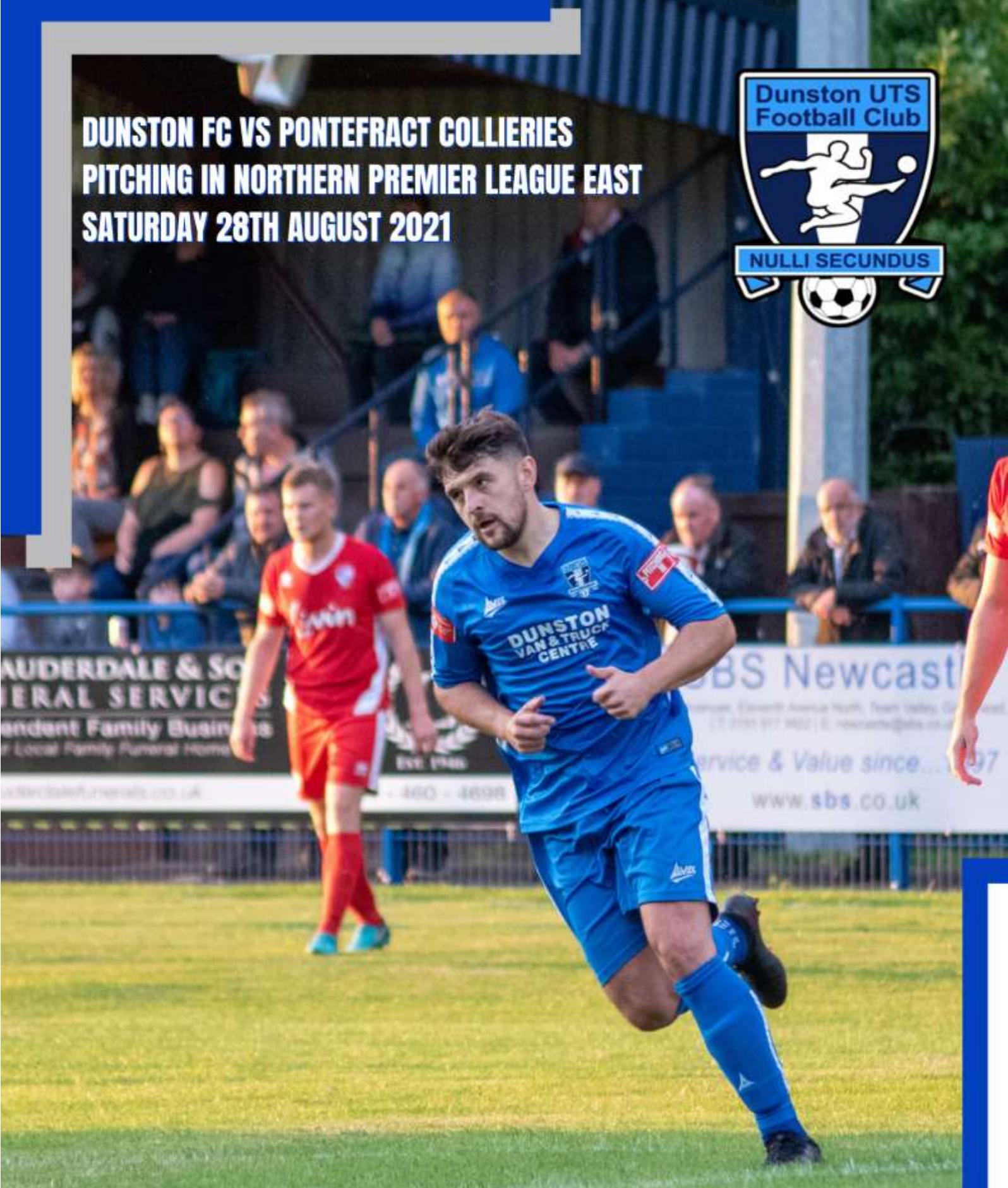


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We would like to extend a very warm welcome to everyone in attendance at the UTS Stadium this afternoon for our second home NPL East Division game of the season.

Our opponents today are Pontefract Collieries FC who make the journey from West Yorkshire bidding to kick-start their NPL campaign. Much like Dunston, they have made a rather slow start after winning only once from their opening three League Matches. They enjoyed an excellent 3-1 victory at Pickering Town along with a hard fought 1-0 win at Goole in the Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round to earn a tough trip to Barnoldswick Town in the First Qualifying Round next Saturday.

“Pont Colls” management team of Craig Rouse and his Assistants Jimmy Williams and Andy Seed have worked tirelessly to assemble a very strong playing squad and under the leadership of captain Jack Greenhough they will provide a very stern test for a Dunston side that seems to be coming back to some kind of form with the return from injury and suspension of several key players. Having said that, every fixture at the moment seems to bring fresh fitness doubts for Chris Swailes and his management colleagues.

We also extend a warm welcome to our Match Officials this afternoon. Referee Paul Brown from Newcastle takes the game as a late replacement for the unavailable Chris Armstrong. His Assistant Referees are Ryan Kendall who also travels from Newcastle and Paul Mosley from Wallsend.

Today's match is kindly sponsored by Belle View FC. As with all of our kind sponsors, we greatly appreciate your support and hope that you all thoroughly enjoy the occasion.

Supporters old and new are very well appreciated and we hope you enjoy your visit to the UTS Stadium this afternoon. If you require any help or information about the Club and facilities, please do not hesitate to contact any Management Committee Member.

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Dunston Football Club History

The club first saw the light of day in 1975 as a humble works outfit when former Chairman, John Thompson, with some of his colleagues at HMSO on the Team Valley Trading Estate, decided to form a football team. The club joined the Newcastle City Amateur League playing at the Civil Service Sports Ground, Longbenton.

Early success inspired the club to progress and a piece of land was leased from Gateshead M.B.C. and the committee began to develop what is now the UTS Stadium.

The club were now gaining much success in the Northern Combination and with aspirations to progress further they approached the Federation Brewery to become the club's main sponsor. With the Federation Brewery as their main sponsor the club joined the Wearside League in 1987 and after another period of success the club felt a need to seek new opportunities and an application was made to join the prestigious Northern League. The club had now realised one of its main ambitions and entered the National Pyramid of Non-League Football. In its second season in the Northern League the club won the Second Division and was promoted to the First Division.

Since joining the Northern League the club has won the Second Division, been First Division Champions twice, League Cup winners on five occasions and JR Cleator Cup winners on five occasions. Included in these successes were back to back First Division title winners and League Cup winners in seasons 2003/2004 and 2004/2005. A magnificent achievement.

Season 2007/2008 had seen the club lose the word Brewery from its name as sadly it lost the main sponsor. After a period of 18 years of continuous sponsorship the Federation Brewery was taken over by Scottish and Newcastle Breweries who continued to sponsor the club for a further two seasons and after a period of twenty years the club had lost its main sponsor and had no association with a brewery. In our hour of need two new companies became involved with the club to partially compensate for the loss of our main sponsor.

Dunston Van and Truck Centre became our home shirt sponsor and Astley Signs became our away shirt sponsor. Both companies are still with us at the present time. Season 2008/2009 a company, UTS Engineering (Utility Technology Services), became involved by sponsoring the player's travel and training kit and during the close season of 2009/2010 they kindly agreed to become the club's principal sponsor.

The club name was changed from Dunston Federation F.C. to Dunston UTS F.C, the name of the ground was changed to the UTS Stadium and company owner, Mr. Shaun Sadler became Club President.

Arguably one of Dunston UTS FC's greatest achievements came in The FA Vase Final of 2012. In front of a crowd of 5,126 at Wembley Stadium, under the guidance of then Manager Billy Irwin, an Andrew Bulford brace ensured a 2-0 victory over Northern League rivals West Auckland Town.

On the 2nd April 2016 Dunston UTS celebrated their 1000th Northern League game. Prior to kick off on behalf of the club Malcolm James received an engraved plate from Northern League President George Courtney.

Building on the new-found momentum, Dunston continued in the same vein in the following season with a great run in the FA Cup, going out in the final Qualifying Round to National League neighbours Gateshead in front of a record crowd of 2,525 at the UTS Stadium.

The Club finished the 2018/2019 season as convincing Champions of the Northern League First Division, seventeen points ahead of their nearest rivals. Promotion ensued to the Northern Premier N/West Division but FA Regulations dictated that the Club Playing Name must not include any reference to a sponsor so the "UTS" was reluctantly dropped from the Club title before the new season.

Over the years the club has always recognised that success on the field must be coupled with success and hard work off the field and the efforts of the people behind the scenes at the UTS Stadium has ensured that the stadium is a credit to the club. Many of the committee of the club have been involved since it was founded in 1975, some as former players and some as management on the playing side.

It is a tribute to their commitment and hard work that the club has become one of the most successful in the North East.



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Chris Swailes' side claim all three points in dramatic style against 10 man Tadcaster Albion.



Tadcaster Albion vs Dunston UTS FC - Match report

Dunston came out on top in a full blooded encounter away to Tadcaster Albion and claimed their first league win of the season on Tuesday night.

The hosts lead going into half-time, thanks to an outstanding Marko Basic free kick on 34 minutes.

As much as Tadcaster pushed to increase their lead, the game turned with the dismissal of Eddie Church on 65 minutes, the referee brandishing a straight red card for an over the top challenge.

With a 1 man advantage Dunston upped the pressure on their opponents.

Michael Pearson grabbed an equaliser with 5 minutes of the game to go. Rising well to connect with a Jack Elliott corner, he glanced his header beyond the reaches of Tadcaster keeper Harrison Davison-Hale.

A huge save from Harrison-Hale denied Dunston from taking the lead two minutes later. However, 2 minutes into stoppage time, Dan Capewell got on the end of a Craig Baxter delivery to seal the win in dramatic style.

Although early in the season, the win now sees Dunston climb up to 10th in the table and two points of the play-off positions

Dunston UTS FC Man of the Match: Dan Capewell

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Final score: Tadcaster Albion - 1 (Besic 34') Dunston - 2 (Pearson 85' Capewell 90+2)

Attendance: 232





Match day photography. Tadcaster Albion vs Dunston UTS FC
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DUNSTON FC – Player profiles - 2021 / 2022



LIAM CONNELL (Goalkeeper) Liam re-joined Dunston FC prior to the start of the 2020-21 season. A key member of the Dunston UTS side that lifted the FA Vase in 2012, Liam completed an amazing eight seasons with the Club before moving on to South Shields where he enjoyed several successful campaigns before going out on loan to Darlington last season.

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ANDREW CLARK (Goalkeeper) Andy returned to Dunston in the summer to begin his third spell with the Club. His previous Clubs include South Shields, Newcastle Benfield and Ashington. He brings a wealth of experience and provides excellent cover in goal.

Home sponsor - Mrs Dorothy Burnell

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CALLUM ELLIOTT (Defender) Callum has tremendous potential to carve out a great career after coming to Dunston at the start of the 2017-18 season from Spennymoor Town. He gained some valuable experience at Huddersfield Town before his release.

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MICHAEL HALL (Defender) Michael moved to Dunston from Morpeth Town at the start of the 2017-18 season and has proved to be a vital member of a solid defence. The big central defender brings experience and confidence to the heart of the back-line.

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DAN CAPEWELL (Defender) Dan is a very promising central defender who transferred to Dunston from Bedlington Terriers three seasons ago. He produced some great defensive displays last season and was nominated for Northern League Young Player of the Year. Dan collected The Dunston UTS FC Supporters Club Player of the Season Award in 2018/19.

Home shirt sponsor - Jimmy Souley

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CRAIG SCOTT (Defender) The tall central defender transferred to the Club from Newcastle Benfield in October 2018. Craig is a very experienced player at Non-League level having previously enjoyed two stints with Ashington and a spell at Slough Town. Voted Managers Player of the season 2019/20 Scotty was appointed as Club Captain for the 2020/21 season

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TERRY GALBRAITH (Defender/Midfield) Tez re-joined Dunston before the start of the 2020-21 season after a superb career at Darlington FC in the National League North. He was a key member of the Dunston UTS team that lifted the FA Vase at Wembley in 2012 before joining Darlington to further his playing career. "Tez" was an immediate success at the ex-League Team and played over 250 games for them, scoring around sixty goals in the process.

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LOUIS PARRAL (Defender) Gibraltar Under-19 International Louis Parral, 18, joined Chris Swailes' side in October 2020 having recently moved to Newcastle, where he is currently studying a degree in Media and Journalism at Northumbria University. Previously with Gibraltar National League side Lions Gibraltar FC and spent part of last season on-loan to Europa Point FC.

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CRAIG BAXTER (Defender) Described as rock solid at the back and strong going forward, Baxter's signing is somewhat of a major coup for Dunston UTS FC.

The 34 year old right back comes with of a wealth of experience, having playing higher up in leagues and has a proven track record of success. He was a key player for South Shields over a five season spell, making 188 appearances before joining Dunston UTS FC for the start of the 2021/22 season. Having started his football career with Newcastle United Baxter would spend 9 years with Gateshead FC as the club moved up the pyramid.

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JAKE STAFFORD (Midfield) Hard working defensive midfielder who brings stability to the team. Re-joined the squad in early November 2019 from Consett AFC after solving previous work commitment problems that had prevented him from travelling. Jake was a vital part of the Dunston team that lifted the Northern League Title at the end of the 2018-19 season.

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URSENE MOUANDA (Midfield) joined the Club in early January 2020 from South Shields FC. A product of the Gateshead Academy, he has earlier experience in Scotland with Rangers and Kilmarnock. He made a positive impression before the cancellation of the 2019-20 season and much is expected from him in the coming season.

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MICHAEL PEARSON (Midfielder) Joined Dunston prior to the start of the 2015-16 season from Consett AFC. Previous Clubs include Hartlepool United, Blyth Spartans and South Shields. Michael is a very popular member of the squad who gives his very best every time he pulls on the shirt.

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PHIL TURNBULL (Midfielder) Chris Swailes wasted no time in bringing the vastly experienced and talented midfielder to the UTS Stadium for the start of the 2021/22 season. Capable of playing with either foot and is described as fiercely competitive player.

Having started out at Hartlepool United before joining York City, with loan spells at Blyth Spartans and Gateshead. A permanent move to Gateshead in 2008 seen him play over 300 games for the Tynesider's. In a 7 season spell, which included two successive promotions, the club eventually moved up to The National League and he became a firm favourite at The International Stadium before moving to Darlington in 2015 where he would gain promotion to The National League North in his first season.

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JACK ELLIOTT (Forward) A very talented player who returned to Dunston after a short spell at Hebburn Town FC in September 2019. He progressed through Newcastle United Academy then Consett AFC before moving to Dunston.

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LIAM THEAR (Forward) Liam is in his sixth season at the Club after completing a successful stint at the Gateshead Academy where he was very highly rated. A very strong and tricky player who has finally fully recovered from a serious injury suffered in the momentous FA Cup Tie against Gateshead in October 2018.

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3rd shirt sponsor – Available

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MECHACK KANDA (Forward) Recent acquisition from Newcastle Benfield, Mechack is an honest player who gives everything for the team. Manager Chris Swailes was delighted to sign him prior the start of the season having already coached him as a member of the Gateshead College side that won the National Cup. Previously with Gateshead FC and South Shields FC.

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SCOTT HESLOP (Forward) Hard-working forward who joined Dunston ahead of the 2016-17 season from Chester-le-Street Town where he was a prolific goal-scorer. Scott ended up as Dunston's top-scorer in his debut season at the UTS Stadium. He was voted Player of the Year as well Committee Player of The season and Players Player of the season in 2019-20.

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LEE MASON (Forward) Joining Dunston UTS FC from South Shields in May of 2021, Lee Mason brings with him a wealth of experience. The forward had been on the radar of Dunston Manager Chris Swailes for some time and became the club's third major signing ahead of the 2021/22 season. Capable of playing anywhere across the front line, he has great strength on the ball, scores goals, provides assists and he rarely gives the ball away.

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LUKE PORRITT – (Midfield) Porritt became Chris Swailes fourth signing of the 2021/22 season having previously played for Northern Premier League side Scarborough Athletic, before moving to the North East. Prior to that he had been with Hyde United and had started out as a youngster at Guiseley. He has had loan spells with Frickley and Ossett Albion and come with a solid pedigree of playing at a higher level.

Home shirt sponsor – Jack Hunter

Away shirt sponsor - Mr Pat McElhone

3rd shirt sponsor - Available

Training kit sponsor - Urban Flower Rooms

Matty Pattison – (Midfield) Matty is a vastly experienced player. The former South Africa International started his career with Newcastle United. Having made 10 Premier League appearances for The Magpies. He then moved to Championship side Norwich City with former manager Glenn Roeder. He played over 50 games for “the Canaries” before moving to South Africa, playing for Mamelodi Sundowns, Engen Santos and Bidvest Wits. Returning to the North East in 2014, he joined Gateshead FC and has spent time with Blyth Spartans, South Shioelds and laterly near neighbours Whickham, for whom he briefly managed, before taking up the role as Coach at Gateshead FC’s Academy.

Home shirt sponsor – Available

Away shirt sponsor – Available

3rd shirt - Available

Training kit - Available

Eddie Thomas – (Forward) The highly regarded young striker has recently joined Dunston on a dual registration with National League North side Gateshead FC. With Chris Swailes looking to add some talented youth to his side this season, Thomas fits the bill perfectly and his is well thought of at The International Stadium, following a string of impressive performances during pre-season.

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CHRIS SWAILES (Manager) After a long professional career, Swaz played for Gateshead and Blyth Spartans before joining Dunston UTS and was a lynchpin in the team that lifted the FA Vase in 2012. He then moved on to Morpeth Town where he guided them to more Wembley success, scoring in the outstanding Wembley Final victory over the much fancied Hereford Football Club.

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JON MCDONALD (Assistant Manager)

A Wallsend lad, Jon made the move to The UTS Stadium in early March of 2021 from Northern Premier League side Morpeth Town, where he had held the equivalent position for three seasons. During his second spell at Craik Park, he had been part of two successive promotions with “The Highwaymen” and a Northumberland Senior Cup victory in the 2018/19 season. He brings with him a wealth of experience and knowledge, he holds a UEFA B coaching license and is currently undertaking his UEFA A license.

He has previously managed Blyth AFC, guiding them to The Northern League 2nd Division title in the 2017/18 season, as well as managerial spells with West Allotment Celtic and North Shields in The Northern League.

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Ian joined Chris Swailes' backroom staff in August of 2021. Having previously worked alongside Assistant Manager Jon McDonald at Blyth Town, he brings with him a wealth of experience.

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Lewis Black (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)

The 22 year joined Chris Swailes' back room staff in July 2021 having completed 3 years of studying at Newcastle College University Centre, graduating with a First-Class Honours Degree in Exercise & Sport Rehabilitation. Alongside his studies he completed a three year placement at Park View Academy of Sport and was able to develop his skills as a practitioner. Following on, he then became sports therapist for Chester-le-Street United.

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Mechack Kanda
Lee Mason
Ursene Mouada
Matty Pattison
Louis Parral
Michael Pearson
Luke Porritt
Craig Scott
Jake Stafford
Liam Thear
Eddie Thomas
Phil Turnbull



Squad list

Ryan Musselwhite (GK)
Jack Greenhough (C)
Spencer Clarke
Ben Gordon
Fabian Bailey
Scott Smith
Jack Lazenby
Eli Hey
Noah Stokes
Danny Middleton
Vaughan Redford
Jack Vann
Kane Reece
Derry Robson
Charlie Clegg
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Mikey Dunn

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SATURDAY 28 AUGUST 2021

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - EAST

⌚ 15:00	Cleethorpes Town	vs	Shildon A.F.C.
⌚ 15:00	Dunston	vs	Pontefract Collieries
⌚ 15:00	Frickley Athletic	vs	Tadcaster Albion
⌚ 15:00	Liversedge	vs	Marske United
⌚ 15:00	Ossett United	vs	Hebburn Town
⌚ 15:00	Sheffield FC	vs	Bridlington Town
⌚ 15:00	Stocksbridge Park Steels	vs	Pickering Town
		ex 16/04	
⌚ 15:00	Stockton Town	vs	Worksop Town
⌚ 15:00	Yorkshire Amateur	vs	Lincoln United

MONDAY 30 AUGUST 2021

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - EAST

⌚ 15:00 Bridlington Town vs Cleethorpes Town

⌚ 15:00 Brighouse Town vs Ossett United

⌚ 15:00 Lincoln United vs Sheffield FC

⌚ 15:00 Marske United vs Dunston

⌚ 15:00 Pontefract Collieries vs Liversedge

⌚ 15:00 Shildon A.F.C. vs Stockton Town

⌚ 15:00 Stocksbridge Park Steels vs Yorkshire Amateur

⌚ 13:00 Tadcaster Albion vs Pickering Town

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Pontefract Collieries Player Profiles 2021/22

Danny Middleton The midfield man has impressed over the mid-season break. Danny previously captained Sherburn White Rose and has been a key figure for local Sunday side Ferrybridge Progressive.

Scott Brown - The hard tackling, defensive minded player has returned to the Colls. Like a number of the squad Scott featured for Worksop Town last year, before the season was curtailed. Scott Brown first joined Ponte the season the club won the NCEL Premier Division, he most recently featured for the Colls in the 19/20 season and scored the winning goal in the home game against Tadcaster Albion.

Spencer Clarke - We are delighted to confirm Spencer Clarke as Vice-Captain for the coming season. Spencer has been a big player during his few spells at the club and has previously led the side, so this seems to be a no brainer. The colossal centre half will chip in with his fair share of goals. A fantastic player and a leader on and off the pitch.

Jack Greenhough -. The marauding full back returned to the club with a number of former players in March and will now captain his home-town club. Jack first signed first team terms in the summer of 2016, after a successful spell for our u19s.

Jack Vann - The Colls are delighted to confirm the capture of Jack Vann. Formerly of Tadcaster Albion, Jack is defensive minded player who can play in a number of positions. Despite his age he has a number of years' experience playing at this level, following a stint at Ossett United. The Ex-Leeds United youth product also had spells at Harrogate Town and Gainsborough Trinity, with Jack's addition he will provide further strength to the squad.

Jack Lazenby -The midfield maestro joined mid-way through last season's interrupted league, arriving at the club from Garforth Town. Jack impressed early on and continued that into the return of Craig Rouse and his backroom staff. Jack possesses a lot of ability both in the attacking third and defensively.

Vaughan Redford - re-joins after a successful year at Worksop Town, where he finished last seasons curtailed league as their top scorer. The forward will reunite with the club for his second spell following a year away from the club.

Mikey Dunn - a fan favourite during his previous spell, keeping fans on the edge of their seats with his incredible ball control and his ability to make something happen from nothing. He scored 13 league goals in The Colls first season in the Northern Premier League, but also scored 27 goals in our NCEL Division One promotion campaign and a further 16 in our NCEL Premier Division title win!

Ryan Musselwhite -The shot-stopper was our no. 1 during our NCEL Premier League title winning season. He also was between the sticks in our first NPL season, almost leading up to promotion before falling short in the play-off final. Ryan claimed a record number of clean sheets in our promotion season and will return to try and beat that when football returns.

Kane Reece - Another former player under the Parry/Rouse regime, Kane was a huge fan favourite during his spell for his all-action style. He scored a number of goals in both campaigns, which saw us reach the Northern Premier League. We are delighted have him back with us not only for his on the field performances, but he will be a great part of the squad off the field too. Kane has featured for a few other NCEL clubs since leaving the Colls, in Nostell MW and Emley AFC.

Eli Hey -The goal scorer scored bags of goals in his first spell with the club, which saw us dominant the NCEL Premier Division before taking the Northern Premier League by storm. Eli suffered a serious injury towards the end of his first season in the NPL, which saw him miss our Play Off final defeat. Hey then went on to feature for Eccleshill before joining Brighouse Town back in the summer of 2020. We are buzzing to have Eli back amongst our ranks.

Andy Seed - Seedy' returns to the club as part of Craig Rouse's coaching staff and will work closely with him and Jimmy Williams. Andy was a key part of the club's recent successes and was a real leader on the pitch. He will be looking to transfer this to coaching. Following time away from the game following retiring at the club, he has chosen to come back into football with Ponte. Andy is a great capture, not only for the club on the pitch but off it too.

Jimmy Williams - spent four campaigns with the club, leading us to back-to-back promotions from the NCEL. The defender had many great moments, none more impressive than his Play-Off Semi Final goal against Ossett Utd. As a local lad, he has also had experience in management with Ferrybridge Progressive. He is more than capable of a role in the dugout, he will also feature as player this coming season.

Craig Rouse - 'Rousey' has featured for the club in his playing days as a striker, making a lasting impression with his goalscoring exploits during his two spells at the club. However, Craig really placed his name in the history books, being a part of Ponte's greatest chapter to date. He was a key part of our rise from NCEL Division One to the Northern Premier League.

Derry Robson The club are delighted to confirm Derry Robson's addition to the Ponte ranks. The combative midfielder has joined the club from fellow NPL side Belper Town. Robson has played against the Colls on numerous occasions in the past, he will add key experience and competition for places in the centre of midfield.

Ben Gordon - Experienced full back Gordon is with the Colls for a second season. He has a Scottish Cup Final Winners medal to his name amongst many Football League appearances. He has featured for the likes of Shaw Lane and Gainsborough Trinity and Boston United so has experience at this level.

Fabian Bailey - This will be Fabian Bailey's fourth season at the club. He can cover in any of the defensive areas on the pitch and will be a key part of the squad.

Scott Smith - Scott joined the club from Guiseley last season and has shown his quality in such a short space of time. Great ability and speed on the ball and will create numerous chances for his teammates.

Gavin Rothery – He has signed up for a further year with the club, a real fan favourite that Rousey was keen to keep. He chips in with goals and assists and as an experienced member of the squad, he will play a key part, especially as he has now taken up a coaching role alongside being a player.

Noah Stokes – Formerly of Curzon Ashton and Mansfield Town, the Australian centre back has joined the Colls to strengthen the depth of the squad in defence.

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Pontefract is known to have had a football club as far back as the 1890's when a side, presumably composed mainly of soldiers, completed in the West Yorkshire League as Pontefract Garrison. Much of the history requires further research but it is known that a Pontefract Borough Club reached the dizzy heights of the Yorkshire League in the late 1920's. By 1935 a club called Tanshelf Gems managed to acquire a ground on Ackworth Road, moved there and became Pontefract United.

The current club was formed in 1958 enjoying considerable success on and off the field, much work being done during the miners' strike cementing relationships with the mining industry and the local community. The floodlight opening in 1987 saw the Colls take on Hull City in a friendly watched by a record crowd of 1000.

Recent History

2012/13 – The season ended with only one defeat in the last ten games including victories over Askern Villa of 9-0 and 10-2. The club finished 5th for the 3rd season in a row.

2013/14 – This was a season of consolidation which ended in a disappointing 9th place but with a clear plan in place for the 2014/15 season.

2014/15 – The plan was delivered as the Colls finished as runners-up in North Counties East League Division One and were promoted back to the NCEL Premier Division after a 15-year absence. Along the way they recorded the highest away win, best aggregate score, most goals scored (joint with Louth Town), 2nd best defence and the most clean sheets.

2015/16 – The latter part of the season saw the Colls with a new management team of Craig Parry, Manager and former Colls Keeper, assisted by Craig Rouse and Nigel Danby. The Colls fought to the bitter end but ended up 3rd from bottom and back in Division One!

2016/17 – A great start to the season led by Manager Craig Parry, Assistant Manager Craig Rouse & Head Player/Coach Luke Jeffs saw the Colls win 9 from 9 (including pre-season friendlies) The League performance saw some brilliant runs of form including one of 21 games with only 1 defeat. With the Colls fate in their own hands, they only needed to win away at Worsborough Bridge in the final game. This they duly did and returned to the NCEL Premier Division at the first time of asking!

2017/18 – A fantastic season saw the Colls produce many impressive statistics, best attack, best defence, most goals scored (134), best goal difference (+96), biggest away win (8-0 v Thackley), most clean sheets (17) on their way to promotion to Step 4 of non-league for the first time in their history.

2018/19 – After 2 consecutive promotions the Colls had an extremely successful first ever season at Step Four of non-league in the NPL Division One East finishing as runners up to Morpeth Town. A good pre-season saw the Colls gain 2 pieces of silverware – The Bill Cook Memorial Trophy against Glasshoughton Welfare and the Inaugural Colliery Cup from a keenly contested game against NPL Division One West side Atherton Collieries. The Colls narrowly lost out on promotion to the NPL Premier Division at the first time of asking after losing the playoff final!

2019/20 - Pre-season saw the Colls again retain the Bill Cook Memorial Trophy against Glasshoughton Welfare (winning 9-2) and also retaining the Colliery Cup against the 2018/19 NPL Division One West champions Atherton Collieries (winning 6-1) This season was unfortunately terminated in March and results expunged with the Colls sitting in 4th place with several games in hand on teams above.

2020/21 – A successful pre-season for the Colls retaining the Bill Cook Memorial Trophy against Glasshoughton Welfare (winning 5-1) and winning the last 5 pre-season - unfortunately this season was also terminated.

2021/22 – After again retaining the Bill Cook Memorial Trophy, we are very much looking forward to a full season under new management team – Craig Rouse, Andy Seed, Jimmy Williams, Head Coach Gavin Rothery & Goal Keeping Coach Ross McKenna.



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Northern Premier League - East table

#	Team	Pl	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
1.	Liversedge	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	8	1	7	9
2.	Stockton Town	3	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	5	2	3	7
3.	Marske United	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	6	6
4.	Shildon A.F.C.	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	6	0	6	6
5.	Ossett United	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	5	6
6.	Yorkshire Amateur	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	1	5	4	1	6
7.	Frickley Athletic	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	1	3	2	1	6
8.	Cleethorpes Town	3	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	6	7	-1	4
9.	Lincoln United	3	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	5	6	-1	4
10.	Dunston	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	2	3	-1	4
11.	Worksop Town	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	3	3	0	3
12.	Pontefract Collieries	3	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	4	5	-1	3
13.	Brighouse Town	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	3	4	-1	2
14.	Sheffield FC	3	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	1	4	7	-3	2
15.	Hebburn Town	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	3	5	-2	1
16.	Tadcaster Albion	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	4	7	-3	1
17.	Pickering Town	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	3	9	-6	1
18.	Stocksbridge Park Steels	3	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	6	-6	1
19.	Bridlington Town	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	5	-4	0





**Lee
Mason**



You got a couple of goals in the Newcastle Benfield game last weekend, how good did that feel?

A) It felt good to finally get off the mark for the season. As a striker it's always good to get that first goal for confidence. Hopefully I can kick on and chip in with plenty more for the season.

What is your favourite holiday destination and why?

I haven't really got a favourite holiday destination. However my Mum lives out in Spain so a holiday where I get the chance to spend some time with her is always at the top of the list.

This question could split the camp and the Nation; Pineapple - Does it belong on a pizza or in the bin?

Personally I wouldn't be having pineapple on a pizza but I haven't got a problem with people who do. So for me it belongs in the bin.

How do you feel that your time has gone since joining Dunston UTS FC?

The committee and players have been very welcoming so it's made it easy to fit in. I knew some of the players already here which helped to make it easier to settle. I've enjoyed my time so far at Dunston and hopefully we can kick on and create some great memories.

Over the past 10 years or so what has been your go to TV show or film?

I would say any sort of documentary based on a true story is my go to thing on TV. Obviously you have all the classics like Only Fool's & Horses but really I just watch whatever sounds appealing.

How do you see Dunston going this season?

A) We have a good squad this season with players who have experience also. You could maybe say that we are a couple short in some positions but overall I think we should be kicking on this season and at least reach the playoffs.

Which player in the team takes the most time in front of the mirror?

Hard to answer this one because I haven't been around the club long enough so couldn't really choose a player.

What has been a massive highlight of your playing career?

A) To be honest I've had a few brilliant moments in my career, for example; signing for Hartlepool as a young lad, again as a young lad going to Wembley with Whitley Bay when they won the FA Vase right through to playing in Sweden. I have had many which makes it difficult to just pick one.

After your playing days are over would you ever consider a coaching or management role?

I'm not sure if I could ever be a manager but I would definitely like to be involved in some sort of coaching position.

What has been your worst moment in football?

I would probably have to pick being released from Hartlepool, to be honest no player likes getting released by a club. But when I look back there are no times that I wish I could change, it's all been good fun and long may it continue.

If you could play a game with any player, alive or dead, who would you choose and why?

It would have to be Messi, the bloke is a one off. He is literally the complete footballer. We will never see anyone like him again in my eyes.

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