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FROM THE CHAIRMAN ANDREW JENKINS

I would like to welcome the directors, players and fans of Rochdale to this League Two game tonight.

They are a club well known to us, and also to our manager, who was with Rochdale prior to joining Carlisle in 2003 - how time flies.

They are also a club who Bob Stokoe managed in 1979/80 just before joining us and, of course, he then stayed with us for six years.

It is good to see Paul back with us and I am sure we all wish him well as we fight to get away from the danger zone. It has been a difficult and tiring week as we try to judge our pathway over the next fifteen games.

It was huge decision to make and we would wish David Holdsworth and Keith Millen all the best for the future, wherever they go.

It's an interesting time as we see the reactions from people once you announce the change of a manager, also the good wishes from friends and former members of staff offering help on all sorts of issues.

Hopefully everybody has received a boost and, whatever happened at Orient (these notes were written before that game) we look forward to getting behind Paul, his staff and players for the important months ahead.



It was really good to see the whole stadium join in with applause in memory of Grant Taylor on the 22 minute mark on Saturday. That was shocking news. Thank you to those fans who came up with the idea, I thought it was very moving. Our thoughts are with his family and loved ones.

Back to the game and I only hope when the team run out with Paul at the helm it will be at the start of us moving into a new era, so let's all get together and get this club up the league to safety.

Andrew Jenkins



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Good evening and welcome to our rearranged home game against Rochdale. I welcome Robbie, his players and staff to Brunton Park for what we expect to be a very tough encounter.

Rochdale have been hard to beat recently and just one defeat in their seven games leading into their weekend meeting with Northampton shows that they are going to provide us with a real test.

These notes have been put together ahead of our trip to Orient, and it goes without saying that we were looking to address some of the issues that led to the disappointing run the team had faced for that game.

Hearing that over 500 of you were making the journey to support us came as absolutely no surprise. My first spell as manager here was a clear demonstration of the potential this club has, and I know you will all play your part in helping us at a time when we really need you.

Being a fan myself, I am fully aware of the worries and concerns you have about succession, about the recent takeovers that went away, and about the direction the club is going, particularly with the position we currently find ourselves in the table, but the most important thing for all of us is that we unite and pull together for the 14 games that remain.

None of that other stuff has gone away, I would never pretend that it has, but we must do everything we can to preserve our league status so that we can push on

again and hopefully enjoy some much better days ahead.

Obviously, part of the process for me at the moment is to get to know the group, and to get to understand them more as people and players, but the fact of the situation we are currently in is that we have to turn things around quickly.

I am under no illusions about that, and everything we do over the coming weeks is with a focus on getting the results and points we need to keep this club in the football league.

Thank you for the response to the announcement of my appointment the other day. It means a lot, and I am looking forward to harnessing the positivity you have generated in the games ahead.

Enjoy the game,
Paul Simpson

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THE OPPOSITION



ROCHDALE AFC



MANAGER ROBBIE STOCKDALE

Robbie was appointed as manager of Rochdale in July 2021, replacing Brian Barry-Murphy at the Crown Oil Arena. The 42-year-old joined the club on a two-year contract.

Having progressed through the youth ranks at Middlesbrough, the former defender enjoyed a successful playing career, notching up over 250 appearances at clubs including Boro, Sheffield Wednesday, West Ham, Rotherham United and Hull City.

He started his coaching career at Grimsby Town in 2010 before going on to join Sunderland two years later. Stockdale spent six years on the staff at Sunderland and was part of the first team set up under the likes of Sam Allardyce, as well as having three stints as caretaker-manager.

After leaving The Black Cats, Robbie was appointed as Paul Heckingbottom's assistant at Hibernian in 2019,

before reuniting with Allardyce in 2020 when he joined his backroom staff as first team coach at West Bromwich Albion. He was also capped five times by Scotland during his career.



STAR MAN JAMES BALL



Jimmy is a midfielder who joined Dale for an undisclosed fee from Solihull Moors at the end of the January transfer window.

Ball started his career at his hometown club Bolton Wanderers and had loan spells at Hyde United, Northwich Victoria and Stalybridge Celtic during his time there. After leaving Wanderers, he went on to join Stockport County in 2016, where he made 74 appearances and scored 14 goals.

From there, James earned a move into the EFL with Stevenage, which was followed by a move to Ebbsfleet in 2019. After playing in all 14 of Fleet's matches in the opening two months of the 2019/20 campaign, he was snapped up by fellow National League side Solihull Moors for an undisclosed fee.



STAR MAN

THE OPPOSITION



ROCHDALE AFC THE SQUAD



1
JAY LYNCH
GK



2
COREY O'KEEFFE
DF



3
AIDY WHITE
DF



4
JIM McNULTY
DF



5
MAX TAYLOR
DF



6
EOGHAN O'CONNELL
DF



7
STEPHEN DOOLEY
MF



8
JAMES BALL
MF



9
LUKE CHARMAN
FW



10
ALEX NEWBY
MF

THE OPPOSITION



11
CONOR
GRANT
MF



12
JERIEL
DORSETT
DF



13
JIMMY
KEOHANE
MF



14
GEORGE
BROADBENT
MF



15
SAM
GRAHAM
DF



16
MATT
DONE
FW



17
PAUL
DOWNING
DF



18
ABRAHAM
ODOH
FW



19
JOSH
ANDREWS
FW



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DANNY
CASHMAN
FW



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LIAM
KELLY
MF



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THE OPPOSITION



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JOEL
COLEMAN
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ROCHDALE 2 - 1 CARLISLE UNITED

Tuesday 27 August 2019



Referee: Peter Wright
Attendance: 1,974 (436 away fans)

ROCHDALE: Sanchez, O'Connell, Dooley (Rathbone 67), Andrew, Camps (c), Keohane, Done (McLaughlin 85), Ryan (Pyke 62), Magloire, Morley, Matheson. Subs - Norrington Davies, Delaney, Lynch, Henderson.

Goals - Morley (11), Done (31)
 Bookings - Camps (67), O'Connell (70), Magloire (90)

CARLISLE UNITED: Collin (gk) (c), Elliott, Webster, Knight-Percival, Iredale, Scougall, Jones (Carroll 52), Bridge, Thomas, Olomola (Sorensen 63), Hope (McKirdy 52). Subs - Gray (gk), Mellish, Branthwaite, Loft.

Goal - Bridge (71 pen)

Having seen off Championship side Barnsley in the first round of the Carabao Cup it was off to Spotland for United and a game against League One Rochdale.

The Dale had put struggling Bolton to the sword in their first-round tie two weeks ago with a clinical and comfortable 5-2 victory, but they knew it would be a tougher task this time round with both clubs keeping one eye on the prospect of drawing one of the big boys in the often lucrative next stage of the cup.

Dale keeper Robert Sanchez had a heart in the mouth moment with two minutes on the clock when a heavy back pass came his way. His first touch was loose, but he reacted quickly before Hope could steal in and nick it off his toes.



A run from Iredale took him towards the corner flag as United stayed on the front foot, and a neat turn brought **Stefan Scougall** ◀ into play. He showed good skill to spin away from a challenge but his whipped cross was cleared by O'Connell as it came into the box.

The hosts came forward once again and Morley had just one thing in mind as he pulled off his man 25-yards

from the target. He looked up to check his bearings and stopper **Adam Collin** ▶ could do nothing as a dipping, accurate effort bulged the back of the net via the inside of the upright.

It was a fast-paced encounter and Done drilled one wide at the other end after a touch from Camps had invited him to shoot. The volley was punched into the ground and it bounced and spun its way behind for a goal kick.

Carlisle continued to look good with the ball and they spread the play from left to right as Hope used Jones to create a gap. Thomas called for it on the right, and his cross had Olomola interested. O'Connell was the defender who jumped in to get in the way.

The Cumbrians created a great opening on 23 minutes when Elliott pinged a beauty of a pass through the back line from just outside his own box. Hope appeared to be clean through, but Magloire opened his legs and he got there with a well-timed tackle just in time to prevent the shot.

But Dale were gifted a goal moments later when a huge kick from the keeper was nodded sideways by Webster.



The big defender was looking to send it to Knight-Percival, but it had too much on it and Done was suddenly clean through as he took it on his thigh. Collin lost his footing as the blue shirt bore down on him and that left a big gap, which was ruthlessly exploited, as the home side doubled their lead.

Rochdale created the first chance of the second half when Dooley pulled wide to take a crossfield pass on his chest. His first touch allowed him to set off on a run across the face of the 18-yard box and a cheeky back heel brought a shot from Morley, which angled just over the target.

It was Dooley who was an inch away as Rochdale settled into a pattern with a slick move which had Morley and Done exchanging passes. The final lay-off was rattled just wide by the midfielder when he let fly from 22-yards.

McKirdy and Carroll were sent into the fray early in the second half, and McKirdy had the away fans off their seats when he trapped a ball on the half way line before setting off on a run. He left two in his wake but his shot sailed high into the night sky.

Carlisle looked dangerous when they spread play inside the Rochdale half, and a lovely touch from Sorensen took the ball through legs and opened space for Elliott and Thomas. A half clearance from a cross brought a free kick, as Camps went into the book, but Sanchez was off his line smartly to gather the set piece delivery.



The Blues gave themselves a lifeline on 70 minutes when McKirdy was scythed to the floor as he went on a mesmerising run. The referee pointed to the spot and **Jack Bridge** ◀ went straight down the middle with his penalty kick, which left the diving Sanchez with no chance.

United started to dominate, and a massive kick forward from Collin caused all kinds of confusion on 83 minutes when Magloire lost his footing as he came under pressure from McKirdy. The ball bounced awkwardly inside the opposition box and it was fed out to

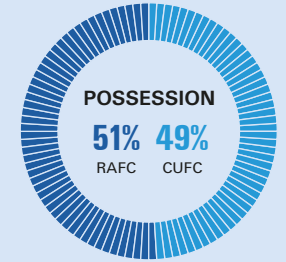
Thomas, who beat his man and crossed it high. It clearly hit a hand but the officials claimed not to have seen it, and the visitors were denied what was a clear and obvious second penalty kick.

It was all about United and a fantastic pass from Carroll found Thomas unmarked. He played it to Elliott, and his cross hit the toe of the stretching Tyler Magloire. The home defender breathed a sigh of relief when the deflection screwed over the bar.

United pushed and probed, and there was a huge chance when Collin delivered again for Knight-Percival to flick. Sorensen was there, but his volley from an angle was parried by Sanchez and Andrew gratefully smashed it clear.

Rochdale were able to see the clock down but there was plenty left to talk about as the final whistle blew on a hard-fought home victory.

MATCH STATS



TOTAL SHOTS



SHOTS ON TARGET



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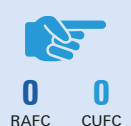
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BOOKINGS



SENT OFF



ATTENDANCE



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Boxing Day used to be a popular day for local derbies and Carlisle often played Workington, attracting some big crowds.

In 1963/64, 18,633 fans saw the 2-2 draw at Borough Park and two days later 16,347 were at Brunton Park as United won 3-1. Rochdale were the visitors for the last home game on Tuesday 21st April 1964 and 11,556 cheered a home win that clinched promotion

Signposts on roads around Manchester read like old Third Division North league tables with Rochdale, Bury, Oldham, Accrington, Crewe and Stockport all within about 20 miles.

While clubs from these other towns occasionally ventured into the top two divisions, The Dale remained on the lower rungs of the league ladder.

I have happy memories of my only visit to Spotland on Tuesday 2 May 2006. United won 2-0 to clinch the League 2 title and the fish and chips were delicious too!

Recent Rochdale results yield some statistical trivia. In the ill-fated 2019/20 season, Rochdale drew 1-1 at home to Lincoln City on 17 September and then had a run of twenty-one League 1 games before the next draw on 8 February, 1-1 at Doncaster.

Yet, in the same five months, they drew five of nine cup games. Most memorable was 1-1 (lost 5-3 on penalties) in the League Cup with **Manchester United** ▼ at Old Trafford in front of 58,313 fans.



Less exciting were their three FA Cup ties which all went to replays, but the players' exertions brought in valuable revenue from the share of away gates at non-league Wrexham (3,274) and Boston United (4,190) and the two games with Premier League Newcastle United (8,593 at Spotland and 29,786 at St James' Park).

Fortunately the last League 1 game on 7 March before lockdown was a 3-1 home win v Rotherham and 36 points from 34 games was enough to avoid relegation.

Last season 'Dale could not avoid the relegation which brings them to Brunton Park for the first time since 2012.

People connections include **Peter Hampton** ► who sadly died last year while on a family holiday in Cyprus. After a long career in the top division, particularly with Stoke City, he played for 'Dale and United in 1987/88 and was physio here for ten years.

Other Carlisle celebrities with a Rochdale connection are John Halpin, Bob Stokoe and our freshly returned manager, **Paul Simpson** ►.



	H	A
1928/29	4-2	0-4
1929/30	2-0	0-2
1930/31	7-1	3-1
1931/32	4-0	3-4
1932/33	2-2	1-0
1933/34	3-0	1-0
1934/35	0-0	1-3
1935/36	4-3	0-0
1936/37	1-0	0-3
1937/38	0-1	1-3
1938/39	5-1	3-2
1946/47	1-3	0-6
1947/48	5-0	1-2
1948/49	1-1	0-1
1949/50	2-0	0-1
1950/51	4-0	1-4
1951/52	1-1	4-0
1952/53	5-0	2-1
1953/54	7-0	1-2
1954/55	7-2	2-1
1955/56	1-2	2-5
1956/57	2-1	1-2
1957/58	1-0	0-1
1959/60	1-1	0-3
1960/61	1-2	1-2
1961/62	2-2	1-1
1963/64	1-0	1-1
1987/88	2-0	2-1
1988/89	1-0	0-0
1989/90	0-1	2-1
1990/91	1-1	1-0
1991/92	0-0	1-3
1992/93	3-0	2-2
1993/94	0-1	1-0
1994/95	4-1	1-1
1996/97	3-2	2-2
1998/99	0-1	1-1
1999/00	1-2	2-3
2000/01	1-2	0-6
2001/02	1-2	1-1
2002/03	0-2	1-0
2003/04	3-2	0-2
2005/06	2-1	2-0
2010/11	1-1	3-2
2011/12	2-1	0-0



CUP MEETINGS

- 14 Nov 1959: Rochdale 2 - 2 United (FA Cup)
- 17 Nov 1959: United 1 - 3 Rochdale (FA Cup)
- 09 Aug 1980: United 2 - 0 Rochdale (League Cup)
- 12 Aug 1980: Rochdale 1 - 1 United (League Cup)
- 20 Aug 1991: Rochdale 5 - 1 United (League Cup)
- 27 Aug 1991: United 1 - 1 Rochdale (League Cup)
- 06 Jan 1998: United 6 - 1 Rochdale (FLT)
- 07 Mar 2000: United 0 - 1 Rochdale (FLT)
- 14 Oct 2003: United 2 - 0 Rochdale (FLT)
- 07 Oct 2008: Rochdale 2 - 2 United (FLT)
Rochdale win 4-3 on pens
- 03 Oct 2016: United 0 - 2 Rochdale (FA Cup)
- 27 Aug 2019: Rochdale 2 - 1 United (League Cup)

Games Played: 102

Carlisle Wins: 42

Rochdale Wins: 37

Draws: 23

SCORES AND RESULTS

CARLISLE UNITED IN 1999/2000

FRIENDLIES

14 Jul 1999	A	Durham	W	1-0
17 Jul 1999	A	Berwick	L	0-1
20 Jul 1999	A	Gretna	D	2-2
24 Jul 1999	H	Motherwell	L	1-4
27 Jul 1999	A	Ashington	W	4-1
31 Jul 1999	H	Burnley	L	1-2
03 Aug 1999	A	Whitley Bay	D	0-0
16 Nov 1999	H	Queen of the South	W	1-0

LEAGUE CUP

10 Aug 1999	H	Grimsby Town	D	0-0
24 Aug 1999	A	Grimsby Town	L	0-6

FA CUP

30 Oct 1999	A	Ilkeston Town	L	1-2
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AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD

25 Jan 2000	H	Wigan Athletic	W	2-1
22 Feb 2000	H	Hartlepool United	W	2-1
07 Mar 2000	H	Rochdale	L	0-1

THIRD DIVISION TABLE

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Swansea City ▲	46	24	13	9	51	30	21	85
2	Rotherham United ▲	46	24	12	10	72	36	36	84
3	Northampton Town ▲	46	25	7	14	63	45	18	82
4	Darlington	46	21	16	9	66	36	30	79
5	Peterborough United ▲	46	22	12	12	63	54	9	78
6	Barnet	46	21	12	13	59	53	6	75
7	Hartlepool United	46	21	9	16	60	49	11	72
8	Cheltenham Town	46	20	10	16	50	42	8	70
9	Torquay United	46	19	12	15	62	52	10	69
10	Rochdale	46	18	14	14	57	54	3	68
11	Brighton & Hove Albion	46	17	16	13	64	46	18	67
12	Plymouth Argyle	46	16	18	12	55	51	4	66
13	Macclesfield Town	46	18	11	17	66	61	5	65
14	Hull City	46	15	14	17	43	43	0	59
15	Lincoln City	46	15	14	17	67	69	-2	59
16	Southend United	46	15	11	20	53	61	-8	56
17	Mansfield Town	46	16	8	22	50	65	-15	56
18	Halifax Town	46	15	9	22	44	58	-14	54
19	Leyton Orient	46	13	13	20	47	52	-5	52
20	York City	46	12	16	18	39	53	-14	52
21	Exeter City	46	11	11	24	46	72	-26	44
22	Shrewsbury Town	46	9	13	24	40	67	-27	40
23	CARLISLE UNITED	46	9	12	25	42	75	-33	39
24	Chester City ▼	46	10	9	27	44	79	-35	39

THIRD DIVISION RESULTS

07 Aug 1999	H	Leyton Orient	W	2-1
14 Aug 1999	A	Swansea City	L	0-1
21 Aug 1999	H	Hartlepool United	L	0-3
28 Aug 1999	A	Mansfield Town	D	1-1
30 Aug 1999	H	Plymouth Argyle	W	4-2
04 Sept 1999	A	Northampton Town	D	0-0
11 Sept 1999	H	Lincoln City	W	1-0
18 Sept 1999	A	Shrewsbury Town	L	1-4
25 Sept 1999	A	Halifax Town	L	2-5
02 Oct 1999	H	Southend United	D	1-1
09 Oct 1999	H	Brighton & Hove Albion	L	0-1
16 Oct 1999	A	Exeter City	D	1-1
19 Oct 1999	A	Darlington	L	1-3
23 Oct 1999	H	Halifax Town	D	1-1
02 Nov 1999	H	York City	L	0-1
06 Nov 1999	A	Cheltenham Town	L	1-3
12 Nov 1999	H	Peterborough United	D	1-1
23 Nov 1999	A	Barnet	L	0-3
27 Nov 1999	H	Rotherham United	L	0-1
04 Dec 1999	A	Leyton Orient	W	1-0
14 Dec 1999	H	Torquay United	D	0-0
18 Dec 1999	A	Hull City	L	1-2
26 Dec 1999	H	Rochdale	L	1-2
28 Dec 1999	A	Macclesfield Town	L	1-2
03 Jan 2000	H	Chester City	W	4-1
08 Jan 2000	A	Torquay United	L	1-4
22 Jan 2000	A	Hartlepool United	L	0-1
29 Jan 2000	H	Mansfield Town	L	0-2
05 Feb 2000	A	Plymouth Argyle	L	0-2
19 Feb 2000	A	Rotherham United	L	2-4
26 Feb 2000	H	Shrewsbury Town	D	1-1
04 Mar 2000	A	Lincoln City	L	0-5
11 Mar 2000	A	York City	D	1-1
18 Mar 2000	H	Barnet	W	3-1
21 Mar 2000	A	Peterborough United	W	2-0
25 Mar 2000	A	Rochdale	L	2-3
28 Mar 2000	H	Swansea City	W	2-0
01 Apr 2000	H	Hull City	L	0-4
04 Apr 2000	H	Cheltenham Town	D	1-1
08 Apr 2000	A	Chester City	W	1-0
11 Apr 2000	H	Northampton Town	L	0-1
15 Apr 2000	H	Macclesfield Town	L	0-1
22 Apr 2000	H	Exeter City	D	0-0
24 Apr 2000	A	Southend United	L	0-2
29 Apr 2000	H	Darlington	D	1-1
06 May 2000	A	Brighton & Hove Albion	L	0-1

FLASHBACK TEAM PHOTO 1999/2000



WINNERS

Premier League: Manchester United ◀

First Division: Charlton Athletic

Second Division: Preston North End

Third Division: Swansea City

Scottish Premier Division: Rangers ▶

FA Cup Final: Chelsea 1-0 Aston Villa ◀

League Cup Final: Leicester City 2-1 Tranmere Rovers

Scottish Cup Final: Aberdeen 0-4 Rangers

Champions League Final: Real Madrid ▶ 3-0 Valencia



ODDS & ENDS

Top Movie: Toy Story 2 ▶

Top Single: Pure Shores (All Saints)

Top Album: Come On Over (Shania Twain) ◀



IN THE NEWS



July: The newly established **Scottish Parliament** ◀ was opened by the Queen. Meetings were initially held in Edinburgh's Assembly Hall until new headquarters were built at Holyrood.

August: A **total solar eclipse** ▶ took place across Europe and Asia with darkness falling and temperatures dropping as the sun was blacked out by the moon. TV astronomer Patrick Moore described it as a 'strange, weird experience.'



December: The **London Eye** ◀ was unveiled and the £758m Millennium Dome officially opened at Greenwich as part of the New Year celebrations.

January: **Dr Harold Shipman** ▶ was found guilty in Preston Crown Court of murdering 15 patients in his care although following further investigation it's possible he killed up to 250 times over a 27-year period.



Good evening and welcome to our rearranged fixture against Rochdale.

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Enjoy the game!

Jenny, Anne-Marie and Martyn in the Commercial Department

25 SAM FISHBURN



What is the most extreme thing you've done?
Skiing probably, I went to Austria a couple of times in school and it was class.

What is the worst injury you've had, how did it happen?
Touch wood, I've never had a bad injury.

Do you have a song that reminds you of something or somewhere?
When I hear *Pump It Up* it reminds me of home matches because they always play it before kick-off.

If something goes wrong in the dressing room, who is most likely to have caused it?
I'm going to say Manny Mampala, he's quiet but he can cause some trouble.

Who from the squad would you have on your quiz team and who would you definitely pie off?
I'd have Gabe Breeze because he just seems to know everything about loads of random stuff. I'd pie off Jon Mellish definitely.

Where have you been that you would go again, and why?
I'd probably have to say skiing even though we aren't allowed to do it anymore, but I really enjoyed it.

Who would you most like to see live in concert?
Probably Gerry Cinnamon.

What's the best game you've ever watched live?
Am I allowed to say a Hartlepool game? I went to the play-off final at Bristol City last season and it was a great game, the keeper scored and it went to pens, you can't get much better than that.

Who is the best player in the world in your position right now?
Erling Haaland by a mile, he's class.

What would you be doing if you weren't playing football?
I'd probably have done a trade but I don't know what.

What are your aims for this season?
I just want to score as many goals as I can.



QUICKFIRE

Real Madrid or Barcelona?
Real Madrid.

Score or create?
Score.

Simpsons or Family Guy?
Family Guy.

Send a text or make a call?
Text.

Gym or running?
Running.

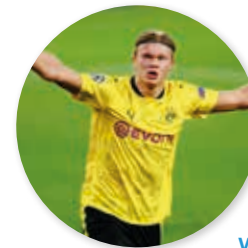
Driver or passenger?
Driver.

Home or away kit?
Away.

Ketchup or mayo?
Ketchup.

Klopp or Guardiola?
Guardiola.

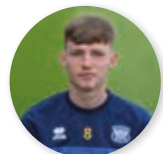
Smart or scruffy?
Scruffy.



WELL, WE DIDN'T KNOW THAT...

What is the best and worst thing about your roommate?

In digs I'm with Charlie Watt, and all he does is sleep, he's never awake. When we went to Stevenage I was with Taylor and he's spot on, I can't think of anything to complain about with him!



OLGA'S FUN PAGES

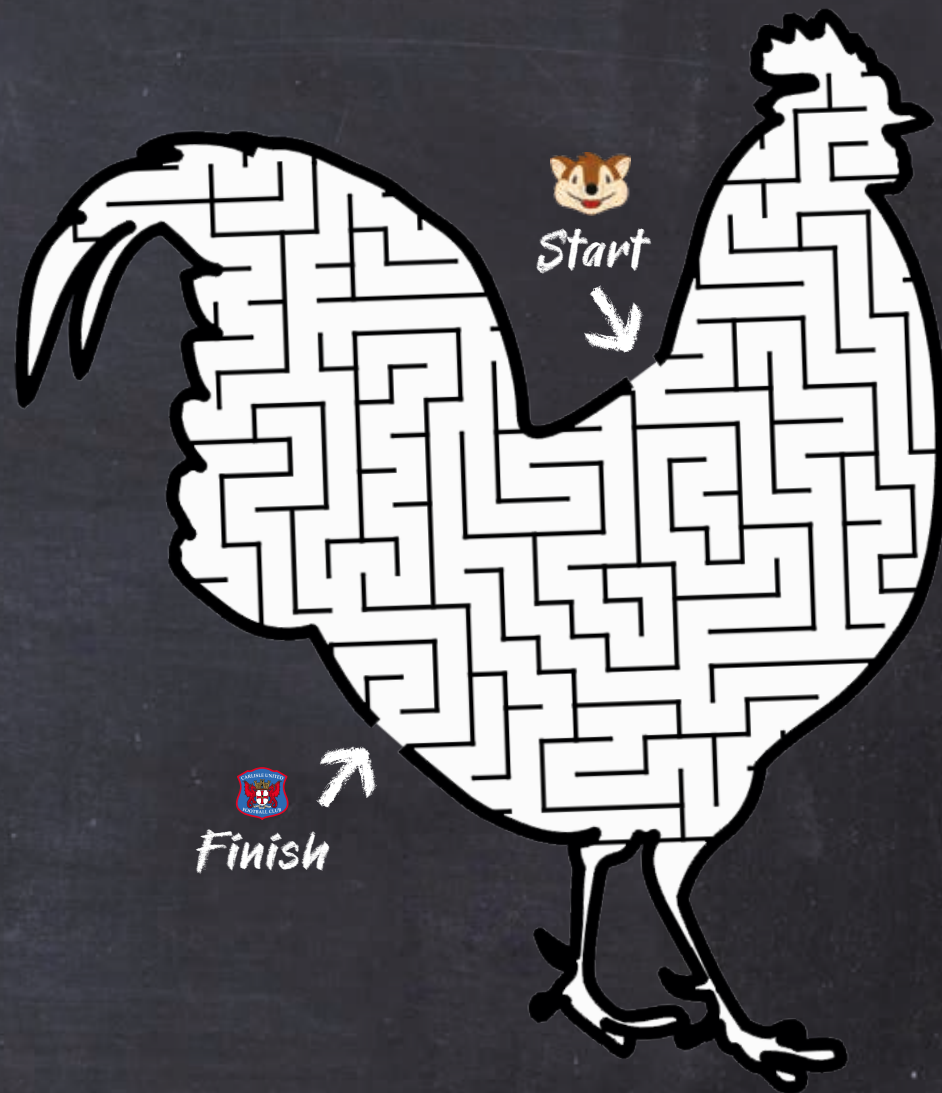
Our very fluffy and very friendly mascot Olga the Fox has some pre-match puzzles and teasers for you to complete as you wait for the big kick off!!

Good luck as you work your way through the next few mind-bending pages.



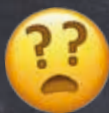
IT'S SIMPLY A-MAZE-ING!

This chicken is in the way! Help Olga get to Brunton Park in time for the match.



NOW THAT'S A CONUNDRUM!

Rachel is waiting to see if you can solve this...



L E A D C H R O

MY MINI MATCH REPORT

Carlisle United v
Rochdale AFC
Tuesday 1 March 2022



SUDOKU

Can you complete this Sudoku puzzle?

You need to put the numbers 1-9 in each column, row and square!

5	7		2	3		1	6	
1	4		7		6	8	2	
3	6	9	1	8		5	4	
5	8	1		9	7	6	3	
	6		5	8	4		9	
4		2	6			5	7	8
9	2			6	5		8	7
3		5	8		2	1		
	1	8		7		4	2	5

Name:

Age:

The Final Score:

United - Rochdale

The starting lineup was:

The goals were scored by:

These players got booked:

I watched the match from:

The best part of the match was:

My man of the match was:

JOKES!

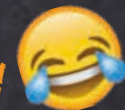


What's fast, loud and cruchy?
A rocket chip!



What does every birthday end with?
The letter Y!

Why do fish live in salt water?
Because pepper makes them sneeze!



SQUAD NUMBER MATHS



BOOTS



Who do these boots belong to?

COVERED UP



Can you tell who this is?



HEAD MASH-UP

We've mixed up three players. Who are they?



GUESS THE CREST

Can you work out which crests these are?


-
-
-

ANSWERS

Conundrum: Rochdale
Squad Number Maths: 30
Boots: Sam Fishburn
Covered Up: Kelvin Mellor
Head Mash-Up: hair - Corey Whelan, eyes/nose - Jack Armer, mouth - Josh Dixon
Guess the Crest: Horsham, Swindon, Wycombe




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Defender
Sponsor: Alex Macallister




4. DANNY DEVINE
Midfielder
Sponsor: Pete Hines



6. DYNEL SIMEU
Defender
Sponsor: Ian Walker




8. CALLUM GUY (C)
Midfielder
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Midfielder
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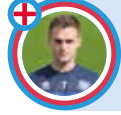
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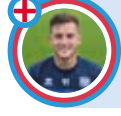
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Striker
Sponsor: David Britton Estate Agents



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Midfielder
Sponsor: Nathan Oggers



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Midfielder
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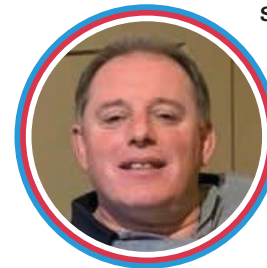
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MID-SEASON REVIEW

PRODUCED FOR THE BOXING DAY PROGRAMME



Supporter Liaison Officer (SLO) Simon Clarkson takes a mid-season review of some initiatives that are intended to improve the fan experience.

The main facet of the SLO role is to be an enabler, so that fans can contact the club, receive answers to questions and communicate any requests or concerns regarding supporter issues. I have a good relationship with club staff, equipment provided to enable communications and direct access to the facilities. All issues raised are recorded and tracked, so I can give regular updates to fans.

The expansion of our SLO team has been acknowledged as good practice by the EFL. Visibility at home games is key to being approachable to fans, so we now have team members in and around bars and catering outlets.

Keith Elliott as the away SLO and I cover social media. We aim to highlight valuable information buried in the detail of communications from others, which needs to be emphasised for fans. Whether that be catering options, car parking, road closures or ticket information, we have found that short simple messages go down well with fans. Gathering feedback is key and so far, it has been positive, with a significant increase in followers and interactions.

Having Keith oversee away games is a major plus. He travels on the CUSAT bus, so has a good feel for what our fans need from the day. Being at the ground he will be the focal point for the home SLO to raise any issues. It is a chance to work together and diffuse a situation, should one arise.

The new outside food hub has gone down well with fans, with the SLO team being eyes and ears, to give instant feedback from fans. The bars have been busier with the increased use of contactless payment reducing queue times which is a real positive. There has been a steady up take in the use of the catering click and collect app.

Carlisle United Supporters Groups of which I am an active member, have led on the refurbishments of the Sporting Inn and the Sunset Suite. We have received a huge volume of donated miscellaneous items ranging from programmes to newspaper clippings and shirts to photos. Sorting, collating, cataloguing and then decided how best to use the items is a very time-consuming process undertaken by volunteers on a part time basis.

I have enjoyed meeting fans from other clubs too. One friendship was renewed on the day of the postponed Bradford game on what would have been the 68th birthday of Carlisle born Kevin Beattie. It is quite fitting that Beattie supported his local football team and idolised players such as Hughie McIlmoyle who like 'The Beat' has a statue in his honour.



Let us hope that 2022 brings a better season on the pitch and another year of steady improvements for the fan experience.

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The two-year full-time course is a BTEC Level 3 extended diploma in sports coaching, which is the equivalent of 3 A-levels. The course allows 16-19 year olds the opportunity to train like a professional footballer whilst gaining a first class education at the same time.

The course is a very diverse with a variety of units that prepare learners for further education or a job in the sports industry.

Units include: Health & Wellbeing, Sport Development, Self-Employment, Sports Coaching, Anatomy & Physiology, Nutrition, Technology in sport and many more!

Previous students have gone onto work and study in many different areas. These include going to university to do sports coaching, sports journalism, sports therapy, sports science and PE teaching. Others learners have set up their own football coaching businesses as well going onto be personal trainers and sports coaches.



The course is fantastic for the education and football playing side however the work-based qualifications completed are also very valuable to the learners. The students will complete their FA Playmaker course as well as the FA Level One in Football Coaching.

They will also complete work placement hours with our fantastic community coaches on our comprehensive community programme. This includes going into Primary Schools to support with delivery of PE, Premier League Primary Stars and After School Clubs.

They will also have the opportunity to help out at CUFC Soccer Schools and other programmes such as Football for All and Walking Football. Learners will also complete regular tutorials throughout the year in many different and important areas.

These include car safety, drug & alcohol awareness, heart start/first aid, CV writing and other valuable topics.

These experiences play a major part in developing knowledge and key skills such as teamwork, leadership and communication, putting the learners in the best possible position for when they finish the two year course with us.

Enjoy the game.

Liam Jackson, CUFC CST Education Tutor

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We caught up with youth boss Mark Birch to talk about the last two games for the under-18s – away at Fleetwood and Salford respectively.

“The Fleetwood game was a really disappointing one,” he said. “They played the conditions better than us on the day.

“The first goal we conceded was from a corner and after that we couldn’t get the ball out of our own half because of the wind. We gave ourselves too much to do by the time we had the wind in our favour, and it did slightly die down for the second half.

“We had a few opportunities, but we were poor on the day and we didn’t go about our job in the right way.”

“I think it did shock the lads a bit that we lost by three goals because if you looked at the league table before the game, I think Fleetwood were second bottom, so they maybe thought it would be easier than it was,” he added. “They had all their players back ahead of a big FA Youth Cup game in the week.

“We told the lads not to look at the league table because we knew they’d have players back from injuries, or back from the first team or U23s.”

And on the 1-1 away draw with the Ammies, he commented: “The Salford game was one where we came up against a team up at the top of the table with us, and we told the lads before kick off that they were the sort of games youth football is all about.



“Both teams were going to be a bit cagey but both expected to win. The week of training was good in the lead-up to it, and right from the start the lads played some great football.

“We’re disappointed we didn’t score more goals, and when that happens you can get caught, like we did with the last kick of the game.

“We conceded because the game got a little bit frantic for 30 seconds and they lost their composure, but they’ll learn from it. That happened for us in the Preston game where we scored with the last kick of the game, and on Saturday we conceded, so we’ve experienced both sides of it.

“Jack Ellis got the goal, and he was fantastic on the day as well. If you watch the game back you would say he was head and shoulders the best player on the pitch.

“He’s a player who is looking as if he’s going to take his game to the next level. He’s playing with confidence and that little bit of arrogance you need. He’s got so much self-belief, which is good to see.”

United face Shrewsbury today before they head into a well-earned festive break.

“We’ve got one game left before they break up for Christmas and we want to finish on a high,” he told us. “The Shrewsbury game will be the last one but they’ll be in during the following week to continue with their education.

“We’ve said to them that if we go and win the game, and they put in good personal performances, their Christmas will feel a little bit better. If we don’t go about it in the right way, they’ll spend a few weeks waiting for that next game to put it right.”

United v Salford: Breeze, Potts, M Bell, Leslie, Barnett, Ellis, Watt, Garvey (Taylor 52), Bollado, Hardy (Nugent 65), L Bell. Subs – Boyd, Gordon, Hill.

Goal: Ellis 70.

Bookings: L Bell 37, Ellis 45, Bollado 85, Watt 90.

YOUTH ALLIANCE NORTH-WEST DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE

AS AT 23 FEBRUARY 2022		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Preston North End	17	13	2	2	50	15	35	41
2	CARLISLE UNITED	19	12	5	2	39	14	25	41
3	Blackpool	18	10	5	3	44	18	26	35
4	Salford City	16	9	3	4	42	26	16	30
5	Shrewsbury Town	16	9	0	7	27	20	7	27
6	Bolton Wanderers	17	6	6	5	32	23	9	24
7	Accrington Stanley	14	7	2	5	39	35	4	23
8	Tranmere Rovers	17	6	0	11	27	41	-14	18
9	Port Vale	14	5	2	7	20	33	-13	17
10	Fleetwood Town	16	5	2	9	17	30	-13	17
11	Oldham Athletic	17	5	2	10	29	47	-18	17
12	Morecambe	18	5	1	12	20	47	-27	16
13	Rochdale	15	3	5	7	17	23	-6	14
14	Walsall	16	1	3	12	11	42	-31	6

YOUTH ALLIANCE NORTH-WEST DIVISION FIXTURES AND RESULTS 2021/22

DATE	H/A	KO	OPPONENTS	SCORE	SCORERS
Fri 6 Aug	H	1pm	Shrewsbury Town	P-P	
Sat 14 Aug	A	1pm	Walsall	3-1	Bollado (2), Hardy
Sat 21 Aug	H	12.30pm	Rotherham United (cup 1)	2-3	Bollado (2)
Sat 28 Aug	H	12pm	Port Vale	5-1	Bollado, Garvey, Hardy, Watt (2)
Sat 4 Sep	H	11am	Blackpool	1-1	Bollado
Sat 11 Sep	H	11am	Preston North End	2-1	Hardy, Kilsby
Sat 18 Sep	A	11.30am	Oldham Athletic	C-C	
Sat 25 Sep	A	11am	Blackpool (cup 2)	2-4	Carr, Hardy (p)
Sat 2 Oct	H	11am	Bolton Wanderers	3-0	Kilsby (2), Nugent
Sat 9 Oct	A	11am	Morecambe (cup 3)	4-1	Watt, Garvey, Fishburn, Taylor
Fri 15 Oct	H	1pm	Shrewsbury Town	1-0	Bollado
Sat 23 Oct	A	12pm	Tranmere Rovers	3-0	Hardy (2), Bollado
Tue 26 Oct	H	7pm	Oldham Athletic (FA1)	4-4	Lost 3-5 on pens
Sat 30 Oct	H	11am	Morecambe	2-0	Garvey, Watt
Sat 6 Nov	A	11.30am	Oldham Athletic	2-1	Bollado, Watt (pen)
Sat 13 Nov	A	11am	Rochdale	0-1	
Sat 20 Nov	H	11am	Rochdale	1-1	Bollado
Sat 27 Nov	H	11am	Accrington Stanley	4-0	Bollado (2), Hardy (2)
Sat 4 Dec	A	11am	Fleetwood Town	0-3	
Sat 11 Dec	A	11.30am	Salford City	1-1	Ellis
Sat 18 Dec	A	1pm	Shrewsbury Town	2-0	Ellis, Kilsby
Sat 8 Jan	H	1pm	Walsall	5-0	Hardy (3), Bollado, Garvey
Sat 15 Jan	A	11am	Bolton Wanderers	2-2	Bollado, Watt
Sat 22 Jan	A	11am	Blackpool	1-1	Watt (p)
Sat 29 Jan					
Sat 5 Feb					
Sat 12 Feb	A	11am	Accrington Stanley	P-P	
Sat 19 Feb	H	12pm	Salford City	1-0	Hardy
Fri 25 Feb	A	12pm	Accrington Stanley		
Sat 5 Mar					
Sat 12 Mar					
Sat 19 Mar					
Sat 26 Mar	A	11am	Preston North End		
Sat 2 Apr	H	11am	Fleetwood Town		
Sat 9 Apr	H	12pm	Tranmere Rovers		
Sat 16 Apr					
Sat 23 Apr	A	11am	Morecambe		
Sat 30 Apr	H	11.30am	Oldham Athletic		
Sat 7 May	A	12pm	Port Vale		

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NO HOME KIT



UNITED AND ROCHDALE SUPPORT NO HOME KIT CAMPAIGN

Carlisle United will be supporting homeless charity Shelter's 'No Home Kit' campaign at our home game against Rochdale today.

The Blues will be wearing the black away kit for the clash at Brunton Park against Rochdale, who will also be supporting the campaign by wearing their away kit, which is raising funds and awareness to help combat homelessness across the nation.

Homelessness has risen dramatically over the last decade. Since the start of the pandemic more than 180,000 households have lost their homes and been made homeless. Many of them are families with children. The pandemic has shown us the importance of having a safe home like never before and with a tough winter ahead, even more people could lose their homes.

Shelter's frontline services are working harder than ever to help people find and keep a home, but they can't do it alone.

The charity asked for the football community to come together for the Boxing Day round of fixtures and ditch their home shirt and instead wear an away or third kit,

in a powerful act of support and solidarity for people without a home.

The aim of the campaign is to raise awareness of the scale of homelessness across the country and raise funds to support Shelter's frontline services and its campaigns to end the housing emergency for good.

United are proud to be supporting the campaign and supporters are encouraged to take part too by wearing their away shirts for this fixture.

Search *No Home Kit* online for more information.



GOAL TALLY LEAGUE: 24 FA CUP: 3 CARABAO CUP: 0 EFL TROPHY: 8 TOTAL: 35

FIRST GOAL

Played	40
Carlisle United score first goal	14
Opponents score first goal	21
No goals scored	5
United score first goal and win	10
United score first goal and draw	4
United score first goal and lose	0
United fail to score	17
Opponents score first goal and win	18
Opponents score first goal and draw	3
Opponents score first goal and lose	0
Opponents fail to score	13

FORM GUIDE: HOME

Feb 19	Swindon Town	(SB2)	0-3
Feb 8	Port Vale	(SB2)	1-3
Jan 29	Sutton United	(SB2)	0-2
Jan 18	Hartlepool United	(SB2)	0-0
Jan 15	Crawley Town	(SB2)	1-1
Jan 8	Bradford City	(SB2)	2-0

WON 1 DRAWN 2 LOST 3 F5 A9

IS THAT THE TIME ALREADY?

	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	79-90
Conceded	7	10	11	7	7	11
Scored	6	1	6	5	6	11

FIRST HALF RECORD

Played	40	Won	6	Lost	18	Drawn	16
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SECOND HALF RECORD

Played	40	Won	11	Lost	12	Drawn	17
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HOW WE CREATED THE GOALS

Free Play	25	Corner	4	Free kick	3
Penalty	3	TOTAL 35			

HOW WE SCORED THE GOALS

Header	7	Shot inside	22	Free kick	1	
Penalty	3	Shot outside	2	Own goal	0	TOTAL 35

FORM GUIDE: AWAY

Feb 26	Leyton Orient	(SB2)	1-0
Feb 12	Colchester United	(SB2)	2-2
Feb 1	Salford City	(SB2)	1-2
Jan 22	Forest Green Rovers	(SB2)	0-3
Jan 4	Harrogate Town	(PJT)	0-1
Jan 1	Scunthorpe United	(SB2)	1-0

WON 2 DRAWN 1 LOST 3 F5 A8

PLAYER CAREER APPEARANCES FOR CARLISLE UNITED

PLAYER	LEAGUE		FA CUP		OTHER CUP		TOTAL		PLAYER	LEAGUE		FA CUP		OTHER CUP		TOTAL	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals		Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
Tristan Abrahams	12 (8)	3	2	0	2 (3)	1	16 (11)	4	Lukas Jensen	1	0	0	0	3	0	4	0
Lewis Alessandra	60 (15)	10	1 (2)	0	4	1	65 (17)	11	Manasse Mampala	0 (8)	0	0 (1)	0	4 (2)	1	4 (11)	1
Jack Armer	51 (3)	1	3	0	7 (1)	1	61 (4)	2	Rod McDonald	54 (1)	1	2	0	4	0	60 (1)	1
Lewis Bell	0 (2)	0	0	0	2 (2)	0	2 (4)	0	Jon Mellish	83 (5)	14	6 (1)	3	8 (2)	2	97 (8)	19
Taylor Charters	3 (22)	0	0 (4)	0	6 (3)	1	9 (29)	1	Kelvin Mellor	14 (1)	0	1	0	3	1	17 (1)	1
Zach Clough	10 (7)	2	2	1	3 (1)	0	15 (8)	3	Magnus Norman	14	0	0	0	1 (1)	0	15 (1)	0
Kristian Dennis	1 (3)	0	0	0	0	0	1 (3)	0	Tyrese Omotoye	6 (1)	0	0	0	0	0	6 (1)	0
Daniel Devine	10 (8)	0	0 (1)	0	6	0	16 (9)	0	Omar Patrick	41 (13)	11	2	0	1	0	44 (13)	11
Jamie Devitt	80 (34)	21	4 (2)	1	14	0	98 (36)	22	Joe Riley	55 (7)	4	3	0	5 (3)	0	63 (10)	4
Brennan Dickenson	31 (8)	3	1	0	2 (1)	0	34 (9)	3	Mitchell Roberts	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Jonathan Dinzeyi	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	Joel Senior	3 (1)	0	0	0	0 (1)	0	3 (2)	0
Josh Dixon	0 (2)	0	0 (1)	0	2 (1)	0	2 (4)	0	Tobi Sho-Silva	3 (1)	1	0	0	0	0	3 (1)	1
Morgan Feeney	17 (4)	0	1	0	6	0	24 (4)	0	Dynel Simeu	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Sam Fishburn	3 (6)	0	0 (2)	0	2 (2)	0	5 (10)	0	Gime Touré	19 (18)	2	1	0	5	2	25 (18)	4
Jordan Gibson	19 (6)	4	1 (1)	1	2 (1)	1	22 (8)	6	Corey Whelan	26 (3)	0	2	0	2 (2)	0	30 (5)	0
Callum Guy	74 (1)	0	3 (1)	0	4 (1)	0	81 (3)	0	Owen Windsor	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	1
Mark Howard	21	0	2	0	3	0	26	0	Brad Young	7 (7)	0	1 (1)	1	3 (1)	2	11 (9)	3

LEAGUE TWO TABLE

AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2022	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Forest Green Rovers	32	19	9	4	62	27	35	66
2 Northampton Town	33	16	8	9	38	26	12	56
3 Tranmere Rovers	34	16	8	10	36	27	9	56
4 Exeter City	31	14	12	5	46	31	15	54
5 Sutton United	33	15	9	9	50	39	11	54
6 Mansfield Town	31	15	8	8	42	33	9	53
7 Swindon Town	33	14	10	9	55	40	15	52
8 Newport County AFC	33	14	10	9	54	44	10	52
9 Port Vale	31	13	10	8	45	31	14	49
10 Bristol Rovers	32	13	9	10	45	40	5	48
11 Salford City	32	13	8	11	37	30	7	47
12 Hartlepool United	33	12	8	13	34	43	-9	44
13 Crawley Town	31	12	7	12	39	42	-3	43
14 Harrogate Town	32	11	9	12	50	49	1	42
15 Bradford City	34	9	13	12	37	43	-6	40
16 Rochdale	31	8	14	9	39	40	-1	38
17 Walsall	33	10	8	15	35	45	-10	38
18 Leyton Orient	31	7	12	12	38	32	6	33
19 Stevenage	34	7	12	15	30	52	-22	33
20 Barrow	32	7	11	14	30	39	-9	32
21 Colchester United	33	7	11	15	30	47	-17	32
22 CARLISLE UNITED	32	7	10	15	24	45	-21	31
23 Oldham Athletic	31	7	9	15	31	47	-16	30
24 Scunthorpe United	34	4	11	19	24	59	-35	23

SEASON 2021/22 PLAYER RECORD

PLAYER	Lge Apps	Lge Goals	Cup Apps	Cup Goals	Assists	Yellow	Red	Total Goals
Tristan Abrahams	12 (8)	3	4 (3)	1	2	3		4
Lewis Alessandra	12 (8)	1	2		1	1		1
Jack Armer	29 (1)		7	1	4	7		1
Lewis Bell	0 (1)		2					
Taylor Charters	1 (8)		4 (4)	1				1
Zach Clough	10 (7)	2	5 (1)	1	2	4		3
Kristian Dennis	1 (3)				1			
Daniel Devine	5 (2)		4			1		
Jamie Devitt	1 (3)							
Brennan Dickenson	24 (3)	2	3 (1)		3	6		2
Jonathan Dinzeyi	1		2					
Josh Dixon			2					
Morgan Feeney	14 (4)		7		2	3		
Sam Fishburn	3 (6)		2 (4)					
Jordan Gibson	19 (6)	4	3 (2)	2	3	1		6
Callum Guy	29		5		1	9		
Mark Howard	21		5			1		
Lukas Jensen	1		3					
Manasse Mampala	0 (8)		3 (4)	1	1	1	1	1
Rod McDonald	26	1	4		1	1		1
Jon Mellish	29	3	4 (1)		1	5	1	3
Kelvin Mellor	14 (1)		4	1		1		1
Magnus Norman	10					1		
Tyrese Omotoye	6 (1)				1	2		
Omar Patrick	8 (2)	4						4
Joe Riley	17 (3)	2	3 (3)		2	3		2
Mitchell Roberts	2					1		
Joel Senior	3 (1)		0 (1)					
Tobi Sho-Silva	3 (1)	1			1			1
Dynel Simeu	6					2		
George Tanner	5		1					
Gime Touré	1 (2)		2			1		
Corey Whelan	26 (3)		4 (2)			4		
Owen Windsor	3	1						1
Brad Young	7 (7)		4 (2)	3	1			3
Own Goal								
TOTALS		24		11		56	2	35

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I've used my update this week to reproduce the minutes from the recent meeting of CUSG.

Special CUSG meeting summary
Remote meeting via Zoom 13.12.21

ATTENDEES:

- Barbara Abbott (Disabled Group)
- Billy Atkinson (CUOSC Holdings Board Director)
- Dave Brown (Chair London Branch)
- Simon Clarkson (SLO)
- Nigel Clibbens (CUFC CEO)
- Nigel Davidson (CUOSC & CUSG EDI)
- Andy Hall (CUFC Media)
- Jim Mitchell (CUOSC 1921 Board Director)
- Amy Nixon (CUFC Media)
- Keith Ward (Chair Scottish Supporters)
- Alastair Woodcock (CUOSC & CUSG Secretary)
- Gary Wylie (LGBTQ+ Supporters Group)
- Apologies – Keith Elliott (CUSAT), John Ireland (West Cumbria Travel), Terry McCarthy (London Branch)

Simon Clarkson Chaired this meeting.

SPECIAL MEETING

On 10 December 2021 Nigel C contacted the SLO and offered to attend a CUSG meeting next week to talk to fan groups on Monday or Tuesday if members wanted to, about the recent Holdings Board announcement.

On Saturday lunchtime 11 December 2021, the SLO contacted the CUSG members as requested to check their interest and their availability for a special CUSG meeting, given the significance of the Holdings Board statement.

Options for Monday or Tuesday evening were offered, if there was interest from members to meet. Over the rest of the weekend members then responded with their availability. Finally, on Monday 13 December 2021,

in the morning, the SLO confirmed a special CUSG meeting was to take place at 7pm Monday and suggested groups try at short notice to contact their fans and ask for questions. It was only at this point that the meeting was confirmed.



There was no agenda other than to discuss the situation at the club on the back of the statements from the Carlisle United Holdings Board and CUOSC last week.

Barbara Abbott asked if this was to be treated as a "normal" meeting [with minutes and minutes published]. This was confirmed and it was agreed the minutes of the special CUSG meeting will be posted online.

Dave Brown stated he had questions from the London Branch committee and asked if they could be sent in later if they weren't answered in the discussion that evening, which was agreed. Nigel C said he would stay to answer all questions rather than leave some unanswered. If that was not possible, he would answer later.

Nigel C made the point before the meeting started that the disposal of shares by AJ, JN & SP and Lord Clark and CUOSC was not a club decision, or a board decision, it was individual.

Billy Atkinson stated that questions from CUOSC members either have or will be answered in the members meeting on 18 December. This ensured its members had the full opportunity to ask questions directly.

Dave Brown asked what was the detail behind not giving reassurances to the EFL for the takeover?

Nigel C responded by saying under EFL regulations, a takeover requires those involved to pass a fit and proper person test, plus for a "change of control" satisfaction of source and sufficiency of funds (S&SF) to run the club and cover its financial needs in future. The specifics of the EFL requirements were covered by answers to questions at previous CUSG meetings.

The deal process began in March 2019, the proposal was then put to the EFL in summer 2019 for it to consider the S&SF in place. However, at the same time the ramifications of the Bury FC failure was being felt and this impacted on the evidence required to satisfy the S&SF test. Nigel C went on to say that the detail of this was legal and highly technical, the detail didn't really matter, it was a normal procedure. The deal could have been done but was firstly delayed, and then other events intervened, as detailed in the statement. This was also referred to in a previous fans' forum by John Nixon.

Jim Mitchell stated that there was an opportunity at that point to make the deal happen, but it didn't. That deal was then replaced with a revised deal, which would meet the EFL needs, the individual shareholders accepted, but CUOSC did not.

Billy Atkinson made it clear the first deal put to CUOSC and referred to in other updates was accepted. It reduced its voting rights but still was accepted by CUOSC. It wasn't easy to get approval from the CUOSC board, but a full change of control and a takeover would have happened. This was a desired outcome, so CUOSC backed it. He also made it clear that 'CUOSC did not hold the deal up' in any way.

Dave Brown suggested that it looked as if the Holdings Board were putting blame on CUOSC? Also asking why did it take so much time to abandon it?

Nigel C in response said that a line was drawn because of CUOSC's final position and its implications for the % of shares that could be transferred. There was no blame – it was fact. CUOSC had explained why it held its final position. A maximum of 74.63% was still on offer from the non-CUOSC shareholders, regardless of CUOSC, but that option was not progressed either. At all times, it was always confirmed to the shareholders there was still a wish to complete a deal, even in November. Given those continual assurances, and the importance of a deal, all the shareholders wanted to give it every chance to happen. That is what determined the time.

Dave Brown asked if there was an attempt to resurrect the deal?

Nigel C said yes - attempts were made over a long period by the shareholders. The first deal from March 2019 had change of control immediately, but as CUOSC said the revised deal did not. CUOSC would not want to dilute, with no immediate change of control or certainty over when. Jim Mitchell highlighted that the main issue for CUOSC wasn't dilution, but a change of control. Billy Atkinson confirmed he made CUOSC's position clear in a statement to the Holdings Board in May 2021, regarding the revised deal.

Billy Atkinson clarified the change of control process. It was agreed the A/B shares would be combined to be all voting. As a result CUOSC voting rights would have diluted down to approximately 9.9%, with the new owner having the rest, giving a change of control at that point. Nigel C mentioned that once the initial dilution had occurred a new owner could issue as many shares as they wanted to dilute further as they wished.

Billy Atkinson said that no assurances were ever given about debt. Nigel C stated that the debt to EWM/PurePay Retail Ltd was payable by 1921.

Billy Atkinson confirmed that at all times he was fully aware of everything that was going on. He said CUOSC can't tell the other directors what to do with their shares. CUOSC would not have diluted for the second deal/proposal.

Nigel C stated the original deal was simple and straightforward in terms of the shares. They were being transferred for £1. The other four owners wanted a deal and thought that would happen. CUOSC was prepared to go from 25.37% to 10% or less. He also made it clear that the debt was 'unconnected to share deal' but he wouldn't have expected guarantors to have kept their Personal Guarantees in place if they were no longer shareholders, and control had changed to others with the club taken over.

Billy Atkinson went on to clarify that 'two shareholders would have been left in the Holdings company' [The new owner and CUOSC]. He continued to make it clear that CUOSC was told that everything would be risked if their members were to be consulted on the original deal.

Billy Atkinson wouldn't be drawn on whether CUOSC would agree a future dilution without member consultation. It would always depend on the deal being offered. The recent member survey was very helpful in confirming views on how it would approach any future deals.

Simon Clarkson suggested that this would be a 'good opportunity to sound out members on whether a dilution would be acceptable with or without direct consultation'.

Nigel D stated that CUOSC would take [the dilution issue] very seriously next time, as they did on this occasion. For any future investment they'd be looking to work with parties that would want public member approval for a deal and would work 'with' CUOSC as outlined in the Fan Led Review, and the recent CUOSC Questionnaire.

Nigel C said that some people interested in clubs don't want to operate or deal in public at all, and make offers subject to conditions accordingly. The requirement for members to vote on any deal first, may lead to a potential buyer pulling out. Fans may well see that as a good filter of who may be suitable owners.

Dave Brown then asked if the buyer ever came out with a vision for CUFC?

Jim Mitchell answered with 'some semblance of a vision was provided, but nothing substantial'. This was from the buyers' representative. There had never been any contact except with him. It sounded encouraging at the time but no further detail was ever forthcoming.

Dave Brown then asked, where do we stand with the loan?

Nigel C said there had only been preliminary discussions so far, but there is 'an open door to discuss the loan, but nothing has changed' and he hoped 'there is an opportunity to put it on a different footing.' It was uncertain if anything would change at all.



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Billy Atkinson then asked what CUSG members want out of an owner?

Dave Brown replied with, 'someone who puts the interests of CUFC first. We have been lurching from one bad takeover plan to another with a board of directors who aren't in a 'mad rush' to leave the club.' 'Good work done by Nigel C and his team notwithstanding that situation.' Dave went on to say that he 'doesn't feel club is for sale.'

Billy Atkinson explained that 'CUOSC agreed to dilute on previous deals (with Andrew Lapping and supported the Robin Brown proposal). The Kirdi deal was not acceptable to CUOSC or the club, plus we were willing to, on this one too. Any suggestions that CUOSC are blocking deals is totally inaccurate.'

Dave Brown suggested that social media has been 90% pro CUOSC's position and stated that the Holdings Board statement was 'awful'. He went on to say that 'many people were relieved the takeover was over, but there has been silence from other shareholders, the buyer and PurePay.'

Simon Clarkson moved on to ask, 'the people linked to the buyer, will they stay in positions?'

Nigel C made it very clear that 'this announcement was about shares only, it doesn't affect anything else.'

Billy Atkinson followed up by saying 'the aim was to bring discussions over the takeover and shares to an end, as we need certainty and to be able to focus on the football heading into the January window.'

Gary Wylie asked if the 'statements might put players off from signing?'

Nigel C said 'as [club] finances are solid' that was important to players. Unrest off the field is unsettling and doesn't make recruitment or retention of players easier. It affects everyone within the club, including staff.

Nigel C went on to say everyone has had 'over two years of try before you buy' and opportunity to act. People will see this both ways, some may blame CUOSC for running a potential buyer out of town and stopping a deal with some possible hope of change, but others will say well done to CUOSC for forcing the issue and being consistent since day one.' Addressing the ongoing uncertainty from these lengthy takeover talks was important for the club at a crucial time. The club must come first, and this needed dealing with.

Billy Atkinson followed up with, 'after trying since March 2019 and after December 2019, it was clear a takeover wasn't going to happen.' and 'with the problem of a £2m+ debt hanging over club, Nigel C and the team have done very well to make the club solid financially through Covid and we weren't prepared to risk that.'

Asked more about the debt, Nigel C said it was public record the debt to Pioneer was £0.4m and to PurePay was £2.4m.

Nigel C went on to ask members about their preferences, 'If we get cash in, what do fans want the money spent on? The reality is the club needs £500k of cash every year to fill a gap to survive, from Football Fortune money, but there are choices to be made if we get above £500k'. Nigel C further explained that the club knows they are going to get a little cash from old deals in 2022. Anything more is unconfirmed but it may come in.

Simon Clarkson indicated that the potential Dean Henderson transfer could generate cash to help pay off the PurePay debt and that he would want to pay the loan off.

Barbara Abbott suggested that the 'first priority this season has to be players.'

Nigel C asked rhetorically whether windfalls would be better if spent on the club rather than repaying debt to improve a balance sheet?

Dave Brown suggested that the club is 'still stuck with regards to takeover and investment, but it has been run well in the short-term with Keith Millen helping on the pitch.'

Billy Atkinson explained that the club have 'committed to giving the manager what he needs to do the job and he's been told that twice by the Holdings Board.' Nigel C explained that there was money available as the club was in a sound financial position day-to-day, as explained in his recent web update.

Billy Atkinson advised that chaos in the short-term won't help our situation. The team and manager need support, (who he rates highly), to get us up the league.

Billy Atkinson rounded off by saying that 'as a result of the way CUOSC have dealt with this situation, he felt potential new investors know CUOSC can be trusted to negotiate in good faith'.

He also asked for CUSG representatives to honour confidentiality regarding this meeting until after the CUOSC members meeting on Saturday 18 December. Keith Ward asked if there would be 'any more detail on Saturday not given here?' Billy Atkinson replied that there was no more to say but he wanted to be fair to CUOSC members who wished to ask questions. The timing and confirmation of this meeting (only confirmed on Monday morning) meant that it would not be right for CUOSC members to read further CUOSC comment before they had the opportunity to hear first-hand on Saturday.

Accordingly, the minutes would be released thereafter.

Keith Ward had spoken to ITV, as had Nigel Davidson and Andy Hall, with interview opportunities made available.



BIG MATCH DETAILS

CARLISLE UNITED v ROCHDALE AFC

TUESDAY 1 MARCH 2022 • KICK OFF 7.45PM



CARLISLE UNITED



ROCHDALE

MANAGER – PAUL SIMPSON

MANAGER – ROBBIE STOCKDALE

	Start	Gls	Sub	Yell	Red
1	Magnus Norman				
2	Kelvin Mellor				
3	Jack Armer				
4	Danny Devine				
5	Rod McDonald				
6	Dynel Simeu				
7	Joe Riley				
8	Callum Guy (C)				
9	Lewis Alessandra				
10	Jamie Devitt				
11	Brennan Dickenson				
12	Jon Mellish				
13	Lukas Jensen				
14	Tristan Abrahams				
15	Taylor Charters				
16	Morgan Feeney				
17	Corey Whelan				
18	Josh Dixon				
19	Manasse Mampala				
20	Gime Touré				
21	Scott Simons				
22	Gabriel Breeze				
23	Lewis Bell				
24	Tobi Sho-Silva				
25	Sam Fishburn				
26	Jack Ellis				
27	Jordan Gibson				
28	Mitchell Roberts				
29	Tyrese Omotoye				
30	Oinari Patrick				
31	Kristian Dennis				
32	Joel Senior				
33	Mark Howard				
37	Owen Windsor				

	Start	Gls	Sub	Yell	Red
1	Jay Lynch				
2	Corey O'Keeffe				
3	Aidy White				
4	Jim McNulty				
5	Max Taylor				
6	Eoghan O'Connell				
7	Stephen Dooley				
8	James Ball				
9	Luke Charman				
10	Alex Newby				
11	Conor Grant				
12	Jeriel Dorsett				
13	Jimmy Keohane				
14	George Broadbent				
15	Sam Graham				
16	Matt Done				
17	Paul Downing				
18	Abraham Odoh				
19	Josh Andrews				
20	Danny Cashman				
21					
22					
23	Liam Kelly				
24	Ethan Briery				
25	Joe Dunne				
26	Max Clark				
27					
28					
29	Tahvon Campbell				
30	Brad Kelly				
31	Brad Wade				
32					
33	Joel Coleman				

ALSO PLAYING TODAY

Bristol Rovers v Barrow
 Colchester United v Leyton Orient
 Crawley Town v Oldham Athletic
 Harrogate Town v Port Vale
 Newport County v Forest Green Rovers
 Northampton Town v Walsall

NEXT HOME GAME

NORTHAMPTON TOWN
 SATURDAY 12 MARCH - KICK OFF 3PM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE		Marc Edwards
ASST. REFEREE		Darren Williams
ASST. REFEREE		Graeme Fyvie
4TH OFFICIAL		Simon Clayton
OBSERVER		Brian Parry

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