson	Hornshaw □	Jackson	Conway	Douglas	Cogill
Sat 21 Oct	Workington	NPLP	A	(1) 2-3 (1)	740	Jackson	Wallace	Jackson	Conway	Douglas	Cogill
Tue 24 Oct	ASHTON UNITED	NPLP	H	(1) 2-2 (1)	384	Jackson	Hornshaw(82)	Jackson	Conway	Douglas	Cogill
Sat 4 Nov	LANCASTER CITY	NPLP	H								
Sat 11 Nov	Radcliffe	NPLP	A								
Sat 18 Nov	BRADFORD PARK AVENUE	NPLP	H								
Sat 25 Nov	Marske United	NPLP	A								
Tue 28 Nov	Hyde United	NPLP	A								
Sat 2 Dec	FC UNITED OF MANCHESTER	NPLP	H								
Sat 9 Dec	ILKESTON TOWN	NPLP	H								
Tue 12 Dec	Whitby Town	NPLP	A								
Sat 16 Dec	Marine	NPLP	A								
Sat 23 Dec	MACCLESFIELD	NPLP	H								
Tue 26 Dec	Stafford Rangers	NPLP	A								
Mon 1 Jan	WORKSHOP TOWN	NPLP	H								
Sat 6 Jan	Guiseley	NPLP	A								
Sat 13 Jan	MORPETH TOWN	NPLP	H								
Sat 20 Jan	Matlock Town	NPLP	A								
Sat 27 Jan	MARSKE UNITED	NPLP	H								
Sat 3 Feb	FC United of Manchester	NPLP	A								
Sat 10 Feb	Atherton Collieries	NPLP	A								
Sat 17 Feb	BASFORD UNITED	NPLP	H								
Sat 24 Feb	Warrington Rylands	NPLP	A								
Sat 2 Mar	WHITBY TOWN	NPLP	H								
Sat 16 Mar	Ashton United	NPLP	A								
Sat 23 Mar	WORKINGTON	NPLP	H								
Sat 30 Mar	Bamber Bridge	NPLP	A								
Mon 1 Apr	STAFFORD RANGERS	NPLP	H								
Sat 6 Apr	Lancaster City	NPLP	A								
Sat 13 Apr	HYDE UNITED	NPLP	H								
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Clarke	Johnson	Goodman(87)	Snelgrove(58)	Holvey(50)	Flint, Moore-Billam(87), Poulter(50), Slew(58), Parkinson
Clarke 	Johnson	Goodman(53)	Snelgrove(46)	Poulter(71)	Porritt(46), Moore-Billam(71), Parkinson, Slew (53), Holvey
Clarke 	Johnson(77)	Goodman(48)	Slew	Poulter(64)	Snelgrove, Porritt, Holvey(64), Moore-Billam(77), Makanjuola(48)
Poulter(82) 1	Makanjuola	Hardy(65)	Johnson(65) 1	Holvey	Porritt(65), Moore-Billam, Snelgrove(82), Slew, Goodman(65) 1
Poulter	Conway	Hardy 	Johnson	Holvey	Porritt, Makanjuola, Snelgrove, Slew, Moore-Billam
Poulter(64) 	Johnson(72)	Hardy	Slew(76)	Snelgrove 	Hornshaw(72), Holvey(64), Parkinson, Adams(76)
Holvey 1(75)	Conway	Hardy	Johnson(80)	Clarke(66)	Porritt, Moore-Billam, Adams(80), Parkinson(75), Cowan, Snelgrove(66)
Holvey(57)	Moore-Billam 1 	Hardy	Johnson(67)	Clarke	Porritt, Conway, Adams(67), Parkinson, Snelgrove(57)
Clarke	Conway	Hardy(59)	Johnson  	Poulter(67)	Southwell(59)  , Holvey(67), Porritt, Snelgrove, Lovick
Clarke(75)	Conway	Southwell(65)	Johnson(65)	Moore-Billam	Cowan(75), Wallace(46), Snelgrove(65), Parkinson(75), Hardy(65), Holvey(65)
Wallace(61)	Moore-Billam(88)	Southwell 2	Howe	Clarke(79) 	Lovick(88), Holvey(61) 1 , Hardy, Poulter(79), Parkinson
Jackson	Johnson	Southwell	Howe(77)	Clarke	Holvey(77), Lovick, Wallace, Pultar, Moore-Billam(62)
Moore-Billam	Johnson	Southwell(81)	Howe 1 (90)	Clarke 1	Holvey, Wallace(80), Poulter(81), Butroid(90), Lovick
Moore-Billam(34)	Johnson(71)	Southwell	Howe(61) 	Clarke	Holvey(61), Wallace(34), Parkinson, Butroid, Lovick(71)
Butroid(76)	Johnson	Southwell(69)	Howe 1 (78)	Clarke	Holvey(76), Wallace(69), Poulter, Lovick, Moore-Billam(78)
Butroid(90)	Johnson(72)	Southwell(72)	Howe 2	Clarke 1	Holvey, Hawkin(90), Poulter(72), Lovick, Moore-Billam(72)
Butroid	Johnson 1	Southwell	Howe 1 	Clarke	Holvey, Wallace(82), Poulter, Moore-Billam, Hawkin

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Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the famous old Northolme ground for today's visit of Lancaster City, where another tough game is expected.

Lancaster arrive here today 2 points better off than the Blues, but that could be more, as Lancaster play at Basford in midweek. Like Trinity recently, the Lancastrians shared the points with Warrington Rylands last Saturday, so these results suggest a tight game today.

The two clubs first met in the 1970-71 season in the early years of the Northern Premier League, with the "Dolly blues" earning a double over Trinity, who incidentally were attracting attendances of up to 2,000 Plus back then on the Northolme.

Today's Northern Premier League has a much changed look to the NPL of 1970-71, whereby only Gainsborough, Lancaster City, Matlock Town, Bradford Park Avenue & Macclesfield still compete in 2023-24.

I think its fair to say that Trinity and Lancaster are very similar Football Clubs to each other in this day and age, though Gainsborough are an older club.



Lancaster have played at their ground "The Giant Axe" since 1911 and named their Main Stand after the clubs late President, John Bagguley, very much like the Caldicott Stand here on the Northolme. Both Grandstands have seated accommodation for just over 500.

In 1928-29 Season, Lancaster City played in the FA cup 1st round proper for the first time, losing at home to Lincoln City 3-1.

This weekend is the FA Cup 1st round, and unfortunately Trinity didn't make it this time around, but former Manager Tom Shaw will be leading Lincoln City out against Morecambe in his role of interim Manager. Tom has so far played 3 and won 2 and drawn one.

I'm sure supporters of both Trinity and Lancaster will take an interest in this Tie, as Morecambe, despite being a Football League club, are still regarded as local rivals to the Dolly Blues, Up the Imps !!!

Good luck also to the three remaining Northern premier Clubs left in today's FA cup matches.

Workshop away at Stockport with former Blues Terry Hawkrigge and Liam Hughes in their line-up, Marine at home to Harrogate Town, who in my opinion probably have the best chance of the three to progress, and Whitby Town away at Bristol Rovers.

It was with great sadness recently to learn of the passing of Sir Bobby Charlton, recognised as one of England's finest footballers and a Manchester United Legend.



Tom Shaw

As I previously mentioned the NPL has changed so much since 1970, and this reminded me that Bobby Charlton was in the England World cup squad for Mexico at the age of 32.

I'm not sure if Bobby ever visited Gainsborough at all, but I am sure that his beloved Manchester United did.



Liam Hughes

In 1902-03 season Manchester United played their first ever football league match in Division 2 here on the Northolme against the Blues of Gainsborough.

The match ended in a 1-0 win for United with 3,000 reported as the attendance.

To their credit as one of the Worlds biggest names in football, they sent over a representative side for Gainsborough's 125 & 150 years old celebrations, something that all Blues supporters will remember for many years to come.

Enjoy the game.

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FROM UNDER THE BED by Steve Andrews

From under the bed, Trinity v Lancaster City & On this dayish 4th Nov...

Trinity v Lancaster LAST SEASON 2022-23

The teams met three times last season with the "Dolly Blues" edging it over the "Holy Blues" **27th Aug 2022**, Pitching-in NPL. **Trinity 0 v Lancaster C 2** (Lawson, Witham). Att 536.

29th Oct 2022, FA Trophy Rd 1. **Lancaster 3 v Trinity 2**. Att 222.

As the teams met in the Trophy at the Giant Axe (almost "on this day" a year ago), **Trinity sat 11th in the table (p14/pts22) & Lancaster 19th (p14/pts13)**. The front cover shows the Trinity oddballs change strip used by Lancaster

at the Northolme due to the all purple kit clashing with the Trinity blue.

8th Apr 2023, Pitching in NPL. **Lancaster C 1** (Bailey) **v Trinity 2** (Cann, Coghill). Att 427.

Into the April fixture **Trinity were in the playoff places, 5th (p38/pts62) & Lancaster 11th (p37/pts51)**.



TRINITY - 5 Years ago, 3rd Nov 2018. Evo-stik NPL – Stafford Rangers 1 v Trinity 1. Att 457.

Into this game, **Trinity were 8th in the table (p13/pts23)** and had only one win in four since the start of October. Today's opponents **Lancaster, were 17th (p16/pts15)**.

Top of the pile were Scarborough (p17/pts37) with Nantwich 2nd (p16/pts32).

Dewhurst, Austin, Gordon, Clarke, Evans, Stainfield, Byrne, Russell, Worsfold (1), Margetts, Simmons.

SUBS; Ture, Maguire, Middleton, reeves, Wilson.

The programme quoted **Gainsborough's football league record 1896-1912;**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Home	282	142	63	33	482	312	347
Away	282	33	55	194	236	717	131

TRINITY – 10 Years ago, 9th Nov 2013. Skril Nth – Trinity 4 v Bradford PA 2. Att 436

Barnes, Roma, Young, Ward (1), Wilde, Russell, Toner, Clayton (1), Taylor, Yusuf (1), Barraclough (1)

SUBS; **Stamp**, Williams, Davis, Batty, Lacey. Manager; Steve Housham.

Prior to this game Trinity lost (2/11/13) 4-2 away to Workington which had put them **19th (p12/pts10)**.

In the **Lincolnshire Cup**, the Blues had lost the final to Lincoln City on penalties.

It was a trip to Leamington looming in the **FA Trophy**.



TRINITY – 15 Years ago, 8th Nov 08. Blue Square Nth – Trinity 0 v Stafford Rangers 3. Att 392

Pat Lobleby stood down as Chairman after taking over from **John Davis** in 1999. The new Chairman was announced as **Peter Swann** (more recently at Scunthorpe United !). Manager **Steve Charles** was glad to be back on the Northolme after 4 games on the bounce away. He was hoping to improve on the current home record and move back towards the playoffs. The Blues were **11th in the table (p15/pts20)**. Charles opposite number in the dugout as **Stafford manager was ex Wolves striker Steve Bull**. He had managed there since February. Bull played 13x for England scoring 4. **1st Nov 2008; Tamworth 0 v Trinity 0**. Att 838.



TRINITY – 20 Years ago, 8th Nov 2003. FA Cup Rd1 – Brentford 7 v Trinity 1 . Att 3041.

Norton, Purkiss, Burley, Timons, Smith, Reddington, Eshelby, Hurst Ellington (1), Staton, Grant
SUBS; Alison, Kotylo, Byrne, Adam, Holmshaw. Manager; Paul Mitchell.

To get to Griffin Park, Trinity had started in the 2nd Qualifying round;

27/9/03; FAC 2QR – **Trinity 6** (Grant3, Hurst, Ellinton, Kotylo) v **Skelmersdale 0**. Att 376 (£3750)

11/10/03; FAC 3QR - **Droylsden 0 v Trinity 2** (Grant2). Att 345. (£5000)

25/10/03; FAC 4QR – **Farsley Celtic 1 v Trinity 1** (Ellington). Att 774

28/10/03; Replay – **Trinity 3** (Smith, Ellington, Grant) v **Farsley 0**. Att 845 (£10000)



TRINITY v LANCASTER C – 25 Yrs ago, Nov 98, Unibond TABLE (7/11/98)

7th Nov 98, Unibond NPL; **Trinity 1** (Bennett) v **Lancaster City 0**. Att 484.

27th Mar 99, Unibond NPL; **Lancaster City 0 v Trinity 1** (Price). Att 205.

Leading scorers; Lancaster - Peter Thomson (10 league + 4 cup), Trinity - Iain Dunn (8+4)

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	Points
1 WIDNES UNITED	15	10	4	1	28	10	24
2 WIDNES LIONS	15	10	3	2	28	10	23
3 GAINSBOROUGH TRINITY	15	9	5	1	26	10	23
4 GRIMSBY	14	9	2	3	28	14	20
5 ALFRETON	16	7	5	4	24	18	19
6 BARROW INFERIO	15	7	4	4	20	21	15
7 ENFIELD	16	6	6	4	22	17	19
8 WHITBY TOWN	16	6	6	4	24	21	24
9 LANCASTER CITY	16	6	6	4	22	16	23
10 SKATFORD	17	9	5	3	25	22	22
11 LEIGH RUGBY	16	9	4	3	26	20	22
12 BLYTH SPARTANS	17	7	7	3	19	20	22
13 ESKDALE	16	6	6	4	21	20	21
14 WYKE ATHLETIC	16	6	6	4	17	11	20
15 BURNING	15	4	7	4	18	14	19
16 MANSFIELD	16	4	7	5	20	20	19
17 FRICKLEY ATHLETIC	14	4	6	4	17	18	18
18 BISHOP CACKLAND	16	4	6	6	21	24	17
19 STALHURST ATHLETIC	16	5	6	5	18	20	14
20 ADDINGTON STANLEY	16	3	6	7	17	27	13
21 SPENNYMOOR UNITED	17	3	3	11	22	27	13
22 CHADLEY	17	1	8	8	18	33	11

LANCASTER CITY HISTORY

EARLY YEARS

After intensive research into the correct genealogy of what is now Lancaster City FC it was discovered that the Club was actually formed in 1911.

Organised Association Football appears to have been played in the Lancaster area since the later 1880's and there were area representatives in the Lancashire Combination in the form of Skerton F.C. 1897/8 & 1898/9 and Lancaster Athletic F.C.

1905/6 - 1909/10 but the present Club was formed at meetings on 9th May 1911 and 7th July 1911 at Market Hall Tea Rooms (Coffee House).

The previously thought link to the aforementioned Lancaster Athletic F.C. was in fact incorrect, that Club having folded in March 1911 with it's fixtures for 1910/11 in the North West Counties League being expunged from the records. It was only after rigorous investigations by the Lancashire Football Association to satisfy themselves that Lancaster Town had no link with Lancaster Athletic that the new organisation was allowed to take its place in the Lancashire Combination Division II for 1911/12.

Promotion was swift to the First Division in 1915 and also recorded a club record in the FA Cup when defeating Appleby 17-2. All competitive football was abandoned until 1919 due to World War One, but on the return, Lancaster finished second in 1919-20 season and fifth the following season. 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.

1930 to 1940

In the 1930's, Town won two more Combination titles and managed to attract regular crowds of around 3,000, equal to many league clubs at that time. During the next decade the club had more successes as it added back-to-back Championships in 1934-35-36. The Lancashire Challenge Trophy was won 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. The club was appropriately renamed Lancaster City but this new status never brought any luck with it as City failed to win the League title again.

1941 to 1960

From 1945-46 after the Second World War, City enjoyed some tremendous support with gates reaching 4,500 but failed to find success. 1946-47 City reached the FA Cup 2nd round, 1951-52 Combination Runners-Up and Cup Winners in the Lancashire Cup.

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

helped City to get into leagues from a wider geographical area than previously, due to their presence in 1970-71 in the Northern Premier League. The following season reached the FA Cup 1st Round Proper but lost out by the odd goal against Notts County. In 1976-77 City achieved their highest finish of 7th, While 79-80 City were the Challenge Cup runners-up when losing 2-0 to Runcorn at Manchester City's Maine Road Stadium.

But in 1982 fortunes nose-dived when City finished in 17th position (three places above their local rivals Morecambe) asked to drop down to the North West Counties League for the following season due to financial difficulties.

After five seasons in the NWC League, the formation of the Northern Premier League First Division in 1987 propelled the club back to a higher level as founder members. Success eluded City until 1994-95 when the club won the President's Cup, and full recovery was completed by promotion in 1995-96 when the club achieved the double of First Division Champions and Cup-winners. During the same period the club opened its new social club, the Dolly Blue Tavern.

In 1987 the club moved again due to more restructuring, as the creation of the NPL First Division when City became founder members. By the mid 1990's the blues had won the League Presidents Cup twice in 1994-95 and 1995-96 with the First Division Championship. From 1996-97 onwards City consolidated a mid-table position and completed the decade with a 6th position in the Premier Division and winning the NPL Challenge Cup.

2001 to PRESENT

The new decade started where the last one finished, regaining the NPL Challenge

Cup and recording our highest League position of 4th. In 2001-02 the club ended in 3rd position. In 2003-04 Lancaster gained promotion to become founder members of the new Nationwide Football Conference North Division and also progressed to the FA Cup 1st Round Proper.

During the close season of the 2006-07 season the club was taken over by a 'mysterious' backer that eventually became fatal as the bailiffs moved in. 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 relegation from the Conference North. The club continued and was reformed as Lancaster City FC Limited and then became founder members of the restructured Unibond League First Division North for the 2007-08 season that ended in a mid-table position.

The following year the Dolly Blues improved and were just three points short of that fifth and final play-off position. In 2009-10 a further improvement was made in what was the last season of a 17 year Unibond League Sponsorship. But that illusive promotion drive ended, having topped the league for much of the season, with only two minutes remaining of the last game of the season with a penalty in the play-off final against Colwyn Bay, a team 21 points behind City. The team did win a Trophy with the League Fair Play Award but was a scant reward.

The Club ended last season with three trophies but fell just three points short of a league play-off place. The President's Cup was deservedly won after defeating four sides from the top five. The prestigious F.A. National Fair Play and Respect Award, representing clubs from Tiers 1 to 4, was won, and the League Fair Play Award retained.

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A business of Marsh McLennan

Is it November already? The FA Cup first round proper is upon us, the Isuzu FA Vase is flying along and the Step 2 clubs are about to enter the Isuzu FA Trophy. Here are a few things that have caught the eye at NLP Towers recently.

Friday Funk

By the time you read this Horsham will have played their FA Cup first round proper tie at Barnsley on Friday evening.

It wasn't on telly — that was reserved for Step 4 side Sheppey United as they took on Walsall — but moved to Friday night at the request of South Yorkshire Police, who are apparently stretched resource wise.

Why the game couldn't have been played on the Sunday, Horsham don't seem to have had an answer but it's impossible not to feel for the Step 3 club on one of the biggest occasions in their 142-year history.

Having to travel to Yorkshire on a Friday night was, without doubt, a big blow. Hundreds who were planning to make the trip couldn't — including the families of players.

But it's also about the weekend as a whole. Players had to get even more time off to work, not to mention miss out on the big build-up that comes with playing in the FA Cup first round. It's not just about the result but also the experience.

"It was fait accompli and we had to accept it," secretary Jeff Barrett told The NLP at the weekend.

Farnham Flying

One of the trickiest parts of writing for a Sunday publication is being in the lap of the gods when it comes to Saturday results.

We often joke about The NLP's Curse — speak to a player or manager about their team's excellent winning run and you can almost guarantee they will lose on the Saturday before the paper is out.

But there were no such worries when it came to Farnham Town's incredible start to the season — the Clarets can boast being English football's only 100 per centers.

Last weekend's 5-1 win over Epsom & Ewell made it 11 Combined Counties Premier Division South wins out of 11.

"We train once a week and if we don't have a game on a Tuesday night then we don't train at all," manager Paul Johnson told The NLP. "It helps keep us fresh and hungry and the players are keen to see each other come game day on Saturday."

The club have seen a real boom in their crowds in recent seasons and are putting themselves in a strong position for promotion. And if they do lose soon, at least they can't blame The NLP!

Hot-shot

Heard about the Kendal Town striker who is making a big impression?

Having scored more than 70 goals in two seasons for West Lancashire League Division Two side Walney Island, striker James Bailey is now leading the line at the Step 5 Mintcakes.

He netted 19 goals in his first 18 games for the North West Counties Premier Division outfit and is attracting the attention of a number of clubs in leagues above.

"I think he can go higher," manager Jimmy Marshall told The NLP of his contracted ace.

G'day Bruce

Macclesfield's intentions for this season's Pitching In NPL Premier Division are clear to see.

They certainly haven't had it all their own way so far, however, and last week made a managerial change with the departure of Mark Duffy.

His replacement has now been appointed with the arrival of former Hull City and Sheffield Wednesday defender Alex Bruce, son of famous gaffer Steve.

He will be assisted by Phil Bardsley, the former Manchester United and Burnley man who recently retired.

By Matthew Badcock

GAINSBOROUGH TRINITY FC WOMEN

Sunday was by no means perfect, but we kept the momentum going. Sunday's win ensured we won every game in the month of October. It has been a welcome change from the rocky start we had this season.

The team feels like it has turned a corner recently. The football has been good, the performances have been solid. It looks like a different Gainsborough from the one that started the season.

Rome wasn't built in a day and the same can be said for any good footballing team. Styles of play take time to adopt, The women easily play the best football in their division. If you've never been to a women's game - this coming Sunday would be the perfect opportunity!

We entertain Grimsby Borough down at The Venue. The three times we have played them this season has seen the ball hit the net over 20 times and this Sunday should be no different.

This team are on the cusp of doing something great but they need the support of the local community. A win for Trinity and a draw between our two rivals will see Gainsborough go top for the first time this season.

Come on down this Sunday and cheer on your local ladies!

Several players are still available for sponsorship. Please reach out for details on how to get involved.

Come on you Blues!!

Liam McNulty
Manager

PLAYER PROFILE

Name:
Izzy Anderson
Age: 19
Position:
Defensive
Midfielder
Favourite Club:
Sunderland



How I got into Football: I first started playing football with my dad in the garden, from there I have continued to play for various teams, including representing my county.

Ambition for the season: A target for the season is definitely striving for promotion.

Fun Fact about me: I love to push myself and when I'm not playing football, you can normally find me up a mountain somewhere!

GAINSBOROUGH TRINITY FC WOMEN

Gainsborough Trinity Women 1st Team



Sep 3rd	Sleaford Town Ladies 1st	A
Sep 10th	FA CUP Brunsmere Athletic AFC	A
Sep 17th	Skegness Town FC Womens	A
Oct 8th	Dronfield Town 1st	H
Oct 29th	Lincon United Devs	A
Nov 5th	Grimsby Borough	H
Nov 12th	Retford FC	A
Dec 3rd	Oughtibridge Women	H
Jan 14th	Sleaford Town	H
Jan 21st	Worksop	A
Jan 28th	Skegness Town	H
Feb 4th	Dronfield Town	A
Feb 11th	Lincoln United Devs	H
Feb 18th	Grimsby Borough	A
Feb 25th	Retford	H
March 3rd	Oughtibridge Women	A
March 17th	Worksop	H

Fixtures for 23/24

East Midlands Womens Regional Football League

TODAY'S SQUADS



Gainsborough Trinity

Dylan Wharton* GK
Ethan Cowan GK
Luke Jackson** GK
George Hornshaw
Lewis Butroid
Ashley Jackson
Harry Lovick
Adam Porritt
Dylan Cogill
McCauley Snelgrove
Jack Moore-Billam
Bailey Conway
Dayle Southwell
Javelle Clarke
Joel Holvey ***
Tom Parkinson
Fraser Preston
Josh Fraiwald
Tristian Drummond
Declan Howe
Henry Adams
Harrison Poulter ****
Nathaniel Wallace

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* On loan from Sheffield United
** On loan from Sheffield Wednesday
*** On loan from Rotherham United
**** On loan from Scunthorpe United

Manager: Russ Wilcox
Assistant Manager: Darryn Stamp



Lancaster City

Andre Mendes
Samuel Bailey
Charlie Bailey
Charlie Barnes
Simon Grand
Kyle Brownhill
Christian Sloan
Niall Cowperthwaite
Dominic Lawson
Bradley Carroll
Jake Connelly
Calen Gallagher-Allison
Jacob Holland Wilkinson
David Norris
Trey Turner
Matty Clarke

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Manager: Mark Fell

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Daniel Woolley
Assistants: Jack Hennell, Kieron Salmons