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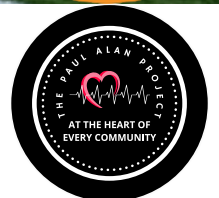
# Scotland Weekend '25

Hamilton Academical & Stenhousemuir



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**W**elcome everyone to our fifth consecutive away tour weekend, and our fourth North of the border, for most of us!



games you've all supported since May 2021.

**O**ur visit to Scotland sees us play our 8th and 9th games of 2025, with the 10th being our Festive match at Rushall Olympic in December followed by our Christmas Meal and awards evening which filled on the day it was announced. Thank you all for your continued support of our events.

**T**his weekend will also see us take the pitch in our new black strip. This landmark will also see us branch out into the realms of sponsorship that will last for, at least, the next two years. A massive thanks to our two sponsors, firstly Ryan Cheeseman who organised the shirt front sponsorship for the Paul Alan Project (who most of you will already be familiar with) and, Matt Fellows for the shirt back sponsorship by his company Three60 Training. You will be able to read more about both sponsors in this programme, and they will be tagged in all X and Facebook posts as we now go forward into this new period in our history.

I can't speak for all our players and supporters but I thought our programme of end of season events was one of our best periods with some fantastic venues and great

**O**ur thanks to the Hamilton Stadium and Stenhousemuir for their assistance in organising this weekend's games and our good friend Allan Todd for his assistance for arranging match officials. This weekend means we have played games at 8 different hosts in the Scottish League and 2 Welsh League clubs, in our 'away' weekends. This now means we will celebrate an amazing 43 events at 42 different venues - an incredible amount of

# ...From The Gaffer...

support from you all. This was the first time we used the format of games at all five levels of the Football Association pyramid system. We hope to continue this format as we plan for the end of the current 2025/26 season. I'll take this opportunity to also thank all the clubs for their great hospitality and assistance, and the numerous officials who took to the pitches with us around the country. Without them our games wouldn't be as enjoyable. I know the referees and club officials that have helped and supported these games follow us on our web site and X, so those who



do read this, please accept all our thanks again.

Our other big announcement from this weekend going forward is that we are starting a trial 'pool' of regular captains to draw from for our games, with some agreed captain's responsibilities. Our thanks to those who accepted our invite to join the group.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to add a massive

thanks from me to our 'Management Team', easing a lot of my own workload as we become more 'professional'. Terry Rickeard, Jon and Rob Dixon, have taken on a lot of the tasks of organisation of matches, 'in-between event tasks', record keeping and playing a major part in moving us forward. Rob Green manages the extremely popular annual awards and Tom Green produces this programme today. My sincere thanks to all of you.

Finally, all I need to add is that I sincerely hope you all enjoy the weekend and the games continue to be played in the fantastic FA Vets spirit. Enjoy.

**Yours in sport,**

*Mark F*

**New Douglas Park**  
Cadzow Avenue,  
Hamilton ML3 0DF  
Capacity - 6,018

**Ochilview**  
Gladstone Rd,  
Stenhousemuir FK5 4QL  
Capacity - 3,746



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# Update From The Paul Alan Project

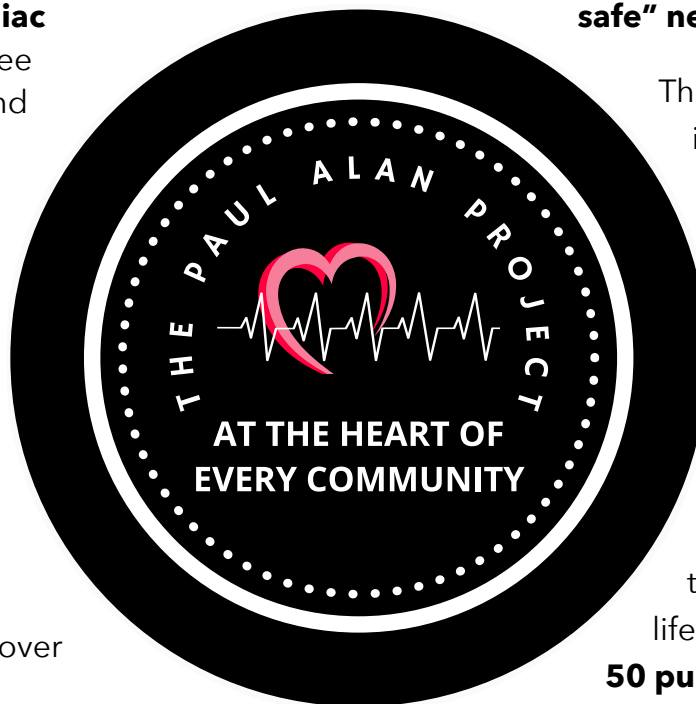
Founded after the sudden passing of Clare's father, Paul Alan Parish in January 2022, the Paul Alan Project works to **prevent out-of-hospital cardiac deaths** by offering free life-saving training and installing public defibrillators and bleed-control kits.

In 2024, the charity trained **1,100 people**, delivered sessions to over **20 organisations**, and installed **21 new defibrillators** across local communities raising over **£35,000** in total.

Highlights in the past 12 months included the first Parish Golf Day, a Halloween Family Fun Day at **Sutton United**, and a Heart Month partnership with **Fulham FC** to raise awareness of cardiac arrest and defibrillator access.

Each minute without CPR or defibrillation **cuts survival chances by 10%**. The charity's goal is that no one lives more than two

minutes from a defibrillator and, by training bystanders and installing accessible equipment, they're building truly **"heart-safe" neighbourhoods**.



The project aims to expand installations—each costing about £1,600 and welcomes **new partners, donors, and fundraisers** to help spread vital **life-saving skills even further**.

Since April 2023, the **Paul Alan Project** has trained **2,365 people** in life-saving skills and installed **50 public defibrillators and bleed-control kits** across local

communities. In 2024 alone, the charity added **21 new installations**, trained **1,100**

**...no one lives more than two minutes away from a defibrillator...**

**people**, and delivered awareness sessions to more than **20 schools, businesses, and community groups**. Their

impact is evident, with **130 defibrillator activations** recorded via 999 calls since 2023.

# New Douglas Park

The "Old" Douglas park opened in 1888 in Hamilton, South Lanarkshire as the home of Hamilton Academical. The highest recorded attendance was 28,690 for a match between Hamilton Academical and Hearts in 1937.

Hamilton Academical celebrated its 150th anniversary in 2024, with their long history connected to Hamilton and the stadium recognised across Scotland. Clyde FC have also used Douglas Park between 1991 and 1994 while they awaited completion of their own new stadium at Broadwood in Cumbernauld.

The Accies played at the 'original' Douglas Park until the end of the 1993/94 season when afterwards the site was sold and eventually redeveloped into a Sainsbury's supermarket. When Douglas Park was sold, some parts of the old stadium were sold off - whilst the turnstiles were sold to Falkirk and the main stand to Auchinleck Talbot, the floodlights were retained by Hamilton.

After closing the old stadium, Hamilton built their new stadium "New Douglas Park" immediately adjacent to the old ground.

Clyde left the Broadwood Stadium in Cumbernauld in 2022 after lease issues with the local council and since then, have been ground-sharing at New Douglas Park.

As of early 2025, there was initially some uncertainty over whether Clyde's tenancy will continue beyond the current season however it



was announced they will remain at New Douglas Park "for the foreseeable future". Meanwhile Hamilton Academical announced they will play home fixtures at Broadwood Stadium in Cumbernauld due to a dispute over their tenancy/ownership situation at New Douglas Park.

**"the turnstiles were sold to Falkirk and the main stand to Auchinleck Talbot, the floodlights were retained by Hamilton."**

New Douglas Park is a venue familiar to previous attendee's of the "away" weekends having previously welcomed the FA Vets for a Scottish Challenge Cup 3rd round tie between Clyde and Caernarfon Town back in September 2022. The game was largely unmemorable aside from a 91st minute winner (from inside their own half), and finished 1-0 to the home side.

New Douglas Park has gone through numerous upgrades and changes including playing surfaces (natural turf, artificial), and modifications to satisfy seating / capacity / league requirements.

The old stadium is remembered fondly, both for its era of large crowds and for being a base in the early 20th century for Hamilton (and briefly as shelter for Clyde during its ground search). Its redevelopment and the sale of parts reflect the financial pressures many clubs face with stadium upkeep and property values.



# Ochilview Park

Stenhousemuir FC was founded in 1884 and after initially playing at other grounds (Tryst Park and Goschen Park), the club finally settled at Ochilview Park in 1890, making it their permanent home. The name "Ochilview" refers to the Ochil Hills which are visible from the ground.

In April 1928 the main wooden grandstand was destroyed by fire. It was replaced with a new stand incorporating bench seating for around 300 spectators. During construction of the stand it was discovered that the architect had neglected to include access to the seating area, which had to be remedied by building external staircases.

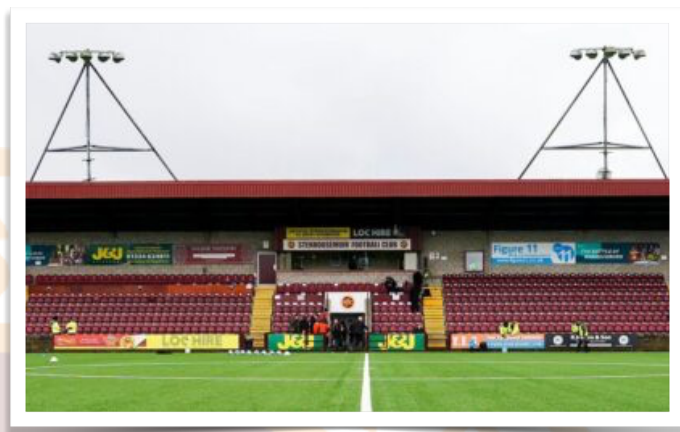
**1** The highest recorded attendance at Ochilview is 12,525 for a Scottish Cup Quarter Final between Stenhousemuir and East Fife on 11th March 1950.

A historic event occurred on 7th November 1951 when Ochilview hosted a friendly game between Stenhousemuir and Hibernian, widely considered the first floodlit match between senior Scottish clubs.

In the mid-90s the club considered relocating (by selling the site to a supermarket chain) but were prevented by planning regulations. Instead, they focused on upgrading the existing stadium.

At the end of the 1994/95 season, the covered terrace on the outhouse side was removed to make way for a new seated main stand, which opened in 1996/97. This stand was later named the *Norway Stand*, in recognition of the support from the club's Norwegian supporters' club.

The former main stand opposite the Norway Stand was demolished in April 1999 after failing to meet safety certification standards. That left the Norway Stand as the only seated covered stand.



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Stenhousemuir have shared their home over the years with numerous clubs hosted:

- **Stirling Albion** during the 1992/93 season
- **Falkirk** between 2003/04 while Brockville Park was replaced by the new Falkirk Stadium. To accommodate larger crowds, temporary stands were erected, lifting the capacity to 5,267
- **East Stirlingshire** from 2008 to 2018 after their old ground Firs Park was closed.
- **Queen's Park** briefly in the 2022-23 season, while their home (Lesser Hampden) was undergoing works.



# World Cup VET

## Player Profile:

### "Sir" Robert Thorpe

**Position(s):** Centre Back / Defensive Midfield

**Playing Style:** Composed, intelligent, physical presence

**Key Attributes:**

- Aerial dominance
- Tactical awareness
- Calm distributor under pressure
- Positional versatility

Bob was one of England's most consistent and effective performers in the tournament. Initially deployed in midfield to stifle opposition threats, he adapted seamlessly, offering calm leadership and smart decision-making. When moved back to centre-half - his natural position - his assured presence helped England to consecutive clean sheets.

Whether winning key headers, intercepting danger, or sparking attacks with simple, accurate passing, Bob was the heartbeat of England's defensive strength.

*"A calming influence" didn't give the opposition a sniff."*



## England's Over-70s returned from the World Soccer Festa in Japan unbeaten in five games

- a proud achievement, though one tinged with frustration as they missed out on a place in the Bronze Medal match on goals scored. The team showed resilience, discipline, and flashes of real quality - but just couldn't convert enough chances when it mattered most.

### Match Reports

#### Freddy Fund 0-0 England

The tournament kicked off with a tense stalemate against a technically sound German side. Freddy Fund, a well-drilled team with good positional discipline, looked dangerous on the break but were kept at bay. England's key tactical move was pushing Bob into midfield to nullify their No.10 - a move that worked perfectly. Bob was influential in the air and effective in linking play.



### 🇩🇪 Turn Verein 0-0 England

Against a fast, pressing Austrian team, England created enough chances to win comfortably - but wastefulness in front of goal proved costly. Turn Verein's sharp movement gave England problems early on, but the backline held firm. Bob, operating again in holding midfield, steadied the tempo and almost won it late on with a sweet half-volley that grazed the post.

### 🇯🇵 Kizuna 0-1 England

A much-needed victory came against a spirited Japanese side. Kizuna, known for their intricate passing and tireless running, pushed hard but couldn't break through. Bob was restored to centre back, and played with his usual composed and reliable style - intercepting danger and starting attacks with simple, accurate passes.



### 🇨🇵 Taiwan 0-0 England

Taiwan brought energy, but the England defence - marshalled by Bob - gave them no openings. Bob didn't put a foot wrong, nullifying any aerial threat and calmly distributing out from the back. Once again, England created enough chances to win but couldn't find the net.

### 🇯🇵 West Japan 1-1 England

The final group game proved decisive. West Japan, a highly organised and physically fit side, took the lead before England equalised. Despite a strong push for the winner, England couldn't find the second goal they needed. With the game finishing level and both sides unbeaten, West Japan advanced to the Bronze Medal match on goal difference. It might have been a frustrating end, but England leave with their pride intact having pushed all the way.



England's Over-70s can look back on their World Soccer Festa campaign with pride, remaining unbeaten in five matches and conceding just one goal throughout. Though narrowly missing a medal on goal difference, the team demonstrated impressive organisation, spirit, and consistency against strong international opposition. Central to that success was **Bob**, whose calm authority, tactical intelligence, and versatility anchored England's defensive solidity. His leadership and composure under pressure epitomised the team's dogged resilience - qualities that promise well for future tournaments.

**Look out for another update following Bob's appearance at the Over 70s Walking Football World Nations Cup in October...**



# STAT ATTACK



1  
Matt O'Regan  
Apps - 24  
Goals - 0



3  
Terry Riecard  
Apps - 36  
Goals - 10



4  
Jon Dixon  
Apps - 38  
Goals - 21



6  
Rob Dixon  
Apps - 27  
Goals - 2



7  
Bobby Green  
Apps - 38  
Goals - 3



8  
Danny Cheng  
Apps - 35  
Goals - 4



9  
Jack Feehan  
Apps - 18  
Goals - 20



10  
Dave Heason  
Apps - 35  
Goals - 24



11  
Matt Fellows  
Apps - 36  
Goals - 4



14  
Ben Middleton  
Apps - 15  
Goals - 1



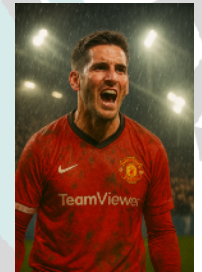
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Dean Twyman  
Apps - 28  
Goals - 4



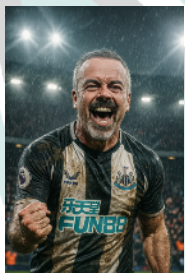
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Tom Green  
Apps - 24  
Goals - 3



24  
Rich Marsh  
Apps - 29  
Goals - 0



25  
Chris Lake  
Apps - 18  
Goals - 10



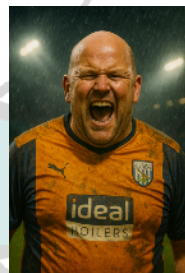
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Terry Lapsley  
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Goals - 0



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Jez Craggs  
Apps - 11  
Goals - 1



36  
Dean Thorpe  
Apps - 23  
Goals - 1



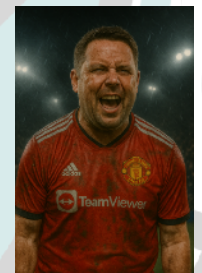
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Colin Griffiths  
Apps - 15  
Goals - 0



40  
Matt Porter  
Apps - 6  
Goals - 0



52  
John Donnellon  
Apps - 12  
Goals - 1



67  
Darren Winnard  
Apps - 26  
Goals - 16



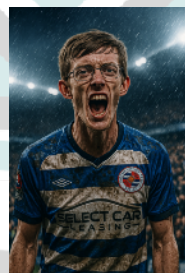
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Dan Thomas  
Apps - 16  
Goals - 10



99  
Steve Foreman  
Apps - 10  
Goals - 8



NA  
Callum Borowski  
Apps - 1  
Goals - 1



NA  
Ben Waite  
Apps - 8  
Goals - 6



20  
Mark Feehan  
Apps - 21  
Goals - 2

**Top Appearances:**  
Jon Dixon & Bobby Green - 38

**Most Goals:**  
Dave Heason - 24

**Highest Goals per Game:**  
Jack Feehan - 1.11

**Top Appearances 2025:**  
Jon Dixon, Bobby Green, Matt Fellows, Danny Cheng, Dave Heason, Andy Balmforth, Rob Dixon - 7 (100%)

# Keeping Up Appearances

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	All-Time Visits	Total Apps
4 Jon Dixon	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	38	4
7 Rob Green	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	38	7
11 Matt Fellows	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	36	11
3 Terry Rickeard	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	36	3
8 Daniel Cheng	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	35	8
10 Dave Heason	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	35	10
13 Andy Balmforth	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	35	13
24 Richard Marsh	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	29	24
15 Dean Twyman	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	28	15
6 Rob Dixon	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	27	6
67 Darren Winnard	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	27	67
1 Matt O'Regan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	24	1
24 Tom Green	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	24	16
36 Dean Thorpe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	23	36
20 Joe Feehan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	23	20
23 Joe Feehan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	23	20
20 Mark Feehan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	21	20
17 Nathan Moore	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	19	17
9 Jack Feehan	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	18	9
25 Chris Lake	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	18	25
39 Kevin Robertson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	17	39
73 Daniel Thomas	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	17	73
14 Ben Middleton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	15	14
15 Ben Middleton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	15	14
27 Colin Griffiths	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	15	27
2 Adam Canning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	14	2
45 Jason Guy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	14	45
5 Bob Thorpe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	12	5
52 John Donnellon	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	12	52
18 Lee Waterfall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	12	18
42 Alex McLoughlin	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	11	42
33 Jez Craggs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	11	33
32 Andrew Weaver	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	32
26 Roberto Donay	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	26
99 Steve Foreman	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	10	99
9 Asa McKenzie	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	9
50 Nick Enright	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	50
41 Ryan Cheeseman	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	9	41
23 Adam Joyce	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8	23
8 Ben Waite	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8	8
8 Brett Davids	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8	38
8 Ryan Foote	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8	8
8 Terry Lapsley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	8	28
57 Ian Palmer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7	57
69 Wayne Batsford	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	7	69
6 Gordon France	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6	6
6 Kevin Banks	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6	6
6 Matt Porter	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6	40
88 Ryan Fitzpatrick	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6	88
35 Gary Walker	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5	35
5 James Wilding	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5	5
19 Kev Wright	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5	19
21 Andy Harland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	21
4 Ellie Winnard	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	4
34 Haydn Powler	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	34
4 James Thorpe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	4
4 Matthew Thorpe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	4
4 Rich Duffy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	4
22 Ryan Powler	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	4	22
3 Gavin Cabbie	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	3
3 Josh Bileson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	3
3 Mia Winnard	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	3
29 Michael Rockson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	29
3 Oscar Kennedy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	3
44 Peter Clough	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	44
30 Will Binks	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	3	30
3 Will Osborne	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	3
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2 Pete Arnold	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
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2 Daniel Carter	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Duncan Ho	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Gary Brazier	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Jonny Bates	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Josh Dalley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Karl Holmes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Leo Waterfall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Malcom Mitchell	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Marcus Harland	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Mark Beare	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Rob Marsh	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Rob Wilding	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
2 Sam Godsall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	2
27 Tom Kirton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	27

**Hamilton Academicals (Saturday)**

<b>1</b>	Matt O'Regan	Rich Marsh	<b>24</b>
<b>8</b>	Danny Cheng	Terry Rikeard	<b>3</b>
<b>9</b>	Jack Feehan	Jon Dixon	<b>4</b>
<b>14</b>	Ben Middleton	Rob Dixon	<b>6</b>
<b>15</b>	Dean Twyman (c)	Bobby Green	<b>7</b>
<b>16</b>	Tom Green	Dave Heason	<b>10</b>
<b>25</b>	Chris Lake	Matt Fellows (c)	<b>11</b>
<b>33</b>	Jez Craggs	Terry Lapsley	<b>28</b>
<b>37</b>	Colin Griffiths	Dean Thorpe	<b>36</b>
<b>67</b>	Darren Winnard	Matt Porter	<b>40</b>
<b>73</b>	Dan Thomas	John Donnellon	<b>52</b>
<b>99</b>	Steve Foreman	Callum Borowski	<b>N/A</b>
<b>N/A</b>	Ben Waite		
<b>Officials</b>	Referee: David Marshall, Assistant Referee's: David Cane, Rhys Kennedy		

**Up****Friday 5th December 2025****Rushall Olympic** (Northern League Prem)**Kick Off 1pm**, meet Midday at ground**Next...**

Followed by our now annual Christmas Dinner/Awards/Drinks/Social at the White House Pub near the ground. Watch the "Match Info" group as more details available soon.

**Stenhousemuir (Sunday)**

<b>24</b>	Rich Marsh	Matt O'Regan	<b>1</b>
<b>3</b>	Terry Rikeard	Danny Cheng	<b>8</b>
<b>4</b>	Jon Dixon	Jack Feehan	<b>9</b>
<b>6</b>	Rob Dixon	Ben Middleton	<b>14</b>
<b>7</b>	Bobby Green	Dean Twyman	<b>15</b>
<b>10</b>	Dave Heason	Tom Green	<b>16</b>
<b>11</b>	Matt Fellows	Chris Lake	<b>25</b>
<b>28</b>	Terry Lapsley	Jez Craggs	<b>33</b>
<b>36</b>	Dean Thorpe (c)	Colin Griffiths	<b>37</b>
<b>40</b>	Matt Porter	Darren Winnard (c)	<b>67</b>
<b>52</b>	John Donnellon	Dan Thomas	<b>73</b>
<b>N/A</b>	Callum Borowski	Steve Foreman	<b>99</b>
		Ben Waite	<b>N/A</b>
<b>Officials</b>	Referee: David Marshall		