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THE GAFFER

SIMON WEAVER

This match means a great deal to everyone involved with the club. In recent years, this club has been one which likes to break through new ceilings. I remember the first match in the National League, the first in League Two, the first FA Cup third round appearance.

All of these occasions add credibility to the club and tonight against Blackburn Rovers is another example of that. As a group, we want to go as far as we possibly can in every competition and here tonight is no different.

Over the years, this club has thrived off that underdog tag which we hold tonight. That is something which should be ingrained on everyone involved with this football club.

We have a culture and a desire to prove people wrong here at Harrogate Town and with that in mind, if there is the slightest chance at complacency then we have to take full advantage and come out all guns blazing.

In order to give ourselves the best possible chance at progressing, we have been very professional in our video work. The players are familiar with the game plan which Blackburn come here looking to implement.

Doing that work, gives us the best possible chance in the match but also if Blackburn are slightly off it and we are bang on it then it gives us an opportunity to progress.

I am also delighted that this match is at home. I stayed up for the cup draw and I was already celebrating when I seen that we came out the hat first. Our support do a lot of traveling during the season and it cant be easy to make it to every game.



It's a great occasion for us to play a club the size of Blackburn at home. They are former Premier League champions coming to Harrogate Town is a new prospect and a occasion for our supporters to remember.

In training, we have reminded the lads that there can be no let up on their concentration, focus or energy. We have to go all out here tonight and show exactly what this football club is about.

While we appreciate and respect the opponents, we want to take the game by the scruff of the neck and get into our rhythm of play as early as possible.

If we can do that then hopefully we can make tonight another occasion to remember for many years to come.

Simon

THE SKIPPER

JOSH FALKINGHAM

As a footballer you always set out to test yourself against the very best. Heading into tonight's match against Blackburn we know that it'll be a great night for our football club.

With that being said, as a group we are really looking forward to having the opportunity to challenge ourselves against the very best.

Blackburn are a huge club steeped in history, they won the Premier League all those years ago and currently find themselves battling at the top end of the Championship.

While we come into this match as huge underdogs, that is a tag and setting which we have relished throughout my time with the club. In cup football, every match must be looked at in isolation. We set out here tonight to see how far we can push this match.

Despite paying respect to the occasion, this is still a game of football at the end of the day. It's about 11 v 11 and a lot of the time in matches like this, it comes down to who wants it more.

As a group, we come into this match with that exact same belief we have going into every match. We know our squad, we know our quality and if we perform to the best of our ability then there is no reason why we can't get the win.

There is a chance for us here to lay down a marker to other teams of what we are capable of at home. Blackburn are a side two divisions up and a result tonight has people around the league sitting up and taking notice.

However, having said that, every match gives us that chance and as a group we will be letting someone else worry about that. For us, we have been concentrating on preparing properly and ensuring that we are ready to put in another solid performance.



I'm sure that you guys in the stands will create another special atmosphere. On nights like this, you always sense a buzz around the pitch. You can tell that there is an excitement from the supporters and the noise that produces gives us a huge lift out there.

Heading out on to the pitch, we want to give you a performance that you can be proud of. When the referee blows that final whistle we want you to be going home happy. We understand the highs and lows of football but hopefully tonight can be remembered fondly in the club's history.

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THE TEAMS

Harrogate Town:

Oxley, Sims, Foulds, O'Connor, McDonald
Falkingham (c), Sutton (Burrell 80'), Thomson
Armstrong, Folarin (Muldoon 77'), J. Daly (Odoh 88')
Unused Subs: Thomas, W. Smith, M. Daly, Gibson

Morecambe:

Moore, Love (c), Rawson, Bedeau (Tutonda 63'),
Senior (Davenport 63'), Songo'o, King (Slew 77'), Bloxham,
McKiernan (Taylor 36'), Major, Mellon (Stokes 77')

Unused Subs: C. Smith, A. Smith

Referee: Ross Joyce

POSSESSION %	
58	42
TOTAL SHOTS	
16	9
SHOTS ON TARGET	
6	1
CORNERS	
1	4
FOULS COMMITTED	
13	11



MATCH REPORT

Goals either side of half-time from Luke Armstrong and George Thomson were good enough to secure a 2-0 win for Town against ten-man Morecambe. Armstrong fired home a penalty on 20 minutes before Thomson struck a sensational free-kick midway through the second-half after Ferrand Rawson had been sent off after receiving a second yellow card. The win saw Town bring a run of three successive defeats to an end.

The visitors created the first chance of note on ten minutes when the lively Tom Bloxham fed JJ McKiernan but the Shrimps striker slipped at an inopportune moment to end the early attack.

Despite ceding possession in the opening stages Town got the lead when an impressive move featuring George Thomson and Toby Sims saw the winger fire a shot on goal. The effort was blocked but Sam Folarin's rebound was blocked by the arm of Ferrand Rawson. Despite protests that saw Rawson and Jacob Bedeau yellow carded Armstrong stepped up to crash the spot kick home.

Sparked into life Town went close shortly after but Daly headed straight into the arms of Moore. Played in by an incisive Sutton pass, Matty Foulds then delivered a low testing cross that skidded across the face of goal to safety. A probing cross from Folarin was then met at the far post by Armstrong who made strong contact but couldn't direct his header on target. Armstrong then won possession and fired a shot just wide as the half drew to a close.

The second-half began with an immediate yellow card for Sutton who was late in his challenge on substitute Taylor.

Daly then powerfully met Falkingham's deep cross but he was under the ball and his effort landed some way over the bar.

Bloxham woke the travelling fans from their slumber on the hour mark with a volley that caused Oxley concern before flying wide. Mellon then turned quickly to fire beyond the stranded Oxley who was relieved to see the ball cannon back off the advertising hoardings. Derek Adams made a pair of changes but almost immediately though Rawson was shown a second yellow card for a foul on Sutton and once the dust had settled on the protests, Thomson coolly stepped up to perfectly execute the resulting free-kick, leaving Moore with no chance as it flew into the top left-hand corner.

The numerical disadvantage meant the visitors were always chasing the game and Town should have wrapped the game up with a third goal when Thomson's slide rule pass was inch perfect but Armstrong fired over. Their lead remained intact though and the final whistle brought with it a welcome three points for Town.

FANZONE

A WORD FROM OUR FAN ENGAGEMENT MANAGER, HAMILTON MATTOCK...

Welcome to tonight's thrilling clash against Championship outfit, Blackburn Rovers!

There's something truly magical about games played under the floodlights here at the EnviroVent Stadium. These evening matches hold a special place in our hearts, offering an atmosphere that's distinct from daytime fixtures.

Our opponents tonight, Blackburn Rovers, bring their own rich history and competitive spirit to the pitch. We can anticipate a fierce and hard-fought contest as both teams vie for victory. It's these challenges that truly test the mettle of our players and showcase the unity and passion of our supporters. As the Fan engagement Manager, the whole of the EFL look at Blackburn with the upmost respect – the incentives they have done throughout the years to engage and improve the matchday experience and to bring the community together needs to be admired, they are a club I always look up to and learn from.

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Furthermore, we're excited to announce a revamp for our old shop/hut, which will soon transform into an information point for fans. This evolution will enhance the matchday experience by providing a hub for important updates, enquiries, and interactions. Keep an eye out for more details as we work to set this up before our next home game.

We're committed to continuously enhancing the fan experience, and this information point is just one of the many steps we're taking in that direction.

Enjoy every moment of tonight's game, . Thank you for being the heartbeat of our club, and here's to a spectacular evening of football under the lights!

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JAMES DALY

THE DRIVE TO WIN, A TRAIT WHICH ALL TOP SPORTS STARS POSSESS. HOWEVER, FOR JAMES DALY THIS DRIVE TO PLAY AND WIN COMPETITIVELY IS SOMETHING WHICH HE NOTICED FROM AN EARLY AGE.

IT PROVED TO BE A TRAIT WHICH BLOCKED DALY FROM SIGNING FOR BOYHOOD CLUB BRIGHTON AT THE AGE OF 10.

INTERVIEW BY NICHOLAS MCINALLY



Speaking on the occasion: "I was a Brighton supporter growing up but when I signed for Palace, I didn't really follow them as much as I probably should have. I was still watching them but started watching Chelsea too so probably favored them more as I grew up.

"I was on trial at Brighton when I was about 10 or 11 and I didn't enjoy it to be honest. Prior to that trial I was enjoying playing football with my mates and part of me thought going into an academy was too serious, too soon.

"I was enjoying my football and I think that got the best out of me. You look at the highest level, all players are enjoying themselves now. There wasn't really that much competition, you go into the academy at that age and results don't really matter because you're not really playing for anything.

"However, when you're in the Sunday League at 7, 8 or 9 you're playing for titles and trophies. I started playing football to win and at that age I didn't really feel like that was the best environment to do that.

Four years on, the Town winger elected to start his academy journey with bitter rivals Crystal Palace. In good form Daly believes the opportunity was too good to turn down.

"Before I signed for Palace I felt I was playing really well. When the opportunity arose I didn't really read too much into it. I just thought I would give it a go because the chance of full-time football might never come around again.

"I was 14 at the time and to go into a Premier League academy at that age was too good an opportunity to let pass.

"I think you notice the technical ability straight away. They have chosen to go into academy football much earlier than me but at the same time I knew I had an advantage when it came to that competitiveness.

"I have always played to win, that was a value which was instilled in me at a young age and that gave me an edge over the other academy boys. Naturally, you try to play to your strengths but I was always working to try and bridge the gap to them but I had confidence in my ability which helped."

Having featured alongside several Premier League stars, Daly believes this helped to develop a strong mentality as a young player

"I played alongside the likes of Tyreek Mitchell, who was a very good player, I also played briefly with Aaron Wan-Bissaka but featuring alongside these guys showed where you can get to if you stick in and keep performing."

"It was a great experience when I was there. I trained alongside the first-team quite a bit and got to pick small things up from the experienced pros. You saw what they ate, how they prepared and all the other things you do as top professional."

"James McArthur was a fantastic help for me. He is one of the best professionals I have seen and I would say that he probably doesn't get the credit which he deserves. As a team mate and a member of staff he set the standard for everyone else in the building."

"With guys like that, you rarely see them have an off day but even if they did the work rate and effort which they put in was still at the top level. It just goes to show that while ability matters if there is no effort and drive you get nowhere."

"I think achievements like that give you that positive reinforcement that you need. At that age, you can always have those doubts on what you're doing. I had that a lot when I was in the U18s, I wasn't playing but as a footballer you understand it isn't going to be all easy going."

"However, when times like that come it's all about not getting too high but not getting too low. Experiences like that have helped me to get to where I am today."

After a successful first-year of his scholarship, Daly was chosen to feature in several Premier League squads with Palace. Despite not making an appearance, our number 11 believes the opportunity gave him an added confidence.

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The former Palace winger continued to shine with The Eagles and in 2018 he was named the club's Scholar of the Year.

Looking back, Daly believes this accolade helped strengthen his belief on his chosen path in football.

"When you're in an academy like that, I think you can be overwhelmed by the amount of quality which is around you. Of course, no player is the same and we all have different qualities but winning that award was massive for me to show I am on the right track."

"That was right at the beginning of my career but I think it helped me realise that if I keep putting in the hard work then I will get to where I want to be."

While enjoying a successful season at The Eagles, it would be the next campaign where Daly would begin to seek competitive football once again.

"The season after I went out on loan to Kingstonian. I spent three or four months there and absolutely loved it, that was my first experience of senior football and it was a great one."

"I was sharing a dressing room with lads and getting back into the rhythm of playing for three points again. It was a great feeling to have that competition back in my life and in my career."

"While I was there, I still got the chance to use the facilities at Palace. I was working with some great coaches at the club, continuing my development. However, I also had the competition for places on a Saturday."

"That winning feeling is the best buzz you can have in football. It's performance based and winning is what football is all about. If you're picking up three points regularly, you know the players in the team are doing well."

"Going back I knew I needed to play senior football. I wasn't bother about the level at that point, I was more focused on getting out there. In an academy, I almost think it's too comfortable at times and especially with the coaches and facilities at our disposal."

In order to return to first-team action, the Town winger chose to leave Palace in order to join League One side Bristol Rovers.

While a difficult decision, Daly believes he made the right choice in joining Rovers.

"It was a difficult decision to leave. It wasn't until I was away from the club I realised how big the support network around the club was. From there, I knew it was up to me to work it out for myself."

"They had been watching me for a while. I knew there was interest for a while, initially it was going to be a loan but they wanted me permanently. I had a quick decision to make, I knew how much it meant to me so I thought I would give it a go."

"As soon as I went there it felt right for me. The level and standard of the dressing room I was in felt right. I settled quickly and felt at home, there was a lot of pressure at times but that was another key learning experience."

"I knew I had to work hard, I trusted my ability and the habits I had developed. I knew that if I stuck to them every week then I would continue to improve."

Daly also scored his first football league goal for The Pirates, this achievement is one which remains special to this day.

"The buzz was great, that personal accomplishment of scoring in a senior game was something I wanted to achieve so it was a proud moment. Looking back at the five or six years prior, you see that hard work being rewarded."

The former Palace and Rovers man would then move on to Stevenage. While suffering from injury, Daly believes this difficult period helped to improve him as a player.

"My time at Stevenage taught me so much about myself, I learned how to condition myself even better than before. I did get hit with a couple of injuries and it became a bit of a stop-start season."

"Obviously, that was a difficult period but it's another experience in the collective journey. I look at it and see that it's only benefitted me now. I feel like I am better for that spell now."

"After that, I felt I needed to play consistently, having come off the back of that season I trusted in my ability but knew I needed to nail down a place somewhere."

"For me, that's the only way you



improve as a player and that was the main focus for me. I spoke to the manager at Woking and the way wanted to play suited my style."

Reflecting on his season with the National League side, Town's number 11 believes his spell with Woking was some of the best football of his career.

"At times some players seek to avoid dropping out of the football league as a bit of an ego thing. However, the standard is always improving and it's a very competitive league."

"It was a challenging year but I had a great year so I can only speak highly of that. That season has given me a platform and a chance to go again here with Harrogate."

"I think I've got a good understanding for what it takes to be successful. It's a long season playing in the football league, I've got an understanding now where I can look after my body so it's about producing consistent performances."

Despite the offer to remain with Woking, Daly opted to join Town in the summer transfer window.

When discussing the decision, Daly cited the club's style of play as a key reason for his return to the football league

"I had the offer to stay but when an opportunity like this comes up I couldn't really turn down the move. I spoke to the gaffer and I viewed this as another opportunity I wanted to grab with both hands."

"The coaches have all been clear. They want me to continue to be myself, playing my game and I think my qualities suit the style of play we have here. I have to focus on that and keep trying to contribute."

"I feel like I am in the right place to use my skills. It's a massive importance to be in the right environment and having been here for a couple of weeks I believe this club is right for me."



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Town and Rovers have played each other before, albeit in two pre-season games at Wetherby Road.

The first was on Wednesday 3rd August 2011 and ended in a 3-0 win for Rovers in front of a crowd of 443 whilst the teams met again on Saturday 20 July 2013 with Town this time coming away with the 3-0 victory in front of 305 fans.



PLAYED FOR BOTH / MARK ATKINS

Prior to the 2003/04 season, Town fans were informed that Mark Atkins was moving to Wetherby Road as player/coach under then manager, John Reed.

Prior to that, Atkins was an integral part of Blackburn's rise from the old Second Division to Premier League champions in 1995 having joined Rovers from Scuthorpe United in 1988. In his time at Ewood Park he amassed 257 appearances, scoring 34 before he moved on to Wolves in 1995. He also played for York City, Doncaster Rovers, Hull City and Shrewsbury Town before moving to Harrogate. He made a total of 53 appearances in his time at Wetherby Road before both he and manager John Reed left for Stalybridge Celtic in January 2005.

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Top right: Michael Tait controls the ball for Town in 2011 (image: Peter Arnett)

Above: The 2013 team sheet






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Lewis Smalley heads in Town's first



HARROGATE TOWN U18 VS HARTLEPOOL UNITED U18

SAT 26 AUG | EFL YOUTH ALLIANCE - NORTH EAST



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Smalley 35', 87'

Orrell 31', 48'

Town U18s maintained their unbeaten start to their Youth Alliance North East title defence with a hard-fought 2-2 draw with Hartlepool United on Saturday.

Town started brightly and with just three minutes on the clock could have taken an early lead when Elijah Samuels knocked down a ball forward into the path of Josh Brodella who drove past three Hartlepool defenders only for the keeper to turn away his low effort. On 16 minutes some fast link up play between Jack

Bray, Samuels and Brodella released Alfie Lee who drove towards the edge of the box and unleashed a powerful drive that hit the inside of the post and away to safety.

Hartlepool looked bright and energetic in possession but it was Town who counter-attacked well on 21 minutes after Lee had won possession midway inside his own half. He passed forward to Bray who found Brodella in space who then drove forward again, before returning it to Bray who had continued his run

into the box who played it across goal for Samuels but his low effort was superbly saved by Pools keeper before being scrambled clear again.

Despite numerous opportunities for Town it was Pools that went ahead on 31 minutes when neat interplay between the Hartlepool forwards released the number 11 who fired home past Frankie Shepherd.

It did not take Town long to respond, however, as some clever play down the left released James Moorby who



Ollie Nicholson battles for possession

FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

Date	Opposition	Comp	Res	Scorers
August				
Sat 05	Notts County	YA	2-0	Brodella (2)
Sat 12	Mansfield Town	YA	2-0	O'Boyle, Brodella
Sat 19	Port Vale	YC	3-3	Samuels, Barnes, Hindle
Sat 26	Hartlepool United	YA	2-2	Smalley (2)
September				
Sat 16	Lincoln City	YA		
Sat 23	Burton Albion	YA		
Sat 30	Doncaster Rovers	YA		
October				
Sat 07	Scunthorpe United	YA		
Sat 28	Huddersfield Town	YA		
November				
Fri 03	Bradford City	YA		
Sat 18	Rotherham United	YA		
December				
Sat 02	Grimsby Town	YA		
Tue 19	Burton Albion	YA		
January				
Sat 06	Lincoln City	YA		
Sat 13	Huddersfield Town	YA		
Sat 20	Mansfield Town	YA		
February				
Sat 03	Grimsby Town	YA		
Sat 10	Scunthorpe United	YA		
Sat 17	Doncaster Rovers	YA		
March				
Sat 02	Notts County	YA		
Sat 09	Rotherham United	YA		
Sat 16	Hartlepool United	YA		
Sat 23	Bradford City	YA		

was brought down for a free kick on the byline just outside the box. From the free kick, Ollie Nicholson delivered a pinpoint cross to Smalley at the back post who headed home and made it all square at half time.

30 seconds after the restart Town found themselves behind again from a dangerous cross into the middle of the box which was met by the Pools winger to steer the ball into the far corner.

Two minutes later Town thought they were level - Lee pressed high and won the ball, before releasing Samuels who drove at the defender and played a one-two with Lee before squaring the ball to Brodella to tap home, only for the assistant referee to flag for offside.

As Town went in search of the equaliser, the game became stretched with Hartlepool playing on the counter attack.

Town continued to create chances and in the 65th minute, another good move between Lee, Samuels and Brodella opened the goal up for Brodella but he shot straight at the keeper. A minute later, and once again, Lee found Brodella to release a 3v2 situation, a lovely reverse ball from Brodella found the overlapping Lucas Barnes whose square ball for the waiting Obarotimi and Samuels, was gratefully smothered by the Pools keeper. On 72 minutes Samuels picked the ball up and drove towards the left hand side of the box and hit the ball across goal with his left foot which again just rolled past the far post.

The game continued to flow from end to end with both sides lacking the final pass to punish, but on 87 minutes Town finally got a deserved equaliser. A corner from Nicholson into the centre of the 6 yard box was parried by the goalkeeper into the path of Lewis Smalley who fired home his second of the game for a deserved point.

Town: Shepherd, Barnes (Robinson), Moorby (Pow), Taylor, Smalley, Etherington, Nicholson, Lee, Brodella, Bray (Obarotimi), Samuels **Not used:** Mooney, Hindle

YOUTH ALLIANCE NORTH EAST

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Hartlepool United	3	2	1	0	9	2	7	7
2 Harrogate Town	3	2	1	0	6	2	4	7
3 Burton Albion	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	6
4 Rotherham United	3	2	0	1	6	8	-2	6
5 Mansfield Town	3	1	1	1	4	4	0	4
6 Doncaster Rovers	2	1	0	1	6	4	2	3
7 Bradford City	3	1	0	2	3	7	-4	3
8 Huddersfield Town	2	0	2	0	3	3	0	2
9 Notts County	3	0	1	2	1	5	-4	1
10 Lincoln City	2	0	0	2	2	4	-2	0
11 Grimsby Town	1	0	0	1	1	3	-2	0
12 Scunthorpe United	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	0

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Two goal hero, Lewis Smalley

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THE LOWDOWN

After finishing just outside the Championship play-off positions in seventh last season, there has been plenty of change at Ewood Park over the Summer, with multiple key players departing the club, though there are still plenty of reasons for optimism of Rovers finishing in the top six this time round.

Rovers have recruited shrewdly to replace the likes of Bradley Dack who signed for Sunderland and Ben Brereton Diaz who joined Villarreal on a free transfer, adding Sondre Tronstad, Niall Ennis and Arnor Sigurdsson to their squad, and there will likely be more moves made before the transfer window closes.

Manager, Jon Dahl Tomasson, operated with a pretty young starting 11 for the majority of last season and his desire to play quick, attacking football means his squad has a youthful look again for the upcoming campaign. He has a solid squad to work with which includes some extremely talented youngsters.

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IN THE DUGOUT **JON DAHL TOMASSON**

APPOINTED: JUNE 2022 AGE: 46

Jon, 46, arrived at Rovers in June last year having led Swedish side Malmo FF to back-to-back league titles.

In an illustrious playing career, the former Denmark international represented Heerenveen, Newcastle United, Feyenoord, AC Milan, VfB Stuttgart and Villarreal, and scored a record 52 goals in 112 caps for his country.

After moving into coaching upon retiring in 2011, he had brief spells as head coach of Dutch clubs Excelsior and Roda JC, before taking up assistant manager roles with Vitesse Arnhem and the Denmark national team. Jon was appointed manager of Malmo FF in January 2020 and during a two-year period in charge, he led the Swedish club to successive Allsvenskan league titles, as well as to the group stages of the UEFA Champions League.



MEET THE SQUAD

GOALKEEPERS

Signing from Middlesbrough in October 2020, **Aynsley Pears** progressed through Boro's youth ranks, and received England recognition at U19 level, before having loan spells with Darlington and Gateshead. He made his Boro debut in August 2019 and went on to play 24 games in the Championship before moving to Ewood Park. He had to wait until February 2023 to have a run in the side and ended 2022/23 as first choice.

Sweden international **Leopold Wahlstedt** signed early this month from Norwegian outfit, Odds BK. The 24-year-old started his career in his native Sweden at Dalkurd FF in August 2018, aged just 19. A move to Norwegian outfit Arendal followed, before he signed for top-flight club Odds BK ahead of the 2021 campaign where he went on to make 64 appearances. Wahlstedt received his first call-up to the Sweden squad in September 2022.

Joe Hilton arrived at Rovers in 2019 after leaving Everton. He had a short loan spell at Fleetwood Town, where he made his senior debut, before going on to spend the remainder of the 2020/21 season with Ross County. Hilton played 16 times for Hamilton during a season-long stay in 2021/22, but spent most of last season as Rovers' third choice. The 23-year-old played the full game in the 4-3 win over Walsall in the last round.

DEFENDERS

Full-back **Callum Brittain**, signed in June 2022. Having started his career at MK Dons, Brittain made over 100 league appearances for the Dons, helping them win promotion to League One in 2018/19, before joining Barnsley in October 2020. Brittain played 74 league games for the Tykes in two seasons before joining Rovers. After a knee injury, the 25-year-old returned in February 2023 and ended the campaign with 29 total appearances.

Rovers signed **Harry Pickering** from Crewe Alexandra in January 2021 where the 24-year-old had been since a young age, before making his first-team debut in April 2017, aged 18. After establishing himself as first-choice full-back in 2018/19, Pickering played nearly 150 times for the Railwaymen and is now fast approaching 100 appearances in Rovers colours.

Scotland international, **Dom Hyam** moved to Rovers in August 2022 from

Coventry City. Having started his career at Reading, he had loan spells with Dagenham & Redbridge, Portsmouth and Aldershot Town before joining Coventry in 2017, helping the Sky Blues win the League One title in 2019/20. Hyam racked up 192 appearances in total for Coventry. The 27-year-old's debut campaign at Ewood Park memorable with the defender playing 42 times, scooping the Player and Players' Player of the Year as well as making his full Scotland debut in June.

Central defender **Scott Wharton** has been at Rovers since an early age, progressing through the ranks to now be a part of the senior squad. Making his debut in August 2016, he gained further experience on loan at Cambridge United, Lincoln City, Bury and Northampton Town. Back with Rovers in 2020, injury kept him out for much of 2020/21, however, upon his return, Scott nailed down a spot in the Rovers first-team.

Towering defender, **Hayden Carter** is approaching a decade at the club having joined Rovers at U14s level. In January 2021, Carter joined Burton Albion on loan and ended the campaign with 24 appearances. The 25-year-old then joined League One Portsmouth on loan in January 2022, playing 22 times. Last season proved to be a breakthrough campaign for him, as he forged a fine partnership with Dom Hyam, finishing with 36 appearances in all competitions.

Local lad **Sam Barnes** is another Academy product having been with Rovers since the age of 11. Sam progressed through to the U18s before gaining first-team experience on loan at Marine in early 2019. Upon returning to Rovers, Barnes moved up to the U23s before Jon Dahl Tomasson's handed Sam a squad number ahead of the 2022/23 campaign, but a knee injury saw him ruled out for the whole season.

Jake Garrett is approaching a decade with the club having previously been on the books at both Everton and Liverpool. The defender, who has represented England at U15s and U16s level, signed his first pro contract in March 2020.

MIDFIELDERS

Attacking midfielder **Sammie Szmodics** joined Rovers last summer. He started his career with Colchester United, scoring 38 goals in 162 appearances for the U's. In June 2019, he signed for Bristol City but after finding opportunities limited, made



Callum Brittain

a January loan move to Peterborough, before joining permanently in September 2020. He enjoyed an impressive maiden season there, netting 15 league goals in 40 starts, helping Posh secure promotion to the Championship.

Norway international **Sondre Tronstad** signed for Rovers over the summer. The 27-year-old midfielder, a free transfer from Dutch Eredivisie side Vitesse Arnhem, begun his football journey with IK Start in his home country, making his debut in May 2012, aged 16. He joined Huddersfield Town in early 2014, before heading back home to join FK Haugesund where he chalked up over 100 appearances. He moved to Vitesse in January 2020 and earned his first Norway cap later that same year.

Attacking midfielder **Tyrhys Dolan** joined Rovers in the summer of 2021 from Preston North End. Having spent much of his youth career at Manchester City, Dolan joined Preston in July 2017. The teenager's encouraging performances in 2020/21 turned the youngster into a real favourite with the fans and that's continued to be the case ever since.

A product of the Blackburn academy, **Joe Rankin-Costello** made his senior debut in 2017 and is a very versatile player capable of playing in defence and midfield. Multiple injuries have hampered the 23-year-old's development until last season where he made the right-back spot his own in the second half of the season, playing 24 league matches with two goals and three assists.

Captain, **Lewis Travis** joined from Liverpool in December 2014. After being in and around the Rovers first team squads, his breakthrough came over the festive period in 2018, and since then, he has become a firm fixture at Rovers. 2019/20 was his first full campaign in professional football where he appeared



Lewis Travis



Sam Gallagher

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44 times in all competitions. Consistent performances saw Travis rewarded with the captain's armband by Tomasson. Attracting much interest from Premier League clubs **Adam Wharton** started for Rovers multiple times last season, showing maturity beyond his years at the age of 19 in the middle of the park. The teenager played 18 times for in the Championship last season and by the end of it was a regular fixture in Tomasson's starting 11 and will no doubt continue to be this season as well.

Welsh international **Ryan Hedges** signed for Rovers in January 2022 from Aberdeen. Coming through the youth ranks at Everton, he signed his first pro contract with Swansea City. Whilst there, he had loan spells with Leyton Orient, Stevenage and Yeovil Town, before joining Barnsley in January 2017. His performances for the Tykes saw him called up by Wales in November 2017. During his time at Oakwell, he played 59 games and helped Barnsley earn promotion to the Championship in 2018/19 before joining Aberdeen at the end of that season.

Now a firm part of the first team furniture, **John Buckley** joined the club as a six-year-old, and rose through Rovers' youth ranks before making his first team debut at the end of the 2018/19 campaign.

Midfielder **Andrew Moran** joined Rovers on a season-long loan from Brighton & Hove Albion last week. A Republic of Ireland U21 international, Moran joined Brighton in 2020 from Bray Wanderers, where he was playing first team football by the age of 15. Moran enjoyed a standout season in 2022-23, scoring 13 goals and claiming six assists in 23 appearances for Brighton's Under-21s, whilst also making his Premier League debut against Everton in January.

FORWARDS

Icelandic international **Arnor Sigurdsson** joined over the summer with Rovers taking advantage of FIFA's ruling regarding the suspension of contracts for players at Russian clubs to take the 24-year-old from CSKA Moscow for the 2023/24 season. Having scored 15 times in 26 appearances in the past year for Norrköping – a top flight Swedish club, Sigurdsson has been capped 27 times for Iceland and it's hoped he could be Brereton Diaz's like-for-like replacement.

Sam Gallagher returned to Rovers from Premier League side Southampton in July 2019 having had a successful loan spell at Ewood Park during 2016-17. Initially on the books of Plymouth Argyle, Southampton signed him, and he made his Saints debut in November 2013, aged 18. Under Mauricio Pochettino, Gallagher enjoyed a brilliant breakthrough season at St Mary's in 2013/14, making 18 Premier League appearances. Following his loan at Rovers, Gallagher spent 2017/18 with

Birmingham City. His first campaign back at Ewood Park ended with six goals in all competitions, and he bagged seven in 39 appearances last season.

Niall Ennis signed for Rovers in May from Plymouth Argyle. Starting his career at Wolves, featuring once in an FA Cup triumph over Shrewsbury Town, where he also spent time on loan during the 2017/18 season, further loan spells with Doncaster Rovers and Burton Albion followed, before the pacey attacker joined Plymouth Argyle in January 2021. Last term, Ennis scored 14 goals as the Pilgrims secured the League One title.

Dilan Markanday signed for Rovers from Tottenham Hotspur in January 2022 having joined Spurs at the age of 11 and risen through the club's youth ranks. Stepping up to Spurs' U23s side in 2019/20, the winger netted 12 goals in 14 Premier League 2 fixtures. An injury on his Rovers debut at Hull City unfortunately ruled him out for much of 2021/22. In January 2023, he joined Aberdeen on loan until the end of the season. This term, he scored his first goal in English League football and also Blackburn's first goal of the season against West Brom.

Young attacker, **Zak Gilsenan** penned a new two-year deal with Rovers in June can play anywhere across the forward line and has been with the club since U16s level, having previously been on the books of Barcelona and Liverpool in his youth. Gilsenan, who is eligible to play for both Australia and the Republic of Ireland was a regular for Rovers U21s last season.

Young striker, **Harry Leonard** has been with Rovers since linking up with the Academy at U10s level. Progressing through the ranks, the teenage frontman is now part of the first-team squad after an impressive 2022/23 campaign, top-scoring for the U21s with 20 goals in all competitions and making his first of four senior outings in April.



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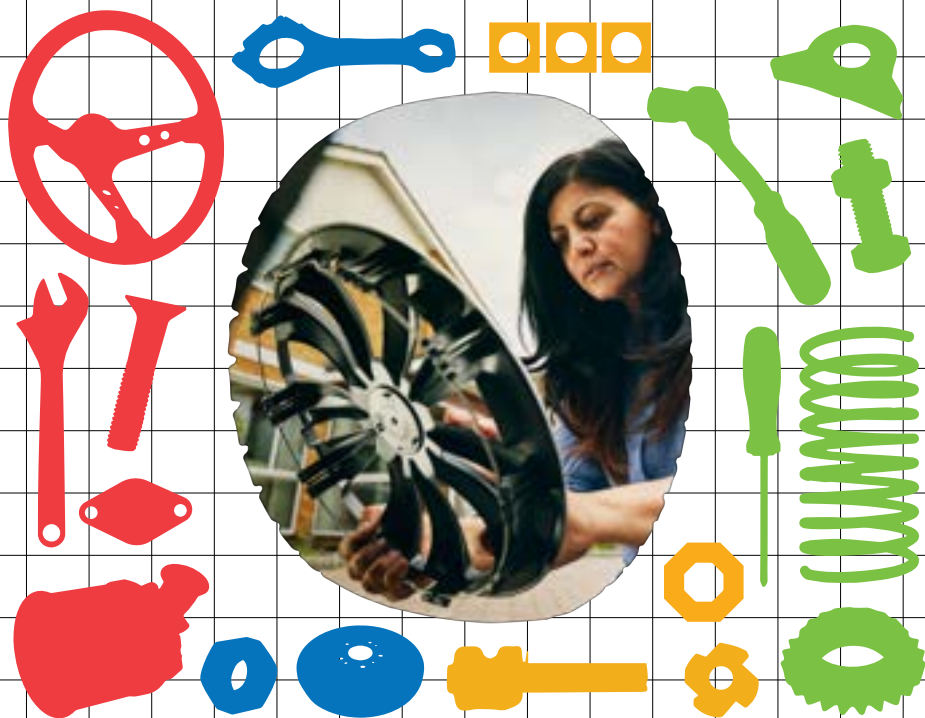
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POS	TEAM	HOME					AWAY					GD	PTS	LAST 5	
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F				A
1	MK Dons	5	2	0	0	3	1	2	0	1	9	7	4	12	●●●●●
2	Gillingham	5	1	0	1	1	3	3	0	0	3	0	1	12	●●●●●
3	Accrington Stanley	5	2	1	0	6	2	1	0	1	2	2	4	10	●●●●●
4	Notts County	5	2	0	0	5	3	1	1	1	4	6	0	10	●●●●●
5	AFC Wimbledon	5	0	2	0	2	2	2	1	0	5	0	5	9	●●●●●
6	Newport County	5	2	0	0	7	1	1	0	2	5	7	4	9	●●●●●
7	Mansfield Town	5	2	0	0	6	2	0	3	0	5	5	4	9	●●●●●
8	Swindon Town	4	1	1	0	8	2	1	1	0	7	6	7	8	●●●●●
9	Barrow	5	1	1	0	3	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	8	●●●●●
10	Salford City	5	0	1	1	2	3	2	0	1	6	5	0	7	●●●●●
11	Morecambe	5	2	1	0	5	1	0	0	2	0	5	-1	7	●●●●●
12	Bradford City	5	2	0	0	3	1	0	1	2	1	5	-2	7	●●●●●
13	Crawley Town	5	2	0	1	3	2	0	1	1	1	7	-5	7	●●●●●
14	Crewe Alexandra	5	1	2	0	8	6	0	1	1	2	3	1	6	●●●●●
15	Grimsby Town	5	1	2	0	3	1	0	1	1	3	4	1	6	●●●●●
16	Wrexham	5	1	1	1	12	12	0	2	0	2	2	0	6	●●●●●
17	Harrogate Town	5	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	2	2	5	-2	6	●●●●●
18	Walsall	5	1	1	0	3	2	0	1	2	5	8	-2	5	●●●●●
19	Stockport County	5	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	2	3	5	-2	4	●●●●●
20	Forest Green Rovers	5	0	0	3	1	7	1	1	0	2	1	-5	4	●●●●●
21	Tranmere Rovers	5	1	0	2	7	6	0	0	2	1	3	-1	3	●●●●●
22	Colchester United	4	0	0	2	2	5	1	0	1	4	2	-1	3	●●●●●
23	Sutton United	5	1	0	2	5	5	0	0	2	2	5	-3	3	●●●●●
24	Doncaster Rovers	5	0	1	2	3	6	0	0	2	1	6	-8	1	●●●●●

● Won ● Drawn ● Lost - Updated 28th August 2023

NEXT FIXTURES

SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 2023

Crewe Alexandra v Milton Keynes Dons

Doncaster Rovers v Swindon Town

Grimsby Town v Gillingham

Harrogate Town v Barrow

Mansfield Town v Bradford City

Morecambe v Salford City

Newport County v AFC Wimbledon

Notts County v Accrington Stanley

Stockport County v Crawley Town

Sutton United v Forest Green Rovers

Tranmere Rovers v Wrexham

Walsall v Colchester United

LEAGUE TWO TOP 3'S

TOP SCORERS			DRIBBLES		
7	Jake Young	Swindon Town	28	Sam Folarin	Harrogate Town
6	Will Evans	Newport County	27	Louie Barry	Stockport County
5	Davis Keillor-Dunn	Mansfield Town	27	Shilow Tracey	Crewe Alexandra
ASSISTS			TACKLES		
4	Stephen Quinn	Mansfield Town	17	Kamil Conteh	Grimsby Town
3	Daniel Kemp	Swindon Town	17	Charlie McCann	Forest Green
3	Jacob Mendy	Wrexham	16	Harry Beautyman	Sutton United
SHOTS			SAVES		
22	Macaulay Flagstaff	Notts County	21	Harvey Davies	Crewe Alexandra
21	Davis Keillor-Dunn	Mansfield Town	20	Alex Bass	AFC Wimbledon
21	James Tilley	AFC Wimbledon	19	Luke Daniels	Forest Green

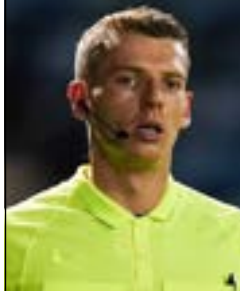
TOWN PLAYER STATS 2023/24

#	Name	Age	Previous Club	Signed	Sky Bet League Two					Cups		Season		Town Career	
					Apps	Mins	Goals	■	■	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	Mark Oxley	32	Southend United	07/21	5 (0)	450	0	1	-	1 (0)	0	6 (0)	0	75	0
3	Joe Mattock	33	Colchester United	06/22	2 (1)	169	0	2	-	1 (0)	0	3 (1)	0	30	0
4	Josh Falkingham	32	Darlington	07/17	1 (3)	161	0	2	-	1 (0)	0	2 (3)	0	270	8
5	Will Smith	24	Barnsley	06/19	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	102	6
6	Warren Burrell	33	Buxton	01/16	1 (3)	145	1	-	-	1 (0)	0	2 (3)	1	367	16
7	George Thomson	31	FC United of Manchester	05/17	1 (1)	90	1	-	-	1 (0)	0	2 (1)	1	272	40
8	Dean Cornelius	22	Motherwell	06/23	4 (0)	332	0	1	-	0 (1)	0	4 (1)	0	5	0
9	Abraham Odoh	23	Rochdale	07/23	4 (1)	362	0	1	-	1 (0)	0	5 (1)	0	6	0
10	Matty Daly	22	Huddersfield Town	06/23	2 (2)	189	0	1	-	1 (0)	0	3 (2)	0	42	8
11	James Daly	23	Woking	06/23	3 (1)	249	0	-	-	0 (1)	0	3 (2)	0	5	0
12	Sam Folarin	22	Middlesbrough	08/22	5 (0)	403	0	2	-	1 (0)	1	6 (0)	1	36	5
13	Lewis Thomas	21	Burnley	06/23	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	0	0
14	Toby Sims	25	Pittsburgh Riverhounds	01/23	5 (0)	418	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	22	1
15	Anthony O'Connor	30	Morecambe	01/23	5 (0)	450	0	1	-	0 (0)	0	5 (0)	0	25	2
16	Rod McDonald	31	Crewe Alexandra	06/23	2 (0)	147	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	2 (0)	0	2	0
17	Levi Sutton	26	Bradford City	01/23	1 (4)	153	0	1	-	1 (0)	0	2 (4)	0	23	1
18	Jack Muldoon	34	AFC Fylde	06/18	2 (1)	162	1	-	-	0 (1)	0	2 (2)	1	246	66
20	Kayne Ramsay	22	Southampton	08/22	0 (1)	32	0	-	-	1 (0)	0	1 (1)	0	33	0
22	Stephen Dooley	31	Rochdale	06/22	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	8	0
23	Matty Foulds	25	Bradford City	06/23	5 (0)	450	0	-	-	1 (0)	0	6 (0)	0	27	0
24	George Horbury	19	HTAFC Academy	06/22	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	5	0
27	Luke Armstrong	27	Salford City	06/21	3 (1)	301	1	-	-	0 (0)	0	3 (1)	1	105	31
30	Liam Gibson	26	Morecambe	06/23	3 (0)	287	0	1	-	0 (1)	0	3 (1)	0	4	0
34	Brad Williams	18	HTAFC Academy	06/23	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	2	0
37	Finn O'Boyle	18	HTAFC Academy	06/23	0 (0)	0	0	-	-	0 (0)	0	0 (0)	0	1	1

TOWN LEAGUE STATS 2023/24



THE REFEREE WILL FINNIE



Luton-based official Will Finnie is in his fifth campaign as an EFL referee, and this will be his second game in charge at The EnviroVent Stadium having refereed our 1-0 win over Barrow here last season in March. Finnie, officiated 32 matches last season - issuing 100 yellow cards and one red. He will be assisted on the day by Abbas Khan and Richard Wigglesworth with Oliver Langford the fourth official.

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FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023/24

DATE	OPPOSITION	COMP	RES	ATT	STARTING XI					
AUGUST										
Sat 5	Doncaster Rovers	L2	● 1-0	7,126	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	McDonald	Cornelius
Tue 8	Carlisle United	CCR1	● 1-0	2,177	Oxley	Ramsay	Foulds	Mattock	Burrell	Falkingham
Sat 12	Forest Green Rovers	L2	● 0-1	2,050	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	Burrell	Cornelius
Tue 15	Tranmere Rovers	L2	● 0-3	5,278	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	Mattock	Cornelius
Sat 19	Accrington Stanley	L2	● 1-2	1,950	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	Mattock	Cornelius
Sat 26	Morecambe	L2	● 1-0	2,224	Oxley	Sims	Foulds	O'Connor	McDonald	Falkingham
Wed 30	Blackburn Rovers	CCR2	19:45							
SEPTEMBER										
Sat 2	Barrow AFC	L2	15:00							
Tue 5	Nottingham Forest U21	PPJG	19:45							
Sat 9	Gillingham	L2	15:00							
Sat 16	Bradford City	L2	15:00							
Sat 23	Salford City	L2	15:00							
Sat 30	MK Dons	L2	15:00							
OCTOBER										
Tue 3	AFC Wimbledon	L2	19:45							
Sat 7	Newport County	L2	15:00							
Tue 10	Accrington Stanley	PPJG	19:45							
Sat 14	Stockport County	L2	15:00							
Sat 21	Colchester United	L2	15:00							
Tue 24	Mansfield Town	L2	19:45							
Sat 28	Crewe Alexandra	L2	15:00							
NOVEMBER										
Sat 11	Walsall	L2	15:00							
Tue 14	Carlisle United	PPJG	19:00							
Sat 18	Swindon Town	L2	15:00							
Sat 25	Crawley Town	L2	15:00							
Tue 28	Wrexham	L2	19:45							
DECEMBER										
Sat 9	Sutton United	L2	15:00							
Sat 16	Notts County	L2	15:00							
Sat 23	Grimsby Town	L2	15:00							
Tue 26	Accrington Stanley	L2	19:45							
Fri 29	Tranmere Rovers	L2	15:00							
JANUARY										
Mon 1	Morecambe	L2	15:00							
Sat 6	Doncaster Rovers	L2	13:00							
Sat 13	Forest Green Rovers	L2	15:00							
Sat 20	Grimsby Town	L2	15:00							
Fri 26	Newport County	L2	19:45							
FEBRUARY										
Sat 3	Stockport County	L2	15:00							
Sat 10	Colchester United	L2	15:00							
Tue 13	Mansfield Town	L2	19:45							
Sat 17	Crewe Alexandra	L2	15:00							
Sat 24	Walsall	L2	15:00							
MARCH										
Sat 2	Swindon Town	L2	15:00							
Sat 9	Crawley Town	L2	15:00							
Tue 12	Wrexham	L2	19:45							
Sat 16	Barrow AFC	L2	15:00							
Sat 23	Bradford City	L2	13:00							
Fri 29	AFC Wimbledon	L2	15:00							
APRIL										
Mon 1	Gillingham	L2	15:00							
Sat 6	Notts County	L2	15:00							
Sat 13	Sutton United	L2	15:00							
Sat 20	MK Dons	L2	15:00							
Sat 27	Salford City	L2	15:00							

KEY: TOWN SCORE SHOWN FIRST ⊕ Goal / ⊖ Penalty;
 Sub 1 / Sub 2 / Sub 3 / Sub 4 / Sub 5; 🟡 Yellow Card / 🔴 Red Card



OG USED SUBSTITUTES

Gibson 🟡	Folarin 🟡	Muldoon ⊖	Odoh 🟡	J. Daly	Mattock (57), M. Daly (68), Sutton (88), Burrell (89)
Sutton	Folarin ⊕	Thomson	Odoh	M. Daly	Muldoon (69), J. Daly (69), Cornelius (78), Gibson (78)
Gibson	Folarin	Muldoon	Odoh	J. Daly	M. Daly (59), Armstrong (59), Falkingham (79), Sutton (79)
Gibson	Folarin	Armstrong	Odoh	M. Daly	Falkingham (77), Sutton (77), J. Daly (77)
Gibson	Folarin 🟡	Armstrong	Odoh	M. Daly 🟡	Burrell (46) ⊖, Falkingham (46) 🟡, Sutton (46), Ramsay (58), Thomson (90+6)
Sutton 🟡	Thomson ⊕	Armstrong ⊖	Folarin	J. Daly	Muldoon (77), Burrell (70), Odoh (88)



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- 3 **JOE MATTOCK**
- 4 **JOSH FALKINGHAM ©**
- 5 **WILL SMITH**
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- 7 **GEORGE THOMSON**
- 8 **DEAN CORNELIUS**
- 9 **ABRAHAM ODOH**
- 10 **MATTY DALY**
- 11 **JAMES DALY**
- 12 **SAM FOLARIN**
- 13 **LEWIS THOMAS**
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- 15 **ANTONY O'CONNOR**
- 16 **ROD MCDONALD**
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- 18 **JACK MULDOON**
- 20 **KAYNE RAMSAY**
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- 37 **FINN O'BOYLE**



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- 17 **HAYDEN CARTER**
- 18 **DILAN MARKANDAY**
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- 20 **HARRY LEONARD**
- 21 **JOHN BUCKLEY**
- 22 **ZAK GILSENAN**
- 23 **ADAM WHARTON**
- 24 **ANDREW MORAN**
- 27 **LEWIS TRAVIS ©**
- 29 **JACK VALE**
- 30 **JAKE GARRETT**
- 34 **JOE HILTON**

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE:

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