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CLUB INFORMATION

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Vice Chairman: Scott Atkinson - YAL@nostellmwfc.co.uk

Treasurer: Wayne Ball

Club Secretary: Granville Marshall - Secretary@nostellmwfc.co.uk

First Team Manager: Mat Wright

CLUB HONOURS AND RECORDS

West Yorkshire League Premier Division Champions: 2004–05 NCEL Presidents Cup Winners: 2008–09

Highest Attendance — 424 vs Wakefield AFC, NCEL Division One, 28th January 2025

CLUB NOTICES







CLUB HISTORY

Records exist that a team from Nostell Colliery won a Wakefield District football competition in the 1890s. The club has photographs of Nostell Colliery teams from 1915 & 1921. At that time the football field was not in the present location but on two sites fairly close by.

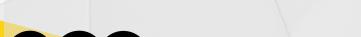
The Miner's Welfare was formed in 1928 after the purchase of the land by the Miners Trust Fund. The sum of £400 was paid to a local landowner for 4.5 acres which includes the land on which the present ground is situated.

In the late 60's the club had a period of sustained success, winning several Wakefield District competitions and eventually being selected to join the West Yorkshire League, lifting the Division 2 League and Cup double in the 1966/67 season. However, the successful team eventually broke up and the club went back to the Wakefield League in the early 1970's. Enjoying relative success the club began to develop again; two teams were formed, the first team joining the West Yorkshire League in 1982. However sadly even with mining subsidence to the ground, fundraising of over £30,000 allowed the pitch to be levelled off, drainage installed and other ground improvements, Nostell Colliery was closed. The nearby colliery houses (1st to 7th street) were demolished and the Welfare struggled to survive.

The football continued throughout this difficult period. Promotions were seen through the divisions of the West Yorkshire League, which eventually led us to our present NCEL status.

At this point, the club's most successful period in its distinguished history was about to begin, with the appointment of Alan Colquhoun as 1st team Manager in the late 1990's. After initially struggling in the West

Yorkshire Premier League - Alan scored two goals to save us from relegation!





Gary Baker joined as Colquhoun's assistant and the team gradually improved, eventually being crowned Champions of the West Yorkshire Premier League, lifting the corresponding Cup and appearing in 3 consecutive finals, 2 County Cup final appearances and lifting 6 Wakefield & District trophies among other successes.

Off the field, the introduction of the Coalfield Regeneration Trust encouraged other funders to invest in the Miners Welfare. The ground was officially renamed Crofton Community Centre with approximately £1.5 million secured to provide the present facilities with Sport England, Football Foundation and the FA providing substantial sums of money to help the football side of the developments.

With the improvements on and off the field, a successful application to the Northern Counties East League was made, heralding a new and exciting venture for the Club.

Gaining promotion to the NCEL Division 1, Nostell finished a respectable 4th in their first season 2006/7. Due to the Northern Premier League reforming its structure, along with one NCEL going to the wall for financial reasons, Nostell gained promotion to the NCEL Premier Division. A terrific first season in the premier league 2007/8 saw Nostell finish 5th, having led the division for the first quarter.

The following season 2008/2009, successful cup runs in FA Competitions caused an end-of-season fixture congestion. Playing every Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday for the last six weeks of the season, Nostell eventually finished 13th not losing to any of the top four teams home and away. However, the Welfare, who were the underdogs, beat Scarborough Athletic over 2 legs to win the "Presidents Cup", probably the highest point of Nostell's recent history.

During season 2008/9 Nostell had their first player to be signed by a Football League club. Stockport County signed Oli Johnson who impressed during a friendly fixture.



Oli made an instant impact for County who sold him to Norwich City, where he was involved in the League 1 Championship winning team.

Nostell got a percentage of the transfer fee and with appearances mories eventually banked over £20,000.

During the campaign of 2015/16 season, despite a positive start, with several occasion's results failing to match performances, partway through the season Simon and Paul left the club. Despite the hard work and best endeavours of all those involved, players, committee and management it wasn't enough, as a result, the club was relegated from the NCEL Premier League.

A disastrous 2016/17 season in which the club finished bottom of Division 1 we were offered a last-minute reprieve and retained our status in the NCEL.

Halfway through the 2017/18 season, the club was in difficulties once again struggling in Division 1 another managerial change was inevitable. The appointment of joint Managers Simon Houghton & Jason Dodsworth with a huge amount of NCEL experience proved a turning point in the clubs' fortunes, initially securing our NCEL status and avoiding relegation.

The 2018/19 season was overall very positive accumulating the highest number of points in a NCEL season than any previous Nostell side, finishing a creditable fifth and securing a return for the club to The Emirates FA Cup in 2019/20.

Having started the 2019/20 season like a house on fire with six straight league wins in a row, form dipped, players left for pastures new, and the season was heading towards a mid-table finish before COVID-19 struck. The rest is history as we all know.

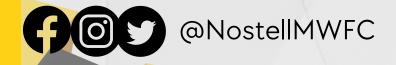
In guiding the clubs under 19's & 21's over the two previous seasons reaching consecutive cup finals, league champions first time of asking and a hugely creditable second place league finish behind a very strong Harrogate Town u23's,



the committee agreed the way forward was to reward such success and promote from within with the appointment of Ian Walker as First Team manager for the 2020/21 season

Despite many new faces around the club, the emphasis is always to support and develop our youth and junior footballers. Ian's high work ethic, attention to detail and loyalty of his successful group of young rising stars gave them the opportunity to grow and make the step forward to becoming regular first team players. Ian was in charge for three seasons with mid-table respectability achieved on every occasion. Because of work and personal issues Ian resigned after the end of the 2023/24 season. Chairperson over his tenure and the of Houghton and Dodsworth era, Kevin Allsop also stepped down at the same time

The Club advertised extensively to recruit new blood for several key positions and behind the scenes roles. The club received many applicants, eventually after a long stressful process, a team comprising of Liam Willingham, Mathew Wright, Mark Wright, Mark Maspero and Chris Clay were appointed. Other volunteers for important roles are also involved. The Club looked forward to the new 2024/25 season with a new sense of optimism. In September 2024 Liam made the decision to step down as Chairperson. This was a shore tenure in post and as an interim measure Scott, Vice Chairman became Chairperson. In October 2024 the committee appointed Chris Clay as Chairperson for the club due to all his engagement and enthusiasm around the club and his passion to drive the club forward.



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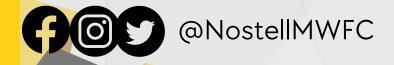


CLUB UPDATE

The season has well and truly kicked off for the club with every team in action last week. It was a great weekend and the buzz around is something else this season. Last season we had 11 teams, this season we have 19 and it's great to have so many new faces around the club, smiling and enjoying football. We want the club to thrive and be a hub for great football but also for people to really love being a part of a community and feel a sense of belonging. The results are below and we are thrilled with how well everyone did this weekend! Keep an eye on our socials on Sunday night for updates on how everyone did this weekend!

This year's driver and theme is 'One Club'. That means everyone involved at the club. The Junior Section, Senior Section, Disability Section and committee as well as anyone involved in any capacity. This starts from everyone carrying the updated badge which we have now fulled rolled out. Social Media isn't just about one team, its about a club so you'll be seeing lots more about the club and teams in it, and lastly means coming together for events and big promotion pushes across the club. More info on this will follow very soon so keep an eye on our website for more info!



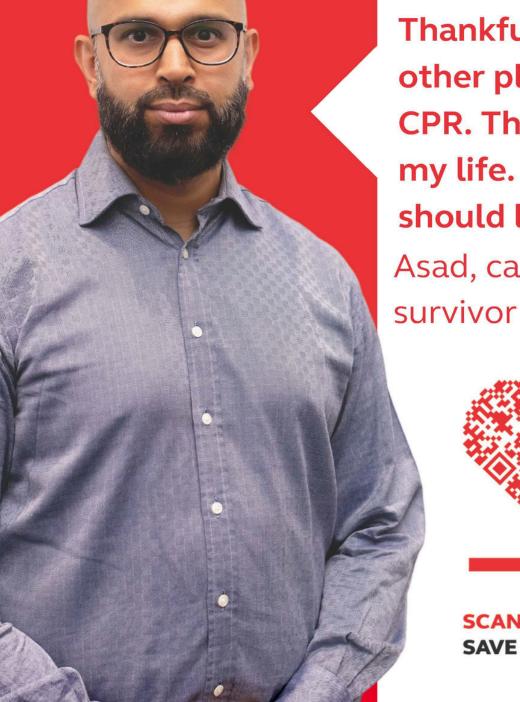




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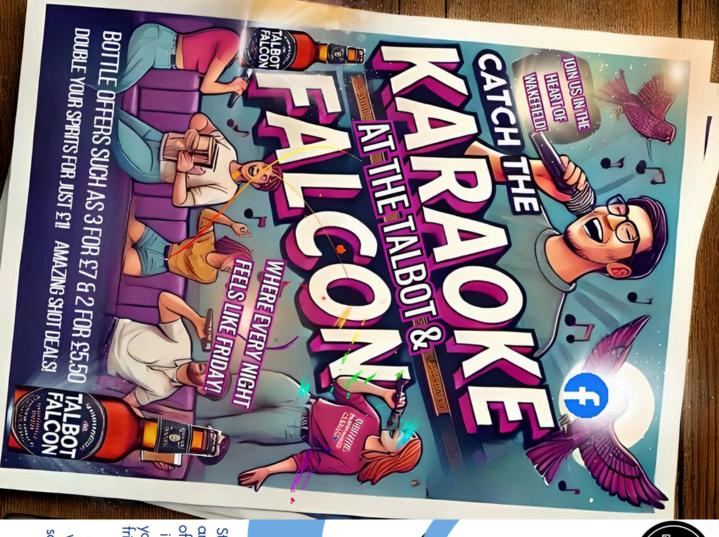


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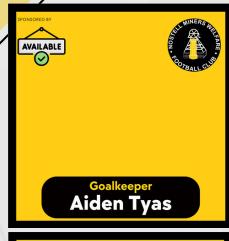
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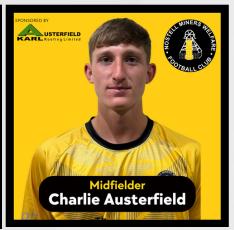
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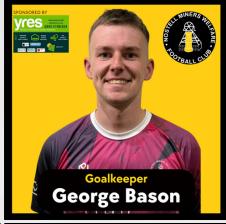
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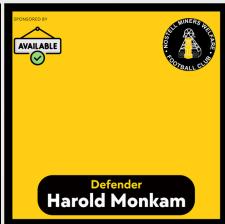
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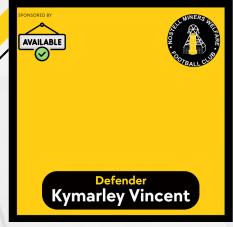








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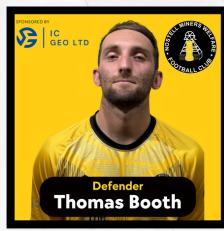


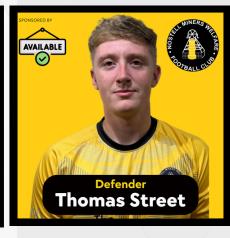












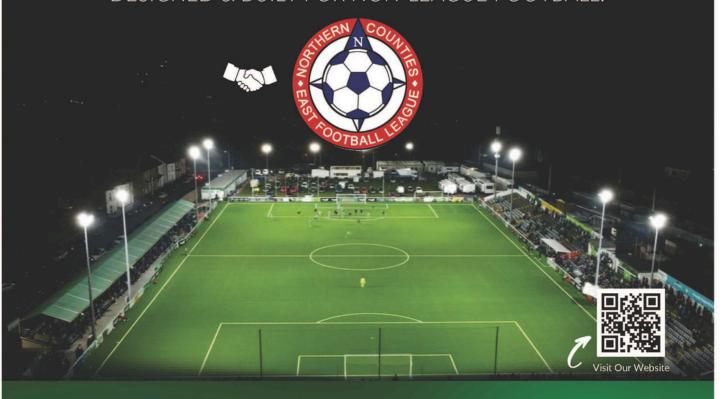






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NOSTELL NCEL FIXTURES 2025/26

July

<mark>26th</mark> Nostell Miners Welfare vs Winterton Rangers (League) (L) 1-0 29th Armthorpe Welfare vs Nostell Miners Welfare (Cup) (W) 3-2

August

2nd Goole AFC vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (L) 6-0 9th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Worsbrough Bridge Athletic (League) (L) 2-1

12th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Crowle Colts (League) (L) 2-1 16th Selby Town vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (D) 1-1 23rd Handsworth vs Nostell Miners Welfare (Cup) (W) 5-2 26th Wakefield AFC vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (L) 3-0 30th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Leeds UFCA (League) (L) 2-0

September

2nd Appleby Frodingham vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (W) 1-0 13th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Maltby Main (League) (W) 3-1 16th Ilkley Town vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (D) 3-3 20th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Droylsden (Cup) (L) 4-0 27th Glasshoughton Welfare vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (W) 1-0

30th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Dinnington Town (Cup) (L) 4-1

October

3rd Dearne & District vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) (L) 7-0
7th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Doncaster City (Cup) (L) 3-1
11th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Louth Town (League)
15th South Leeds vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
18th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Doncaster City (League)
21st Nostell Miners Welfare vs Harrogate Railway Athletic (League)
24th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Athersley Recreation (League)

November

1st Armthorpe Welfare vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)

Welfare vs Route One Rovers (League)

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8th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Brigg Town (League)
15th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Club Thorne Colliery (League)
22nd Winterton Rangers vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
29th Crowle Colts vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)

December

6th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Goole AFC (League)
13th Worsbrough Bridge Athletic vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
20th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Selby Town (League)
27th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Wakefield AFC (League)

January

3rd Leeds UFCA vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
10th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Appleby Frodingham (League)
17th Maltby Main vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
24th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Ilkley Town (League)
31st Route One Rovers vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)

February

7th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Glasshoughton Welfare (League)
14th Harrogate Railway Athletic vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
21st Nostell Miners Welfare vs Dearne & District (League)
28th Louth Town vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)

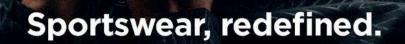
March

7th Nostell Miners Welfare vs South Leeds (League)
14th Doncaster City vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
21st Athersley Recreation vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)
28th Nostell Miners Welfare vs Armthorpe Welfare (League)

April

4th Brigg Town vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League) 11th Club Thorne Colliery vs Nostell Miners Welfare (League)





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OUR MATCHDAY OPPOSITION

Louth Town were formed in May 2007 when Louth United decided not to continue fielding a team in the Central Midlands League. The ground at Park Avenue had already been sold but local businessman Kerry Coggle with the backing of Steve Appleby, was able to secure a short term lease on the ground and with the support of the CMFL committee, and a group of willing helpers, Louth Town was formed. After finishing a creditable 10th in their first season Town were rocked when manager Steve Morley announced that for personal reasons he could no longer continue managing the team.

Andy Holmes was appointed but due to unforeseen work commitments he had to stand down and with 3 weeks to go before the start of the 2008/9 season, Paul Walden was brought into the club, Paul, who was previously manager of Skegness Town in the Lincs League has a wealth of experience and was able to bring a number of talented players into the club. Paul made an immediate impact with the team, winning all but 3 of 28 league games during the season to win the league by 9 clear points and be promoted to the Supreme League as champions. There was also a Challenge Cup semi final appearance.

It was then decided that as part of their progression, the club would form a reserve team to play in the Lincs League for the 2009/10 season. The 2009/10 season proved to be even more successful than the season before as the first team won the Supreme Division by 8 clear points, won the CMFL Floodlit Cup and were finalists in both the CMFL Challenge Cup and the Lincs FA Senior Trophy. By winning the league, promotion to the Northern Counties East League was gained.

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They were also awarded the CMFL "Team of the Season" for the second year running. As well as the first team and re 2010/11 saw the introduction of an 'A' team in the East Lincs Combination, a team in Division 3 of the Grimsby & Cleethorpes Sunday League as well as junior teams at U18, U13, U12 and two at U11,



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bringing the total number of teams playing under the Louth Town barner to nine. Half way through the 2010/11 season, manager Paul Walden announced that he would be leaving at the end of the season, but then decided to go at the beginning of March.

The club acted swiftly and brought in former Selby Town duo Mick Gray and John Steeples who steadied the ship and guided the team through to the end of the season and a more than creditable 6th place finish in the White Wolves first ever season in the NCEL. There was a further twist to the Louth Town story in May 2011 as Gray and Steeples left the club by mutual consent. They were surprisingly replaced by Paul Walden, who agreed to return for a second spell in charge.

There was great excitement at Park Avenue in July 2011 when it was announced that as well as securing a further lease on the stadium the club had also been accepted into the 2011/12 FA Cup for the first time in their history. The team's first run in the FA Cup brought some excitement as both Gedling Miners Welfare and Holbrook Sports were beaten before the White Wolves bowed out with a 2-0 defeat to Evostik League side Buxton in front of 335 supporters at Park Avenue. In the league, Louth were somewhat inconsistent and finished the season in 12th place in the NCEL Division 1. There were emotional scenes at the end of the season as manager Paul Walden left the club, deciding to retire from football management altogether.

Walden was replaced at the helm by former pro Daryl Clare and was assisted by Carl Forman for season 2012/13 and they led the team to their highest ever finish in the football pyramid, finishing 3rd in the table and also reaching the final of the NCEL League Cup. Season 2013/14 proved to be a major disappointment as the team struggled at the bottom end of the NCEL league table for the whole campaign, winning just 6 league matches out of a possible 42 and ending the season with just 20 points.

Clare left the club by mutual consent midway through the season, to be replaced once more by "Mr Louth Town", Paul Walden who was



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coaxed out of retirement for a third spell in charge.

Although the White Wolves ended the season in an automatic relegation place, the team were reprieved after the unfortunate demise of Dinnington Town and once again competed in the Northern Counties East League Division 1 that following season.

In June 2016, Louth Town were blocked access to the Park Avenue group by the landlord who intended to use the land for development, meaning that Louth Town had to be relocated outside of the town. The 2016/17 season saw Louth Town reformed in the Balcan Lighting Football League with Carl Forman returning as manager.

The newly formed side finished in a creditable 10th place. In May 2017, it was announced that Louth Town Football Club, who also run a number of sides that play in various leagues around Lincolnshire from Under 7's right through to Under 16's had been awarded the Charter Standard Development Club of the year for Lincolnshire, a huge accolade and credit to all of the hard working Committee members, staff, volunteers, players and parents. We have regularly competed at the top end of the Lincs League, when football was stopped due to COVID we were sat with a real chance of winning the league. When football was finally allowed to be played again in 2021/22, we finished a very credible 4th.

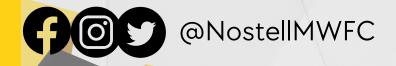
The 2022/23 season saw us competing with Crowle Colts, Lincoln Moorlands and Wyberton for league honours. Carl Martin assisted by Mark Westerby were relentless in their drive and determination to deliver success to the football club. Wyberton were the team to take it to the last game of the season before succumbing 3-1 and handing Louth Town the league title. It was Wyberton again who were beaten in The Supplementary cup to hand Louth the double.

Back in the Northern Counties East League the club have consolidated, in 2023/24 the club finished a very creditable 13th apd

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HOME LAST SIX MATCHES

	B	d	16th	NCEL1	likley Town	3-3	Nostell Miners Welfare
					Kevin Gonzalez 5	Att: 36	Matthew Hughes 27
					Harry Brown 15	HT: 2-1	Jack Thompson 72
					George Pearson 49		Thomas Booth 90
	B	L	20th	FAV2Q	Nostell Miners Welfare	0-4	Droylsden
١						Att: 105	Nellson Van 5
						HT: 0-3	Yasir Salim 26, 50
							Kyle Campbell 29
	B	w	27th	NCEL1	Glasshoughton Welfare	0-1	Nostell Miners Welfare
						Att: 69	Matthew Hughes 62
						HT: 0-0	
	B	L	30th	SHSC1	Nostell Miners Welfare	1-4	Dinnington Town
					Matthew Hughes 81	Att: 47	Jordan Turner 31, 88
						HT: 0-1	Nathan Jessop 70, 73
	Oct	ober					
	Ė		3rd	NCEL1	Dearne & District	7-0	Nostell Miners Welfare
					Justin Circuit 6, 21	Att: 131	
					Adam Baskerville 28, 43,	HT: 5-0	
					45, 55		
					Theo Wainman 76		
	B	L	7th	LC2	Nostell Miners Welfare	1-3	Doncaster City
					Joseph Taylor 7	Att: 67	Benjamin Dyer 6, 22,
						HT: 1-3	37pen



OPPOSITIONS LAST SIX MATCHES

E		16th	NCEL1	Glasshoughton Welfare	3-2	Louth Town
				Daniel Hickey 15	Att: 87	Harry Jacklin 19
				William Mendonca 72	HT: 1-2	Oscar Davey 34
				Lewis Shillito 85		
B		20th	FAV2Q	Newark and Sherwood United	1-0	Louth Town
1				Aaron Coyle 36	Att: 54	
					HT: 1-0	
B		27th	NCEL1	Dearne & District	3-0	Louth Town
				Adam Baskerville 7, 79, 81	Att: 96	
					HT: 1-0	
	W	30th	NCEL1	Louth Town	2-1	Doncaster City
				Harley Thompson 55	Att: 57	Reagan Waud 61
				Ethan Scott 86	HT: 0-0	
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	W	4th	NCEL1	Louth Town	5-1	South Leeds
				Harley Thompson 17, 45	Att: 35	Joe Wood 15
				Alex Aldrich 58	HT: 2-1	
				Will Pennell 60, 76		
B	D	7th	NCEL1	Louth Town	1-1	Athersley Recreation
				Harley Thompson 32	Att: 38	James Byford 90pen
					HT: 1-0	



NCEL DIV ONE LEAGUE TABLE

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		7	南	Brigg Town	15	7	3	5	31	27	24	4	
		8	8	Crowle Colts	14	7	3	4	20	22	24	-2	
		9	(F)	Club Thorne Colliery	14	6	5	3	19	13	23	6	
		10	•	Maltby Main	14	6	3	5	24	21	21	3	
		11	<u>•</u>	Goole AFC	13	6	1	6	31	20	19	11	
		12	趣	Route One Rovers	13	6	0	7	32	22	18	10	
		13	(*)	Louth Town	15	5	3	7	25	26	18	-1	
		14	T	South Leeds	14	5	2	7	19	28	17	-9	
		15	0	Doncaster City	14	4	4	6	15	21	16	-6	
		16	0	likley Town	15	4	4	7	22	30	16	-8	
		17		Selby Town	13	4	2	7	18	24	14	-6	
		18	<u></u>	Athersley Recreation	15	4	2	9	18	35	14	-17	
		19	<u> </u>	Appleby Frodingham	14	4	1	9	20	29	13	-9	
		20	®	Nostell Miners Welfare	12	3	2	7	11	28	11	-17	
		21	<u>*</u>	Winterton Rangers	14	3	0	11	16	34	9	-18	
		22		Glasshoughton Welfare	15	2	2	11	16	46	8	-30	
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RIDDLE OF THE WEEK:

RIDDLE: THE MORE YOU TAKE, THE MORE YOU LEAVE BEHIND. WHAT AM I?



