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Our opponents today are STOCKSBRIDGE PARK STEELS FC who arrive for their first ever visit to the UTS Stadium after their long journey from the northern outskirts of Sheffield.

Since their formation in 1986, our visitors have forged an out-standing reputation in South Yorkshire as a leading non-league Club that runs several age-group teams and has excellent facilities. From the very beginning they were set-up with a solid base which enabled them to make rapid progress at first-team level and they have spent the vast majority of their time competing very successfully at Unibond and NPL levels. Their current team-management duo of Ian Richards and his Assistant Andy Ring have assembled a very strong squad of players which includes some very experienced and hardened ex-professionals who are supplemented by several very talented youngsters. They also boast the prolific goal scorer Luke Mangham who figures highly on the East Division's current leading marksman's list.

We also extend a warm welcome to our Match Officials this afternoon. Referee Derric Wade makes the journey from Sildon and he is joined by his Assistant Referees Matthew Cain from Sunderland and Nicholas Vincent who comes from Hexham, Northumberland.

Let's all remember the Covid-19 Guidance. Keep a safe distance from each other so that we can ensure the safety of everyone.

We will, as ever, be having a food bank collection for Dunston Help for Families at the game. All donations are greatly received.

We'd also like to welcome the Today's match day mascots, Swalwell Juniors Under 7's, along with everyone associated with the team. We hope you all thoroughly enjoy the experience.

We'd like to welcome our match day sponsors as Today's match is kindly sponsored in memory of Mark Richards.

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. Details of Part-Season Tickets, Executive Package, Club Merchandise, Concessions and Sponsorship Opportunities can be obtained from any Club Official or at the Club Office.

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## 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. Hello 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 Northern League doubles in 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 continue to be some to this day.

At the start of the 2008/2009 season 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

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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.

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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.

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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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**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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**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.

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**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 Shields and laterly near neighbours Whickham, for whom he briefly managed, before taking up the role as Coach at Gateshead FC's Academy.

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The 29 year old Guinea Bissau born forward caught the attention of Chris Swailes and Assistant Manager Jon McDonald following an impressive goal scoring start to the 2021/22 season, having netted 12 league goals in as many appearance for Bedlington Terriers in The Ebac Northern League Division 2.

His previous clubs include Northern Alliance side Newcastle Chemfica and former Combined Counties side AC London. His footballing career had started in Portugal, playing for Regional League sides CDR Quarteirense and Moimenta da Beira.

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## Dunston UTS FC Management



**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 IRVING (COACH)**

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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Dan played football from an early age and joined Hull City AFC when he was 10, earning a professional contract aged 18. Loughborough University followed where he completed a degree in Accounting and Financial Management while playing non-league football. He was an athlete who enjoyed the gym and took his health and nutrition very seriously. He lived life to the full and had so much ahead of him.

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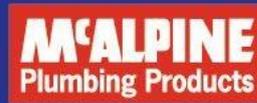


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## DUNSTON UTS FC



# **STOCKSBRIDGE PARK STEELS HISTORY**

Stocksbridge Park Steels was created in 1986 with the merger of Stocksbridge Works F.C. and another Stocksbridge Club Oxley Park Sports F.C. Stocksbridge Works had the ground and only one team and Oxley Park had three teams and no ground.

In the early years 1986 to 1991 the new Club ploughed all its resources into the Bracken Moor Stadium so as to meet ground grading criteria and enable the Club to rise through the non-league pyramid system. There was an opening of a social club, refurbishment to the dressing rooms, erection of floodlights, the building of new stand and extension to the social club new canteen area, making the ground the best junior stadium in South Yorkshire, which currently hosts 8 to 9 Sheffield and Hallamshire County FA Finals.

The appointment of Mick Horne and Trevor Gough as Team Manager and Assistant in February 1991 heralded a period of success to rival the works in the 1950 to 1964 period. Under Mick and Trevor, Steels started their run to the present Northern Premier League.

1993/94 saw Steels win the Premier Division of the NCEL, but Steels celebrations were cut short when the ground improvements necessitated were not at an advanced enough state to allow Steels to take place in the Unibond League. The following season Steels finished in 3rd place and in 1995/96 they were runners up to Hatfield Main and gained promotion to the Unibond First Division. Steels made steady progress in the first five seasons in the Unibond League, with the highest placed position of 4th achieved in 2000/01. In 2002 Wayne Biggins was subsequently appointed Player/Manager after a short spell as Assistant Manager, with Graham Furness as Assistant.

In the 2002/03 season, Paul Jackson, equalled an FA Cup record of ten goals in one game, during the Steels 17-1 thrashing of Oldham Town. Steels had their best FA Cup run in the 2003/04 season reaching the fourth qualifying round eventually losing away at Shildon. In November 2003 Peter Rinkcavage was appointed as Manager from Gainsborough Trinity with Paul Bradshaw as Assistant with Jason Maybury, taking over from Bradshaw in 2004.

A good season followed in 2005/06 with the Steels, just missing out on promotion after losing to Kendal in the play-offs. In the 2006/07 season Steels missed out on a play-off position after being in the top three in 90% of the season. But the team finished the season on a high note beating local rivals Worksop Town in the Sheffield senior cup final at Hillsborough. This was to be the last game, with Peter Rinkcavage in charge. He along with assistant Jason Maybury, left to join Worksop Town In the summer of 2007. Gary Marrow, along with his assistant Mark Ogle was appointed manager before the start of the 2007/08 season, with former player Gary Ingham taking over from Ogle midway through the season.

In his First season at the club, Marrow steered them to a credible 5th place losing to local rivals Sheffield F.C. in the play-off semi-final.

Steels have just been awarded the prestigious top FA Charter Standard Community Club Award (3 of 3) and representatives from most of the Clubs 22 squads were at the Presentation on August 6th when Sheffield United player Geoff Horsfield and Blades Legend Keith Edwards handed over the FA plaque.

2008/09 was a fabulous season for Gary Marrows team, having finished third in Unibond League Division 1 South they won the play-off final against Derbyshire rivals Belper Town 1-0 and were promoted to the Unibond Premier league for the first time in the club's history. Steels supporters were in for a roller coaster debut season in the Unibond premier league, 10 games into the season while his team were top of the league, manager Gary Marrow resigned. Former Steels player Simon Collins took over but unfortunately his tenure didn't last long. Reserve manager Steve Shutt took over and guided Steels to an excellent 11th place.

The 2010/11 season started with the return of Gary Marrow as manager. Gary Marrow resigned just before Christmas during the 2011/12 season and was replaced with Chris Willcock, Darren Schofield was appointed his assistant. Willcock guided the Steels to safety that season with a little help from Mickleover Sports who were docked points for playing an ineligible player. Willcock's second season in charge didn't start well and he was replaced by his assistant Darren Schofield who brought in the experienced defender Brett Lovell as his number two. Once again Stocksbridge managed to avoid relegation but again it went down to the wire.

The 2013/14 season started on a high with an exciting victory over Droylsden but from then on the Steels struggled, spending most of the season in the relegation zone. The club and long serving player/manager Darren Schofield parted company at the end of the season.

Former Worsborough Bridge manager Chris Hilton was appointed the new boss for the 2014/15 season. Chris immediately brought in the former Emley midfielder Mark 'Willy' Wilson as his assistant and experienced former Barnsley defender Ryan Laight as player coach. 2015/16 was a successful season for Stocksbridge having their best ever run in the FA Trophy eventually losing out to National side Gateshead, this was after they had beaten the holders North Ferriby in the previous round. Steels finished the league in sixth place just a couple of points behind the play-off positions and manager Chris Hilton was rewarded with a contract for the next two years.

2016/17 saw The Steels finish 4th in the league, along with another good run in the FA Trophy. Unfortunately Stocksbridge were beaten in the play-off semi-finals losing to Spalding United.

The 2017/18 season starts with Manager Chris Hilton signing a new contract. The experienced Lee Thompson becomes joint player/assistant manager with Ryan Laight.

The new season started with manager Chris Hilton signing a contract to stay with the club for the whole of the 2018/19 season. But big changes we're just about to happen when Allen Bethell who had been the chairman since the clubs formation in 1986 announced he was going to retire due to health reasons. Graham Furness who had been at the club for over 20 years in different roles including assistant manager, stepped up to the Chairman's role with Roger Gissing becoming the vice chairman.



# STOCKSBRIDGE PARK STEELS FC

## *Player and staff profiles*

### ED HALL (GOALKEEPER):

Highly rated goalkeeper, who signed from Farsley Celtic, Ed has also represented the Yorkshire International Team. After injury hit 2019/20 Ed is aiming to put his recent injuries behind him

### TOM CROSBY (GOALKEEPER):

Our back up goalkeeper. Tom is dual registered with Retford United. A good shot stopper who can count Hednesford Town amongst his former clubs.

### JORDAN LEMON (DEFENDER):

Into his third season with Stocksbridge initially came on loan from Matlock Town but the move permanent during the summer. A talented right back who likes to get forward.

### MICHAEL TRENCH (DEFENDER):

Highly rated left back who won the NCEL with Worksop Town, now in his second season here.

### LIAM MCFAYDEN (DEFENDER):

Club captain and a solid central defender who is now into his seventh full season with the Steels, he has also played for Retford United and Worsbrough Bridge

### REECE FIELDING (DEFENDER):

Now into his third season with Stocksbridge, he joined the Steels early in the 2018/19 season. a highly regarded centre-half who was voted both the Player of the Season and the Young Player of the Season.

### ROBERT LUDLAM (DEFENDER):

2019 summer signing by manager Chris Hilton, Ludlum is a highly rated defender who has recently played for Rossington Main and Rainworth Miners Welfare amongst others.

### ROSS GOODWIN (MIDFIELDER):

In his second season with Stocksbridge, a strong tackling midfielder who joined from fellow Northern Premier League side Worksop Town, he has also represented Staveley Miners Welfare.

**SAM FINLAW (MIDFIELDER):**

Joined in late October 2020 from Staveley MW. Where he was club captain and former Player of the Year. Has made over 100 appearances for Staveley. A highly rated midfielder who will add to Stocksbridge's midfield

**JOSH NODDER (MIDFIELDER):**

Signed from Maltby Main during 2019. A predominantly left sided player he is capable of scoring some spectacular goals

**TOBY KENYON (MIDFIELDER):**

Summer 2020 signing following his release by Sheffield Wednesday. A very exciting prospect for the future.

**SCOTT RUTHVEN (STRIKER):**

Signed from Lincoln United, Scott is a natural goalscorer who has been prolific at every club he's played for.

**JOE LUMSDEN (STRIKER):**

Re-signed in the summer of 2020 from Pontefract, a proven goalscorer and well known to Stocksbridge fans after his first spell at the club. Will add extra fire power to the Steels attacking line

**LUKE MANGHAM (STRIKER):**

One of manager Chris Hilton's long-term targets eventually signed from Frickley Athletic at the start of the 2017/18 season. Luke was plagued with injuries in his first season but had a good 2019/20 till the season was cut short due to Covid.

**LEWIS WHITHAM (STRIKER):**

Striker Lewis has come through our junior setup and is definitely one for the future.

**TOM WHITING (STRIKER):**

Autumn 2020 signing. Scored goals for fun at Redmires, a Player with massive potential. Made debut against Newcastle Town

**CHRIS HILTON (MANAGER):**

Steels Manager, Chris recently signed a new contract to keep him at Stocksbridge for the next season, following a successful six seasons. He was previously manager at Worsbrough Bridge. As a player he represented the Steels, Sheffield FC, Frickley Athletic and Belper Town after starting his career with Rotherham United.

**LEE THOMPSON (ASSISTANT MANAGER):**

Assistant Manager, an experienced midfielder who started his career with Sheffield United before moving to Boston United, after a short loan spell, where he made over 90 appearances in division two. A move to conference national team Kidderminster Harriers followed he has also played for Worksop Town, Retford United, and Worksop Parramore.

**SAM EWANS (PHYSIO):**

Sam joined in the summer, he is currently doing his degree at Leeds Beckett University.

**GARY WARD (KITMAN):**

Gary Ward is the clubs long serving kit manager, having first took up the post under Wayne Biggins. Gary has played disability football for Sheffield FC, Derek Dooley, Sheffield Wednesday, Sherwood Colliery

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## The Adventures of The People's Sparky - Phil Turnbull

3pm last Saturday probably started like many other 3pm's on a Saturday have started for Phil Turnbull, getting ready for kick off in a game of football, as Dunston faced Marine AFC in The 1<sup>st</sup> round of The Buildbase Trophy, in-front of an impressive crowd of 1,202.

5 minutes into the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, of a tightly contested affair and with the game score-less, Marine's floodlights failed, thus plunging the crowd into darkness, putting a halt to the match and spreading fear and panic amongst in the crowd, as many undoubtedly fancied the thought of traversing The Pennines for a mid-week replay.

From the chaos, like a Knight in not so much shining armour, more football boots, red kit and shin pads, emerged Dunston's midfield dynamo Phil Turnbull; a player who knows his way around a fuse box.

Armored without his trusty utility belt, or whatever people in the electrical trade carry upon their person during their working day, Phil set about trying to get the floodlights working. Phone calls later, with people racing to the scene, no doubt armed with utility belts and tool boxes, they somehow managed to get the thing going again.



You can read the match report within this programme, but it's the aftermath of the game where things turn decidedly bizarre. No doubt

deeply disappointed by the penalty shoot-out loss, with Twinnny having dispatched his spot kick top bins, as players invariably do after a game, he check's his phone, only to find 100's of unread messages...

His heroic attempts at floodlight salvage have gone viral, figuratively speaking, the Countries media have rolled into Town; Sky Sports are running the story, it's appearing on The BBC's Sports News, 5 Live, Talk Sport as images of a crouched over Twinnny are posted, shared, tweeted and uploaded as the Social Media news channels circulate the story globally within minutes of it happening.

No doubt Hollywood Executives sit huddled in a meeting room in L.A. frantically trying to pen a script and secure the exclusive Film deal, for arguably the greatest Football Story ever told since Escape to Victory.

Interviews shot from inside his work van, radio stations calling for interviews, both local news stations run pieces on the event puts a different angle on a Monday day at graft as the name of Dunston UTS FC and Phil Turnbull is banded around the World.

Speaking to Phil during the week, he said

"It's been fun, it created some great publicity for the club first a foremost which is good, on a personal note I've enjoyed milking it as well, ha! Obviously with what happened last weekend I didn't expect anything to be said but from 5pm onwards Saturday my phone never stopped, one insta page had over a million likes for the upload they put on, it's unbelievable".



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## **Match report - Buildbase FA Trophy 1st round Marine vs Dunston.**

Dunston were cruelly knocked out of the FA Trophy 1st Round on penalties at Marine, in a game that was suspended by over forty minutes due to floodlight failure early in the second half.

A spirited Dunston fought back from two goals down to force penalties, with Sado Djalo and Lee Mason cancelling out Marine goals from Ryan Wignall and Lewis Reilly.

In a fairly uneventful first half, the only big chance went to Dunston. A Michael Pearson cross was met by Sado Djalo, but his header was brilliantly kept out by Marine keeper Bayleigh Passant to keep the scores level. Liam Thear had a number of half chances, but neither troubled Passant and the teams went in level at the break.

Just five minutes into the second half, the lights switched off. Phil Turnbull, who as of writing this is now a twitter sensation, briefly swapped being the non-league Iniesta for a sparky as he tried to provide a fix for the faulty lights. After a lengthy delay in which Dunston started trending globally and even got a mention on sky sports, play finally resumed on 51 minutes. Social Media was in meltdown but Dunston still had a game to win.

However, soon after the restart, Marine surged into a two goal lead. After Connell had made a great stop to deny a low drilled shot from full back Barrigan just before, Ben Hughes took aim from the edge of the box, and his shot cannoned off the post before falling to Ryan Wignall to tap in for the first goal. Not long after, it was two, this time Lewis Reilly took a speculative shot from 25 yards out which beat Liam Connell to send the hosts into a two goal lead.

Despite the setback, Dunston's fighting spirit showed, first Sado Djalo headed in from a Craig Baxter cross following great endeavour down the right flank. Then, with five minutes to play, a flowing team move down the left allowed the ball to find Lee Mason, who drove home from the edge of the box past Passant to force penalties at the very least.

Dunston continued to push for a winner, and Barrigan was shown his marching orders for a rash challenge on Craig Baxter as Marine started flagging.

With penalties level on 4-4 following goals from Djalo, Heslop, Hall and Turnbull, Lee Mason then blazed over for Dunston, giving Niall Cummins the chance to win it for the hosts. He calmly converted to send Marine into the next round, a cruel way for Dunston to exit but super fighting spirit shown to force penalties. All focus is now on the league, with Stocksbridge Park Steels the next visitors to the UTS Engineering stadium next Saturday.

***Marine 2 Wignall (63'), Reilly (73') Dunston – 2 Djalo (79'), Mason (90') Marine win 5-4 on penalties***

***Attendance – 1,202***

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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	14	6	0	0	7	1	0	13	1	0	43	9	34	40
2.	Marske United	13	8	0	0	3	1	1	11	1	1	36	8	28	34
3.	Shildon A.F.C.	14	7	1	0	4	0	2	11	1	2	29	9	20	34
4.	Cleethorpes Town	14	3	2	2	6	0	1	9	2	3	34	21	13	29
5.	Ossett United	14	4	0	2	3	3	2	7	3	4	19	18	1	24
6.	Dunston	13	5	0	1	2	1	4	7	1	5	24	17	7	22
7.	Workshop Town	15	3	2	3	3	2	2	6	4	5	24	22	2	22
8.	Stockton Town	14	3	2	2	2	3	2	5	5	4	24	15	9	20
9.	Stocksbridge Park Steels	15	4	2	3	2	0	4	6	2	7	23	23	0	20
10.	Brighouse Town	14	3	5	0	1	1	4	4	6	4	20	21	-1	18
11.	Frickley Athletic	14	2	0	4	3	3	2	5	3	6	12	20	-8	18
12.	Yorkshire Amateur	14	3	2	1	1	1	6	4	3	7	17	25	-8	15
13.	Lincoln United	15	2	2	4	2	1	4	4	3	8	21	40	-19	15
14.	Hebburn Town	14	2	2	3	1	2	4	3	4	7	19	23	-4	13
15.	Tadcaster Albion	14	2	2	3	1	2	4	3	4	7	19	23	-4	13
16.	Sheffield FC	14	2	2	3	0	3	4	2	5	7	15	32	-17	11
17.	Pontefract Collieries	14	2	0	6	1	1	4	3	1	10	15	30	-15	10
18.	Bridlington Town	14	2	2	2	0	0	8	2	2	10	12	27	-15	8
19.	Pickering Town	13	0	1	4	1	2	5	1	3	9	14	37	-23	6



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H	Lincoln United	3 - 1	W	L	1 - 2	Frickley Athletic	H
A	Sheffield FC	2 - 1	L	W	1 - 5	Hebburn Town	A
H	Yorkshire Amateur	3 - 0	W	D	2 - 2	Marske United	H
A	Worksop Town	0 - 3	W	L	3 - 1	Cleethorpes Town	A
H	Ossett United	2 - 1	W	L	3 - 2	Worksop Town	A

NEXT FIXTURE

A	Cleethorpes Town	Sat 27 Nov	Sat 27 Nov	Lincoln United	H
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SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2021

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - EAST

🕒 15:00 Dunston vs Stocksbridge Park Steels

🕒 15:00 Frickley Athletic vs Cleethorpes Town

🕒 15:00 Hebburn Town vs Marske United

🕒 15:00 Lincoln United vs Brighouse Town

🕒 15:00 Ossett United vs Bridlington Town

🕒 15:00 Pickering Town vs Sheffield FC

🕒 15:00 Stockton Town vs Tadcaster Albion

🕒 15:00 Worksop Town vs Sildon A.F.C.

🕒 15:00 Yorkshire Amateur vs Pontefract Collieries

# Goal Scorers

## NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - EAST

	Boyes, Adam Joseph	12	Marske United	Goal (12) Penalty (0)
	Fearon, Oliver William	10	Liversedge	Goal (10) Penalty (0)
	Mangham, Luke	9	Stocksbridge Park Steels	Goal (8) Penalty (1)
	Walker, Nicholas	9	Liversedge	Goal (9) Penalty (0)
	Atkinson, Benjamin	8	Liversedge	Goal (6) Penalty (2)
	Sorhaindo, Laurence	8	Brighouse Town	Goal (7) Penalty (1)
	Thexton, Dean Nigel	8	Shildon A.F.C.	Goal (6) Penalty (2)
	Bell, Connor	7	Hebburn Town	Goal (6) Penalty (1)
	McMenemy, Jack	7	Cleethorpes Town Lincoln United (1)	Goal (5) Penalty (2)
	Newsham, Marc Anthony	7	Sheffield FC	Goal (7) Penalty (0)
	Roberts, Michael	7	Stockton Town	Goal (5) Penalty (2)
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# Attendance Tables

## NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - EAST TABLE

#	Team	Matches	Highest	Lowest	Total	Average
1.	Stockton Town	7	714	446	3991	570
2.	Ossett United	6	1005	377	3075	513
3.	Sheffield FC	7	879	244	2925	418
4.	Marske United	8	450	358	3270	409
5.	Hebburn Town	7	523	225	2635	376
6.	Worksop Town	8	534	245	2787	348
7.	Dunston	6	380	232	2009	335
8.	Cleethorpes Town	7	411	262	2215	316
9.	Brighouse Town	8	517	202	2481	310
10.	Shildon A.F.C.	8	508	220	2374	297
11.	Tadcaster Albion	7	373	200	1864	266
12.	Liversedge	6	412	211	1572	262
13.	Bridlington Town	6	330	176	1496	249
14.	Frickley Athletic	6	463	177	1455	243
15.	Pontefract Collieries	8	287	109	1705	213
16.	Stocksbridge Park Steels	9	274	131	1698	189
17.	Lincoln United	8	325	75	1439	180
18.	Pickering Town	5	199	134	812	162
19.	Yorkshire Amateur	6	141	61	682	114

**The Geordie Times** haz written so many "Yi couldnt make it up!" stories about wor futbaall travels and this one iz near the top of the list, beleeve yoo me!

Coz of the International break there woz nee Toon game ower the weekend and so aa decided to dee a bit of non leegue groundhoppin' with mee favorite non leegue team, Dunston!

They were playin awaay to Marine of Liverpool in the FA Trophy and az a'd never been to their groond aa managed to 'cadge a lift' on the team bus!

An uneventval jorney, (apart from gettin stuck in a massive traffic jam on the M62 near Manchester!) and we arrived in good time for the pre match 'gargels' which took place in 'The Edinburgh' next to the groond and then onward to the clubhoose, which woz packed to the rafters!

A'd met 'Davy the Silver Fox' and hiz ever faithful drinkin' partner Barbara (hiz wife!) in 'The Edinburgh', who follow 'The Bad Blue Boys' home and away and we made for the tornstiles 5minutes before kick off, az there woz a minutes silence for those who lost their lives in conflict! ("We will remember them!")

And then to the match!--because Liverpool and Evatin wornt playin, like The Toon, there woz a very large crowd for this level of futbaall, in a groond that had its main stand behind the goal and a deed narrow covered terrace on one side and a high fence on the other in a vain attempt to stop the baalls gannin into somebodys back garden!--The numbers on the fence were so they knew where the baalls had landed and they could knock on their door and ask for the baalls back! ("Can we have our ball back please, mister!")

We heeded for the far end of the groond where there woz an open terrace, az Dunston were kickin' that way in the forst half!

It wasnt a very good half to be honest and the 'highlight' woz a big green balloon that the local kids had brung to the match, which blew onto the pitch!--A crowd steward picked it up az the kids asked for their balloon back, but the b\*stard burst it instead, to loud boooos from them!

It shud be noted that 'The Bad Blue Boys' played in an aall red kit, by the way, while Marine played in white shirts and black shorts!

Anyway!--the 2nd half started under the floodlights az it woz gettin dark and 4 minutes later they went oot aall of a sudden!

After a while the ref took the players off the pitch and by amazin' coincidence the Dunston number 4 Phil Turnbull woz a 'sparky' (electrician!) and he frantically tried to fix the lights!----It then went 'viral' with the BBC and Sky Sports reportin' it! (Surely yi couldnt make THIS up!?)



The ref gave a deadline of '5 bells' for the lights to be fixed, or else the game would be abandoned! (Davy and Barbara had to catch a train and couldn't wait for the restart)



Apparently, The Dunston player could only fix one of the lights despite frantic efforts!---Az he had'n't brought his electrician's tool box with him to the match (believe it or not?) it took another local 'sparky' Marine fan to help him do it, az he lived just down the road!--The chairman of Marine gave him a lift to pick his toolbox up from his house at '4:45 bells'! (It gets crazier every minute folks!)

A miracle then happened az all the lights suddenly came on, with loud cheers from the fans who had patiently waited in hope that they could be fixed!

The game restarted at '5:05 bells' and the delay seemed to put Dunston out of their stride and they conceded 2 goals in quick succession from Wignall and Reilly and the game looked dead and buried!

But 'The Bad Blue Boys' are made of sterner stuff and fought back with goals from Sado Djalo and Lee Mason to send the game into penalty kick mode!

Unfortunately for 'us' Marine won it by 5 kicks to 4, az the game ended at '6 bells'----3 hours after it started, which makes it the longest game ever been tee, from start to finish!



Article courtesy of The Geordie Times

## Today's Match Day Sponsors

# In Memory of Mark Richards



As a youngster Mark was a superb footballer, intelligent, capable of playing in a multitude of positions and above all hard working, something which is testament to the up-bringing he received. He'd grown up with a ball at his feet, as many kids round these parts do. He had played for Blaydon YC, represented at both Schools and County level and at the age of 16 his talents were noticed by Darlington FC, then a Football League side, who offered him a YTS contract; a footballing education system far removed from the Academies of nowadays.

He would commute daily from Dunston to Darlo, 6 days a week for the grand total of £35 plus expenses. There he would learn his trade under seasoned Pro's, at the time Darlington had a very good side, with the likes of Sean Gregan, Robbie Painter and Robbie Blake, to name but a few.

He'd train during the week, be commanded to collect footballs from the back gardens of near-by houses and run the gauntlet of a local Nana, who took umbrage at 16/17 year old trainee footballers hoofing footballs in amongst her carefully arranged flower beds and prized leeks.

Saturday morning he'd play against other talented youth sides, Newcastle Utd, Sunderland, Boro and Leeds. Then his afternoon would see him back at Feethams, conducting various YTS duties such as cleaning boots, collecting balls and banging a nest of Wasps out of one of the main stands with a broom.

Mark's kindness knew no bounds, as he went about kitting everyone in Dunston out in Darlo gear, a perk of the job. Circa the mid 90's, the fashion of the day back in The Promisedland was Darlo' training gear, anyone who was anyone had some. He'd even managed to fully kit out a few 5-a-side team's down "The Pitz", the teams comprised of his mates, who would often call upon Mark's footballing skills to haul them back in games. A 5 minute spell of Mark on a 5-a-side pitch would turn a game, despite it been a case of, had he have ever been caught playing, him technically breaching of his contract. It summed Mark up as a person though, the lad would do anything for anyone.

Following his release from Darlington at 18, he signed for Dunston Federation Brewery FC. At the time Dunston were managed by Peter Quigley and were an established 1<sup>st</sup> Division Northern League side. To the best of my knowledge, an oxymoron in itself, it was Dunston Legend John Thompson, through Marks' Dad Tony, over a pint in The Holmeside Club, who had put Mark in touch with "Quigs". Dunston had a strong side back in the mid 90's with the likes of Steven Cockburn, Keith Mills, Keith McNall and Paul Bryson to name but a few.

Moving from youth football/reserve team football for many youngsters nowadays can be a challenge, especially transitioning into The Northern League, which considering the quality of The Northern League back then was filled with some of the toughest, most industrious and technically gifted players in the North East. However, Mark had spent his younger days playing against, and more often than not, getting the better of players older and bigger than him, honing his skills and footballing intelligence on disused waste ground, concrete, shimmying and dodging dog eggs and evading career threatening injuries in games of 25- a-side or "World Cup pairs" down Dunston Park every evening.

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# Northern Football League

Date of Match TUES day 30-4 1991

Home Club DUNSTON F.B. F.C. ONE goals v BEDLINGTON T. F.C. F.C. ONE gc

Advertised time of kick-off 7-30pm Actual time of kick-off 7-30pm

Attendance (number) 118 Weather Conditions RAIN/WIND  
(to be completed by the home team only)

## TEAM

C = Cau  
D = Dismit

Surname	Full Christian Names
1. <u>STRONG</u>	<u>ROBERT</u>
2. <u>BOYLE</u>	<u>LEE IAN</u>
3. <u>HARNETT</u>	<u>PAUL</u>
4. <u>BAINBRIDGE</u>	<u>GREGORY</u>
5. <u>COOKE</u>	<u>PAUL SPENCER</u>
6. <u>ELLIOTT</u>	<u>ANDREW</u>
7. <u>BRYSON</u>	<u>PAUL</u>
8. <u>MILLS</u>	<u>KETH</u>
9. <u>MCNALL</u>	<u>KETH</u>
10. <u>RICHARDS</u>	<u>MARK DAVID</u>
11. <u>ROBSON</u>	<u>DAVID MICHAEL</u>
Substitute (1) <u>COCKBURN</u>	<u>STEVEN JAMES</u>
Substitute (2) <u>BOWES</u>	<u>ANDREW</u>
Sub. (1) played <u>71</u> minutes in place of <u>MARK RICHARDS</u>	
Sub. (2) played <u>79</u> minutes in place of <u>DAVID ROBSON</u>	
Goalscorers <u>BAINBRIDGE</u>	
LEAGUE record to date: P <u>37</u> W <u>20</u> D <u>8</u> L <u>9</u> For <u>75</u> Against <u>48</u> Points <u>64</u>	
Signed <u>W. Montague</u> Secretary of <u>DUNSTON F.B.</u>	

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## Club Report on Match Officials

Home Club DUNSTON F.B. F.C. 1 goals v BEDLINGTON TER. F.C. F.C. 1

Date ~~MR R PEARSON~~ Referee MR. R. PEARSON

30-4-1996

### (a) SECTION 1

- General Control 4 Marks out of 5
- (a) Did he face up to difficulties or was he influenced by the crowd?
  - (b) Were his decisions given clearly?
  - (c) Did he make effective use of his linesmen?
  - (d) Was his positioning satisfactory?

### SECTION 2

- Application of Laws 3 Marks out of 3
- Was the referee generally correct in his decisions based on his interpretation of the Laws of the Game?  
(N.B.—Isolated controversial decisions must be ignored).

### SECTION 3

- Personality and Personal Appearance 2 Marks out of 2
- (a) Was the referee confident and quick thinking?
  - (b) Did his appearance and personality inspire confidence?

(b) We award the Referee a total of 9 Marks for the manner in which he controlled the above match.

Any other observations .....

The story that stands out from Mark, during his time playing for Dunston, is something along the lines of this... With an injury to the keeper before a game against Durham City at Federation Park, Mark in his typical have a go attitude, nominated himself to go in goal. The highlight of his game coming in the form of him hurling the ball into his own net from his own throw. In his defence he was a forward, but it sums him up, he'd just get stuck in to help his team mates. He had spells at Whickham, Birtley Town and Chester-le-Street, often pointing out the team photo on the wall of the club house at Moor Park every time we went there to watch Dunston.

Due work commitments his ability to play every Saturday lessened. He joined The Allerdene Club where he was managed by yet another Dunston Legend and former manager the late and great Tommy Cooney. Tommy would bang Mark out of bed every Sunday, Mark no doubt having just managed to clatter through the doors of his Mams house some-time in the early hours. His goal-scoring record, in a strong league, was on Messi/Pelé levels, something along the lines of 60 plus goals in a single season.

Mark would travel home and away following Dunston, even sandwiching a mad rush flight to London in between a week in Benidorm, to see Dunston UTS FC lift The FA Vase at Wembley Stadium. He'd be on the grass banks of The UTS Stadium come Sun, rain or shine, enjoying the fine liquid refreshments brought about by LCL aka Dunston Champagne, or smearing Tomato sauce all over himself, in his fruitless attempts at eating a burger or hot-dog without slopping it all over his beautiful visage.



On one occasion (pictured left) Sky Sports decided to send their main North East reporter down to Dunston, to get vox-pops from Newcastle fans regarding the clubs latest dalliance with relegation. The reporter swiftly sifting out his interviewee, decided that Mark seemed the most sensible from his group, which says a lot for the group he was with. Through the magical powers of LCL, Mark passed his thoughts on, suffice to say that interview never made it to the big screen, no doubt due to it been littered with profanities and after the watershed moments.

The stories of Mark Richards are plentiful and everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him will have a few, so today some of his close friends and family will gather together as we celebrate what would have been his 44<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November. A private function will have taken place in the club house on the Friday night, so there might be a few sore heads amongst today's match day sponsors.

Today's match day sponsors would like to thank Club Chairman Mr Malcolm James. It was Malcolm who insisted, as a mark of respect and ultimately to show how much Dunston UTS FC as a whole thought of Mark, to host his close friends and family as today's sponsors. This act of kindness and thoughtfulness sums this club up.

We hope you all enjoy the game, get together, raise a few glasses and celebrate the life of a truly beautiful young man.

Happy Birthday Mark.



Above: Mark (centre) pictured holding The Northern League trophy, alongside Joe McAnespie (right) and Kev Burns (left).



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## Player Interview

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### Terry Galbraith

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**13 league games in so far and sitting in 6th position with 7 wins, what are your thoughts about the standard of this division?**

Yeah I think the standard is quite decent, there's some good sides in our league including ourselves. I always say the top 6 or 7 teams are always a fair bit stronger than the rest are as you go up the divisions.

**How do you rate your own performances this season?**

It's been a pretty tough start for me personally. I missed the first 4 weeks or so with an ankle injury from pre-season. It took me a while to get back up to speed, then when I felt I was getting back there, I've had a niggling calf injury that couldn't shake off. Hopefully now that's behind me and I can start kicking on again.

**Liversedge, Marske Utd and Shildon all looking extremely strong at the top, and having played them all once already, without picking up a point or scoring, what do you think it will take to avenge those losses in the return games.**

Yeah all 3 are decent sides and deserve to be where they are as they've obviously been most consistent so far, but we fancy ourselves against anyone in the league when we're on it so we'll definitely be looking to avenge results against any team that beats us. If we can put ourselves on a good run of results again we're capable of beating anyone.

**Which opposition players stood out for you this season?**

There's a lot of good players in the league this year to be fair. I know a few lads at Marske, having played with them or against them, and I'd have to say they've been the best team we've played so far in my opinion.

**With 3 goals to your name this season already, do you feel that chipping in with goals and assists is just as important these days for a defender as helping the back line keep a clean sheet?**

Yeah well with me being the club penalty taker I feel like I can definitely add some goals too hopefully keeping more clean sheets as the season progresses.

**Which Dunston players have stood out for you are why?**

Again we have a lot of talented players in our squad and also a lot of match winners on their day. I'd probably say Bacca (Craig Baxter) has been our most consistent player so far this season. With a small shout out to Jake (Stafford) as of late and that horrendous tash he's repping! I'm dying to pin him down and shave it off!

**With a tough test on Saturday against Stocksbridge Park Steels, just how important do you feel the next few games are to make sure we are sitting in a good position come the New Year?**

Like I say consistency is massive and more so throughout the Christmas period, so if we just keep picking up points home and away then we'll have put ourselves in a great position for the play offs come May. Again, as I say with the quality we have, on our day we will beat anyo



# Today's line-ups

## Dunston FC vs Stockbridge Park Steels

The appointed Match Officials are:

Referee: Derric Wade (Shildon) Assistant: Matthew Cain (Sunderland) Assistant: Nick Vincent (Hexham)

Liam Connell (GK)

Andy Clark (GK)

Craig Baxter

Daniel Capewell

Sadó Djaló

Jack Elliott

Callum Elliott

Terry Galbraith

Michael Hall

Scott Heslop

Lee Mason

Ursene Mouada

Matty Pattison

Michael Pearson

Luke Porritt

Craig Scott (C)

Jake Stafford

Liam Thear

Ed Hall

Jordan Lemon

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Liam McFayden

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