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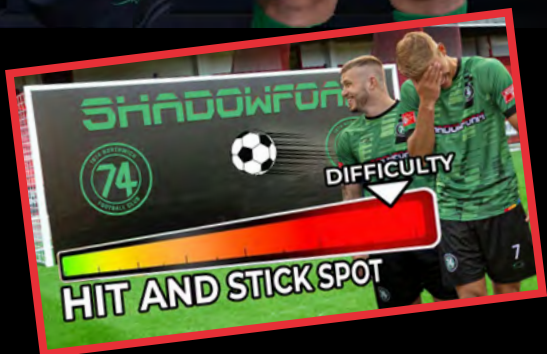
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NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - WEST

vs **HANLEY TOWN**

TUESDAY 19TH MAR 2024 | K.O. 7.45PM



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VICKI ENGLAND



**Games continue to come thick and fast at home and tonight we welcome everyone connected with Hanley Town to Northwich, I hope it was a pain-free journey up the M6 to get here!**

Hanley had a good home win against play off hopefuls Witton on Saturday, it looks like it was exciting towards the end of the game with two late goals from both sides, however the Blues persevered and earned three points. It was clearly a crucial step in them maintaining the gap from the relegation places and of course I know they will want to follow it up tonight, to help their cause further.

Our own cause? Well, I think it's fair to say that after Saturday's result against Hednesford, it made the task of staying in the NPL West more difficult. I don't think we deserved the loss (I have said that a few times this season) and felt we had control of most of the game. After GK Matt was sent off incredibly early on, it made playing with ten men for 86 minutes, without a recognised keeper in goal, difficult. Do we get any luck? No, we don't!

Hednesford's winner from the free kick, took a deflection and gave us no chance. We did put the ball in the net late on, but it was deemed offside so that was scrapped. Reading some of the comments on social media after the game from Hednesford supporters, they commended our guys and highlighted how lucky they had been. However, the history books will show they earned the three points, and that's all that's important for them at this stage.

I can't tell you how proud I am of the lads' efforts and determination. If awards were given for showing some guts and heart, our players would win hands down. It is easy to walk away when things aren't going well but these guys turn up for training and games, knowing they are in a tricky spot, but they still try their best. We can pick over what happened through the season later, but to Matt, Mark, Skipper Matty Fenton and the rest, I give my

unequivocal appreciation for wearing our shirt and for being 'battlers'.

I was so pleased to see a good response from supporters too and I thank those that stayed at the end to give the lads the appreciation they deserved. Again, as supporters we have been spoilt over the club's life with steady progress and magical moments. I always say you must take the rough with the smooth, enjoy the highlights and be prepared to fight through adversity. If you do things the right way, better times will come back.

I want to give a very special mention to our amazing, player/interim co-manager and all round flippin' brilliant legend, Matt Woolley. Tonight Matt (if selected) will make his 400th appearance for 1874 Northwich. Matt joined us just before Christmas 2013 and has been a stalwart since. How many players can say that they have played in over 80% of a club's history? Matt has been a rock over the years and even more so this season, helping the club when Bow & Goodie, and then Damian, left. Matt wants the best for 1874, and that clearly showed on Saturday too, when he donned the GK shirt and gloves and did a magnificent job for 86 minutes. Covid obviously meant that games were missed, otherwise Matt would probably have played around 450 by now. This all shows his loyalty, and we will rightfully celebrate this achievement in due course.

That is it for now. We are working hard behind the scenes on many things, but that's for another time. Repeating a rallying cry from that famous footballing icon who also wore green, Delia Smith... "let's be having you"! Please keep getting behind the lads, I know it is disappointing to come to games in the position we are in, but we need to turn that around and be thankful for what we do have. Let's make the most of the next eight games and potentially look forward to new adventures. "I'll get a bus up"!

**"Come on you Green Boys!"**

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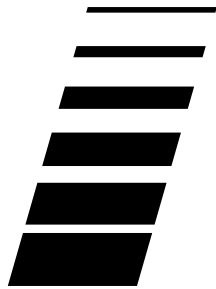
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# BIG GAME PREVIEW

BY GARRY CLARKE

## 1874 NORTHWICH vs HANLEY TOWN NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE - WEST

Hanley Town ended last season 16th in the NPL West Division, two places and one point below 1874 with a playing record of:

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS	Pos
Hanley	38	11	11	16	50	61	-11	44	16

Hanley Town have struggled for any kind of consistency this season, spending most of the season in the bottom half of the table, they have dropped into the foot of the table while they have also climbed as high as 7th.

Last Saturday Hanley Town won 2-1 at home to Witton Albion. Lucas Baker put them ahead in the eighth minute, with Dylan Scott making sure of the points three minutes from time. Joe Duckworth scored a consolation penalty for Albion in the ninetieth minute.

16th in the NPL West table after last Saturday's games, Hanley Town have won one and drawn two of their last six games, to sit 14th on the division's current form table, while 1874 remain bottom of both tables.

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
Hanley Town	30	9	8	13	28	39	-11	35	17
1874	30	4	5	21	20	66	-46	17	20

This will be the 15th game to be played between 1874 and Hanley Town, with 1874 having won nine times and Hanley three times and there have been two draws.

Hanley Town won the first meeting of the two clubs this season on 14th October coming from behind to win 4-2. Jamal Crawford gave 1874 the lead in the 7th minute before Hanley equalized in the 20th minute through Tyrone Ofori netting the rebound after Ellis Allen had saved his penalty kick. Ofori gave the home

side the lead in the 29th minute before 1874 drew level in the 37th minute when Fenton Green finished off a good team move. Hanley retook the lead in the 52nd minute through Luke Walsh and made the game safe five minutes later when Walsh added his second.

Hanley Town beat Hereford Pagasus and Stourport Swifts to reach the FA Cup 1st qualifying round where they lost 0-3 away at Anstey Nomads. In the FA trophy they reached the 3rd qualifying round where they lost 1-0 at home to Macclesfield having beaten Cleethorpes Town and Sheffield in earlier rounds. They lost 0-3 to Chasetown in the preliminary round of the Staffordshire Senior Cup.

Leading goal scorer for Hanley Town this season is Tyrone Ofori who has netted 11 goals so far this season while Kieran Brown has 10, in addition a further 9 players have been on target for Hanley Town.

Hanley Town's 19 home games have attracted an average crowd of 200 to the Payaro Stadium. The highest attendance has been 427 for the FA Trophy tie against Macclesfield, while the lowest has been 111, a figure recorded for three games.

### HANLEY TOWN FACT FILE

<i>Formed</i>	1966
<i>Ground</i>	Payaro Stadium
<i>Colours</i>	Blue
<i>Change Colours</i>	Yellow
<i>Manager</i>	Ryan Shotton
<i>2022/23</i>	16th NPL West

### DID YOU KNOW?

The name Hanley comes from either "haer lea", meaning "high meadow", or "heah lea" meaning "rock meadow". and are one of six towns that amalgamated in 1910 to form the City of Stoke-on-Trent, with Hanley being the *de facto* city centre.



**LAST SEASON AT TOWNFIELD**

12th November 2022

Lost, 0-1 Attendance 248

1874 fell to a second consecutive home defeat losing to a controversial goal just before the half time break. At the end of a scrappy opening half Hanley opened the scoring in the 45th minute through Louis Dodds although he had been set up by a player in an off side position. 1874 dominated the second half creating numerous chances but were unable to snatch an equaliser.

**HEAD TO HEAD**

	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD
Home	7	6	0	1	14	7	+7
Away	7	3	2	2	12	12	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>+7</b>

**WE'VE MET BEFORE**

*Garry Clarke takes a look at 14 previous meetings between 1874 Northwich and Hanley Town.*

2013/14

5th October 2013 - NWCFL Cup 1st Round

Home - Won 3-2(aet) Attendance 283

1874 - Brandon 2, Foy

Hanley - Groom, Thorpe

21st December 2013 - NWCFL 1st Division

Home - Won 4-2 Attendance 372

1874 - Brandon 2, Crane, Bailey

Hanley - Pointon, T Stair

25th March 2014 - NWCFL 1st Division

Away - Won 2-1 Attendance 284

1874 - Abdullah, Wellstead

Hanley - T Stair

2016/17

17th September 2016 - NWCFL Premier

Away - Won 1-0 Attendance 138

1874 - Hind

21st January 2017 - NWCFL Premier

Home - Won 1-0 Attendance 245

1874 - Hind

2017/18

5th December 2017 - NWCFL Premier

Home - Won 2-0 Attendance 184

1874 - Riley, M Woolley

31st March 2018 - NWCFL Premier

Away - Drew 1-1 Attendance 224

1874 - McGowan

Hanley - Thorpe

2018/19

20th November 2018 - NWCFL Premier

Away - Drew 2-2 Attendance 182

1874 - Kenneley, McGowan

Hanley - Keates, Healey

24th January 2018 - NWCFL Premier

Home - Won 2-1 Attendance 237

1874 - Hare, McGowan

Hanley - Salmon

2019/20

15th October 2019 - NWCFL Premier

Home - Won 2-1 Attendance 245

1874 - Hare, Kennerley

Hanley - Sanders

8th February 2020 - NWCFL Premier

Away - Won 4-0 Attendance 202

1874 - McGowan, Parker, Knight, Wellstead

2022/23

12th November 2022 - NPL West

Home - Lost 0-1 Attendance 248

Hanley - Dodds

1st April 2023 - NPL West

Away - Lost 0-4 Attendance 163

Hanley - Brown 2, Twyford 2

2023/24

14th October 2023 - NPL West

Away - Lost 2-4 Attendance 195

1874 - Crawford, Green

Hanley - Walsh 2, Ofori 2

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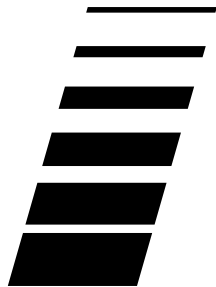
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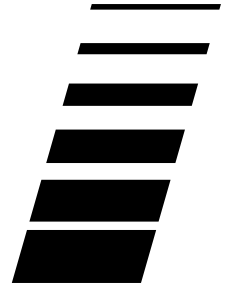
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BY PETE GRIMES



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 Ja	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	Clitheroe	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 Ja				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	0-4	0-2	248					Roots P
17	CITY OF LIVERPOOL	0-2	0-0	248					Brooks J
24	Vauxhall Motors	1-3	1-1	277	Nicholson Jo				Corrigan L
Mar 9	LEEK TOWN	0-3	0-0	347					Moose B
16	HEDNESFORD TOWN	0-1	0-1	268					Metcalf T
19	HANLEY TOWN	-							
23	Trafford	-							
30	NEWCASTLE TOWN	-							
Apr 1	Witton Albion	-							
6	Bootle	-							
13	CLITHEROE	-							
20	Avro	-							
27	RUNCORN LINNETS	-							

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## 1874 NORTHWICH 2023/24 PLAYER STATS

AS OF 18/03/24

		2023/24 SEASON					ALL-TIME					
		Starts	Subbed	Sub On	Unused	Goals	Starts	Subbed	Sub On	Unused	Goals	Total Apps
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	4	1	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	4
BIRCHALL	Matty	11	2	3	1	1	11	2	3	1	1	14
BOWDEN	Ezikiah	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
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	6	4	0	0	0	6	4	0	0	0	6
CHIMENES	Max	17	2	0	0	2	17	2	0	0	2	17
COSTA	Jordao	0	0	2	12	0	0	0	2	12	0	2
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	6	3	4	1	0	6	3	4	1	0	10
FENTON	Matty	26	1	0	0	1	77	3	0	3	9	77
GREEN	Fenton	14	2	0	0	3	42	8	2	3	6	44
IBETO	Mike	5	3	5	5	0	5	3	5	5	0	10
IRLAM	Jack	8	1	0	0	2	92	28	22	5	13	114
JONES	Joel	6	1	3	1	1	6	1	3	1	1	9
JONES	Mark	28	1	1	0	0	234	15	7	5	9	241
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	17	3	3	2	2	49	7	8	19	4	57
MCCANN	Chris	7	1	0	2	0	7	1	0	2	0	7
MCFADYEN	Oli	7	1	0	0	1	7	1	0	0	1	7
MCGEADY	Ewan	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
MCNAIR	Kamoy	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
MIALKOWSKI	Kacper	15	2	3	0	0	15	2	3	0	0	18
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	12	0	2	17	12	12	0	2	29
NICHOLSON	Josh	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
NOBLE	Isaac	11	6	9	0	0	19	14	24	17	2	43
OLIVER	Sam	8	3	4	1	0	8	3	4	1	0	12
OLLERENSHAW	Josh	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
PARTINGTON	Ole	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
SHORTHOUSE	Mike	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	0	0
SIYAM	Mohammad	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	5	9	0	5
SODHI	Jonny	4	4	3	14	0	4	4	3	14	0	7
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	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10
WOOLLEY	Matt	30	5	1	1	1	367	55	31	29	45	398

# NPL-WEST 2023/24 LEAGUE TABLE

AS OF 15/03/24

		Pld	HOME			AWAY			GF	GA	Pts
			W	D	L	W	D	L			
1	Leek Town	31	13	1	2	9	3	3	75	33	70
2	Runcorn Linnets	31	10	3	4	7	2	6	50	34	55
3	Prescot Cables	30	8	2	3	7	4	5	48	33	52
4	Bootle	31	6	4	6	9	3	3	47	40	52
5	City of Liverpool FC	31	7	4	4	7	3	6	54	39	49
6	Clitheroe	31	6	3	6	6	5	4	53	45	47
7	Witton Albion	31	8	2	5	4	3	7	51	54	47
8	Widnes	31	9	2	5	5	4	7	44	31	45
9	Nantwich Town	31	8	3	4	4	2	9	48	37	44
10	Stalybridge Celtic	31	7	5	3	4	6	6	47	45	44
11	Mossley	31	8	4	4	7	4	7	41	46	44
12	Avro	30	3	6	6	3	5	3	35	36	41
13	Chasetown	30	8	4	4	6	3	8	39	42	40
14	Newcastle Town	31	5	4	7	6	2	7	39	42	39
15	Kidsgrove Athletic	30	5	4	5	4	4	8	48	54	35
16	Hanley Town	30	5	4	7	4	4	6	28	39	35
17	Vauxhall Motors	30	6	2	8	4	2	8	40	59	34
18	Trafford	31	3	7	5	3	6	7	31	43	31
19	Hednesford Town	30	3	5	6	3	3	10	34	54	26
20	1874 NORTHWICH	30	2	2	11	2	3	10	20	66	17

# NPL-WEST 2023/24 RESULTS GRID

AS OF 15/03/24

	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	0-2	0-1	2-6 0-3	1-3 0-1	0-1	0-0 0-4	2-0 1-0	1-2										
Avro			1-3	1-2 0-1	0-0	1-1 1-1	0-0	1-0 0-3	2-0 1-2	3-2 1-1									1-1	0-1	
Bootle		1-0		3-1 1-2	0-2	1-3 1-1	2-0 1-1	3-1 2-1	0-0 1-3	0-4 1-2								1-2 2-1	1-1		
Chasetown	4-2 0-1	3-2		3-3		0-0 2-0	2-1	0-3 1-1	1-2 0-1	1-0 4-0	1-0 1-1	3-2									
City of Liverpool	4-0 2-2	1-2	4-1		2-0		1-1 1-4	6-3 0-0	2-1 0-1												
Clitheroe	1-2 1-1		1-0 2-1			2-1	2-2 4-1	2-3 3-1	1-4 2-3	1-1 2-2	5-0 2-0										
Hanley Town	4-2 0-1	0-2	1-1 2-0	0-0		3-1 0-0	1-3 0-2	1-0 1-3	0-3 1-1	1-2 1-1						1-2 1-1					2-1
Hednesford Town	1-1		1-1 0-4	1-5 1-2		2-3	0-1 3-2	3-0 0-2	1-1 1-1	1-1 1-1									3-0		
Kidsgrove Athletic	5-0		2-1	0-3 4-1	1-1		0-5 1-1	1-4 1-2	1-1 3-0	2-2 2-1								2-1			1-3
Leek Town	4-1 3-4		4-1	1-0 2-1	3-0 2-4		1-0 2-0	3-0 3-0	3-0 3-0									3-0 2-2	1-0 4-1		
Mossley	1-1	1-2 2-1	1-1	2-1 1-0	3-2 1-3		0-0 1-2	2-1 0-3	2-0 3-2	1-0 1-0											1-0 1-1
Nantwich Town	2-0 1-1	2-2 1-0	1-2		3-0	3-1 1-3							0-1 1-1	3-1				4-0 3-0	0-2 1-0		
Newcastle Town	0-1 0-1	0-2	1-1 1-1	0-0 0-1	3-1 2-1		2-1						3-0 1-0	3-4 2-2	1-0 1-3	1-2					
Prescot Cables	1-0 0-1	2-0	0-2 2-1	1-1	2-1 0-1	5-3 1-0															4-1
Runcorn Linnets	1-0 2-1	0-1 1-2	5-1 1-2	0-1 3-0	1-0 5-0							1-1 2-1									4-2
Stalybridge Celtic	0-0 2-2	1-1 2-2	4-2 2-1	3-2 1-0	1-2 0-1	1-0 1-2	0-1 2-1														4-0
Trafford	0-1 1-2	2-2 0-1	0-0 1-0	1-2 0-0	1-1 2-0	1-1 2-1															0-1 1-1
Vauxhall Motors	3-1 1-3	2-3 0-1	2-1 3-2	0-2 3-2	3-2 3-2		3-3 0-3	3-1 1-0						0-3 2-4	3-1 1-0						2-3 2-2
Widnes	5-0 2-0	2-0 1-0	1-2 1-1	0-1 5-1	2-0 0-1	4-0 0-2															1-3
Witton Albion		2-2 2-2		1-2 1-0	2-0 3-2	3-1 2-1								2-3 1-0	3-0 0-4	1-2 2-1					



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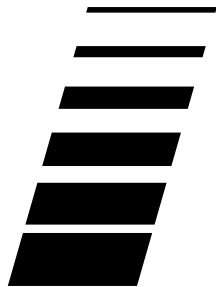
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As Club Welfare Officer, I have a responsibility to communicate our safeguarding arrangements and expected standards of behaviour. This is becoming more relevant, as we are seeing more and more of our junior players watching the senior team and also 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.

We rightly pride ourselves on being a family club and all have a part to play in making the matchday experience safe and enjoyable for our younger fans / players.

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- Remember that young players are doing the best they can
- Applaud effort and good play as well as success
- Lead by example, always respect the match official's decision
- Encourage the players to respect the opposition, referee and match officials
- 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.

Thanks,  
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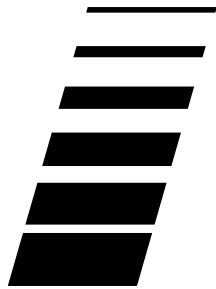
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# HISTORIES AND PROFILES

## 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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## OUR MISSION

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## 1874 NORTHWICH - PROFILES 2023/2024

**TINASHÉ 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 Joel 9 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.

**EWAN MCGEADY** – Defender, signed on dual registration with Altrincham at the end of February.

**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.

**JAMIE NICHOLSON** - A forward who can play anywhere along the front line, Jamie's game will bring flair to the club and could prove a shrewd signing by the management team. A former youth player with Morecambe, 19 year old Jamie impressed 'The Shrimps' Senior Team management to the point that he was in the match day squad when the Lancashire club played at Tottenham Hotspur in the FA Cup in January 2022.

Last season Jamie played for Ashton Athletic in the NWCFL and prior to that he also had short spells in the NPL West with Clitheroe and his home town club Skelmersdale United.

**JOSH NICHOLSON** – experienced forward Josh, signed on a dual registration agreement with Ashton Athletic in February 2024. Josh started his career with Skelmersdale United

**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 Droydsden. He has also spent time in the US, representing Arizona Western College.

**OLE PARTINGTON** – Midfielder, signed on dual registration with Altrincham at the end of February.

**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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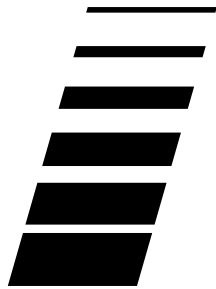
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# HISTORIES AND PROFILES

## TODAY'S VISITORS: HANLEY TOWN



The original Hanley Town were established in the 19th century, with their first recorded game being in 1882. They joined the Combination in 1894, but left the league after a single season and subsequently folded in 1912. The modern club was established in 1966, based on an existing Sunday league pub team named the Trumpet. The new club joined the Longton League for the 1966–67 season, winning it at the first attempt. They then moved up to the Staffordshire County League, winning Division Two in 1967–68 and then Division One the following season, earning promotion to the Premier Division.

Hanley were Premier Division runners-up in their first three seasons in the division, also winning the Premier Cup in 1969–70. They won the league title in 1972–73 and again in 1975–76, after which they joined Division Two of the Mid-Cheshire League. They won the Division Two Cup in 1976–77 with a 1–0 win over Knutsford in the final, and a third-place finish the following season saw them promoted to Division One. They were Division One champions in 1982–83, but after several seasons of mid-table finishes and being refused entry to the North West Counties League in 1988 due to failure to meet the ground grading requirements, they finished bottom of Division One in 1993–94.

In 1996 Hanley returned to the Mid-Cheshire League, joining Division Two. However, after two seasons they switched to the Midland League and in 2004–05 they were Midland League champions. At the end of the season the league merged with the Staffordshire County League to form the Staffordshire County Senior League. Hanley were placed in the Premier Division and were the league's inaugural champions in 2005–06 before finishing as runners-up the following season.

Hanley were Premier Division runners-up again in 2010–11, before winning back-to-back titles in 2011–12 and 2012–13, after which they were promoted to Division One of the North West Counties League; the 2012–13 season also saw them win the League Cup, the Staffordshire FA Vase and the Leek Cup. In 2014–15 the club finished fourth and qualified for the promotion play-offs; after a 3–1 win over Holker Old Boys in the semi-finals, they lost 5–3 to AFC Darwen in the final. However, the club were Division One champions the following season, earning promotion to the Premier Division.

At the end of the 2020–21 season Hanley were transferred to the Premier Division of the Midland League. They went on to win the Premier Division title in 2021–22, earning promotion to Division One West of the Northern Premier League.

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