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# WELCOME

Good afternoon and Welcome to The Mortgages by Mcateer Stadium for this afternoons Evo Stik Division One North West encounter with Newcastle Town.

We welcome Newcastle Towns players, officials and spectators to the ground, where we as a club made a number of improvements.

It is fair to say the first week in charge for Craig Dootson has been difficult losing 7-0 at Runcorn and then being knocked out of the County Cup by Appleby.

However prior to that the 1-0 win at Colne showed that as a team they are capable of competing and getting results.

Obviously, our current relegation position is difficult, 10 adrift of safety and 4 points behind Prescott who are in the relegation playoff position.

And in truth today's game is massive, where we must get a result, all be it Newcastle Town are a very talented team who themselves will be keen to bounce back from their 4-3 against Widnes last weekend.

Interestingly enough there are only three survivors of our team who played Newcastle back on Tuesday 28th September, which shows how things can change in a season.

It is certainly a huge month, with some big games, where we play both Marine and Leek Town during the next fortnight.

The fixtures are not that kind to us; however, the players will be keen to turn things round and give themselves a chance in the fight to stay in the division.

Thanks, and we hope you enjoy the game.

Up the Mint cakes!





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# DOOTS LATEST THOUGHTS:

## **Craig Dootson:**

Good Afternoon Everyone and Welcome Back for your first Saturday Home Game of 2022.

I think it's easy to say my first week as Manager has been challenging, but it's a challenge that me and the staff are up for, and as a collective we want to turn the fortunes of the club around, for the chairman, the committee, the town, but most importantly the fans.

When I spoke to Mike about taking the role, it was clear that he has a desire to move Kendal forward, but he was also realistic, and it had to be done one step at time. As a staff team we can only influence what happens on the pitch and the first goal is to keep the team in the league. The fans support off the pitch and the hard work of the committee can help put Kendal on a steady footing and give us a strong foundation to push forward next season. The changes won't happen overnight, and we have to work from scratch on most things, and we all have a lot of work to do.

On the pitch this week has been tough, we played a very strong Runcorn team last Saturday and as a team we hit the self destruct button for 15 minutes in the first half and against a team like that you can never recover. Tuesday was a tough one to take, and I was disappointed with the desire shown by the players, and I made my feelings clear after the game that the club and the fans deserve more, and I'm hoping for a reaction.

Today we welcome Newcastle Town to Kendal. Their current form and league position doesn't do them justice, and I know having spoken with other managers in the league that the way they try to play football is respected across the league and some of the players in their team could certainly be playing at a higher level. This will be a tough task for us today, but it is one that the squad is up for.

I'm looking forward to this one, and I'm looking forward to seeing you in the stands. Your support is very much appreciated, and I'm looking forward to taking the challenge on with you all.

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## TEAMS LINE-UP

KENDAL TOWN v NEWCASTLE TOWN  
SATURDAY 15TH JANUARY – 3PM KICK OFF  
EVOSTIK DIVISION ONE NORTH WEST

JAMES MC'CLENAGHAN	1	OWEN MOONEY
JACK BYRNE	2	LUCAS KIRNON
BILLY BATCH	3	MILES VARE
DARREN NIGHTINGALE	4	ETHAN VALE
WILL HIGHAM	5	JAMES ASKEY
NATHAN CLOUDSDALE	6	LUKE DENNIS
TOM FAGAN	7	WILL LLOYD
AKIEL RAFFIE	8	TOMMY VAN DER LAAN
DYLAN MOBBS	9	AREK POSIASK
SCOTT MC DONALD	10	JACK VAN DER LAAN
JOEL BROGAN	11	NATHAN MORLEY

### SUBSTITUTES

OSASUY OBADIARU	12	MAXWELL CHIMENES
GEDEAO VARELA	13	LEWIS JARMAN
DANNY REEVE	14	CHALLIS JOHNSON
TOMAS SANCHEZ	15	JOSEPH BIRKS
CHRIS WRAIGHTE	16	JACOB LOVATT

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CRAIG DOOTSON (MANAGER)  
DAVID WOODRUFF (ASSISTANT)  
ANDREW WHITESIDE (COACH)  
SOPHIE BIRNIE (PHYSIO THERAPIST)  
ALVIN FINCH (WELFARE OFFICER)

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ROBIN VAN DER LAAN (MANAGER)  
PAUL GROVES (ASSISTANT)  
PAUL WRIGHT (COACH)  
ALAN BAXTER (COACH/ANALYST)  
JAKE RATCLIFFE (GOALKEEPING COACH)  
JOHN DAVIS (PHYSIO THERAPIST)



## CHAIRMAN'S NOTES

Welcome to our visitors from Newcastle Town, we hope you've had a safe journey up the M6!

A lot of happened in the last few weeks. The loss of Warren Beattie was tough to take however as a club we fully understood Warren's reasons and wish him and his family well. In Craig Dootson I know we have a very well-connected football man who will develop the playing squad and win games of football.

I'm also very pleased that David Woodruff has agreed to stay on to assist Criag. I feel we're in good hands and we look forward to seeing how the squad evolves in the coming weeks. Welcome, Craig Dootson!

We've seriously experienced every emotion in the last 3 games. The absolute elation of winning away at Colne, the agony of shipping 7 v Runcorn and then the frustration of the Appleby loss. With a 3rd of the season left to go, it's all still to play for and the club's committee are giving their best efforts off the field. We know the players will give their best efforts on the field.

Please give our players your best backing. And up the Mint cakes.

## Fixtures at the McAteer Mortgages Stadium



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# KENDAL TOWN - CLUB HISTORY

## New Challenges

In 1968 the Club accepted the challenge of becoming a Founder Member of the Northern Premier League. However, the 1970's were not kind to Netherfield as they languished around the bottom of the Northern Premier League for most of the decade.

In 1980 Netherfield and Bridlington Trinity set a record for Cup Tie Replays that will likely never be broken, when they played each other seven times in the first round of the FA Trophy. After a total of thirteen and a half hours match play Netherfield won 2-0 to go through to the second round. However, the cost to both clubs was dire, a total of £1,800 and it depleted the finances of Netherfield causing the Club to move down into the North West Counties League Division 1 in 1982.

In 1987 the Northern Premier League expanded into a new division, League Division 1 which provided a route back for the Club to play at a higher level as they joined the new Division and in 1998 the Club changed its name to Netherfield Kendal.

## The New Millennia

In 2000 with the demise of shoe making in the town, and with the Netherfield site now a shopping complex, K Village, the club decided to re-brand itself as Kendal Town to reflect its relationship with the town. Although in recent years times have not been easy for Kendal Town there has been some success on the field, in 2003 they reached the final of the Marsden Cup and over 400 fans travelled to Accrington to watch them lose 2-0 to Conference side Leigh RMI.

New state of the art floodlights began a slow process of gradual ground redevelopment in 2004 and 2,500 fans turned up to watch the lights switched on and a visiting Manchester United XI Squad.

Tony Hesketh returned to the club for a second spell as Manager in 2004/5 steering them to fifth place in the League. In the ensuing play-off final the club travelled to AFC Telford as underdogs. Although Kendal could not overhaul the favourites they won much respect from the 4,250 Telford fans watching as they narrowly lost 2-1. Later that year the club entered into partnership with the Westmorland FA and Bolton Wanderers in an effort to improve youth football and coaching.

The club achieved Charter Standard status from the FA shortly afterwards and subsequently formed a new youth club in conjunction with local club Wattsfield FC and achieved full Community Charter Standard status in an effort to improve football for boys and girls in the area.



2005/6 saw Kendal's most successful season for 40 years as they achieved a promotion for the first time in their history to the Unibond Premier League. The run-in to the end of the season was a nail-biting one and Kendal missed automatic promotion on the last day of the Season by a single goal difference. A packed Parkside Road witnessed a pulsating Play-Off Final won by Kendal Town in the last minute when former Manager Peter Smith popped up to score the winning goal against Gresley Rovers to seal a famous promotion resulting in one of the biggest pitch invasions witnessed in Kendal!

The highpoint of the 2006/7 season was off the field, when a long-standing friend of Kendal Town, John Richardson persuaded Preston and England football legend Sir Tom Finney to come to a home game.

After a fine start to 2006/7 season in the Unibond Premier League, reality kicked in for Kendal Town. After a series of poor results, both in the League and in Cup competitions. Manager Tony Hesketh resigned and was replaced by Club Captain Lee Ashcroft. The Club hovered around the relegation zone for some time but managed to avoid relegation.

The high point of the season was when Preston and England legend Sir Tom Finney OBE was persuaded to become Club President: Sir Tom recounted he had as a teenager been turned down by Netherfield as a player by the Club.

The 2007/8 season saw the club finish in mid-table. The following two seasons were Town's best in the Unibond Premier League where they secured two Play-Off places in a row losing in the Semi-Finals each time.

Longstanding Chairman David Willan was replaced by Haydon Munslow in 2010.

Manager Lee Ashcroft left to join Northwich Victoria half way through the 2012/13 Season taking many of the playing team with him. Steve Edmondson took over as Manager but despite winning many of the remaining games with a new hastily formed Squad was unable to prevent the club being relegated.

In 2013 the Club House which still runs in private ownership was taken back by the club and renamed by supporters as Finney's (after Sir Tom). In the same year Kendal Town Ladies was formed and a local Youth Development Centre established.

The 2013/14 season was one of consolidation in the Evo-Stik First Division North. Former club striker David Foster replaced Steve Edmondson as Manager. The Season opened with hopes of a Play-Off place, but after a series of indifferent results David Foster departed and his assistant Michael Stringfellow stepped up as his replacement. He was able to produce a number of exciting home wins against highly rated clubs but couldn't find a consistent run of results.

The 2014/15 started well for Michael Stringfellow with good results. A troubled period then followed with an outside Lancashire based business consortium trying hard to take over the





Club. Internal friction amongst the Club's members was mirrored by increasingly poor results on the pitch. Chairman Haydon Munslow resigned and was replaced by George Gudgeon.

Michael Stringfellow resigned and was replaced by a new coaching team led by Gary Fawcett and the returning David Foster. The consortium withdrew. Results started to again improve leading to a mid-table finish. Further consolidation has continued since.

During the last 3 seasons, In order to reduce inherited debt and reduce bills has seen the chairman having to make unpopular decisions, such as reducing/removing player wage bill, recruiting players from in and around the surrounding area, causing continued criticism and protests for him to resign. In early 2019 a 10 point strategy plan laying out the plans to move the club forward was revealed to the supporters. A majority of the players refused to play for the club and manager Dave Foster was relieved of his duties. Former manager Steve Edmondson took over as caretaker manager and the team avoided relegation although fortune favoured them, with the resignation of Colwyn Bay from the league.

In the 2019-20 season Steve Edmondson was appointed manager on a full-time basis, with Keith Singleton his assistant.

Season 2018/19 marked the Centenary of the Mintcakes but the Club struggled on the field and only avoided relegation because Colwyn Bay opted to transfer to the Welsh Pyramid. Season 2019/20 will be remembered more for the Covid19 Pandemic than the football, the season being curtailed in March.

George Gudgeon stood down as Chairman prior to the start of the new Season due to ill health with his wife Linda also resigning as Secretary. A much changed Committee has been formed to take the Club forward. Chris Humphrey the former Jamaican International, Preston North End and Motherwell player has been appointed Player/Manager with John Foley as First Team Coach.

The 2020-21 season was remembered for Covid where the season was cancelled, however the team had a largely positive start to the shortened campaign where they were mid table.

However once the 2021-22 season started despite an encouraging spell, Chris Humphrey and Jay Rossi both left when the teams form began to suffer.

Michael O'Neill became the new chairman while Warren Beattie was appointed as the new manager before sadly leaving due to family reasons. Craig Dootson became the new Kendal Town manager in January.



# KENDAL TOWN PLAYER PROFILES

## **Gedeao Varela**

5ft 9 who grew up as a left winger, but has since turned into more of an attacking midfielder. Very good on the ball and has experience at a number of clubs both in England and Portugal. Former clubs: AFC Fylde, Atherton LR, St Helens Town, Glossop North End, Sanjoanense and Sporting Lisbon Academy.

## **Thomas Fagan**

A tough versatile player who can play in defence or midfield. He is hoping to continue his progression following a positive spell under management of Chris Humphrey.

## **Chris Wraighte**

A very fit versatile player who enjoys defending and attacking. Looking forward to the season, and feels proud to represent The Mintcakes.

## **Darren Nightingale**

A local lad who made his debut for the first team. A versatile player who stepped up from the reserves and a former Caton United player.

## **Joel Brogan**

A left back and left midfielder who has a bright future ahead of him who has previously spent time at AFC Fylde, Wyre Villa and professionally in Germany with FC Deisenhofen U19s.

## **Gary Basterfield**

Rejoins Kendal Town after previously playing in the first team and also the reserves, a talented and energetic player who gives 100% to the team.

## **Ryan Salmon**

A former Mintcakes, and formerly at clubs such as Atherton Collieries, leads the line up front, and adds vital experience in the teams quest to stay up.

## **Dylan Mobbs**

Dylan is one of the Club's newest signings, a talented Australian who plays as a versatile striker, who made his debut in Kendal Town's 1-0 win at Colne on New Year's Day. Dylan is renowned for scoring goals and he hopes to continue that trend at the Club.

## **Jack Byrne**

A young defender currently on loan from AFC Fylde.

## **James McClenaghan**

James is the club's new goalkeeper, who was recently signed from Widnes, James has already made a huge impact impressing in the last few games while he played well in the team's 1-0 win at Colne.

## **Akiel Raffie**

Akiel has signed on an initial one month loan from Fleetwood Town, Raffie, HAS recently spent time on loan at Bamber Bridge, and has featured for Fleetwood Town three times where his latest appearance came in Fleetwoods Papa John's Trophy game against Bolton.

## **Billy Batch**

Billy Joins the club on an initial one month loan from Fleetwood Town, The 18-year-old has also been involved with Fleetwood after making consistent appearances in the joint-longest FA Youth Cup campaign in the club's history. And was in Fleetwoods squad that played Hull City in the EFL Trophy in January.

Batch has also been performing in Fleetwood Town Under-18 team this season and had earlier signed his first professional contract with The Cod Army.

## **Danny Edwards**

Danny has joined the club on loan from Fleetwood Town, he had most recently signed a professional contract for the Cod Army, and has been involved with their first team while he was on the bench in Fleetwoods Papa Johns Trophy win against Sunderland.

## **Scott Mcdonald**

Scott joined the Club last month after playing for Vickerstown, a striker who netted the opening goal for Kendal in their defeat against Workington Reds.

## **Nathan Cloudsdale**

Nathan joins Kendal Town for the second time after previously playing when Steve Edmondson was in charge. Nathan works hard and adds experience and quality to a young team.








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# NEWCASTLE TOWN FC – CLUB HISTORY

Newcastle Town FC emerged in its current format from a merger with Parkway Clayton in 1986 and are now enjoying life in Evostik League Football.

Their recently renamed Red Industries Stadium in Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire has a capacity of 4,000, covered accommodation for 1000, seating for 300, a tidy well equipped clubhouse which offers amongst other beverages quality cask conditioned ale, and a £60,000 floodlighting system. The playing surface is surrounded by one of the few recognised cycling tracks in the north of the country which hosts many competitions and has been used by the Great British Cycling Team in the recent past.

In the season immediately after the merger with Parkway Clayton Newcastle Town enjoyed much success ending runners up in the Mid Cheshire League and moving into the North West Counties League as a limited company in 1987.

After promotion from Division Two in the early 1990's the club enjoyed a lot of success in Division One winning the Tennants Floodlit Trophy, the Walsall Senior Cup and the NWCL Floodlit Trophy although constantly just missing out on promotion at the death.

In the 96/97 season the club enjoyed a tremendous run in the FA Cup defeating Winsford United, Frickley and Bamber Town from the Unibond League on their way to the first round proper where they narrowly lost to Notts County, the oldest league club in the world, at what was to be one of the last cup ties at Stoke City's famous Victoria Ground.

Following the turn of the century promotion continued to escape the clutches of Newcastle Town although playing extremely entertaining football under the likes of managers Ray Walker before his move to Crewe Alexandra and Nigel Gleghorn formerly with Stoke City.

In the season 2006/07 Towns form fell away after a very promising start and management duo Greg Clowes and Dorian Garner took over the reins after a successful period with Unibond side Alsager Town. Results picked up and new players arrived with Castle only losing 4 of their last 18 games in the new duos first season in charge. Paul Ratcliffe also took over as Chairman of the club at this time.

The next couple of years saw the management continue to build a side that would challenge for promotion although both proved disappointing with Castle again narrowly missing out mainly due to key players injuries.

Despite the disappointment of no promotion Newcastle players Simon Eldershaw (Player of the Month) Jon Ritchie (Safe Hands) and Richard Minor (Division1 Player of the Season) brought success with their awards.

Finally in Season 2009/10 Newcastle Town achieved their dream of promotion. They led the Vodkat League from day 1 and by the time they dropped their first points having won the first 28 games, the title was almost secure.

Best start, most League wins in a season and most points were three of the records that the club broke. They also lifted the Staffs Senior Cup for the first time with an amazing 6-1 victory over Port Vale at Vale Park.

Hardly had the team's success sunk in when Newcastle Town were rocked in the close season with both Manager Greg Clowes and Assistant Dorian Garner leaving for Stafford Rangers taking the whole squad with them.



Undaunted the club followed current policy and appointed from within with John Diskin, Dave Sutton and Ivan Lodge being promoted from their respective roles with both the second Team and the Youth Team. Their brief was to rebuild a First Team squad capable of confirming their position within the Evostik First Division.

Currently Castle seem to have achieved their goal sitting mid table with notable results against teams challenging for promotion this season as well as winning performances in competitions against teams from higher divisions.

Castle ended the 2011-12 season in a respectable position but with higher hopes as there was a great deal of success from the younger players coming through at the club.

Town continued to build for the future in 2012-13 in a season which saw an influx of their successful Youth Team into the First Team Squad as the season progressed.

Season 2013-14 saw Castle's young side improve throughout the season and finish a very respectable eighth in the League. With the Young Reserve side reaching the final of the Leek Cup and the Youth Team winning the County Youth Floodlit Cup Newcastle will be looking to push on and continue their development.

Further improvement came in 2014-15 with Castle reaching the play-offs where they were defeated by Sutton Coldfield Town who were promoted to the Premier Division. Town's policy of developing youngsters looks to be paying dividends as more trophies were forthcoming. Newcastle also won awards for Fair Play and their lack of dissent as they build a reputation of playing the game in the right manner with good football.

The season saw Town struggle with injuries culminating with Manager Ivan Lodge suffering a stroke. Ivan decided to step down to concentrate on his recovery and at the end of the season his brother-in-law and former Norton and Witton Manager Scott Dundas was appointed with assistant Steve Chadwick to the role to take the Club forward.

Castle had a strong season being in contention throughout for a play-off position but narrowly missed out on the last day of the season. Shortly afterwards Town were again searching for a manager after the surprise resignation of Scott Dundas.

Scott was replaced by Bob Askey but after a promising start with the club in a challenging position things went downwards and as Castle dropped down the table Bob was replaced by Robin Van Der Laan and Dave Dale. Things did not improve and Town saved themselves from relegation winning their final game at home to Belper Town.

Changes came in the close season with former Chairman Paul Ratcliffe returning and the Club looking to improve on last season. New sponsors Red Industries have returned to the club and with the young players coming through Castle look to have a bright future. As the season went on Castle produced a mixed bag of results but having produced a series of good results against the top teams 2019-20 looks to be full of promise for the young side.

Improved as the season went on pulling themselves away from the relegation area as new players arrived. Sadly the season was cut short due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Newcastle will be looking to continue the improvement this season as the young players mature.

Late start, early finish was again the story of the 2020-21 season as another wave of the Coronavirus pandemic swept the country and a much improved season saw Castle sitting in third place with just one defeat as football was called to an end in November and the season nullified early in the new year. As the pandemic looks to being controlled the new season looks bright for the club. Let's hope it's third time lucky.





# NEWCASTLE TOWN PLAYER PROFILES

## **Owen MOONEY:** (GOALKEEPER)

Highly rated young keeper on loan from Wigan Athletic. Has already made a good impression since joining the club saving three penalties in the penalty shootout in the FA trophy and making a lot of fine saves as well. APPS: 25 GOALS: 0

## **Lucas KIRNON:** (DEFENDER)

Young defender recently joined on Work Experience from Salford City. Equally at home as a full-back or central defender he made an impressive start on debut last week. APPS: 1 GOALS: 0

## **James ASKEY:** (DEFENDER)

Highly rated defender who is equally at home at full back or in the centre. Castle skipper who has returned to lead the team after short spells at Stafford Rangers and Chasetown. Having just passed 350 appearances he will be hoping to lead the team as they progress. Has the second most appearances for the club. APPS: 379 GOALS: 36

## **Jack VAN DER LAAN:** (MIDFIELD)

One of Town's newer generation who has already become a regular in the team. A hard-working midfielder who can pull the strings. Son of former Derby player Robin Van Der Laan so comes from a good pedigree. APPS: 99 GOALS: 14

## **Tommy VAN DER LAAN** (MIDFIELD)

Made his debut at Runcorn Linnets three seasons ago and went on to make 6 appearances. Defensive midfielder with good passing ability. Will be looking to establish himself this season. Another of the Manager's sons. APPS: 66 GOALS: 5

## **Nathan MORLEY:** (DEFENDER/MIDFIELD)

Young wide player signed two seasons ago from Burton Albion. Started on loan and will be looking to make his mark this season. Equally at home in defence or midfield. Has bags of pace. APPS: 60 GOALS: 8

## **Ethan VALE:** (MIDFIELD)

Another highly rated youngster signed from Burton Albion following a successful. Now signed full-time on his release from Burton Albion. Midfield player with a good range of passing and good from dead ball situations. Will be looking to develop into one of the top midfield players in the League. APPS: 54 GOALS 4

## **Will LLOYD:** (MIDFIELD)

Young midfield player who through his fine Youth Team performances has forced his way into the reckoning for the first team. Strong, battling player who has all the attributes to go a long way with the promise of good things to come. Formally with Shrewsbury Town. APPS: 13 GOALS: 2

**Joe BERKS:** (MIDFIELD)

Signed last season from Stafford Rangers. Joe is an attacking midfield player who will be looking to add to Town's goal threat. Ex-Port Vale who will be looking to make a big impression in his second season. Will be a real danger with the players around him. APPS: 28 GOALS: 6

**Maxwell CHIMENES:** (FORWARD)

Signed full-time last season on his release from Port Vale having impressed on loan the season before. A quick forward equally at home across the front three with a real eye for goal. Will be looking to develop into one of the main players in the team. APPS: 33 GOALS: 6

**Lewis JARMAN** (MIDFIELD)

Signed in the close season from Whitchurch Lewis has made an impressive start to his Newcastle career in various positions. Will be looking to establish himself in the team at the higher level. A player who should benefit from Newcastle's Policy of developing young players. APPS: 22 GOALS: 0

**Challis JOHNSON** (FORWARD)

Signed recently have previously been with Crewe Alexandra. A lively, quick forward with an eye for goal Castle have high hopes that he will develop into a very dangerous player around the box. APPS: 8 GOALS: 2

**Luke WALSH** (FORWARD)

Tricky forward recently signed from Nantwich. Equally at home wide or down the middle. Entertains with his exciting runs. A real crowd pleaser. APPS: 1 GOALS: 0

**Miles VARE** (DEFENDER)

A defender who has recently joined the club from Cheadle Town. Equally at home as full-back or a central defender. Will be looking to establish himself in the team. APPS: 4 GOALS: 0

**Arek POCIASK** (FORWARD)

A young forward who recently joined the club from Glossop North End. Settling in well and making a name for himself with his movement and work rate. Dangerous in and around the box. APPS: 2 GOALS: 1

**Jake LOVATT** (FORWARD)

Back at Newcastle following spells at Uttoxeter Town, Chasetown and Kidsgrove Athletic. Jake made his name scoring plenty of goals at youth level before stepping up to the first team where he continued to develop. Scored on his return to the club, A real danger in and around the box. APPS: 22 GOALS: 7





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## MANAGEMENT

### **Robin VAN DER LAAN:** (MANAGER)

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### **Paul GROVES:** (ASSISTANT MANAGER)

Knows the club inside out having come through the Club's ranks as a player. A perfect foil for the Manager.

### **Paul WRIGHT:** (COACH)

Recent addition to the Management Team having recently left Rocester. Already fitting in well.

### **Alan BAXTER:** (COACH/ANALYST)

Plays an important part in the preparations for games with his analysis and scouting to bring in players who fit into Castle's way of playing.

### **Jake RATCLIFFE:** (GOALKEEPING COACH)

A highly rated goalkeeping coach who works with all the keepers developing their individual aspects of the game.

### **John DAVIES:** (PHYSIO)

A vastly experienced physio who joined the club from Kidsgrove Athletic. His care of the players plays an important part of the team.

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# KENDAL TOWN UNDER 18 GIRLS ROUND-UP



The Under 18 Girls are still waiting to return after a prolonged break without any games, due to the opposition either having covid, or bad weather seeing games postponed. And in fact this weekend, the team are without a game, while they are hoping to return on Sunday 23 January where they are scheduled to host Langho. However despite the inactivity, Kendal only have five league games left (four of which are at home), before playing cup matches for the second half of this season while Chris Millers team remain top of the North Valley & Burnley Unity League.

**For a full list of the remaining fixtures please see below:**

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	VS	Away Team	Venue
L	23/01/22 11:00	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls	VS	Langho U18 Girls	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls
L	30/01/22 11:00	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls	VS	Cadley U18 U 18 Women	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls
L	06/02/22 11:00	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls	VS	AFC Darwen Ladies U17	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls
L	20/02/22 11:00	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls	VS	Ferriby and Pleasington JFC U17 Girl	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls
L	27/02/22 11:00	Langho U18 Girls	VS	Kendal Town Youth Ladies U18 Girls	Langho U18 Girls

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# KENDAL TOWN RESERVE TEAM ROUND UP



The Reserves suffered a heavy defeat away to Fulwood Amateurs in The Lancashire League Reserve Cup Competition.

Fulwood were impressive, although Kendal fielded a depleted squad with a lot of their regulars missing, while 5 were called up to the first team. In many ways the result isn't a true reflection of how Niko Noreci's team have been doing this season as they now look to bounce back with a home game against Lancaster City Under 23's this Wednesday Night (19/1/22), 7.45pm kick-off.

It was also announced that Reserve Team assistant manager Scott O'Callaghan has resigned with Shaun Gardner taking over.

## RESERVE TEAM FIXTURE LIST

Type	Date / Time	Home Team	VS	Away Team	Venue
Cup	19/03/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	Lancaster City FC U23 Under 23s	Kendal Town FC Reserves
Cup	26/03/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	AFC Fylde U21	Kendal Town FC Reserves
Cup	02/02/22 19:45	Squires Gate U23	VS	Kendal Town FC Reserves	Squires Gate U23
Cup	09/02/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	Fulwood Amateur U23	Kendal Town FC Reserves
Cup	16/02/22 19:45	Lancaster City FC U23 Under 23s	VS	Kendal Town FC Reserves	Lancaster City FC Reserve
Cup	23/02/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	Squires Gate U23	Kendal Town FC Reserves
L	25/02/22 20:00	Macclesfield FC U23 White	VS	Kendal Town FC Reserves	UCLAN Sports Arena
L	07/03/22 19:45	Lancaster City FC U23 Under 23s	VS	Kendal Town FC Reserves	Giant Axe
L	14/03/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	Macclesfield FC U23 Blues	Parkside Road Stadium
L	23/03/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	Fulwood Amateur U23	Parkside Road Stadium
L	30/03/22 19:45	Kendal Town FC Reserves	VS	Macclesfield FC U23 White	Parkside Road Stadium

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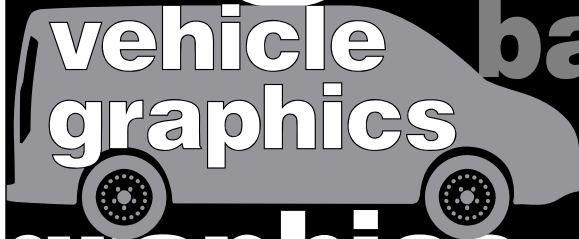
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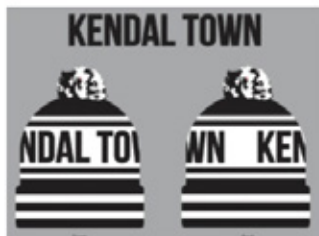
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# MATCH REPORT

Craig Dootson endured a torturous first week in charge of Kendal Town Football Club after he saw the team concede ten goals in two games. Dootson who was appointed last Thursday made the worst possible start at the weekend when Kendal lost 7-0 at Runcorn Linnets, before the Mintcakes endured further misery on Tuesday night where they suffered a shock 3-1 defeat to Appleby in The Senior Challenge Cup. Both performances left the new Kendal manager with plenty to ponder as they gear up for a must win home game against midtable Newcastle Town on Saturday.



Kendal fresh from their 1-0 win at Colne travelled to Runcorn with optimism, and for the first 30 minutes, the Mintcakes did relatively well, while the hosts created most of the chances. However, the game turned on the 31st minute after the referee awarded the hosts a penalty for an adjudged foul in the area. And once Joe Lynch converted the penalty kick, Kendal crumbled in dramatic fashion after Ryan Brooke scored 3 goals in just five minutes as he completed one of the quickest hat tricks of the season. Kendal's afternoon worsened moments later when Gary Basterfield was sent off with Craig Dootson's team reduced to ten men and 4-0 down at half time. With damage limitation the main aim for the second half, Kendal battled on a forced save out of Jak Stewart before stopping shot from the rebound. However, Runcorn with the one man advantage were in relentless form after Thomas Lloyd Marsh Hughes made it 5-0 on 50 minutes before Brookes scored his fourth of the afternoon as Runcorn were 6-0 up. And the hosts completed the scoring with just two minutes left after Oladapo Olarewaju fired the ball past McClenaghan as Kendal crashed to defeat. On Tuesday night Kendal suffered more agony after they crashed out at the quarter final stages of The County Cup where they were stunned by James Cropper Westmorland League Division One side Appleby losing 3-1.

Kendal created some early opportunities most notably from Tom Fagan who blazed over, before Appleby opened the scoring on 15 minutes when Jordan Crawford went clean through before firing the ball past the keeper.

The Mintcakes pressed for the equaliser and responded on 30 minutes after Scott McDonald placed the ball past the keeper.

Kendal created more chances throughout the remainder of the first half while Appleby were dangerous going forward.

With visibility becoming a big problem due to heavy fog both teams battled the conditions however with just twenty minutes left in the game Appleby were awarded a penalty kick which Dan Robinson converted as the visitors regained the lead.

Appleby were then reduced to ten men late on however despite Kendal having the one man advantage the visitors held onto secure the win.



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### **JANUARY 2022**

Tuesday 22 January: Marine (A)  
Saturday 29 January: Leek Town (H)

### **FEBRUARY 2022**

Tuesday 5 February: Kidsgrove Athletic (A)  
Saturday 19 February: Warrington Rylands (H)  
Tuesday 26 February: Clitheroe (A)

### **MARCH 2022**

Saturday 12 March: Mossley (H) 3pm Kick Off

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**Most points in a season:** 76 - 2005/06\* (3 points for a win)

66 – 1964/65\* (2 points for a win)

**Most league wins in a season:** 30 – 1964/65

**Most league goals scored in a season:** 143 – 1961/62, 1964/65

**Least league goals conceded in a season:** 39 – 1945/46

**Least league defeats in a season:** 5 – 1961/62

**Most league goals conceded in a season:** 129 – 1982/83

**Least points in a league season:** 10 - 1939/40\* (2 points for a win)

15 - 1982/83\* (3 points for a win)

**Least league wins in a season:** 2 – 1982/83

### FA Cup Records:

**Biggest Win:** 10-0 Florence & Ullcoats United 1Q Round - 1947/48

**Biggest Defeat:** 10-1 Ulverston Town 1Q Round 1930/31

### FA Trophy Records:

**Biggest Win:** 4-0 Fleetwood 1Q -1972/73, 4-0 North Shields 1Q - 1976/77, 4-0 Ossett Albion 1Q - 2005/06, 4-0 Guiseley 2Qr – 2005/06, 4-0 Scarborough Athletic Pre – 2015/16

**Biggest Defeat:** 0-6 Stourbridge 2Qr - 2011/12

### FA Vase:

**Biggest Win:** 5-0 Oldham Town Pre - 1992/93

**Biggest Defeat:** 0-2 Murton 1st Round - 1988/89, 1-3 Warrington Town 3rd Round - 1989/90, 0-2 Billingham Town 2nd Round - 1990/91

*The Club Records List kindly provided by Matt Tummey*



## KENDAL TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB HONOURS LIST

<b>Northern Premier League Division 1 Playoffs Winners</b>	2005/06
<b>Northern Premier League Division 1 Playoffs Finalists</b>	2004/05
<b>Lancashire Combination Division 1 Winners</b>	1948/49, 1964/65
<b>Lancashire Combination Division 1 Runners Up</b>	1945/46, 1953/54, 1961/62, 1963/64
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<b>North Lancashire League Parkinson Finalists</b>	1929/30, 1933/34, 1934/35
<b>North Lancashire League Senior Challenge Cup Winners</b>	1941/42
<b>North Lancashire League Senior Challenge Cup Finalists</b>	1940/41, 1942/43

# ARCHIVES

## 1976 LEAGUE TABLE

Netherfield finished 16th in the 1976 Northern Premier League, a division which had teams such as Altrincham, Morecambe, Fleetwood, Lancaster and Gateshead playing in that year.

N. Premier						
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A. P.
Stafford ...	35	19	13	3	67	36 51
Runcorn ...	32	20	7	5	70	30 47
Matlock ...	33	19	6	8	71	43 44
Boston ...	33	18	6	9	60	37 42
Mossley ...	37	17	7	13	55	49 41
Wigan ...	31	14	12	5	51	23 40
Altrincham	33	14	12	7	54	35 40
Goole Tn.	32	15	9	8	39	30 39
Bangor ...	32	14	8	9	59	48 38
Scarboro'	31	15	8	8	54	32 38
Gainsboro'	32	12	11	9	44	41 35
Northwich	31	11	13	7	55	39 35
Macclesfi'ld	31	13	5	13	36	39 31
Lancaster	32	12	7	13	45	49 31
Gateshead	32	13	5	14	44	44 31
Netherfield	33	10	8	15	44	53 28
G Harwood	31	11	3	17	41	55 25
Skelm'dale	33	9	7	17	36	39 25
Morecambe	33	8	7	19	30	47 25
Worksop ..	27	8	5	14	53	58 21
Barrow ...	32	8	5	20	32	56 21
S. Liv'pool	34	6	9	19	22	50 19
Buxton ...	32	6	7	19	22	50 19
Fleetwood	33	1	8	24	22	95 10



# LEAGUE TABLE

#	Team	Pl	HW	HD	HL	AW	AD	AL	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts	Adj
1.	<b>Marine</b>	21	9	0	1	8	0	3	17	0	4	43	21	22	<b>51</b>	0
2.	<b>Workington</b>	22	8	3	1	7	2	1	15	5	2	44	18	26	<b>50</b>	0
3.	<b>Warrington Rylands</b>	22	9	1	2	5	3	2	14	4	4	54	29	25	<b>46</b>	0
4.	<b>Runcorn Linnets</b>	21	8	3	1	6	0	3	14	3	4	49	25	24	<b>45</b>	0
5.	<b>Leek Town</b>	22	4	3	1	9	1	4	13	4	5	43	24	19	<b>43</b>	0
6.	<b>Clitheroe</b>	21	7	1	4	5	3	1	12	4	5	45	22	23	<b>40</b>	0
7.	<b>Trafford</b>	23	7	3	1	3	5	4	10	8	5	41	27	14	<b>38</b>	0
8.	<b>Mossley</b>	22	4	2	5	7	0	4	11	2	9	37	36	1	<b>35</b>	0
9.	<b>Bootle</b>	21	5	0	5	6	1	4	11	1	9	47	37	10	<b>34</b>	0
10.	<b>1874 Northwich</b>	21	3	2	7	5	3	1	8	5	8	34	37	-3	<b>29</b>	0
11.	<b>Colne</b>	19	3	1	4	5	2	4	8	3	8	25	25	0	<b>27</b>	0
12.	<b>City of Liverpool FC</b>	19	3	4	2	4	1	5	7	5	7	27	26	1	<b>26</b>	0
13.	<b>Ramsbottom United</b>	21	6	1	3	2	1	8	8	2	11	29	40	-11	<b>26</b>	0
14.	<b>Glossop North End</b>	23	2	5	4	2	6	4	4	11	8	20	28	-8	<b>23</b>	0
15.	<b>Kidsgrove Athletic</b>	22	4	1	7	3	1	6	7	2	13	28	40	-12	<b>23</b>	0
16.	<b>Newcastle Town</b>	23	4	2	7	2	3	5	6	5	12	32	45	-13	<b>23</b>	0
17.	<b>Widnes</b>	21	3	1	7	3	1	6	6	2	13	27	33	-6	<b>20</b>	0
18.	<b>Prescot Cables</b>	23	3	1	7	1	1	10	4	2	17	30	56	-26	<b>14</b>	0
19.	<b>Kendal Town</b>	24	2	1	9	1	1	10	3	2	19	21	62	-41	<b>10</b>	-1
20.	<b>Market Drayton Town</b>	19	1	1	6	0	1	10	1	2	16	7	52	-45	<b>5</b>	0

## TODAYS FIXTURES – 3PM KICK OFF

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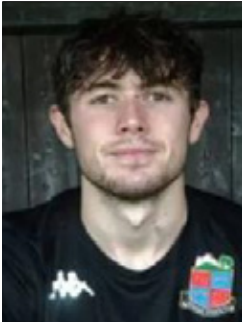
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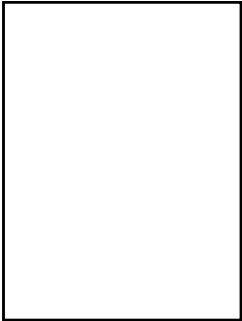
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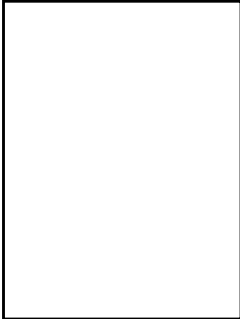
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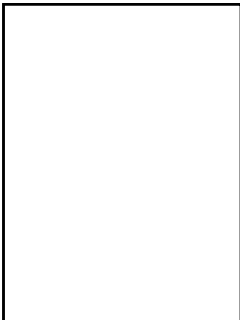
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# KENDAL TOWN APPEAL

**The devoted custodian of a vital sporting community asset has launched a desperate appeal in a bid to bring it back to what he believes it should be.**

*(Courtesy of Darren Shields at The Westmorland Gazette)*

Michael O'Neill, Chairman of Kendal Town Football Club, has launched an appeal in an effort to raise £10,000 for crucial upgrades to the club's Parkside Road Stadium. Mr O'Neill is one of a group of volunteers that took over the running of the football club 8 weeks ago, and found that drastic action needed to be taken to preserve not only the use of the stadium, but of the club itself:

"Before we arrived, the stadium failed the league's ground grading, and there are 13 points that need to be addressed to even be allowed to compete in this league, and those 13 points are going to cost money.

"We found the club in significant debt, for the most part the debt is to local people - our treasurer has worked tirelessly to set up payment plans with our debtors, and we are chipping away at that debt, which I think is really good.

"The aim is for the club to be eventually debt-free, but that is swallowing up a lot of our income, and a lot of our income is made on matchdays - tickets, food and beverage.

"We're also in a relegation battle, and we can't cut the playing budget again, or we'll have no chance of staying up."

Mr O'Neill stressed that this means that without help to upgrade the stadium, which the club lease through South Lakeland District Council, the club also won't be able to host a number of cup finals in April and May for local children: "Last year, the Westmorland FA had to make the difficult decision to move the children's cup finals away from Parkside Road, as the stadium wasn't safe - they've been wonderful and given us a deadline to get the stadium ship-shape. "We're really keen to do this, as I want more community engagement, more people through the door, as ultimately that brings more revenue for the club.

"Basically we've got 3 areas of concern - the debt, the first-team budget and the stadium, and our cashflow only allows us to address two.

"The stadium has major plumbing issues, some of the toilets have been condemned - it's just not in great shape.

***"We need the community's help, whether it be cash or time - to share this asset with more people from the community, to host more events, and in the long-run to grow this football club."***

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