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FROM THE DUGOUT

Welcome to Gainsborough Trinity, along with their staff, players, volunteers, and supporters, to the Microlise New Manor Ground.

It's really exciting to be back, especially in front of our home crowd for the first game. We've been waiting a long time to get playing, and we want to hit the ground running and have a strong start to the season.

We made a few signings during pre-season, which have strengthened the squad, and we're hopeful for a successful year.

I'd like to personally welcome all the fans back. It'll be great to see some familiar faces return to the NMG and to welcome some new ones as well.

Hopefully, we can get three points on the board to start the season.

Enjoy the game, Deaks

ITFC JUNIOR TEAM SPOTLIGHT

Ilkeston Town Under 18 Stags.

In our first season together we shared the Division 2 title, we moved up to Division 1 finishing 4th, but more importantly also winning the League Cup Final.

This season we have lost a few lads but gained a couple more new faces. It's a funny age as some players move to new things like work!

Moving up to Under18's is going to be tough physically, but I know the lads can hold their own and we're all excited for the upcoming season.

We have an outstanding squad of players, with many other teams commenting upon the unity of the group and their work ethic on the field. The boys are incredibly passionate about winning as a team, but are also very gracious in defeat.

We express our gratitude to Vets4Pets Ilkeston for sponsoring us for the forthcoming season.

We are also looking for 2 more lads to join us this season we play and train on the NMG, please contact the club or myself Aaron 07446930141 if this interests you. Finally, I would like to thank the club, for giving myself and my players the best chance to succeed in the grassroots game. #OneTownOneClub See you all on Saturday

Aaron Porter



BEHIND ENEMY LINES

Ollie Battersby

A former youth at Grimsby Town, 22 year old Ollie joined the Holy Blues in the summer of 2024 following the expiry of his contract at Pitching In Northern Premier League rivals Guiseley. Clocking up nearly 40 appearances for the Lions during the 2023/24 season, the keeper has aspirations to get back into the full time game. Several loan spells within non-league have added to Battersby's experience whilst with the Mariners, including spells at Lincoln United, Mickleover Sports, Belper Town, Hereford United and Ilkeston Town.

Josh Render

A product of the acclaimed Sheffield Wednesday Academy, Josh Render arrived at Trinity towards the end of the 2023/24 season, following a spell in Austrailia. He went on to make his debut as a second half substitute in the 4-1 win over Hyde. Making his full debut three days later away at Matlock. Render made his third appearance for the Holy Blues, again as a substitute in the final day victory over Champions, Radcliffe at the Kal Group Stadium.

Dylan Cogill

Club Captain, Dylan Cogill enters his third season with the Holy Blues, having arrived in late August 2022 from Scarborough Athletic. Virtually an ever present in the Trinity line up since his arrival, and starting his second season as captain of the team, Dylan is a tough, no nonsense centre half, listing Huddersfield Town and Clyde amongst his former clubs. Strong in both boxes, Cogill chips in with his fair share of goals as a threat from set pieces. All things being equal, Cogill will make his 100th appearance for the club in the first couple of months of the 2024/25 season.

Sisa Tuntulwana

Previously of Lincolnshire neighbours Grantham Town, where he worked his way through their Academy to first team level. Playing in the Northern Premier League as a teenager. Whilst with the Gingerbreads, Tuntulwana worked with new First Team Coach, Kevin Pressman. Sisa has since developed into an athletic, attacking wingback, with an eye for goal. Also appeared for Boston Town during the last campaign.

Cody Collins

In his second spell at the club, his first coming courtesy of a one month loan deal, from Mansfield Town that was unfortunately cut short due to injury. He made his debut under Neal Bishop in an FA Trophy game, before playing five league games, without tasting defeat. Ten months out injured scuppered an extended stay, and saw the ex-Barnsley

Ashley Jackson

One of the more senior faces in the squad, the experienced and versatile left-sided defender, Ash Jackson, was one of Russ Wilcox's first signings. Initially joining on loan from Vanarama National League North side Scarborough Athletic, before Trinity insisted on making the move permanent. A popular player with his former clubs, Jackson chipped in with some important goals, including a 93rd minute winner away on the East Coast, at Whitby Town. Further experience at Boston United and Ossett Town, ensure the now 30 year old, has plenty of NPL experience to call upon.

Lewis Butroid

Returned to the club in the Summer of 2023, having helped Farsley Celtic secure their Vanarama National League North status. A local Gainsborough lad, left footer Lewis knows what it takes to pull on the blue shirt. Made his breakthrough at Scunthorpe United during their football league days, and gained further experience at Spenymoor and Hereford. In his previous spell with the Holy Blues, he netted his maiden goal in the 1-1 draw with Radcliffe at the Northolme. Now under the management of Russ Wilcox, Butroid's performances are maturing as he regularly plays further forward, chipping in with regular goals and assists.



BEHIND ENEMY LINES

jordan Helliwell

Former Barnsley youngster, Jordan Helliwell was a 2024/25 close season signing by Manager, Russ Wilcox. Capable of producing both at right back, and in central midfield, Helliwell gained experience in the Danish league set up during his time with Barnsley. A busy, energetic player who will look to get Trinity ticking, Jordan has gained non-league experience at league rivals Basford United.

Bobby Johnson

Beginning his second season at Gainsborough, the vastly experienced, Bawtry-based baller, Bobby Johnson adds experience and non-league nous to the side managed by Russ Wilcox. Signed in the Summer of 2023 having helped Farsley Celtic secure their Vanarama National League North status, Johnson has a wealth of experience at Step 2 of the Non-League Pyramid.

Fraser Preston

Sheffield Wednesday Academy graduate, Fraser Preston has been unfortunate with injuries in recent seasons, but will hopefully benefit from a full pre-season programme, his first in three years, where he has gotten plenty of minutes under his belt. A clever player, with good upper body strength, he can link the play and possesses the vision and ability to unlock opposition defences.

Joe Stacey

Initially arrived on loan from Alfreton Town, making an immediate impact, twice coming off the bench to score goals in victories over Basford United and Warrington Rylands. Extended his initial month loan until the end of the 2023/24 season, becoming a versatile member of the squad. Upon the expiry of his contract at Alfreton, Stacey linked up on a permanent deal with the Holy Blues.

Bailey Conway

All action midfielder, Bailey Conway is now in second spell with the Holy Blues having rejoined from Guiseley in August 2023. He only initially joined league rivals Guiseley in the Summer. First signed from Alfreton, the popular ball winning midfielder adds bite and energy to the engine room.

Davle Southwell

Experienced front man, Southwell arrived at Trinity from Alfreton Town. Previously having spells at Grimsby, Harrogate, Boston, Wycombe, Lincoln and Guiseley. A creative player, who holds the ball up well, linking midfield and attack, Southwell chipped in with some key goals during the 2023/24 season, netting nine in 29 games as he struggled with a couple of niggling injuries. A personal highlight being his double against

Javelle Clarke

Quickly became a crowd favourite following his arrival from Brighouse in the summer of 2023. An exciting, attacking talent, comfortable across the front line, chipped in with a number of important goals and assists, before his season was ended in unfortunate circumstances just before Christmas. On the road to recovery, boss Russ Wilcox doesn't want to tie Javelle down to a return date, with a number of milestones to hit, prior to him being full involved in the Trinity matchday squad, but he is pleased with the progress he is making. And a fit Javelle Clarke will have a positive impact on the team's attacking prowess and the excitement in the stands.

Declan Howe

When Dec Howe first arrived at Gainsborough Trinity, marking the first permanent signing of Russ Wilcox's rein, few could have predicted the impact the high octane, high energy performances Howe was about to bring. 25 goals in 33 games, landed Dec the Northern Premier League Golden Boot.

We were thrilled to welcome Tara and Anna from Survivors of Bereavement by Suicide (SoBS) to the Microlise New Manor Ground earlier this week. They took a tour of our facilities and admired their brilliant perimeter boards that now stand proudly around our stadium.

The club is delighted to have SoBS as a valued sponsor, and we look forward to supporting their vital work both in our local community and across the nation.



Recognising that suicide transcends social, ethnic, and cultural boundaries, SoBS ensures that their helpline and groups are open to all survivors of suicide bereavement aged 18 and over.

We are honored to be associated with an organisation that makes such a significant impact, and we look forward to seeing SoBS continue their crucial work in supporting those who need it most.



SoBS is dedicated to providing peer-led support for those affected by suicide. Their services include in-person support groups, online virtual support groups, a national telephone support line, an online community forum, and email support. Uniquely run by the bereaved for the bereaved, SoBS offers a compassionate and understanding space for adults across the UK who have experienced the loss of a loved one to suicide.





Find out more about the amazing work SoBS are doing, or donate by scanning the QR code



JAMIE WALKER - 150 APPEARANCES

Jamie Walker first joined Ilkeston Town in 2017 and made his debut in the historic first ever league game for the resurrected Robins away against Uttoxeter Town.

The team line up that day was Shaun Bodkin, Lavelle White, Jamie Walker, Martin Lench, Charlie Jemson, Elliott Hodgett-Young, Iain Robinson, Micah Edwards, Montel Gibson, Tim Hopkinson and Billy Bennett. The two subs used on the day were Alex Marshall and Chris Shaw and a Shaw free kick late in the game meant the Robins started their new era with a draw.



Jamie went on to make 45 appearances in the promotion winning season missing only two games. He wore the number three all season but would often pop up on the left wing and sometimes behind the front two in the hole. As a result he helped himself to eighteen goals with the first coming from a penalty at home to Bolehall Swifts in September. His first from open play soon followed against Chelmsley Wood in October.

In November he scored his first hat trick for the Robins against Paget Rangers in a 6-0 win at the new Manor Ground. Jamie scored the first goal in the game that clinched promotion to the Midland Football League Premier Division for the Robins away at Chelmsley Wood.

Jamie was born on the 12 th of June 1993 and started his football journey at Bulwell in the Central Midlands League. He then went on to play for Eastwood Town, Loughborough Dynamo and Carlton Town. Jamie was then spotted by ambitious Basford United and joined them for his first spell before moving on to Long Eaton United. He then had his first highly successful spell at the New Manor Ground where he made 92 starts and three sub appearances scoring 42 goals before re-joining Basford United. To get more game time he returned to Ilkeston on loan and made eleven startsbefore moving again on loan to Newark Flowserve.

For the 2020-21 season Jamie returned to Long Eaton United and embarked on a highly successful three year spell winning the United Counties League North and gaining promotion from the Northern Premier League East Division in a dramatic play off penalty shoot out with Jamie scoring the winning spot kick. At the start of the 2023-24 Jamie signed for National League North Alfreton Town but his stay only lasted a month before he signed for his third spell at Ilkeston Town.

Jamie started the present season in prolific goal scoring form and has been the main stay of the Ilkeston team. Jamie has the ability to do the unexpected, score the unexpected and win a game with a piece of "Jamie Magic".

OUR ROBINS - JOHN ATTEWELL

It's been proposed that supporters relate their experiences with the Club as a contribution to the match day programme. Here's mine.

I started watching Ilkeston Town in the late 1950s when I was about ten years old. When the other kids of my age went to the Saturday afternoon matinee every week at Kings cinema, I carried on down Bath Street to the old Manor Ground. There was always a match. If the first team were away then the reserves were at home. I lived for football and was hooked straight away. Among my favourite players were Ken Ledger, Dave Baker, Terry Swinscoe, Horace Hackland and Ken Johnson.



I can remember the opening of the stand at the Old Manor Ground and even before the stand was completed when there was just a metal framework. I also remember being in some big crowds down there but I could always see thanks to the steep banking behind the goal at the far end of the ground. There used to be two snack bars where you could buy food and drinks. I often had a hot dog at half time.

The entrance to the ground was off Bath Street and when through the turnstiles there were wide steps up to the pitch and behind the goal. After the game the crowd would pour out on to Bath Street and I can well remember the walk up to the Market Place to catch my bus home to Kirk Hallam.

I'm now privileged to be a volunteer helper at the Club on match days. My involvement started after Dave Mantle took over the club and it was renamed Ilkeston FC. I sponsored James Reid in the match day programme and Chief executive at the time Nigel Harrop asked if I would like to get involved. I said that I would and I'm still here

My present duties are;

Hospitality - looking after the match officials, the officials of our opponents and FA officials before the game and at half time.

Team sheet duty when Liam can't attend - complete team sheet and submit to the referee and opposing secretary by 2 15 at the latest.

I also write match reports for the programme and the Northern Premier League Round Up.

Talking to the various people in Hospitality is very enlightening. I get to hear about games from a referees perspective and the trials and tribulations of other clubs.



ILKESTON TOWN FC LADIES

Pre-Season

As we gear up for the 2024/25 season, Ilkeston Town Ladies Football Club is filled with anticipation and excitement. After a successful inaugural season in tier 5 of the football pyramid, we've firmly established ourselves in the league. Our sights are now set on a higher goal: securing that coveted top spot and advancing to tier 4. This ambitious aim is central to our club's future and a testament to our growing strength and confidence.

Building Momentum

Pre-season preparations have been promising and full of positive developments. The club has seen the arrival of new players, the return of familiar faces, and the retention of our core squad from last season. This combination of fresh talent and experienced players provides a solid foundation as we strive to improve week by week.

Our training sessions are increasingly focused on building fitness and cohesion within the team. Each week, we see significant improvements in our physical readiness, and our aim is to be fully match-fit before the first league game. The dedication and hard work displayed by every player during pre-season training are truly commendable and bode well for the challenges ahead.





We believe that this squad has the potential to achieve great things, and the chemistry among the players builds week on week. The enthusiasm and drive to succeed are evident in every training session, and we are confident that this will translate into strong performances once the season begins. Looking Forward: Goals and Aspirations

Our primary goal for the 2024/25 season is clear: to compete fiercely for the top spot in our league and earn promotion to tier 4. This objective drives every aspect of our preparation and strategy. We are committed to not only maintaining our league status but also pushing beyond our current limits to achieve greater success.

The club's supporters can look forward to an exciting season filled with competitive matches and memorable moments. We appreciate their unwavering support and look forward to sharing our journey with them as we strive to reach new heights.

We hope to see you in the stands, home and away, being our 12th player.

Come on you Robins!





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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.

Other than feeling light-headed on a few occasions in the month before he died, he had no symptoms!

SUDDEN CARDIAC DEATH IN THE YOUNG (SCD)

- SCD is the leading cause of death in young athletes during sport and the majority of deaths occur with NO SYMPTOMS or family history.
- ARVC can be found in one in every 1,000 to 5,000 young adults - IF IT IS LOOKED FOR.
- Warning signs may include light-headedness, fainting, palpitations, swollen legs, breathlessness.
- Every week in the UK, 12 apparently fit and healthy young people (aged 35 and under) die from previously undiagnosed heart conditions.
- In Italy, where screening is mandatory for all young people engaged in organised sport, they have reduced the incidence of young sudden cardiac death by 89%.

OUR MISSION

The Daniel Wilkinson Foundation has been set up to raise awareness of SCD and to provide funding towards heart screening, defibrillators and CPR/defibrillator training primarily for grass-roots sporting teams.

Tragedies can be prevented through cardiac screening. It is vital that young people are identified and treated.

Find out more

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