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<i>Rod Brown</i>	<i>2023 -</i>

From the Boardroom - Rod Brown, Chairman



We welcome all the directors, management, players and fans from our opponents today AFC Sudbury, we trust they had a good journey from Suffolk.

Following our defeat by Worcester City where we were edged out of a close game last Saturday, we find ourselves in a very important fixture for both sides today a real six-pointer!

Tim Flowers (manager) has been working tirelessly with Leon Broadhurst (assistant manager) to bring in urgently needed new players to try and improve the squad before the signing deadline.

The difficulty is that when you are at the wrong end of the league at this stage of the season, many players don't fancy the challenge and may prefer to go to a club that is either competing for the play-offs or just a safe mid-table side, so recruitment is proving to be quite difficult.

Issac Godwin our on-loan signing from Shrewsbury Town last week looked to be a good prospect in defence. However, he unfortunately received two yellows in the match against Worcester City for his 'enthusiastic' challenges and misses today's game but will be available for Monday night's encounter at Redditch United in the semi-final of the Worcestershire Senior Cup at The Valley Stadium.

With eleven league games to go, every match is a cup final for us to make sure we get the necessary points to hopefully stay in this division. It seems like deja vu, as we were in the same position as last season. Let's hope the same happens again and the results go in our favour though I am sure our opponents today are feeling the same.

With the weather changing to being warmer and all being well, less rain, the pitches will start to dry out and hopefully we shall not get any further postponements.

Meanwhile, enjoy the game.

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Manager - Tim Flowers



My welcome as usual to everyone from our opponents today, AFC Sudbury for a match that takes on extra significance given that both of us are in need of points and desperate to get a win.

Much if not most of my time recently has been spent attempting to reinforce the squad and this continued until the cut-off point yesterday.

I will continue doing that until the deadline day in March.

We come into this match on the back of a disappointing defeat last Saturday by a single goal to Worcester City. In fairness, there was not much between the two teams, in fact we probably edged them in terms of possession but the turning point was when Isaac Godwin making his debut received a red card resulting in us having to play with 10 men for 55 minutes.

That enabled Worcester to dominate possession and inevitably they managed to score. We I thought gave a good account of ourselves in the second half and could have got the equaliser in the last minute but for a poor finish, so we ended up taking nothing from a game where we could have had at least a point.

However, we have to sweep aside, not harbour disappointments and move on.

We had a useful training session on Thursday evening and obviously looked at the game plan for today.

We know that supporters are desperate for us to do well and we are working hard for that to happen.

Thanks in part to Worcester City fans, we had a good crowd last Saturday and a good atmosphere in the ground.

Look forward to you getting behind the lads again today.

Tim

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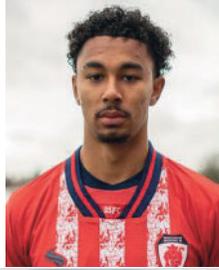
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Profile:
Kyle Rowley
Defender



Birthplace and Date of Birth?	Solihull, 4/9/96 (age 29)
Height, weight?	6' 2", 95kg
Left or right footed?	Right
Previous clubs?	Walsall, Hednesford Town, Stratford Town, Stourbridge, Barwell, Mickleover, Redditch United, Stamford.
Football Honours?	FA Youth Midland Cup. Several Player, players' player and supporters' player awards plus apprentice of the year at Walsall.
Best moment playing football?	Making my debut at 17 vs Aston Villa. Also winning the Sunday National FA Cup with Trooper FC.
Biggest influence on your career?	My family plus my godfather, Ian Taylor.
Which team do you support?	Aston Villa
Favourite all-time player?	John Terry
Best player you have played against?	As a kid Marco Asensio. As an adult Jack Grealish.
Favourite position on the pitch:	Centre-back but I love playing goalkeeper
What boots do you wear?	Nike Mercurials
What football law would you change?	Never had to do one but the sin-bin rule
Which team do you most like to beat?	None in particular, just my recent club!
Nickname in the changing room?	Rowls
Do you play any other sports?	Enjoy a game of table tennis
Married, single?	Laura but not married yet
Pets?	Little dog called Bailey
Where do you live?	Ashby-de-la-Zouch
What car do you drive?	Mercedes AMG A35
Favourite food?	Nandos
Favourite drink?	Love an Appletiser
Favourite biscuit?	Oooo - regular digestives
Favourite TV programme?	I'm a Love Island fan
Favourite Film?	Enjoy horror movies
Favourite band or singer?	Drake or Usher
Favourite Album or Single?	Drake - Take Care
Least like to sit next to on an aeroplane?	Leon (Broadhurst), he would just tell me all about his running and that he's fitter than me
Put in Room 101?	People who can't drive
Favourite Holiday destination?	Dubai but I would like to go to The Maldives
Top of bucket list?	Starting a family and living life to the full. After football getting into coaching and particularly travelling to multiple different countries.
Claim to fame?	My dad is Ian Taylor's best mate, so I've met a lot of footballers. Best memory was Lee Hendrie's wedding and dancing with Peter Crouch, Darius Vasell and Juan Pablo Angel. My best mate is Rico Henry, so I've been on a few Brentford team nights out



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From The Archives, 3 Years Ago
Southern League Premier Division Central
Tuesday 28th February 2023 - 7:45 p.m. kick-off

Bromsgrove Sporting 0 (0) Stratford Town 1 (0) at The Victoria Ground

Former Bromsgrove Sporting manager Gavin Hurren made his return to the Victoria Ground as his side ran out 1 - 0 victors in front of 616 fans in a game that was played in tribute to former Bromsgrove and Stratford player Cody Fisher.

Bromsgrove started strong with Mo Sebbeh dancing into the box on the 20-minute mark where he was tripped, appeals from the Sporting players and fans fell on deaf ears and were waved away by referee Mr Tarrant.

As a mark of respect play was stopped on the 23rd minute for a minute's applause for Cody Fisher.

Bromsgrove kept piling on the pressure as Sebbeh once again found his way into the Stratford box but the ball was cleared by Stratford defenders before he could get a shot on target.

Several minutes before the end of the first half Miro Pais found space about 25 yards out but his shot went sailing over the bar as the two teams went into half time all square at 0 - 0.

The second half got underway and there was an immediate change in the dynamic of game, Stratford looked positive and won a corner in the 47th minute when a shot from distance hit off the post and deflected off Sporting keeper Ollie Taylor. From that corner Stratford scored the first and only goal of the game as Paul McCone rose up and headed the ball past the stranded Sporting keeper.

Stratford almost made it two with 15 minutes to go if wasn't for a super save from Taylor (who made his 50th appearance for the Rouslers tonight) away to his left-hand side which bobbed and almost caught him off guard.

Bromsgrove tried to find a late equaliser in added time, but it was to no avail as Stratford move themselves to within two points of safety. As for Bromsgrove they find themselves firmly in mid-table.

Sporting: Ollie Taylor, Ayo Lekuti, Tom Taylor (Capt), Kartell Dawkins, Ammar Dyer, Mo Sebbeh, Joe Curtis (Dewain Sewell 80 mins), Lewis Wright (Conor Tee 70 mins), Miro Pais (Nathan Kabeya 59 mins), Brandon Smalley, Jack Tolley. Substitutes not used: Blake Kindred, Callum King-Harmes.

Stratford: Liam O'Brien, Daniel Lafferty, Taylor Morrison, Lewis Ludford-Ison, Paul McCone, Jack Turner, Kyle Bennety, Josh Hawker (Jesse Akubeine 76 mins), Andre Wright, William Grocott (Aksum White 85 mins), Jamie Molyneux (Jaylan Wildbore 89 mins). Substitutes unused: Louis Beresford, Josh Waite.

Referee: Mr H Tarrant

Crowd: 616 Sporting Man of the Match: Ammar Dyer



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EVERY so often, a story breaks in Non-League where you have to not just double take but triple. That was the feeling we had at NLP towers when Bury FC announced they'd appointed manager Anthony Johnson - as SOLE manager. Now, in case you don't know, Johnson has formed one half of, arguably, Non-League's most successful management duo in recent years. Alongside his best mate Bernard Morley, the duo have spent 17 years in the dug-out together since landing the job at North West Counties League Ramsbottom United. They were in their mid-20s then and have since gone on to win two promotions with Rammy, followed by three promotions in three-and-a-half years at Salford City under the Class of 92 microscope.

Spells at Chester, who they took to the National League North play-offs, and Spennymoor Town followed before returning to the dug-out May 2023 to take charge of then-NPL Premier Radcliffe.

The duo delivered their sixth promotion as a pair to take Boro to Step 2 for the first time in club history.

The only surprise is they're yet to manage in Non-League's top flight.

From a journalist's point of view, there aren't many better duos to interview either. They're open, honest, to the point, funny - and clearly knowledgeable. Their love for the game - and each other - shines through as well.

So that's why it would have surprised many to see them branch out separately.

Johnson has always dreamed of the Bury job. It's his club and even though it means dropping two levels, he just couldn't turn down the chance to try and lead his team back up the Pyramid. He wanted Morley to join him but he's happy at Radcliffe - a club on his own doorstep - and decided to stay on, signing a new contract.

Johnson joined us on a recent episode of The NLP's Non-League Goalmouth for a fascinating chat on, among many other great stories, the decision.

Johnson told The NLP: "The biggest thing for me - apart from all the other stuff we're aware of that I'm a Bury lad and a Bury fan - was that, and I've got to be honest because that's how I do things, I thought, 'If someone else took the job, it wouldn't become available again for a few years'.

"I don't want to start throwing names out there but if managers with real quality, locally to us, took the gig, I just didn't think the job would come up again.

"Whatever you call that, it sort of bothered me because I always thought down the line at some point me and Bern would take the Bury job.

"I was saying to him, 'Look, we've got to take it now. If we don't take it now it's something I, especially, will regret'.

"Because it will be one of those things when I finish and look back I can say, good or bad, right or wrong, I did it, I gave it a go. That was probably the overriding reason for it. Added to all the other factors - it's a club I've supported since I was a young boy." Johnson and Morley have been through more than just football management together and that's what made the decision so tough.

"Our daughters were born within a couple of weeks of each other, he was the best man at my wedding," Johnson, who will remain in his day job at Radcliffe, said. "We're friends. From a friendship point of view, nothing changes.

"I've really made peace with the fact I've got to give this a go - however it pans out. Hopefully it pans out as I've dreamed and imagined. If it doesn't, I've taken an opportunity I've waited for 17 years for and given it the best shot I can.

"Unfortunately to do that I've had to turn a few lives upside down. And I mean that. I know it might sound like I am exaggerating the point but our families, our lives, are so intertwined.

"I spent two hours at Bernard's mum's house. Bern was working, he didn't even know I went round. His brother was there, his step-dad, I sat down and explained my situation.

"They were all buzzing for me. You can imagine, very emotional too."

And that's the thing about football. Sometimes the decisions are tough. You can bet they will both be each other's biggest supporters from the sidelines.

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Chadsgrove Special School Launches Campaign to Transform Outdoor Learning and Play Area



We're launching an ambitious campaign to raise **over £200,000** to develop our outdoor learning and play area - an essential space that supports the mental, physical, and emotional well-being of our pupils.

For almost two decades, our outdoor play area has been a cherished resource for pupils aged 2-19 with physical disabilities and/or complex medical needs. However, significant weather damage and years of regular use has left it unfit for purpose. Our pupils are now left with limited opportunities to enjoy outdoor movement, sensory exploration, and social play - activities that are crucial to their development.

A new, fully accessible play area will enable pupils of all abilities to play together, building confidence, friendship, and communication skills while every child has the chance to experience joy, discovery, and independence outdoors.



Our plans include:

- facilitate sensory football, tennis, parachute games, skittles and outdoor learning
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- a pergola to provide all year-round protection from the elements
- mobile sensory equipment

The improvements needed will completely transform the space into a safe, inspiring, and therapeutic environment that will benefit pupils for many years to come.

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Please email the school office on office@chadsgrove.worcs.sch.uk, scan the QR code above or follow this link for more information, thank-you.

www.gofundme.com/f/chadsgrove-playground-refurbishment



Today, we shall be doing a bucket collection around the ground.

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Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Spalding United	32	21	7	4	84	37	+47	70
2	Harborough Town	28	20	6	2	54	22	+32	66
3	Real Bedford	29	18	5	6	59	33	+26	59
4	Halesowen Town	30	14	9	7	63	46	+17	51
5	Quorn	31	15	5	11	60	51	+9	50
6	Needham Market	30	14	7	9	46	40	+6	49
7	Redditch United	30	15	4	11	43	41	+2	49
8	Leiston	32	12	12	8	54	44	+10	48
9	Worcester City	30	12	8	10	46	30	+16	44
10	Banbury United	28	13	5	10	41	37	+4	44
11	Kettering Town	27	12	5	10	46	40	+6	41
12	Stratford Town	28	12	5	11	42	39	+3	41
13	Bury Town	31	11	8	12	42	40	+2	41
14	Bishop's Stortford	30	11	6	13	44	48	-4	39
15	St Ives Town	31	8	8	15	38	52	-14	32
16	Barwell	31	8	8	15	40	55	-15	32
17	Alvechurch	28	9	4	15	32	38	-6	31
18	Bromsgrove Sporting	31	8	7	16	37	57	-20	31
19	Stourbridge	30	6	11	13	38	53	-15	29
20	Stamford AFC	30	7	6	17	24	51	-27	27
21	AFC Sudbury	31	5	7	19	36	78	-42	22
22	Royston Town	32	3	9	20	30	67	-37	18

Table as at Tuesday 24th February 2026

Bromsgrove Sporting - Fixtures and Results - Season 2025/26

Day	Date	K/O	V	Opponents	Competition	Result	Att	Pts	Lgue Pos	MoM
Tue	08-Jul	7:45 PM	A	Romulus	Friendly	W 2 - 0	~85	-	-	-
Fri	11-Jul	7:45 PM	A	Stourport Swifts	Friendly	W 4 - 1	~130	-	-	-
Tue	15-Jul	7:45 PM	A	Coleshill Town	Friendly	L 0 - 3	88	-	-	-
Sat	19-Jul	3:00 PM	A	Sporting Khalsa	Friendly	L 1 - 4	~100	-	-	-
Tue	22-Jul	7:45 PM	H	Birmingham City U21	Friendly	L 1 - 3	330	-	-	-
Sat	26-Jul	3:00 PM	H	WBA U21	Friendly	L 0 - 1	~300	-	-	-
Tue	29-Jul	7:45 PM	H	Solihull Moors	Friendly	W 4 - 1	~230	-	-	-
Sat	02-Aug	3:00 PM	H	Hungerford Town	Friendly	W 4 - 1	~280	-	-	-
Sat	09-Aug	3:00 PM	H	Bishop's Stortford	Southern League	L 0 - 2	551	0	18	Adam Harrison
Tue	12-Aug	7:45 PM	A	Alvechurch	Southern League	W 2 - 1	482	3	11	Jack Kelly
Sat	16-Aug	3:00 PM	H	Spalding United	Southern League	L 2 - 3	460	3	15	Billy Shaw
Sat	23-Aug	3:00 PM	H	Needham Market	Southern League	L 0 - 3	450	3	17	Luke Softley
Mon	25-Aug	3:00 PM	A	Redditch United	Southern League	L 0 - 3	1227	3	19	Aksum White
Sat	30-Aug	3:00 PM	A	Evesham United	FA Cup Q1	L 2 - 5	429	-	-	Bo Morris
Sat	06-Sep	3:00 PM	H	St Ives Town	Southern League	L 0 - 4	561	3	20	-
Tue	09-Sep	7:45 PM	H	Banbury United	Southern League	W 3 - 0	520	6	19	Reece King
Sat	20-Sep	3:00 PM	A	Barwell	Southern League	W 2 - 0	223	9	16	Jack Newell
Tue	23-Sep	7:45 PM	A	Quorn	Southern League	L 1 - 2	272	9	16	Tom Edge
Sat	04-Oct	3:00 PM	A	Barwell	FA Trophy Q3	W 3 - 0	150	-	-	Reece King
Sat	11-Oct	3:00 PM	H	Bury Town	Southern League	D 2 - 2	855	10	18	Charlie Pavey
Tue	14-Oct	7:45 PM	H	Stamford	Southern League	W 2 - 0	352	13	14	Josh Ezewele
Sat	18-Oct	3:00 PM	A	Harborough Town	Southern League	L 0 - 1	732	13	15	Ash Carter
Tue	21-Oct	7:45 PM	A	Worcester City	Southern League	L 0 - 3	899	13	16	Billy Shaw
Sat	25-Oct	3:00 PM	A	Leek Town	FA Trophy R1	L 0 - 3	406	-	-	Adam Harrison
Sat	01-Nov	3:00 PM	H	Leiston	Southern League	W 2 - 1	510	16	16	Jack Newell
Sat	08-Nov	3:00 PM	H	Royston Town	Southern League	W 2 - 0	550	19	15	Luke Softley
Sat	15-Nov	3:00 PM	A	Stourbridge	Southern League	D 3 - 3	949	20	15	Tom Edge
Tue	18-Nov	7:45 PM	A	Banbury United	Southern League	L 0 - 3	417	20	18	-
Sat	22-Nov	3:00 PM	H	Kettering Town	Southern League	W 3 - 0	560	23	15	Jaden Charles
Tue	25-Nov	7:45 PM	H	Quorn	Southern League	L 1 - 5	352	23	16	James Sanderson
Sat	29-Nov	3:00 PM	A	AFC Sudbury	Southern League	D 2 - 2	215	24	16	Tom Edge
Sat	06-Dec	3:00 PM	H	Stratford Town	Southern League	L 1 - 2	654	24	17	Charlie Pavey
Sat	20-Dec	3:00 PM	A	Bishop's Stortford	Southern League	L 1 - 2	336	24	18	Billy Shaw
Tue	23-Dec	7:45 PM	A	Worcester Raiders	Worcs Senior Cup QF	W 0-0 (5-4)	~100	-	-	Brad Stretton
Sat	27-Dec	3:00 PM	H	Redditch United	Southern League	D 1 - 1	1350	25	17	Joe Lyden
Sat	01-Jan	3:00 PM	A	Halesowen Town	Southern League	L 1 - 3	1563	25	17	Billy Shaw
Sat	17-Jan	3:00 PM	A	Bury Town	Southern League	D 1 - 1	664	26	17	George Wynne
Tue	20-Jan	7:45 PM	A	Real Bedford	Southern League	L 0 - 2	209	26	17	Jack Newell
Sat	24-Jan	3:00 PM	H	Barwell	Southern League	W 1 - 0	527	29	17	Aaron Roberts
Sat	31-Jan	3:00 PM	A	Stamford	Southern League	D 2 - 2	493	30	16	Niall Flint
Sat	14-Feb	3:00 PM	A	Leiston	Southern League	D 1 - 1	201	31	16	Ellis Litherland
Tue	17-Feb	7:45 PM	H	Alvechurch	Southern League	L 1 - 4	595	31	17	-
Sat	21-Feb	3:00 PM	H	Worcester City	Southern League	L 0 - 1	750	31	18	George Wynne
Sat	28-Feb	3:00 PM	H	AFC Sudbury	Southern League					
Mon	2-Mar	7:45 PM	A	Redditch United	Worcs Senior Cup SF					
Sat	07-Mar	3:00 PM	A	Kettering Town	Southern League					
Sat	14-Mar	3:00 PM	H	Stourbridge	Southern League					
Tue	17-Mar	7:45 PM	H	Harborough Town	Southern League					
Sat	21-Mar	3:00 PM	A	Royston Town	Southern League					
Sat	28-Mar	3:00 PM	A	Spalding United	Southern League					
Fri	03-Apr	3:00 PM	A	Needham Market	Southern League					
Mon	06-Apr	3:00 PM	H	Halesowen Town	Southern League					
Sat	11-Apr	3:00 PM	A	St Ives Town	Southern League					
Sat	18-Apr	3:00 PM	A	Stratford Town	Southern League					
Sat	25-Apr	3:00 PM	H	Real Bedford	Southern League					

Bromsgrove Sporting FC - Appearances / Goalscorers

Season 2025-2026

Name	League							Cups							Season Total					Sporting Career					
	App	Sub	Bench	Capt.	Yellow	Reds	Assts	Goals	App	Sub	Bench	Capt.	Yellow	Reds	Assts	Goals	App	Sub	Tot	Assts	Goals	App	Sub	Tot	Goals
Koby Arthur		21	7		1			3	1							24	24				24	24			
Max Asante-Boakye		1	1				1									1	1	1				1	1		
Luke Benbow	13	9			5	1	2	7	2	1						13	11	24	2	7	13	11	24	7	
Freddie Boakye	4				1											4		4			4		4		
Akai Bonnick	3	2					1									3	2	5	1		3	2	5		
Rory Brown	14				1	1		1								15	15	1			15		15		
Josh Burgess										1															
Finlay Carson			3							1															
Ash Carter	11		1	5	2			2			1					13	13				46		46	1	
Jaden Charles	4		1					1								4	4		1		4		4	1	
Nick Clayton-Phillips	4	3							1						1	5	3	8		1	5	3	8	1	
Archie Duerden		2	2													2	2					2	2		
Tom Edge	20	2		2	4		2	1	4			1	1			24	2	26	2	1	24	2	26	1	
Josh Ezewe	20	1			1	3		2	1							22	2	24	3		32	2	34		
Niall Flint	6				1											6	6				6		6		
Isaac Godwin	1					1										1	1				1	1			
Kobe Hall	5	14	2		1	1	4	2	1	1			1	1		7	15	22	2	4	10	19	29	4	
Adam Harrison	14				1				3							17	17				17		17		
Jack Kelly	17	4			3	4		2								19	4	23	4		19	4	23		
Reece King	10	5		10	4		2		2	1		2				12	6	18	2		59	6	65	5	
Tyrone Lewthwaite	9							3								9	9		3		9		9	3	
Ellis Litherland	3															3	3				3		3		
Jordan Lyden	11	5	3		3	1	1	1	1		1					12	5	17	1	1	17	18	35	1	
Paul McCone	3				1	1										3	3				3		3		
Charlie McNamara																					1		1		
Bo Morris	5	1	2		1			1								6	1	7			7	4	11		
Taylor Morrison	1		2													1		1			1	3	4		
Jack Newell	22	2	2		1	1	1	3	1					1		25	3	28	1	2	118	29	147	8	
Charlie Pavey	11	1	1		3	2	3	3					1			14	1	15	3	3	14	1	15	3	
Aaron Roberts	24	1		8	3	1	1	3				1				27	1	28	1		342	15	357	23	
Theo Robinson		6					1										6	6	1		31	19	50	13	
Kyle Rowley	7															7		7			7		7		
Gus Sanches	10	13	2		3	1	4	2	1	1		1				12	14	26	1	4	12	26	38	6	
James Sanderson	9	2			1	2	2	1	1							10	3	13	2	2	10	3	13	2	
Billy Shaw	29	1		6	7		3	5	4					1	2	33	1	34	4	7	82	12	94	11	
Luke Softley	26		2		8		2	4				1	1			30	30	1	2		30		30	2	
Bradley Stretton	11	10	2		1	3	1	1								12	10	22	3	1	12	10	22	1	
Aksum White	4		1					1								5	5				68	17	85		
George Wynne	7	1			3		1									7	1	8		1	7	1	8	1	
Ethan Young	3							1								4	4				4		4		
Own Goal							1												1						

Up to and including Saturday 21st February 2026

Bromsgrove Sporting - Player Profiles

Tim Flowers Squad Number: n/a DoB: 3/2/67, Kenilworth
Position: Manager Height: 6' 2"

Previous clubs: Wolves, Southampton, Swindon Town, Blackburn Rovers, Leicester City, Stockport County, Coventry City.

Enjoyed a stellar career as a goalkeeper picking up 11 England caps. Has been goalkeeping coach and manager at a number of clubs. Recently re-joined Sporting after a short spell at the end of the 2023-24 season.

Leon Broadhurst Squad Number: n/a DoB: 10/04/84, Bromsgrove
Position: Assistant Manager Height: 6' 0" Weight:

Previous clubs: Bromsgrove Rovers, Leamington, Stourbridge

Local lad who joined Sporting in 2019 following 16 years at Stourbridge where he became a club legend with a record number of appearances. Returned to Stourbridge for a brief spell as joint manager. Recently re-joined Sporting in new position.

Dan Price Squad Number: n/a

Position: Goalkeeping Coach

New arrival at the UK Electrical Stadium as part of the management team.

Karol Blicharski Squad Number: n/a

Position: Analyst

UEFA C football coach with extensive experience in youth development, community programs, and international coaching environments.

Dan Eyre Squad Number: n/a DoB: 18/5/03

Position: Sports therapist Height: 5' 8" Weight: 90kg

Dan joined Sporting at the start of the 2024/25 season. He is the head sports therapist at the club and outside of football is the head of medical for the Worcester Royals American football team.

Koby Arthur Squad Number: 11 DoB: 31/1/96, Kumasi, Ghana

Position: Attacking midfield Height: 5' 6" Weight: 72kg

Previous clubs: Lincoln, Birmingham City, Cheltenham, Macclesfield, Kidderminster Harriers, Dover Athletic, Maidenhead, Hereford, Stourbridge, Rushall Olympic, Barwell.

Joined Sporting in August 2025, the former Birmingham City player is a fast and tricky player who likes to get on the ball. Comfortable in a variety of positions and his versatility is a big asset to the squad.

Max Asante-Boakye Squad Number: 4 DoB: 24/1/07

Position: Centre-back Height: Weight:

Previous clubs: Aston Villa, Sheffield United.

Currently on a one-month loan from Sheffield United and is a regular U21 starter with the Blades, having joined from Aston Villa in the summer.

Luke Benbow	Squad Number: 9	DoB: 21/8/91, Birmingham
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Position: Centre forward	Height: 5' 10"	Weight: 95 kg
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Previous clubs: Redditch United, Solihull Moors, Hednesford Town, Nuneaton Borough, Stourbridge.

Joined at the start of the season from Stourbridge, Luke is well-regarded centre-forward with extensive experience of Step 3 football. A strong and powerful forward with an eye for the spectacular.

Akai Bonnick	Squad Number: 20	DoB: 11/6/06
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Position: Midfielder	Height:	Weight:
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Previous clubs: Forest Green Rovers, Cribbs, Alvechurch

On loan from Forest Green Rovers until the end of the season who signed him from Nottingham Forest Under 16s. A capable and industrious youngster.

Rory Brown	Squad Number: 1	DoB: 25/5/00, Derry
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Position: Goalkeeper	Height: 6' 3"	Weight: 90kg
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Previous clubs: Wolves, Coleraine, Glenavon, Institute, Ballinamallard, Solihull Moors

Now a permanent signing after playing on loan from Solihull Moors. An experienced keeper who is a good communicator.

Jaden Charles	Squad Number: 12	DoB: 21/1/02
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Position: Left-back	Height: 5' 8"	Weight:
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Previous clubs: Rushall Olympic, Stamford, Nuneaton Borough, Mansfield Town, Hereford, York City, Derby County U18.

A recent signing who is a top left back with excellent delivery in the final third. Jaden has represented the Republic of Ireland at U18 level.

Archie Duerden	Squad Number: 19	DoB: 9/3/06
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Position: Centre-half	Height:	Weight:
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Previous clubs: Aston Villa

Recent signing and a ball-playing centre-half. A regular in the Villains' youth set-up, the 19-year-old signed for Sporting after being released by the Premier League side.

Niall Flint	Squad Number: 2	DoB: 15/8/97
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Position: Midfielder	Height:	Weight:
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Previous clubs: Shrewsbury Town, Telford United, Scarborough, Matlock Town, Newtown, Cefn Druids, Aberystwyth, Stourbridge, Worcester City, Shifnal Town.

Recent signing that will boost the manager's options in mid-field.

Isaac Godwin	Squad Number: 21	DoB: 26/10/06
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Position: Left back

Height:

Weight:

Previous clubs: Vauxhall Motors, Newcastle Town, Shrewsbury Town under 18s

Currently on loan from Shrewsbury Town. Usually a defender but can play in midfield.

Jack Kelly

Squad Number: 3

DoB: 1/1/96

Position: Left back

Height: 5' 11"

Weight:

Previous clubs: Nottingham Forest, Hemel Hempstead Town, Kettering Town, Newtown AFC, Shifnal Town, Hednesford Town, Walsall Wood, Sporting Khalsa, Redditch United.

An energetic left back who joined Sporting from Redditch United in June 2025. Jack has good experience at Step 3 and is a threat from set pieces.

Tyrone Lewthwaite

Squad Number: 14

DoB: 18/12/00, Aylesbury

Position: Centre forward

Height: 6' 0"

Weight:

Previous clubs: Corby Town, Spalding United, Kettering Town, Bedford Town, Aylesbury United, Beaconsfield, Chesham, Hampton & Richmond, Watford Youth, Rotherham U18.

Powerful striker who is a recent arrival in Bromsgrove, scoring in his first two appearances.

Ellis Litherland

Squad Number: 13

DoB: 5/5/04, Blackburn

Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 6' 3"

Previous clubs: Bolton Wanderer, Bamber Bridge, Matlock Town, Huddersfield Town

Currently on loan from Huddersfield Town. Awarded Player of the Match on his debut, after a string of fine saves.

Jordan Lyden

Squad Number: 18

DoB: 30/1/96, Perth, Australia

Position: Centre midfielder

Height: 5' 11"

Weight: 79 kg

Previous clubs: Aston Villa, Oldham Athletic, Swindon Town, Leyton Orient, Hereford.

Former Australia U20 international, Jordan has spent most of his career in the professional game. A technical player with and an excellent touch and range of passing.

Jack Newell

Squad Number: 15

DoB: 22/1/01, Kingston-upon-Thames

Position: Midfield

Height: 6' 0"

Weight: 80 kg

Previous clubs: Northampton Town, Barwell, Highgate United.

Now into his 5th season at the club, and with over 100 appearances to his name for the club, Jack continues to impress in the centre of midfield. A player who reads the game well and specialises in breaking up play.

Aaron Roberts

Squad Number: 5

DoB: 19/6/92

Position: Defender and team captain

Height:

Weight:

Previous clubs: Evesham United, Worcester City, Hednesford Town, Alvechurch, Redditch United.

Now on his fifth spell at Sporting having played in Sporting's first ever match and clocking up over 350 appearances.

Theo Robinson

Squad Number: 16

DoB: 22/1/89

Position: Striker

Height: 5' 9"

Weight:

Previous clubs: Gloucester City, Brackley Town, Hartlepool United, Bradford City, Port Vale, Southend United, Colchester, Swindon Town, Lincoln City, Motherwell, Doncaster, Scunthorpe, Derby County, Huddersfield Town, Millwall, Watford, Hereford, Wealdstone

Recently returned to the UK Electrical Stadium after playing most of last season. Vastly experienced striker who has played for several Football League clubs clocking up over 500 appearances as well as picking up seven caps playing for Jamaica.

Kyle Rowley

Squad Number: 6

DoB: 4/9/96, Stourbridge

Position: Defender

Height: 5' 11"

Previous clubs: Walsall, Sutton Coldfield Town, Rugby Town, Alvechurch, Walsall Wood, Hednesford Town, Stourbridge, Barwell, Mickleover, Redditch United, Stamford.

Capable defender who usually plays in the centre and has plenty of step 3 experience.

Billy Shaw

Squad Number: 7

DoB: 17/12/01, Stourbridge

Position: Midfield and team vice-captain

Height: 5' 8"

Weight: 70 kg

Previous clubs: Halesowen Town, Worcester City, Redditch United.

A versatile player who is a big fan favourite at the club. Returned to Sporting after a brief spell away in 2024. Known for his all-energy style of play, an excellent dribbler who can score and create goals.

Luke Softley

Squad Number: 17

DoB: 21/4/05

Position: Centre Back

Height 6' 2"

81kg

Previous clubs: Aston Villa (youth), Hungerford Town

A local lad who impressed when playing against us in pre-season. Centre back who loves defending and getting on the ball and is comfortable playing anywhere across the backline.

Brad Stretton

Squad Number: 10

DoB: 9/9/04, Coventry

Position: Midfield/Right wing

Height: 6' 0"

Weight: 68 kg

Previous clubs: Coventry City, Oxford City, Alvechurch, Stratford Town, Rugby Borough.

Impressed for Alvechurch last season. A young, ambitious player who adds quality and depth to the attack.

George Wynne

Squad Number: 8

DoB: 14/05/07

Position: Midfielder

Height:

Previous clubs: on loan from Birmingham City

The 18-year-old, who has been at the Blues for over a decade, will spend the rest of the season with Sporting. Has impressed playing for Birmingham City under 21s.

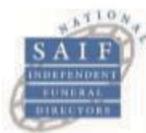
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Thanks to Steve Richards for doing the quizzes again this season

Here is number 18 sticking with the World Cup

1. What World Cup essential was first published for the 1970 tournament?
2. With first choice keeper Gordon Banks suffering from food poisoning, who played in goal for England's 1970 quarter final?
3. England were eliminated in the 1974 qualifiers against Poland. Polish keeper Jan Tomaszewski was famously described pre-match as a clown by which TV pundit?
4. In 1974 which country achieved their only triumph in a UEFA club tournament in the same year that they made their only World Cup appearance?
5. Which country hosted the 1978 tournament?
6. Which country fielded a pair of brothers in the 1978 final, and a different pair of brothers in the Euro 88 final?

Answers: 1) Panini sticker album 2) Peter Bonetti 3) Brian Clough 4) East Germany (Magdeburg won 1974 European Cup Winners' Cup) 5) Argentina in 88) 6) Holland (René and Willy van de Kerkhof in 78, Erwin Koeman and Ronald Koeman in 88)

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Our Visitors Today - AFC Sudbury



AFC (Amalgamated Football Club) Sudbury was formed on Tuesday 1st June 1999 from the amalgamation of Sudbury Town (founded 1885) and Sudbury Wanderers (founded 1958) making it then the newest senior club in East Anglia.

The first ever game was played at The Priory Stadium (the previous home of Town) on 17th July 1999 against a full Colchester United side in the Harwich Charity Cup Centenary Shield Semi-Final and saw a 2-4 defeat after extra time in front of 397 spectators.

The club now plays at Kings Marsh, Brundon Lane, Sudbury, which Wanderers purchased in 1972 and were previously water meadows, from which two pitches and a training area were created. The clubhouse was opened in 1985 and the dressing rooms in 1991. Floodlights were added in 1992 and the following year a 200-seat stand was built in addition to the two areas behind the goals being covered. In 2000 a new stand, The Shed, was opened and caters for 300 standing fans.

The two clubs left behind proud histories:

Sudbury Town

One of the founder members of the Suffolk County Football Association in 1885. They reached the second-round proper of the F.A. Cup in 1996-97 having defeated Brighton And Hove Albion in the first round after a replay and an exciting penalty shoot-out. Brentford then defeated them with the tie being played at Layer road Colchester in the Second Round. The F.A. Vase provided the club with some memorable achievements. Finalists in 1989, 26,478 watched that final at the old Wembley Stadium, which the Borough drew with Tamworth. The replay was sadly lost the next week at Peterborough United. In addition, Sudbury Town reached the semi-finals twice and also one quarter final.

Sudbury Town played for seven seasons in the Southern League, three of these being in the Premier Division. They won the League Cup and were runners-up on another occasion. They also appeared in 22 finals of the Suffolk Premier Cup, winning it 13 times. Wanderers won the same competition in 1997-98 after a replay.

Sudbury Wanderers

Progressed through the Halstead League, the Essex and Suffolk Border League and then the First and Premier Divisions of the Eastern Counties League. On the way they were three times finalists in the Suffolk Senior Cup at Portman Road, winning the trophy in 1991-92. In the F.A. Vase the club twice reached the last eight and once the last sixteen. The Jewson League Cup was won in 1999, defeating Felixstowe Port And Town 7-2 at Woodbridge.

AFC Sudbury - Recent History

The start of season 2012-13 saw Chris Tracey in charge with Barry Lakin at his side and with a number of new signings there was hope that promotion would be achieved. Lakin departed in September 2012 and Michael Shinn was appointed as Tracey's assistant whilst continuing to play. Late in October 2012 Ian Brown was brought in as first team coach.

The Reserves continued in the newly named Thurlow Nunn League under Ian Manby and Dave Walton and the A Team under the guidance of Phil Root, while the Ladies side was led by Clive Golding.

On 13th March 2013 Chris Tracey resigned as manager and Michael Shinn and Ian Brown were put in charge of team affairs until further notice.

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The season ended with the first team in seventeenth place in the table while the reserve side ended in sixth position but did win the Suffolk Senior Reserve Cup. The A Team completed their season in mid-table, while the AFC Ladies side reached the First Round of the Women's FA Cup and finished

runners up in the league.

On 21st May 2013 the club appointed David Batch as their sixth permanent manager and he was joined by Steve Eastaugh as his head coach ready for the 2013-14 season. They were joined by Ian Brown who was named as assistant manager and Darren Plowman as goalkeeping coach. Ian Brown was named as assistant manager.

On 29th June 2013 the club's second team was accepted into the Thurlow Nunn League Division One a step six league enabling the club's younger players to play in a higher standard than previously. On 6th June 2013 Dave Walton was named as the Head Coach of the side to be called AFC Reserves/Under 21s. On 21st January 2014 he stepped down due to family commitments and Ian Brown was appointed as interim manager.

On 10th March 2014 David Batch agreed to stay with the club until the end of the 2015/16 season. The season saw the club finish in 10th place seven places higher than the previous season and thirty-one points better off. A number of young players were introduced in the latter part of the season giving optimism for the 2014-15 season. The Reserves/Under 21's completed their season having started brightly they tailed off in the latter stages. The A Team also did well finishing in third place in their league.

The AFC Sudbury Ladies were successful winning the Suffolk FA Women's FA Cup and finished runners-up in the league.

For the 2014/15 season Batch and Eastaugh continue to lead the first team while, Danny Laws has joined and taken responsibility for the Reserves/Under 21s and U18s and the link between the remaining teams at the club. The A Team became The Community Team and AFC Ladies continued. The MEL Group ceased their sponsorship that dated back to when the club was formed, the ground became known from 10th July 2014 as The Wardale Williams Stadium.

On 30th December 2014 Batch and Eastaugh left and Danny Laws took over as Caretaker Manager, with David Cannon taking over as Caretaker manager of the Res/U21's. The Manager's position was filled on 11th January 2015 when Jamie Godbold was appointed manager with Andy Reynolds his assistant joining from Kirkley and Pakefield. Danny Laws was appointed Director of Football and Youth Development.

The First Team ended the season in third place and went into the play-offs where they lost in the semi-final.

The Res/U21's finished in fourteenth position and were winners of the Thurlow Nunn First Division Knockout Cup.

For the 2015/16 season, in May 2015 the club announced Godbold and Reynolds had signed two-year contracts to stay at the club.

The AFC Academy was introduced and on 16th May 2015 the final game on grass was played at The Wardale Williams before a 3G Pitch was installed. The new pitch was granted its certificate on 5th August 2015 and the first game played on it on 8th August.

AFC Reserves and the AFC U18's continued under Danny Laws and Dave Cannon and the Reserves finished in mid-table while the U18's won their league and won the Suffolk U18's Midweek Cup.

For the First Team the season was an undoubted success with AFC never being out of the top six in Ryman North and they won the Championship on 9th April 2016 ensuring promotion to the Ryman Premier Division.

Season 2016/17 saw the club at Step 3, Ryman Premier League for the first time still with Godbold and Reynolds at the helm and they brought in Matt Haniver as First Team coach. The Reserves/Academy continued and had teams in the Ryman Development League, the Essex Senior Reserve League, and the Thurlow Nunn First Division as well as a team in the National League U19 Alliance also the Thurlow Nunn Youth League still under Danny Laws and Dave Cannon assisted by

several other coaches.

It turned out to be a season of disappointment for the first team as the club suffered the first relegation in its history ending second from bottom of the league. The Reserves used many of the club's young Academy players and finished near to the foot of the table, while the Under 21 side in the Development League finished as runners up. The Under 18's won their Division in the Thurlow Nunn Youth League and then the entire Youth League Championship. They won the Suffolk FA Midweek Under 18 Cup and also the Thurlow Nunn Youth League Cup.

On 13th May 2017 Godbold and Reynolds were announced as the first team management duo for the 2017/18 season and set about building a new squad after the majority of the players left along with coach Matt Haniver. Danny Potter came in as goalkeeping coach. The competition became the Bostik North League.

The Academy, Under 18 side and two Reserves sides continued under the same management team but there was no Under 21 side.

On 12th September 2017 Godbold and Reynolds were relieved of their duties with Danny Laws taking over as Caretaker Manager.

On 2nd October 2017 former manager Mark Morsley was re-appointed on a three and half year contract, he brought in former player Lee Norfolk as his assistant while Paul Skingley returned as head coach. The FA Cup and FA trophy runs were not spectacular. Potter left and Dave Hunt returned as goalkeeping coach. The new management team went onto blood a large number of the Academy players and the team finished the season in twelfth position. The Thurlow Nunn Reserve side finished in a creditable mid-table position and the Essex Senior Reserve side near the bottom but both sides gave valuable experience to young players.

Season 2018/19 saw Mark Morsley and his management side in place, Darren Gould taking over as the goalkeeping coach. The side continued in the Bostik North. The Reserves remained in the Thurlow Nunn First Division with Dave Cannon as their manager. There was another team entered into the Suffolk and Essex Border League as well as a new team in the Suffolk and Ipswich League. The Under 18's continued in the Thurlow Nunn Youth League.

Season 21/22 after the two previous seasons had been declared null and void due to the Covid pandemic, saw Mark Morsley leave his role during the pre-season along with a raft of other coaching staff and players and in his place came the management duo of Rick Andrews and Angelo Harrop. Rick and Angelo brought back Danny Potter as goalkeeper coach once more and they oversaw an F.A Cup run that led to us playing Colchester United at home on Friday 5th November 2021 in the 1st Round proper live on BBC TV. Unfortunately, we didn't do ourselves as proud on the pitch as off it that night as we lost fairly meekly 0-4 in front of a record crowd of 2000. The league campaign was a rollercoaster but a strong run at the tail end of the season saw the club finish in 7th spot.

Season 22/23 saw Angelo leave to take over at National League South Braintree and Dale Brooks and Ricky Cornish joined Rick Andrews on the touchline. An exciting and record-breaking season ensued with the club finding itself in the top 2 for the majority of the season and pipped to the title by Hashtag Utd we beat Heybridge Swifts in the play-off final to gain promotion for only the 2nd time ever to Step 3 and the Southern Premier Central league. Alongside the men, the women also had a stellar season gaining promotion for the first time to the National League, their 2nd promotion on the bounce.

Season 23/24 saw seismic events behind the scenes and due to budgetary cuts Rick Andrews left the club along with the rest of the backroom staff and the majority of the squad that had gained promotion. Marc Abbott was appointed as the new first team manager and he immediately brought back Dave Walton as goalkeeping coach. A tough attritional campaign ensued but Step 3 survival was achieved for the first time in the club's history despite losing 6 points via Nuneaton Borough

dropping out the league.

Season 24/25 saw another season of battling gainfully against the threat of relegation. With 9 games to go Marc Abbott was relieved of his duties with Danny Laws placed in interim charge. 7 wins from 9 games saw us finish strongly and avoid relegation with a game to spare. Danny Laws was appointed as Head Coach in the Summer with Tom Austin as his assistant. Danny stepped down at the end of October 2025 and Tom Austin took the reins.

AFC Sudbury - Profiles

Jack Munson - Goalkeeper

18-year-old Goalkeeper and current academy student. Has shown great promise and maturity beyond his years.

Charlie Lewis - Defender

Vice-captain, Charlie signed for us in 2023 and is described by many as 'Mr Reliable'. He spent 22/23 with St Neots Town where he was utilized in a number of different roles. A decent cricketer too by all accounts.

Jacob Goredema - Defender

The latest academy prospect to graduate to first team honours. Jacob made his first team debut in the 2nd half of last season before ending the year as a regular at left back.

Ollie Okeh - Defender

Another academy prospect who came through to represent the first team last season. A versatile player who can operate across the backline and midfield, Ollie's versatility makes him a valuable addition to the squad.

Harvey Peters - Defender

6ft 4 Centre Back signed recently from Lowestoft Town. Won the Isthmian League North with Brentwood in 2025. A real presence in both boxes.

Jake Turner - Midfielder

Leader, legend, captain! Jake re-signed for the club in 2021 and has since captained us to step 3, scoring the winning goal in our 22/23 Play-Off Final success against Heybridge Swifts, a bullet header in extra time.

Liam Pearce - Midfielder

Yet another product of the famed AFC Sudbury Academy, 'Pearcey's' heart, desire and willingness to give his all for the club has seen him firmly established as a fan favourite already. Undoubtedly 'one of our own' with big expectations as he continues to grow following an impressive 24-25 season.

Marcel Lewis - Midfielder

Marcel joined us in February 2025 following a brief stint at Cambridge City. The fleet-footed FA Youth Cup winner during his time at Chelsea has also played for Burnley and Curzon Ashton and more recently showcased his skills in the debut season of 'Baller League'.

Finlay Corrigan - Midfielder

Cultured Midfielder who was a Spurs Academy player until Ipswich signed him in 2019 where he spent 5 years, before signing for SPL side Dundee in 2024. A move to Kettering

followed and now finds himself at AFC Sudbury.

Jenson Mulqueen - Midfielder

Jenson joined Joe Heron in making the switch from Essex based Brantham Athletic where the all-action midfielder was instrumental in their title win and securing promotion to Step 4. We are excited to see Jenson's progression as he embarks on his first foray into Step 3 football.

Tommy Dettmar - Midfielder

Teenage sensation Tommy was Young Player of the Year as a 19-year-old at AFC Sudbury before injuries plagued him. He's worked his way into the squad following a very impressive preseason with the group and we are excited to see what he can bring to the group.

Kaidon-Tower-King - Midfielder

After a fantastic 3 years in the AFC Sudbury academy 'KTK' as he's affectionately known is looking to cement himself as a permanent fixture in the first team. At his best playing further forward but has been known to step in at full back and is more than capable of doing a job there too.

Kyran Clements - Striker/Defender

Yet another who learned his trade in our famed academy, Kyran had a spell at Braintree Town before spending last season at Leiston where he scored 10 league goals, despite spending half of the season at centre back. He's a real handful for opposition defenders and will chip in with some important goals for us. He's even capable of donning the GK gloves in an emergency too!

Mekhi Mckenzie - Centre Forward

Another former Academy Product, a big part of Brentwood Towns successful Isthmian North Title winning side in 2024-25. Also does a great rendition of Bob Marley on the team coach!

The Record against Sudbury

Sporting have played AFC Sudbury five times with the record in the table below. The last match was earlier this season on 29th November at Brunton Lane with 215 spectators present. The match finished up 2 - 2. Marcel Lewis gave the Suds the lead on 16 minutes following with a second from Liam Pearce on the 35th minute. Billy Shaw got one back for the Rouslers on the stroke of half-time and Kobe Hall grabbed the equaliser on 60 minutes.

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
Home	3	1	1	1	3	2
Away	2	0	1	1	2	5
Total	5	1	2	2	5	7

Bromsgrove Rovers played Sudbury Wanderers in the FA Cup 2nd Qualifying Round on 27th September 1997 drawing 1-1 at the Kingsmarsh Stadium with 227 fans present. Rovers won the replay at the Victoria Ground on the following Tuesday 2 - 0 watched by 409 spectators.

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Luke Benbow being closely watched by Worcester's Paul Downing



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Bishop's Stortford	1 - 0	St Ives Town	342
Bromsgrove Sporting	0 - 1	Worcester City	750
Bury Town	1 - 1	Needham Market	1,208
Halesowen Town	4 - 1	Quorn	1,034
Royston Town	0 - 3	Spalding United	355
Stourbridge	2 - 1	Real Bedford	491
Stratford Town	1 - 2	Harborough Town	812
The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Monday 23rd February			
Barwell	2 - 6	Halesowen Town	313
The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Tuesday 24th February			
Alvechurch	3 - 4	Real Bedford	154
Banbury United	0 - 0	Stratford Town	567

Today's Matches

The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Saturday 28th February		
Alvechurch	v	Needham Market
Bishop's Stortford	v	Halesowen Town
Bromsgrove Sporting	v	AFC Sudbury
Harborough Town	v	Barwell
Real Bedford	v	Leiston
Royston Town	v	Worcester City
Spalding United	v	Redditch United
St Ives Town	v	Quorn
Stamford	v	Banbury United
Stourbridge	v	Kettering Town
Stratford Town	v	Bury Town

Forthcoming Matches

The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Tuesday 3rd March		
Alvechurch	v	Stourbridge
Banbury United	v	Harborough Town
Bishop's Stortford	v	Worcester City
Bury Town	v	Quorn
Kettering Town	v	Stratford Town
Real Bedford	v	Needham Market
The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Saturday 7th March		
AFC Sudbury	v	Stamford
Banbury United	v	Alvechurch
Barwell	v	Royston Town
Bury Town	v	Bishop's Stortford

Halesowen Town	v	Stourbridge
Harborough Town	v	Worcester City
Kettering Town	v	Bromsgrove Sporting
Leiston	v	Stratford Town
Needham Market	v	Spalding United
Quorn	v	Real Bedford
Redditch United	v	St Ives Town

The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Tuesday 10th March

Bishop's Stortford	v	Harborough Town
Kettering Town	v	Alvechurch
Stratford Town	v	Halesowen Town

The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central, Saturday 14th March

AFC Sudbury	v	Kettering Town
Bishop's Stortford	v	Alvechurch
Bromsgrove Sporting	v	Stourbridge
Bury Town	v	Redditch United
Harborough Town	v	Real Bedford
Needham Market	v	St Ives Town
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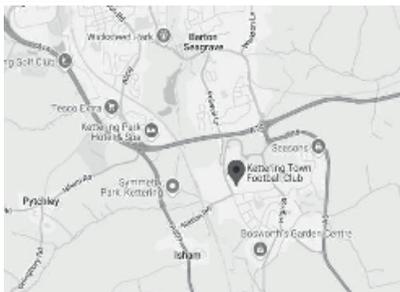
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The Pitching In Southern League Premier Division Central

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Bromsgrove Sporting Ladies - Match Report

Sunday 22nd February - Bromsgrove Sporting 2 (2) Worcester City Reserves 0 (0)

Sporting Ladies were back in action at the UK Electrical Stadium, as they hosted Worcester City Reserves.

The Ladies started the game with a high intensity, pressing high and not allowing time on the ball for the opposition. This enabled the Ladies to win the ball high, but the final ball for Sporting wasn't sharp enough to create any real chances.

The strong start for Sporting paid off on 30 mins. A corner was cleared at the near post and as the ball rolled out the area, Charlotte Wallis brilliantly struck a left-footed shot into the far corner off the post. 1-0.

This encouraged the Ladies to push even more and capitalised on this a few moments later. Charlotte Wallis won the ball in midfield, plays the ball out to Ashleigh Kennedy. Ashleigh played a well-weighted ball through to Elloise Russell, who calmly slotted the ball past the keeper to make it 2-0.

The second half saw a slower tempo to the match, with Sporting knowing that they had done good work to build an advantage in the 1st half. Looking to catch Worcester on the break, Sporting created a number of chances, which were not converted to improve the score line.

Despite a number of late injuries and multiple players playing out of position, Sporting didn't allow Worcester to have any clear-cut opportunities to get a goal back.

A well-managed game by the Ladies, picking up a well-deserved 3 points.

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Bromsgrove Sporting		AFC Sudbury	
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Teams to be chosen from the following:			
1	Rory Brown (GK)	Jack Munson (GK)	
2	Niall Flint	Kyran Clements	
3	Jack Kelly	Finlay Corrigan	
4	Max Asante-Boakye	Tommy Dettmar	
5	Aaron Roberts (Capt)	Jacob Goredema	
6	Kyle Rowley	Archie Jolland	
7	Billy Shaw	Ellis Lawson	
8	George Wynne	Rocco Leeks	
9	Luke Benbow	Charlie Lewis	
10	Brad Stretton	Marcel Lewis	
11	Koby Arthur	Mekhi Mckenzie	
12	Jaden Charles	Jenson Mulqueen	
13	Ellis Litherland (GK)	Liam Pearce	
14	Tyrone Lewthwaite	Harvey Peters	
15	Jack Newell	Reon Smith-Kouassi	
16	Theo Robinson	Jack Stone	
17	Luke Softley	Kaidon Tower-King	
18	Jordan Lyden	Jake Turner	
19	Archie Duerden		
20	Akai Bonnick		
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