

ROBINS REVIEW

OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME
MONDAY 31ST AUGUST 2020



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WHITMAN'S THOUGHTS

"A warm welcome to Quorn, their players, staff and supporters as they visit the Microlise New Manor Ground this afternoon.

Last time out we suffered a heavy 7-0 defeat away at Bury. That result was nowhere near good enough and we all know it. The performance left a lot to be desired and the group needs to respond, quickly and strongly.

Tomorrow is the first opportunity to put things right. We have to show character, work rate and a proper response in front of our own supporters. Standards must be higher from the first whistle.

Quorn will be looking to bounce back themselves after a tough result at the weekend, so this will be a competitive fixture. We focus on ourselves: intensity, discipline, and making sure we give everything for the badge.

Let's get the three points and start climbing the table.

Thank you for your support, the reaction after Saturday's game showed exactly what representing this football club means, and we hope you enjoy the game today."

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By Nathan Waller

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BEHIND ENEMY LINES

Hari Corbett — Local youngster who progressed from the U17s into the first-team squad.

Jake Laban — Experienced goalkeeper with spells at Coalville Town, Hinckley LR, Corby Town, Harborough Town and Rushall Olympic.

Elliot Smith — Former Leicester City and Northampton Town academy goalkeeper who joined Quorn in 2026.

Madou Cisse — Former Notts County academy graduate who made his professional and EFL debuts before joining Quorn.

Luke Cox — Joined from Shepshed Dynamo after being named their Supporter's Player of the Season.

Mason Frizelle — Central defender who has featured for Gresley Rovers, Basford United and Belper Town.

Ben Kaninda — Former West Brom, Shrewsbury and Wycombe defender who made his professional debut at 18.

Jaiden Owen — Former Norwich City youngster with previous spells at Luton Town and Lincoln City.

Elias Reaney — Long-serving Notts County academy graduate who joined Quorn in 2026.

Finlay Tunstall — Versatile youngster who came through Sheffield Wednesday and Accrington Stanley.

Ryan Beswick — Quorn veteran who joined in 2023 and now leads the side as Player/Manager.

Ethan Bojang — Gambia U20 international with academy experience at Doncaster Rovers and Peterborough United.

Musa Ceesay — Spanish-born midfielder who has featured for Lye Town, Redditch United, Halesowen Town and Worcester City.

Aidan Edwards — Former Nottingham Forest, Mansfield, Lincoln and Notts County academy player who joined from Torquay United.

Lindon Meikle — Experienced former Football League player who has also enjoyed promotion success with Kettering Town.

Tim Berridge — Former Coalville Town striker who joined Quorn after two seasons with Leamington.

Jaiden Campbell-Ryce — Doncaster Rovers graduate who previously spent time with Nottingham Forest and Notts County.

Jesse Friend — Former Shepshed Dynamo forward who joined Quorn on loan from Notts County.

Billy Kee — Former EFL Golden Boot winner and Accrington Stanley legend who has rediscovered his goalscoring touch at Quorn.

Jayden-Samuel Lawrence-Lowther — Nottingham-born striker who has represented Notts County, Alfreton Town and Mickleover.

Oscar Marshall — Quorn academy graduate who scored the winning penalty in the 2024 County Cup run.

Luke Shaw — Former Ilkeston Town forward and Coalville Town hero who returned to Quorn in 2026.



QUORN AFC • THE HISTORY

The first football club in Quorn was established in the early 1880s, with the current club founded in 1924 by attendees of the local Wesleyan Chapel. Originally named Quorn Methodists F.C., the club changed its name in 1952 and joined the Leicestershire Senior League in 1937. Following the Second World War, Quorn competed in the Central Division before moving into Division Two in 1948.

Over the following decades, the club moved between divisions before establishing themselves in the Premier Division in the late 1990s. In 2001, Quorn won the league title and secured promotion to the Midland Alliance. Two years later, Luke Varney became the first player from the club to move to a Football League side, joining Crewe Alexandra for £50,000. His £2 million transfer to Charlton Athletic in 2007 subsequently brought Quorn a £500,000 windfall.

Quorn reached the Northern Premier League Division One South in 2007 and won the Westerby Cup for the first time in 2011, defeating Hinckley United 5–4 at the Walkers Stadium under Dougie Keast. The club were relegated that same season and spent the following years rebuilding.

Following the cancellation of the 2019/20 season due to COVID-19, Quorn were top of the United Counties League when the campaign ended. Richard Lavery later took charge and guided the club to a dramatic promotion in 2022/23, securing second place before a remarkable 5–0 inter-step play-off victory away at Great Wakering Rovers.

Quorn enjoyed a successful return to Step 4 in 2023/24, reaching the NPL Midlands Division play-offs. After Ant Carney's departure, Ryan Beswick was appointed Player/Manager and led the club to a historic 2024/25 campaign. The Reds began the season with a 24-match unbeaten league run and secured the NPL Midlands Division title with a 3–0 victory over Wellingborough Town, earning promotion to Step 3 for the first time in club history.

The 2025/26 season brought further success as Quorn finished an impressive eighth in their first Step 3 campaign and matched their best-ever FA Cup performance. The season ended with silverware, as Beswick's side defeated Loughborough Students 2–0 at Holmes Park to win the County Challenge Cup for the first time in 15 years.

Quorn



Nickname – The Reds, The Methodists

Ground – Farley Way Stadium, Farley Way, Quorn, LE12 8RB

Club Colours – Red/Red **Change colours** – Yellow/Blue

Website – <https://www.quornfc.co.uk/>

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Football Staff – Manager: Ryan Bestwick

Year Formed - 1924

Eleven Year Record

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos	
2025-26	42	19	8	15	78	71	65	8th	Northern Premier League – Premier Division
2024-25	40	32	7	1	104	25	103	1st	Northern Premier League – Division One Midlands
2023-24	38	19	9	10	81	54	66	5th	Northern Premier League – Division One Midlands
2022-23	38	25	7	6	96	53	82	2nd	United Counties League – Premier Division North
2021-22	34	11	8	15	59	62	41	13th	United Counties League – Premier Division North
2020-21	12	7	4	1	41	18	25	A	United Counties League – Premier Division
2019-20	30	19	7	4	92	35	64	A	United Counties League – Premier Division
2018-19	38	16	10	12	74	61	58	6th	Midland Football League - Premier Division
2017-18	42	18	6	18	77	89	60	11th	Midland Football League - Premier Division
2016-17	42	16	9	17	58	74	57	11th	Midland Football League - Premier Division
2015-16	42	12	9	21	71	78	45	17th	Midland Football League - Premier Division

Recent Form -

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Sequence
Last 10	10	0	4	6	8	21	4	LLDL-LLDLDD all up to 29.08.26
Last 5	5	0	3	2	5	11	3	

History

Present Club Formation – The club was formed by attendees of the local Wesleyan Chapel and were named Quorn Methodists

Name - Quorn Methodists 1924-1955, Quorn 1955-

Leagues – Leicestershire Senior League 1937-1942, 1946-2001, Midland Alliance 2001-2007, 2013-2014, Northern Premier League 2007-2012, 2023-25, United Counties League 2012-2013, 2019-2023, Midland Football League 2014-2019, Southern League 2025-2026

Grounds – Warwick Avenue, Farley Way Stadium

Famous Past Managers – Dougie Keast, Martin Carruthers

Famous Past Players – Luke Varney,

Ex Robins – Martin Carruthers (manager), Pete McGurk (manager), Silvio Bello, Reece Fyfe, Courcy Grantham, Zak Goodson, Micah Jebbison, Luke Cox,

Best FA Cup – 3Q 2007-07, 2025-26

Best FA Trophy – FA Vase – R4 2004-05, 2006-07 **FA Trophy** – R1 2023-24

Honours – **League** – Northern Premier League Division One Midlands 2024-2025,

Reference – Wikipedia, Football Club History Database, Football Web Pages, British Newspaper Archive

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WHAT IS ANDYSMANCLUB?



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ANDYSMANCLUB is a free peer-to-peer group that provides a place for men to come together in a safe and open environment to talk about the issues or problems that they have faced or are currently facing.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The process is about bringing men together who have been in similar situations, to help each other on a peer to peer basis, sharing how they have dealt with various situations through lived experiences. No matter how big or small your problem feels, we are here to support each other. The 5 questions that are asked each week are designed not only to encourage men to talk, but to start to focus on the positives and on strategies to keep moving forward. There is no pressure to answer any of the questions and it is not uncommon for men to just listen for the first few sessions. The clubs all run on the same format and adhere to the same guidelines. A key principle of ANDYSMANCLUB is anything that is said in the club, stays within the club.

WHO IS IT FOR?

The club is open to any man 18 or over, who is going through a storm, been through a storm or just wants to meet a good group of people with the aim of improving one another.

WHEN IS IT?

ANDYSMANCLUB meet every Monday at 7pm (excluding Bank Holiday Mondays).

WHERE IS IT?

ANDYSMANCLUB has clubs in many locations across the UK. Check our website below for a full list.

HOW DO I JOIN?

Just turn up on the night. No registration or referral is required, all we ask is that you arrive before 7pm. The full list of our locations is available on our website.

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