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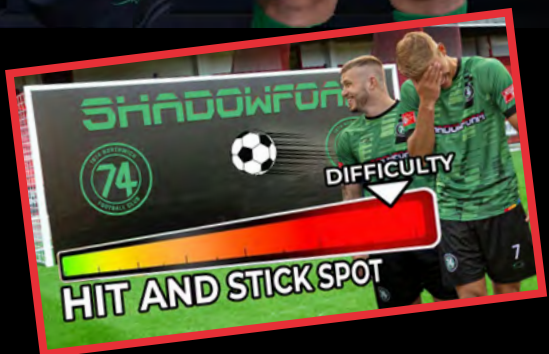
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CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

STEVE RICHARDSON



Good afternoon everyone, and an especially warm welcome to our friends from Trafford FC.

This afternoon sees two sides that are currently struggling at the wrong end of the NPL West and i'm sure that both sets of supporters will be hoping to go away from Townfield with the points.

For 1874 it's been a challenging time since Christmas, Damian has constantly been faced with a continual stream of injuries and player departures as he continues to rebuild the squad, but slowly I think that we are seeing a genuine improvement in playing style and commitment from our committed squad.

Bringing new players into the squad has proved problematic. It's not necessarily due to lack of funds as Damian is fully aware that funds are available thanks to our Boost the Budget scheme, however at this stage of the season many prospective players appear content to stay where they currently are, even if that means not playing regular football or spending Saturday on the bench.

It is however extremely heartwarming to see the commitment and desire evident within the squad to succeed and especially from the new lads who have joined the club recently whether they be fully registered or having joined us via loan deals.

Today is an important game in the season, not necessarily season defining, but still an important game and I know that as supporters we will all be fully behind the players representing 1874 today and giving them our full support.

Last Saturday saw probably the most effective and hard working display from 1874 for a number of weeks. Everyone played their part, with impressive performances all over the pitch.

Please enjoy this afternoon's game and together we can bring home the points.

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All the best,

Steve

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SECRETARIAL MUSINGS

VICKI ENGLAND



Good afternoon everyone!

Well, for the second consecutive game, I am writing these notes not knowing whether they will be issued when they should be! I'm watching the weather forecast whilst typing away and there's snow and rain in the offing. Will my old wellies have been out again for an inspection or are you reading this when you should be? I

'm hoping we are gathered together, so let's press on...

I would like to offer a warm welcome to everyone who has travelled over from Trafford, for this important League fixture. Both of our clubs find themselves at the wrong end of the table and I know both are fighting hard to move up. Trafford earned an incredibly good draw last weekend at Runcorn Linnetts; reports were that they were extremely well organised and defended well, so a very worthy point gained.

Our own fortunes took an upward turn last Saturday too, in Mossley. After a very spirited display, we came away with a crucial point after a difficult run of results. I feel we shaded it before Mossley scored, and after we continued to work hard right through the game not letting our heads drop, and we got the goal we deserved.

A nice move forward saw new signing Oli McFadyen place the ball beyond the keeper, much to the delight of the rest of the team, the bench and the fantastic band of 1874 supporters who had travelled. It felt like a big moment for everyone and after seeing the game out, the scenes at the end between the team and supporters felt emotional. If we can take that effort and emotion into today, we will give ourselves a good chance.

Last Saturday's draw came off the back of a difficult week, which started with a disappointing second half and result at Widnes and then seeing further players leave the club and others sustain injuries.

But the lads who played were magnificent, with Jonah and Wools showing the way with their experience and leadership and the likes of new signing Ezekiah Bowen, after only one training session with the squad, having a particularly good first game at the back. He enjoyed some plaudits at the final whistle!

Please don't underestimate how your vocal encouragement makes such a difference to the team. It spurs them on and that's exactly what happened last week, so we need a lot more of the same today. I know that supporters are looking to the team, to give them something to shout about but if we can be loud from minute one, then the lads will respond. On and off the pitch, we are one team and if we are to stand a chance of survival, we will need EVERYONE pulling together.



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I have read some supporters' thoughts over the last few weeks across the various social media channels as to why we find ourselves in the position we are, with great interest. There's talk as to the reasons why experienced players have left and what we should have done or be doing to make the situation better.

All I can say is that things are not always black and white. People will always have their opinions and in some cases, they can hit the nail on the head, but other comments are so wide of the mark. Some of the criticism of individuals is unwarranted. Whatever the view, let's remain respectful and appreciative of everyone's efforts and look at how we can all move our lovely little club forward.

It's what we all want.

As I always say, just come and chat as you'll always get an honest view and answer.

That's it for now, please get behind the lads on this important afternoon.

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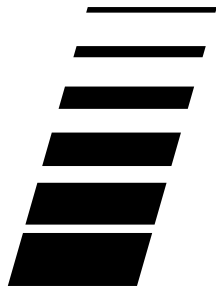


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FROM THE DUGOUT

DAMIAN CROSSLEY



Damian Crossley has issued a rallying cry to the 1874 fans ahead of crucial NPL West tie against Trafford tomorrow.

With both sides at the wrong end of the table heading into to final third of the season, 1874 will be looking to build on Saturday's point against Mossley, a performance that where Crossley praised the resilience amongst the squad.

"I was pleased with the determination and grit we showed, we spoke about it before the game and the lads really put a shift in."

"It wasn't pretty at times but we stuck at it and overall it was a pleasing performance and a positive step forward."

One player that particularly stood out on Saturday was Salford City loanee Bowen, and Damian was quick to heap praise ok the youngsters performance.

"I thought he was terrific. He was strong, aggressive and completely unfazed by the fact it was his first game."

Trafford head into Saturday's game on the back of a defeat to Steve Cunningham's Ashton United, and will be looking to avenge their poor form in the league also. The '74 boss has not taken this for granted however, and is urging the fans to get behind the team this weekend.

"I expect Trafford to be well organised. They've a few really experienced players and they'll look to manage the game."

"Please be as loud as you were last week and get behind the lads. You were fantastic and hopefully we can go one better for you all this Saturday."

BIG GAME PREVIEW

BY GARRY CLARKE

1874 NORTHWICH vs TRAFFORD NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - WEST

Trafford ended last season 10th in the NPL West Division four places and five points above 1874 with a playing record of:

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Pos
Trafford	38	12	9	17	44	50	-6	45	10

Trafford have struggled this season dropping from 12th in the opening weeks to having occupied a relegation position since game 6 in September until moving above the dotted line into 18th at Christmas, a slot they maintained last Saturday when they drew 0-0 at Runcorn Linnets.

How the two teams stand on the league ladder after heading into this weekend's game:

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Pos
Trafford	26	4	13	9	25	35	-10	25	18
1874	25	4	5	16	19	53	-34	17	20

Saturday's game will be the 4th to be played between 1874 and Trafford, with 1874 having won three times and Trafford once.

Trafford exited the FA Cup at the preliminary round stage losing 2-1 at Widnes after overcoming Golcar United in the extra preliminary round after a replay. In the FA Trophy they lost 2-1 at home to Stalybridge Celtic in the 1st qualifying round but gained revenge in the Manchester Premier Cup winning their 1st round tie 3-2. In the quarter final they beat Glossop North End on penalties.

Leading goal scorer for Trafford this season is Eddie Servuts who has netted 7 goals so far while a further 13 players have been on target for Trafford.

18th in the NPL West table one place above the relegation zone, Trafford are winless since before

Christmas, having drawn five of last six games, they sit 17th in the division's current form table after last Saturday, while 1874 remain bottom.

Trafford's 17 home games have attracted an average crowd of 437 to Shawe View this season. The highest attendance has been 1,101 for the visit of Bootle while the lowest is just 198 for the Manchester Cup tie against Glossop North End.

TRAFFORD FACT FILE

<i>Formed</i>	1990
<i>Ground</i>	Shawe View
<i>Colours</i>	White
<i>Change Colours</i>	Yellow
<i>Manager</i>	Karl Marginson
<i>2022/23</i>	10th NPL West

LAST SEASON AT TOWNFIELD

15th October 2022

Won, 2-0

1874 came out on top in a scrappy game scoring in each half, both coming from set pieces. Matt Woolley powered a 30 yard free kick over the wall into the top corner in the 35th minute, while Mark Jones volleyed home from close range after the Trafford keeper failed to deal with an 81st minute corner.

WE'VE MET BEFORE

2021/22

20th November 2021 - NPL West

Away - Won 5-2 Attendance 556

1874 - Weir, J Woolley, O'Neill, Woods, M Woolley
Trafford - Hazeldine, Hughes

2nd April 2022 - NPL West

Home - Won 3-0 Attendance 242

1874 - Hare, Reed, Gardner

2022/23

15th October 2022 - NPL West

Home - Won 2-0 Attendance 272

1874 - M Woolley, Jones

18th February 2023 - NPL West

Away - Lost 0-1 Attendance 448

Trafford - Sloan

HEAD TO HEAD

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD
Home	2	2	0	0	5	0	0
Away	2	1	0	1	5	3	2
Total	4	3	0	1	10	3	7

A FOOT IN BOTH CAMPS

Former 1874 manager Wayne Goodison previously served Trafford as assistant manager prior to joining 1874. There have been numerous players who have played for both clubs amongst them are Ash Woods, Mark Derbyshire, Sam Freakes, Josh Samburg, Shelton Payne and Kazim Waite-Jackson.



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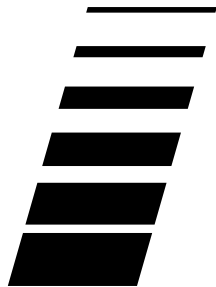
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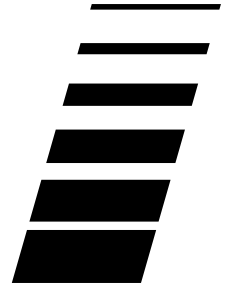
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MATCH CENTRE 23/24

BY PETE GRIMES



DATE	OPPOSITION	FT	HT	Att				Referee
Aug 5	Ossett United (FAC ExP)	0-2	0-2	392				Everard C
12	KIDSGROVE ATHLETIC	2-6	1-4	252	Nicholson	Irlam		Graham J
15	Stalybridge Celtic	0-0	0-0	627				Hanson M
22	CHASETOWN	1-1	0-0	229	Green			Hussain A
26	Prescot Cables	0-1	0-0	501				Scaife B
28	NANTWICH TOWN	0-1	0-0	325				Sibley F
Sep 2	Newcastle Town	1-0	1-0	157	Irlam			Moosa B
10	City of Liverpool (FAT IP)	1-3	0-1	324	Chimenes			Metcalf T
30	City of Liverpool	2-1	1-0	288	Weir	Byrne		Hurn K
Oct 3	MOSSLEY	1-3	1-0	198	Woolley			Hitchell D
7	VAUXHALL MOTORS	2-0	0-0	234	Weir	Fenton		Lamb B
10	Altrincham (CSC) (L 2-4 Pens)	1-1	0-1	381	Weir			Philbin A
14	Hanley Town	2-4	2-2	195	Crawford	Green		Rolfe A
21	WIDNES	1-0	0-0	210	Birchall			Hanson M
28	Leek Town	1-4	0-3	493	Green			Hussain A
Nov 4	Clietheroe	0-4	0-3	789				Harland T
11	BOOTLE	0-4	0-2	356				Bates M
18	Runcorn Linnets	0-1	0-0	707				Moosa B
25	AVRO	1-2	0-0	186	Weir			Kearney G
Dec 9	Hednesford Town	1-1	1-1	512	Nicholson			Lunn J
16	STALYBRIDGE CELTIC	0-0	0-0	319				Harland T
23	Kidsgrove Athletic	0-5	0-2	312				Biggin A
26	WITTON ALBION	1-2	0-1	1018	Marrow			Wyatt J
Jan 1	Nantwich Town	0-2	0-1	507				Kearney G
6	PRESCOT CABLES	0-1	0-1	353				Aldred R
6	NORTHWICH VICS (MCSC s/f)	1-3	0-0	315	Jones J.			Swift T
13	Chasetown	2-4	1-1	749	Chimenes	Marrow		Pattison D
27	Widnes	0-5	0-1	201				Eaton G
Feb 3	Mossley	1-1	0-1	481	McFadyen			Mustafa Z
10	TRAFFORD	-						
17	CITY OF LIVERPOOL	-						
24	Vauxhall Motors	-						
Mar 2	HANLEY TOWN	-						
9	LEEK TOWN	-						
16	HEDNESFORD TOWN	-						
23	Trafford	-						
30	NEWCASTLETOWN	-						
Apr 1	Witton Albion	-						
6	Bootle	-						
13	CLUTHEROE	-						
20	Avro	-						
27	RUNCORN LINNETS	-						

Online Match Centre

1874 NORTHWICH 2023/24 PLAYER STATS

AS OF 19/01/24

		2023/24 SEASON					ALL-TIME					Total Apps
		Starts	Subbed	Sub On	Unused	Goals	Starts	Subbed	Sub On	Unused	Goals	
ADEKOYA	Daya	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	4	2	0	4
ADETILOYE	Sam	6	4	7	1	0	11	5	18	6	0	29
AKIOTU	Jason	4	3	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	4
ALLEN	Ellis	21	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	2	0	29
BIANGA	Andreas	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
BIRCHALL	Matty	11	2	3	1	1	11	2	3	1	1	14
BRADLEY	Lewis	1	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
BROE	Ollie	1	1	0	0	0	15	5	8	10	0	23
BYRNE	Eric	6	3	5	8	1	6	3	5	8	1	11
CHAKWANA	Tinashe	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
CHIMENES	Max	17	2	0	0	2	17	2	0	0	2	17
COSTA	Jordao	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	1	7	0	1
CRAWFORD	Jamal	15	8	4	0	1	22	14	15	3	1	37
ELLIS	Gabe	3	1	2	2	0	3	1	2	2	0	5
FAGAN	Tom	4	3	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	4
FENTON	Matty	22	1	0	0	1	73	3	0	3	9	73
GREEN	Fenton	14	2	0	0	3	42	8	2	3	6	44
IBETO	Mike	1	1	4	4	0	1	1	4	4	0	5
IRLAM	Jack	8	1	0	0	2	92	28	22	5	13	114
JONES	Joel	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	1	0	1	3
JONES	Mark	21	1	1	0	0	227	15	7	5	9	234
KIRWAN	Jacob	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
LE GRAND-AKPO	Jerry	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
MARROW	Jack	16	3	3	2	2	48	7	8	19	4	56
MCCANN	Chris	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	2
MIALKOWSKI	Kacper	10	1	3	0	0	10	1	3	0	0	13
MOONEY MUNOZ	Gabriel	4	1	4	1	0	4	1	4	1	0	8
MULLARKEY	Benji	9	4	2	6	0	9	4	2	6	0	11
NICHOLSON	Jamie	17	12	8	0	2	17	12	8	0	2	25
NOBLE	Isaac	7	4	7	0	0	15	12	22	17	2	37
OLIVER	Sam	4	2	2	1	0	4	2	2	1	0	6
OLLERENSHAW	Josh	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
SHORTHOUSE	Mike	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
SIYAM	Mohammad	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	5	9	0	5
SODHI	Jonny	1	1	2	11	0	1	1	2	11	0	3
WEIR	Lucas	25	1	0	0	4	61	5	12	11	10	73
WILLIAMS	Elliot	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	1	3	0	2
WONNACOTT	Matt	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
WOOLLEY	Matt	24	5	1	0	1	361	55	31	28	45	392

NPL-WEST 2023/24 LEAGUE TABLE

AS OF 09/02/24

		Pld	HOME			AWAY			GF	GA	Pts
			W	D	L	W	D	L			
1	Leek Town	23	10	0	2	5	3	3	56	29	48
2	Prescot Cables	22	7	2	2	5	3	3	38	21	41
3	Runcorn Linnets	23	7	1	3	5	2	5	35	26	39
4	Stalybridge Celtic	24	6	5	2	4	3	4	41	34	38
5	Avro	23	3	6	3	5	5	1	28	23	35
6	Witton Albion	24	6	2	4	4	3	5	36	46	35
7	Clitheroe	22	4	3	4	5	3	3	39	30	33
8	Kidsgrove Athletic	23	5	3	4	4	3	4	41	37	33
9	Chasetown	23	6	3	3	3	3	5	29	29	33
10	Bootle	22	4	2	5	5	3	3	29	30	32
11	City of Liverpool FC	22	5	3	3	4	1	6	38	31	31
12	Widnes	23	6	1	4	3	3	6	29	23	31
13	Nantwich Town	22	5	3	3	3	1	7	31	29	28
14	Newcastle Town	22	3	2	6	5	2	4	24	29	28
15	Mossley	22	5	1	4	3	3	6	30	38	28
16	Hanley Town	22	3	3	5	4	3	4	20	27	27
17	Vauxhall Motors	23	4	2	5	4	1	7	27	43	27
18	Trafford	23	2	6	4	2	5	4	24	30	23
19	Hednesford Town	25	3	5	4	2	3	8	31	42	23
20	1874 NORTHWICH	23	2	2	7	2	2	8	18	47	16

NPL-WEST 2023/24 RESULTS GRID

AS OF 09/02/24

	1874 Northwich	Avro	Bootle	Chasetown	City of Liverpool	Clitheroe	Hanley Town	Hednesford Town	Kidsgrove Athletic	Leek Town	Mossley	Nantwich Town	Newcastle Town	Prescot Cables	Runcorn Linnets	Stalybridge Celtic	Trafford	Vauxhall Motors	Widnes	Witton Albion	
1874 Northwich		1-2	0-4	1-1					2-6		1-3	0-1		0-1		0-0		2-0	1-0	1-2	
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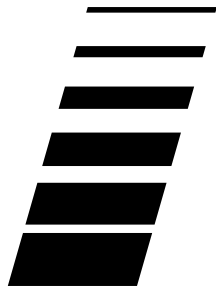
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As Club Welfare Officer, I have a responsibility to communicate our safeguarding arrangements and expected standards of behaviour. This is becoming more relevant, as we are seeing more and more of our junior players watching the senior team and also some of our first team squad are under the age of 18. This means that as adults we need to be conscious of the example we are setting.

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- Avoid criticising a player for making a mistake – mistakes are part of learning
- Never engage in, or tolerate, offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour.

It is great to see so many youngsters at matches, both on and off the pitch, let's make them feel welcome.

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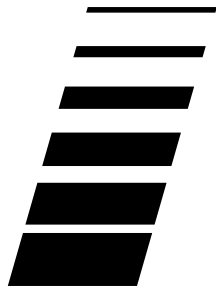
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HISTORIES AND PROFILES

1874 NORTHWICH



Each and every year has its notable events and occurrences that become part of history and in this respect 1874 is no different from any other.

For instance, not only did this 12-month period see the publication of Hardy's masterpiece 'Far From the Madding Crowd' but it also witnessed the birth of the literary giants GK Chesterton and Somerset Maugham, whilst a certain Winston Churchill also came into the world that year!

At a more prosaic level, the game of Lawn Tennis was patented by the wonderfully named Walter Clopton Wingfield and the nation's post-boxes were re-painted from their original Bronze-Green colour to the familiar red ones we see today. Meanwhile, in the game of football Aston Villa, Bolton Wanderers and Heart of Midlothian were all formed.

So, if you are an opposition fan reading this piece for the first time or simply someone who isn't aware of the history of 1874 Northwich, you may be under the impression that our club was created at the same time as 'The Villains', 'The Trotters' and 'The Jam Tarts'. But actually nothing could be further than the truth!

You see, 1874 was formed as recently as November 2012 when disaffected members of the Northwich Victoria Supporters Trust voted to create a new club.

Well, if you wish to fully acquaint yourself with the events that led up to the historic vote, you can do no better than turn to Mark Bevan's book 'Twenty Years of Madness' that was published in 2013. This excellent tome sets out the history of the Vics from 1992 – which is where Ken Edwards's earlier history of the Vics 'A Team For All Seasons' ended - to mid-2013, six months or so after the date that '74 was formed.

Suffice to say that by late 2012, the state of affairs at the club were such, that many Vics fans were utterly heartbroken, sick and tired of the manner in which their club had been 'managed' over the previous decade or more by successive regimes. In short, supporters had been belittled, demeaned and lied to by

those who had chosen to take on the task of running the oldest football club in Cheshire.

So the fans decided to take things into their own hands and create a truly democratic, open, inclusive fan's run club in which they had a direct say in. The name they chose for the new club – 1874 Northwich - was a nod to the distinguished history of the club that they had supported, followed and loved.

Following the vote a massive amount of hard work was put in by the fans to ensure that the club could commence playing at the start of the 2013/14 season. This included:

- Applying to join the North West Counties Football League
- Appointing our first 'Gaffer', Ian Street
- Signing our first ground sharing agreement with Winsford United

The level of support shown for the new club wasn't a flash in the pan either as during our first season 1874's average home league attendance was 320 – which put the club in the top 100 best supported clubs in non-league football.

That first season ended with the club being promoted to the Premier Division and the second proved to be equally successful with the club finishing in third place.

The 2015/16 season proved to be a steady campaign in the league with an eventual finishing spot of 4th, but it ended in a truly memorable manner when Ian Street's side outclassed local rivals and Step 3 outfit Witton Albion by a 3-0 score-line on their own turf to lift the Mid Cheshire District Cup for the first time.

This trophy was retained the following campaign with a 1-0 win over rivals Northwich Vics, but by this time the management of the club had passed into the hands of Paul Bowyer and Wayne Goodison – both of whom had been part of Ian Street's back-room team.

The impact of the new management team was truly remarkable, as the 2017/18 season proved to be an

exciting and memorable one, during which the 'Bo-Go' Green Army.

- Defeated National League North and former FA Trophy winners North Ferriby in the FA Cup
- Finally exited the competition on penalties in a 3rd Qualifying Round replay
- Reached the semi-finals of the FA Vase, only for eventual winners Thatcham Town to deny '74 a trip to Wembley by triumphing 4-2 on aggregate.
- Took hundreds of fans to away ties at Leighton and Thatcham
- Recorded a record home attendance of 1674 in the second leg of the semi-final against the Wiltshire outfit
- Ended the season by playing a mammoth 26 games in just 57 days and 69 games overall

Given the successes of the 17/18 campaign, it would have been astonishing if '74 had been able to equal the achievements of the previous season. After all, even the top clubs in the country struggle to repeat their immediate past triumphs – so why should this not be true for '74?

So, a final position of 10th – the lowest that the club had finished in since being promoted to the Premier Division– did seem to suggest a decline in the clubs' fortunes. But that would be completely wrong, as 1874's final standing was hugely influenced by a difficult start to the season in which the loss of key players from the 17/18 campaign - allied to a cruel run of injuries to many of the clubs' key creative and attacking players - resulted in a somewhat disjointed first few months of the season and early exits in both the FA Cup and Vase.

Another factor that we probably didn't fully appreciate at the time was the impact that the untimely death in December 2017 of our inspirational and dearly loved Chairman Paul Stockton had on the club. It was therefore perhaps a fitting tribute to this wonderful man when, on the afternoon of Saturday 4 May 2019, his name was chanted aloud by the 500 or so '74 fans who had just witnessed their side lift its first major piece of silverware, an 88th minute goal by the Greens gave a deserved 1-0 victory over league champions City of Liverpool FC in the final of the NWCFL Macron League Cup.

This cup win proved to be a springboard for the club as from the very outset of the 2019/20 season it was clear that '74 would be one of the main contenders for the NWCFL title. Another good FA Cup run – which was halted at the 2nd Qualifying Round by an admittedly fortunate Whitby Town side – was the precursor to an astonishing league campaign that included a 15-game unbeaten league run – another club record.

But it wasn't just the results that were impressive, it was the swash-buckling, stylish passing and pressing style of play in which '74 played the game that brought them so many plaudits and admiration from other clubs and commentators from all quarters. But in addition to their verve and panache, the side also possessed a steely, never-say-die, attitude that that gained them several precious points from seemingly difficult positions. This left '74 in the box seat at the head of the league with 9 games left and 8 points ahead of second placed Warrington Rylands with a game in hand.

So, if there was ever a bunch of players and back-room staff that deserved to end a season celebrating a league title, then it ought to have been those fantastic bunch of players. But as you will know, the Covid 19 outbreak resulted in a sudden cessation to grassroots football and, heartbreakingly, players, officials and fans alike were denied seeing the league trophy being paraded around Townfield.

Although we didn't know it at the time, '74's elevation to Step 4 was only to be delayed by 12 months as due to the re-organisation of the National League Pyramid, 74 became eligible for promotion to the newly created Northern Premier League West. And to celebrate this elevation, on 24 July 2021 the Greens became the first club in the 40+ year history of the competition to retain the NWCFL League Cup by convincingly defeating Runcorn Town 6-3 in the much delayed 2019/20 final.

Life during our first campaign as a Step 4 club was inevitably challenging at times. As a small fish in a much bigger pool, almost each week we faced by clubs with far greater resources than we have at our disposal. So, a final finishing spot of 12th out of 20 was a highly satisfying end result. It might have been even more impressive had our home form had been a little more consistent!

At one stage in our second season, it seemed as if we'd comfortably better the previous season's showing, but a lacklustre end to the season eventually saw '74 slip to 14th place. The undoubted highlight on the pitch was the deserved 1-0 away win at eventual champions Macclesfield, a game that was witnessed by over 3500 fans.

At the end of the 2022/23 season, The Pitching In Northern Premier League bestowed the Club of the Season award to 1874, for maintaining exceptional standards on and off the pitch. Suffice to say that everyone at the club was hugely proud of this prestigious award and this was more evidence if needed that our club always aims to do things correctly.

But when it comes to '74 it's not all about what happens on the 6000 square metres of turf. You see, as a democratically owned and operated community focussed club, from the get-go, we made it a key priority to forge positive links and partnerships with the local voluntary and business sectors

So, over the past decade not only have we forged beneficial partnerships with many well-respected local companies including Britannia Carpets, OxyL-Pro and our newest sponsors Shadow Foam, but we've also developed excellent relationships with our chosen charity partners, which have included the Mid Cheshire based Neuromuscular Centre, St Luke's Hospice, and the children's hospice 'The Joshua Tree'. In addition, regular collections have also taken place for local food banks, homeless people shelters, The Samaritans, Armed Services veterans, and a myriad of other deserving causes as well as attendance at community events.

The 2014/15 season also saw the club run an U21 side and since then, several of their number have now progressed to the First-team squad and beyond. More recently, 1874 have fielded sides at junior level and the establishment of these teams has acted as a stepping stone towards the creation of other sides covering all age groups, genders, and abilities.

Mention of which reminds us that, along with the Cheshire FA, '74 have also played a major role in establishing local 'walking football' sessions each week which have proved to be hugely popular with the 'more mature' gentlemen of Mid-Cheshire, most of

whom had probably thought that their playing days were well behind them! So successful has this initiative been that we're now operating a popular session for women aged over 40, the majority of whom never had the opportunity to play the game.

2019 was also a landmark year off the field as for the first time the club finally played within the boundary of the town of Northwich following the signing of a 2 year agreement to share Barnton's Townfield Lane stadium. A huge amount of work was undertaken to improve the facilities for players, officials, and supporters alike as well as meeting the ground-grading requirements that were necessary for promotion to Step 4. The agreement was extended for a further 5 years last season and both clubs are now working to develop a longer-term vision for the ground.

So, overall, 1874 is a club that is most definitely on the up!

But any progress that we may make will be achieved in a responsible and sustainable manner. Indeed, one of our main principles is that we will not jeopardise the long-term interests of the club by spending money just in order to ensure success on the pitch. At times, such a policy makes matters difficult and frustrating, but given the memories and experiences we all shared as fans the club we once followed, it is a path that we will not deviate from.



The Daniel Wilkinson Foundation is a charity set up in memory of Daniel Wilkinson who died in 2016 aged 24, while playing the game he loved, from an underlying heart condition called Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Cardiomyopathy (ARVC).



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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1874 NORTHWICH - PROFILES 2023/2024**Damian Crossley (Manager)**

A UEFA B Licenced coach. Damian was appointed in November 2023 as successor to the long serving duo of Paul Bowyer and Wayne Goodison. Although this will be 48 year old Damian's first managerial post, he possesses a significant amount of experience as an Assistant Manager having held such posts at Buxton, Curzon and Colne. Additionally he has held coaching positions at Ashton United, Rochdale and Manchester City

Eziah Bowen – signed on loan from Salford City, 17 year old defender Eziah made an impressive debut for the greens at Mossley in early February '24.

Lewis Bradley – Damian Crossley's first signing for the club, 22 year old Lewis arrived in early December. An attacking midfielder who made his debut for Rochdale in 2019, his other clubs have included Colne, Bradford Park Avenue and Glossop North End.

Tinashe Chakwana – 25 year old forward, signed in January 2024. Tinashe came through the Burnley academy and represented the clarets up until Under 23 level. He left Burnley in 2017, joining Sunderland for a short spell, then on to City of Liverpool and Stalybridge Celtic in the NPL.

Jordao Costa - Born and raised in Portugal, 21 year old Jordao signed for 74 in October 23 and made his debut on the left wing in the Cheshire Senior Cup defeat at Altrincham. His former clubs number Ilkeston Town, Macclesfield and Huddersfield Town.

Tom Fagan – One of Damian Crossley's first recruits, 24 year old Tom arrived from '74's fellow NPL West rivals City of Liverpool and made his debut in the 2-1 Boxing Day loss to town rivals Witton Albion. A natural right-back, he started out with Southport in 2018 and since then his career has encompassed stops at Workington, Kendal, and Colne

Matt Fenton – Originally part of Crewe's youth system and a graduate of '74's well-regarded U21 side, 23 year old Matt was pitched into the First XI towards the end of the 21/22 season and acquitted himself extremely well in his ten outings, which included three bullet-headed goals. Assured, calm and strong in possession, Matt went onto establish himself as a regular last season, chalking up 41 games in which he netted a total of 5 goals – an impressive tally for a central defender!

Michael Ibeto - A strong, athletic and quick central defender Michael played over 30 games at Abbey Hey last season and went out on trials at Wycombe Wanderers and Stoke City in the summer before teaming up with '74 in early September. Unfortunately since joining the club a series of injuries have limited his game time.

Joel Jones – A product of '74's highly successful U21 set up, 19 year old Joel made his debut for the club in the 2-0 defeat at Nantwich on New Year's Day. An out-and-out striker, he's also appeared in the colours of Cheshire League side Helsby and Burscough

Mark Jones – 1874's Mr Reliable, Mark is an unflappable, cultured player who has played a major role in our success over recent years since arriving in the summer of 2016. Now with over 200 games for the club under his belt, he is versatile operator who can play equally well in midfield or the centre of defence. Now aged 38, Mark counts Witton, Nantwich and Radcliffe amongst his earlier ports of call.

Chris McCann - After having a long and extensive football league career during which he made 450 appearances for Burnley, Wigan Athletic, Coventry City, Oldham Athletic and Burton Albion, 36 year old Chris teamed up with '74 in November after more recent spells with DC United in the USA and Shamrock Rovers in his native Ireland. A very calm and gifted footballer, Chris has made an immediate and positive impact at the club.

Oliver McFadyen – exciting forward signed in January 2024, after featuring for Cheadle Town. Oliver started out at Fleetwood Town, moving then to Stockport County where he featured regularly in their youth sides. He made the step in to senior football at Stockport Georgians where his stand out performances saw him make the jump to Runcorn Linnets in the NPL West last season. He quickly became a fan favourite with his performances catching the eye. He has also represented Fiji and is currently an active member of their under 20's squad.

Kamoy McNair – 18 year old, signed on loan from Salford City mid January 2024. Kamoy, operates as a striker or anywhere along the front line. He has a prolific scoring record for Salford City at under 18 level and has also featured for their B team this season. Kamoy also had a loan spell with Ramsbottom United in the NPL West division last season.

Kacper Mialkowski – This left-sided defender joined '74 on dual-registration from Glossop North End. A product of the Rochdale academy, Kacper has also represented Poland at U17 level.

Benji Mullarkey - Warrington-based Benji joined up during the summer having fitted in well through pre-season, appearing in both defence and midfield. The 24-year-old had been on the books of Crewe Alexandra as a junior before a period away from the game. He had recently represented Leeds University whilst studying for a Degree in Economics.

Isaac Noble – An exciting and pacy left winger of whom much is expected, 22 -year old Isaac is one of many young lads who have made the step up from the U21 side to the first team and has so far made 23 appearances for the club, scoring twice.

Sam Oliver – Recommended to the club by a couple of former 1874 players who were playing with him at Stockport Georgians, full-back Sam was a youth player with the academies of Manchester United, Blackburn Rovers and Sheffield Wednesday, before having a short spell in senior football with Droylsden. He has also spent time in the US, representing Arizona Western College.



Michael Shorthouse – young Goalkeeper Mike, signed for 1874 in January 2024 after playing for Connahs Quay Nomads. Mike is a real talent and has a bright future in the game.

Jonny Sodhi – Just 18, Jonny – who usually operates in midfield - joined us during the summer from Connah's Quay Nomads Academy side. He showed promise in pre-season games and certainly will be one to keep an eye on.

Matthew Wonnacott – highly regarded Goalkeeper signed on loan for the remainder of the season, in early January 2024 from Wigan Athletic. Matty joined The Latics after a very successful spell at Torquay United.

Matt Woolley – The club captain, Matt is also '74's longest serving player having made his debut as a substitute in the 2014 Boxing Day game at Widnes. A Northwich lad, he was signed from Cheshire League side Knutsford FC having had prior spells at Congleton Town, Alsager, Witton Albion and FC Halifax Town. Unsurprisingly he's now chalked up over 350 games for the club, netting approaching 50 goals in the process.



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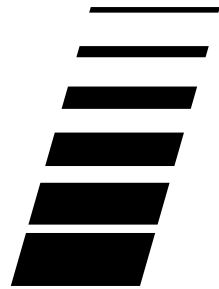
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TODAY'S VISITORS: TRAFFORD



THE STORY SO FAR AT SHAWVIEW....

The club was formed in summer 1990, being the brainchild of David Brown, John Harrison, David Law, and Bill Whitten under the name North Trafford, sharing ShawView with Trafford Borough Rugby League Club. After initially being denied entrance, a late withdrawal resulted in the club being invited to join Division 2 of the Mid-Cheshire League for 1990/91 season.

The first game at competitive level versus Macclesfield College was won 3-1, leading to a finish in second place, and promotion to Division One.

As a bonus the club obtained sole tenancy of Shaw View via a 30 year lease, and substantial ground improvements were undertaken.

1990/91 Manager David Law took North Trafford to 2nd place in the Mid-Cheshire League Division 2 & were promoted to the Division One.

1991/92 saw progress continue on the field as 4th place was achieved coupled with a successful application to join Division 2 of the North West Counties League.

1992/93 the club had another good season ending with in 7th place in the NWCL Division 2.

1993/94 a magnificent second half of the season in which 20 out of 22 games were won, resulted in 2nd place and promotion to Division One. Additionally the first trophy was won via a 3-1 victory versus Maghull in the Lamot Pils Cup. Promotion was dependent on further ground improvements resulting in the erection of floodlights and the South Stand, which was granted. 1994/95 was launched under the club's present name, ending in 4th place and defeats in the finals of the Manchester Senior and Carling Cups, progress being maintained the next season via 3rd place and reaching the last 16 of the FA Vase losing to the eventual winners, Brigg Town.

1995/96 Trafford had another successful league programme finishing in 3rd place.

1996/97 was undoubtedly our most successful, winning the N.W.C.L. and gaining promotion to Division 1 of the Unibond League but losing out in the finals of the Manchester Senior Cup and the League Cup. David Law who had managed the club since inception was named N.W.C.L. Manager of the Year, and the Reserves won the N.W.C.L Reserve Division, the Reserve League Cup, and the Manchester Amateur Cup.

1997/98 saw an indifferent start but the club finishing 12th, and a further trophy was won, the Unibond First Division Cup, beating Lincoln United 3-1.

1998/99 started with the appointment of Mark Molyneux as assistant manager to David Law, taking over the reins in the December, and guiding us to a final place of 14th.

1999/2000 Manager Mark Molyneux along with his assistant Wayne Goodison guided Trafford to victory in the Unibond President's Cup Final beating Whitby Town in the 2nd leg on their ground.

2000/01 Trafford finished the season with thirteen games unbeaten run placing them in 5th place, their highest ever league position in the club's eleven year history.

2001/02 saw Mark Molyneux resign to take over at fellow Unibond First Division side Chorley, with the club finishing in 15th place. Trafford then appointed Joey Dunn as the new manager.

2002/03 the results didn't come Trafford's way and at Christmas the club decided to release manager Joey Dunn & appoint the vastly experienced Mike McKenzie who has won so many honours as a manager in the Unibond League. Sadly results still didn't come & Trafford were relegated to the North West Counties League.

2003/04 By October Trafford decided to part-company with Mike McKenzie after finding themselves in 19th position in Division One. A month later Trafford appointed 28 year old former Leigh R.M.I. Reserve Team Manager Danny Johnson as the new manager. Within a couple of weeks the results changed and Trafford began to improve their league position.

2004/05 By the end of season Danny Johnson's young entertaining side finished in 16th position with 50 points. Trafford didn't have much joy in any of the cup competitions but finished in an improved 12th position on 56 points. While the Reserve Team won their third County Cup in four seasons by winning the Manchester F.A. Trophy.

2005-06 was Trafford got off to a flying start in the League and had a good run in the FA Vase, but sadly couldn't maintain their league form throughout the season finishing in 14th position

Season 2006-07 saw Trafford finish in 5th place in the NWCL Division One the club's best campaign since 2001 when they finished in 5th place in the Unibond Division One. The season included a good run in the FA Cup, two players in the top 20 goalscorers in the NWCL, with Glyn Barker in 6th place with 34 goals & Troy Hayder in 16th place with 20 goals, & a end of season run of 17 games unbeaten to round off a marvellous season. At the end of the season sadly manager Danny Johnson decided to move up to the Unibond League with Ashton United, with our player Ged Kielty becoming Trafford's 'new' Player Manager, assisted by Lee Southwood & coached by Tony Coyne.

2007/08 With the new look management Trafford had one of their most successful campaigns winning the Vodkat League Championship title by 11 points with a club record of 95 points to be promoted to the Unibond League for a second time after winning the title in 1997. From September 2007 Trafford went on a 29 league game unbeaten run including 18 straight wins which is a League record. Manager Ged Kielty was also voted Manager of the Year & the club won Programme of the Year. Centre forward Andy Lundy

ended the season with 34 overall goals putting him in second place in the League goalscoring chart, but was the League top scorer with his 28 goals in Division One. His 'sidekick' Scott Barlow came close behind in fourth overall place with 29 goals.

2008-09 saw Trafford return to the Unibond League after an absence of five seasons. Manager Ged Kielty led the team to the club's second Unibond League President's Cup win beating First Division South Quorn 2-0 on their ground in the final. Trafford previously won the President's Cup back in 1999-2000. Trafford's striker Scott Barlow finished runner-up as the First Division North Overall Leading Goalscoring charts with 40 goals. Trafford finished in 15th place in the Division.

2009-10 former Trafford stalwart Garry Vaughan in the 'hot-seat' as Ged Kielty decided to step down as manager. During seven seasons in the 90's Garry played a record 305 games for Trafford & is still the overall leading club goalscorer with 89 goals. In his first season as a manager at Unibond League level Garry along with his Assistant Manager Loz Greenhalgh guided the club to a creditable 12th place in the First Division North & were finalists in the Manchester County FA Premier Cup. During this season striker Scott Barlow scored 21 goals to become the joint overall club top goalscorer with a total of 89 goals in his three seasons at the club along with Manager Garry Vaughan.

2010-11 Trafford had a poor first half of the season, then Manager Garry Vaughan made a number of personnel changes including bringing back former Assistant Manager Wayne Goodison & the clubs fortunes changed finishing in a respectable 14th place.

2011-12 Trafford didn't have much luck in any of the cup competitions & had a roller coaster season in the First Division North finishing in 12th place.

2012-13 In Garry Vaughan's fourth season as Manager along with his Assistant Wayne Goodison they led Trafford to promotion to the Evo-Stik League Premier Division, after winning the First Division North Play-

Off final against Cammell Laird 4-2 on penalties aet on their ground.

2013-14 Trafford playing in their highest ever level of football in the Evo-Stik League Premier Division the club had a very successful season finishing in a very impressive 10th place & won the Manchester Premier Cup against Football Conference side Hyde at Bury FC's Gigg Lane.

2014-15

In January 2015 Manager Garry Vaughan & his Assistant Wayne Goodison resigned from the club & former Altrincham Manager Graham Heathcote took charge along with his Assistant Chris Adams. At the end of the season Trafford were relegated back to the Evo-Stik NPL First Division North & Graham Heathcote retired from Football management.

2015/16

In May 2015 Trafford appointed former FC Halifax & Chorley Captain Tom Baker as the club's new Manager. After in mixed first half to the season from mid-December Trafford's form turned for the better with only five defeats in twenty two league & cup games finishing the season in a creditable 8th place in the Managers first ever season as a Manager.

2016-17

After an impressive first season as Manager Tom Baker along with & his assistant Manager Chris Shuker took Trafford to an improved sixth place in the First Division North missing a play off place by just two points.

2017-18

Trafford had another successful season finishing in 6th place for the second consecutive season, runners-up in the Manchester Premier Cup.

2018-19

In his fourth season at Trafford Manager Tom Baker crowned the season by winning the Integro League Cup for the first time in the club's history beating League Champions Farsley Celtic in the final.

2019-20

Trafford finished in ninth place in the NPL North West Division and reached the final of the Manchester Premier Cup to play FC United of Manchester. Unfortunately due to the Covid-19 the final did not take place. During the close season Manager Tom Baker resigned after five seasons at Trafford and his assistant Danny Caldecott stepped up to become the new Manager of the club.

2020-21 This season was cancelled after only ten games due to the Covid-19.

2021-22 This was Danny Caldecott's first full season as the Manager & Trafford had a steady first half of the season but had a poor end of season finishing in mid table.

2022-23

Trafford had a roller coaster of a season finishing in tenth place.

2023-24

In October 2023 Manager Danny Caldecott departed to manage Clitheroe. Later this month Trafford appointed former FC United Manager Karl Marginson as Manager.

**TRAFFORD FC PEN PICS 2023-24
THE MANAGEMENT**

MANAGER - KARL MARGINSON Aged 52. DOB 11/11/70. Appointed Trafford Manager in October 2023. Last Club FC United of Manchester. Previous club's loads.

ASSISTANT MANAGER – HARRY WINTER Aged 34. DOB 16/06/89 Former Trafford player returned to the club in October 2023. Previous clubs Trafford, Northwich Vics, FC Halifax, AFC Fylde, FC United & Stockport County.

FIRST TEAM COACH – STEVE TOBIN Appointed Trafford coach in October 2023. Previous clubs Leeds Utd, Stockport County, Witton Albion, Macclesfield Town, Hyde Utd, Leek Town.

GOALKEEPER COACH – NICK CULKIN Aged 45. DOB 06/07/78. Previous clubs York City, Manchester United, Bristol Rovers, QPR, Hull City, Radcliffe Borough, FC United.

CLUB PHYSIO – PAUL ROBERTS

PLAYING STAFF

TYRESE BEAUMONT – Midfield/Right Back. Aged 22. DOB 24/09/2001. Joined the club in October 2023 from Altrincham also played for Colne.

TOM BECKETT - LW,RW, CAM, LB, RB. Aged 20. DOB 23/11/02. Signed in November 2023. Also played for Stockport County, Ashton Athletic & Pilkingtons.

ALLY BROWN – Defender. Aged 35. DOB 01/06/88. Rejoined Trafford in August 2023 from Runcorn Linnets. He first signed in 2012 making 153 appearances. He also played for Runcorn, Witton Albion & Warrington Town.

SAM BOOTH – Goalkeeper. Aged 23. DOB 06/12/2000. Signed the club in November 2023 from Vauxhall Motors. Previous clubs include Crewe Alex, Leek Town, Kidsgrove Athletic.

MICHAEL BURKE - Striker. Aged 26. DOB 18/07/97. Joined the club in August 2021 from Stalybridge Celtic. Previous clubs are Staveley MWFC & Maine Road FC.

NIALL CUMMINS – Striker. Aged 36. DOB 19/03/87. Joined the club in November 2023 from AFC Bury. Also played for Marine, Curzon Ashton, Burscough.

JOE COYLE - CB,CM. Aged 18. DOB 20/03/05 Signed for Trafford in November 2023 from Pilkington. Also played for Burscough.

HARRISON DENTON – Striker. Aged 19. DOB 12/09/2004. Signed in October 2023 from South Liverpool. Also played for Skelmersdale United & Marine U23s.

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QUIRINO DIAS – Striker. Aged 26. DOB 13/12/97. Joined the club in December 2023 from Wythenshawe Amateurs. Also played for Grerley FC, Retford & Mansfield Town.

TOM ECKERSLEY – Centre Back. Aged 31. DOB 06/12/91. Joined the club in October 2023 from Ramsbottom United. Also played for FC United, Curzon Ashton, Ashton United, AFC Fylde.

JORDAN FAGBLA – Centre Back. Aged 30. DOB 18/10/93. Signed for the club in November 2023 from Atherton Colls. Previous clubs include Stockport County, Colwyn Bay, FC United, Hyde Utd.

SAM GILL – Midfield. Aged 19. DOB 17/10/04. Signed on loan from Warrington Town in December 2023. Also played for Wigan Athletic.

SEAN HIGGINS – Right Back. Aged 21. DOB 06/10/02. This is his second spell at Trafford. Last club Bury FC. Previous clubs Matlock & Trafford.

EOIN HOGAN – Midfield. Aged 19. DOB 22/06/04. Joined the club in December 202 from Curzon Ashton.

NIALL JORDAN - Goalkeeper. Aged 19. DOB 14/11/2004. Signed from the Trafford Youth Team. Also played at Wigan.

HILAL KHAN – Midfield. Aged 20. DOB 14/07/2003. Signed for Trafford in October 2023.

KANYE NISBETT – Forward. Aged 19. DOB 09/12/04. Signed for the club in November 2023 from Rotherham United. Also played for Sheffield United.

HARRY NORRIS - Centre Back. Aged 24. DOB 10/01/2001. Signed in August 2022 from New Mills. Previous club Oldham Athletic Youth Team (U18's).

KWAME OSIGWE – Age 21. DOB 11/01/2002. Signed in October from Wythenshawe Town also played for Cheadle Heath Nomads.

BRAD ROSE – Goalkeeper. Aged 19. DOB 05/06/2004. Signed on August 2023 from Radcliffe also played at Salford City.

CHRIS ROWNY – Midfield. Aged 32. DOB 04/02/91. Signed in January 2024 from Bury FC. Also played for Curzon Ashton & Ashton United.

EDDIE SERVUTS – Forward. Aged 20. DOB 09/08/2003. Signed in October 2023 from Widnes. Previous clubs Burscough, Skelmersdale United & Southport.

DAMOLA SOTONA – LB/LW/RW. Aged 22. DOB 25/11/06. Joined the club in October 2023 from Bury FC. Also played for Northwich Vics & Ramsbottom United.

MATTHEW WOLFENDEN - Midfield/Striker. Aged 36. Joined the club in November 2023 from Avro FC. Also played for Oldham Athletic, Wrexham, FC United, Stalybridge Celtic, Radcliffe.

ROBERT WORRALL - Midfield. Aged 25. DOB 20/08/1998. Signed in December 2021 from NCEL club Staveley MW. Former clubs include Knaresborough, Sheffield & Brighouse.

JEROME WRIGHT – Left Side. Aged 38. DOB 29/10/85. Joined the club in January 2024 from Preswich Heys. Other clubs include Wythenshawe Town & FC United.

ABET ZAZAI – Winger. Aged 20. DOB 07/04/03. Signed for Trafford in October 2023. Previous clubs Accrington Stanley, Altrincham.

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