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Gregory's Greeting

It seems like only yesterday that I was writing the notes for the last game - when we played Frickley Athletic... and to be honest it was!

Here we are back at the EasyBuy Stadium for another NCEFL Premier Division and this evening we welcome Goole AFC to our home in Barton.

We all hope that everyone connected to our visitors have had a safe and speedy journey along the M62 to be with us tonight. There's still that very slow section of the motorway on the Ouse Bridge to negotiate and I heard this week that the repairs due to be finished around now are delayed once again... perhaps they will be complete for our return trip in January!

Tuesday's match was indeed a "game of two halves" with the visitors getting a goal inside the first 15 minutes and looking to get a second before the break.

Not sure what was said by "the gaffer" during the break but despite the same players taking to the pitch it was one was with purpose and determination.



The result was an equaliser fairly early on and lots of chances - in fact we thought we'd scored but it was given; not disallowed, just not given. At the end of the match I felt we should have had all three points.

This early in the season we already have games in hand over and a win tonight would propel us up from our current 18th spot to a mid-table position.

Our next First Team home game is September 21st but before that we have the Reserves playing at home on Saturday 14th and Tuesday 17th.

Looking forward a bit we host Winterton Rangers at the end of the month. Local derby matches are always a great day for both teams and their supporters so that will be one for your diary.

In other news, we are pleased that so many of our sponsors continue to support us and I urge everyone to use their services if possible. They are an important part of the club.

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A Shot Across The...

Although we have now dropped out of the FA Cup and FA Vase there's still plenty of football in front of us for this season. The Lincolnshire Senior Trophy and NCEFL League Cup competitions await our participation, and of course the "bread and butter" of the campaign... the NCEFL Premier Division and grabbing promotion to the Northern Premier League.

Tonight we play our second game of the week in the league as we welcome Goole AFC to our EasyBuy Stadium home. This Friday night match is a bit of a novelty for us; a win today sets up a good weekend!

Tuesday was disappointing as although we went a goal down in the first half, we were the equal of Frickley and were by far the better team in the second half with Elliot Broughton scoring the equaliser. We had lots of chances but weren't able to capitalise on them... that's something we need to rectify.

No squad issues although Kieran Wressell pulled up with a problem during Tuesday's warm-up so we'll have to check to see if he's OK for today.

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The Port and Town of Goole have had a semi-professional football team since the 1900's. Goole Town competed in various leagues throughout their history including the Midlands League in the 1950's when they were probably at their most successful.

Time went by with varying degrees of success and failure and finally at the end of the 1995/96 season, because of ever-increasing debts and falling attendance's Goole Town committee had no option but to close down the club. For the last few die hard supporters it was a very sad time in Goole's history.

In the autumn of 1996 a Leeds Businessman, Mike Norman who was at work in the Goole area happened to stumble across the Victoria Pleasure Ground and hearing that the Town had no football team visited the local council regarding the possibility of starting a brand new club. It had been his dream to run a semi professional club and set to work immediately recruiting local people to help him with his endeavor. In the summer of 1997 Goole AFC advertised for a club manager, a few applications were received, but one stood out from all the others, that of John Reed. The manager who had taken Bridlington Town to Wembley and who had enjoyed five league Championships with many clubs was appointed.





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The first game of the new season was a sign of things to come when local man Paul Gibbon hit Blackwell Miners Welfare with 5 goals. The final score saw Goole hit their highest score to date winning by eight goals to nil. The first year was more successful than anyone dare imagine. That season ended with Goole crowned as Champions of the Central Midlands Premier Division with statistics of Won 27, Drawn 4, and the only loss coming against Askern Miners Welfare. Goole also managed to top the 100 goals in a season finishing with 102 league goals in all.

Goole's second season also provided more success. Promotion to the Northern Counties East League, following a third place spot was topped by two cup victories. The Wakefield Floodlit Cup and the Cox League Cup both travelled to East Yorkshire. On top of that success, a superb run in the Carlsberg F.A Vase saw Goole get to round four, a crowd of 526 (the biggest at that time) and have Premier League referee Neil Barry officiating the game.

Year 2000 and the third season for Goole was their most traumatic. The whole season seemed almost meaningless when in January it was announced to a sombre crowd that founder and Chairman Mike Norman had passed away. Mike who had had the ambition and motivation to start a club so soon after the last folded immediately





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had received the backing of the council and more importantly the general public. John Reed went public and stated that he would win the Championship for Mike and this he did in style. Eleven points clear and another trophy in the cabinet in the shape of the Wilkinson Sword Trophy meant that Goole had ended the season in style for Mike and his family.

At the end of the season Richard Norman, who had taken over the club since his father's death and had provided the stability it had needed following the loss of its founder, decided to relinquish his role as Chairman and hand the club over to the local people of Goole. A change in personnel saw Geoff Bruines take over as Chairman, and more local people getting involved in the running of the club. Richard was offered the role of president by the new Chairman and readily agreed to take over this figurehead position.

The new season started with a defeat against Alfreton Town and then a run, which took us to the 2nd qualifying round of the F.A. Cup and to the second round of the F.A. Vase. However November came and a run of four defeats in a row and a new regime at Harrogate Town meant that manager John Reed was in demand and the lure of a club with fantastic finances and Conference ambitions was just too good to turn





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down. The manager who had adhered himself to the supporters over three years was gone.

November 2000 saw Peter Daniel installed as club manager. After an impressive playing career, which saw him at Football League Clubs including Hull City, Sunderland, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Lincoln, Peter had moved into management around the Yorkshire and Lincolnshire area and was seen as an ambitious manager who could continue the work started by John Reed and John Kirk.

The season finished with Goole in 4th position of the North Counties Premier Division and only a handful of points away from a promotion opportunity. Overall it was considered a very successful season after the turmoil midway through. The ground began major redevelopment to allow Unibond Football to be played at the Victoria Pleasure Grounds once again.

The 2001/02 season was another year of change as 10 months after Peter Daniel had taken the reigns a string of poor results which was primarily caused by the lack of available players saw the manager leave and another ex Hull City legend take charge. Steve Richards task was simple, to put the club into the Unibond League and to build a squad that could keep them there. Off the field





other changers were afoot with Eric Lawton taking the Chairman position from Geoff Bruines, whilst Geoff still remained heavily involved in the running of the club.

Finally in 2004/2005 Goole achieved the dream of Unibond Football under the direction of Des O'Hearne. Des had taken over from Eric Lawton who had kept the club afloat during difficult times and Des had promised to the fans that Unibond Football would be his number one priority, this he duly delivered. With the club now in Unibond Football the next aim was to put the club in a sound financial position.

The season finished with a new manager Nigel Danby who had been at the club as player agreed to take the role of player/manager and this had seemed to work well very quickly

The next major occasion for the club came in season 2006/07 when a terrific cup run in the West Riding Cup meant that Goole AFC lifted the trophy for the first time, as Goole Town had done a few times before, but many years ago.

The 2007/08 season saw Goole make a real push for promotion with the club sitting in third place for many weeks of the season, however it was a very close race, in fact with only a couple of weeks of the season left clubs as far down as 10th place





could still have made the play-offs. With only a month left, the club suffered some bad injuries and points began to slip and with only two games left Goole fell out of the play-off positions and eventually fell to 9th place.

After the hope of the previous season, supporters could not have been blamed if their dreams for a Unibond Premier League push could be finally realised in 2009 but all that was dashed before the season started. With the credit crunch biting the financial world, money in football was also causing concern and rather than taking the easy option of burying heads and hoping this would be ok, the Chairman took the painful decision to apply for administration and make sure that the club would put their financial house in order and take the long term view for the club.

This meant that the 2008-09 season was almost over before it had begun with only the question being, could Goole escape relegation but with the league trying to increase the number of teams, a relegation place being exercised was a doubt. As it turned out Goole didn't finish bottom with Brigg Town taking that honour and as expected no relegation was enforced.

At the start of the 2009-10 season and with other clubs finding the present time difficult the fans can be proud of the forethought the Chairman





had and they can look forward to the 2009-10 season with hope once again.

Following a disastrous start to the 2009-10 campaign, the management team of Nigel Danby and Mick Norbury resigned, Chairman Des O'Hearne installed Karl Rose as caretaker manager and following some positive results and improved displays, Karl was given the job on a permanent basis.

In May 2012, Karl Rose resigned to take over at Frickley Athletic and to the delight of all Goole AFC supporters, it was announced that former manager John Reed had agreed to return to the club and would be assisted by former Goole AFC player Clive Freeman.

Following a poor start to the 2012-13 season and with just one win from eight league games, Des O'Hearne took the decision to part company with John Reed and Clive Freeman. Less than a week later it was announced that Wayne Benn had been appointed manager of Goole AFC.

In November 2012, Des O'Hearne stood down as Chairman due to ill health, the club was at this time put up for sale, with Craig Whincup taking temporary charge until a new owner could be found. Almost 12 months later, on October 14th 2013, the club announced that a takeover had





been agreed and signed that would see London property investor Mr Baron Bloom take over as the clubs new owner and Chairman with immediate effect.

It was simultaneously announced that David Holdsworth and Curtis Woodhouse had been appointed as the new management team. After a poor run of results during December and January, Curtis Woodhouse replaced David Holdsworth as manager, with Chris Adam being appointed assistant manager.

In December 2014 Baron Bloom resigned as chairman and sold his majority shareholding to club officials for the nominal sum of £1. Just a few weeks later, Steve Shorthouse was appointed as chairman and a plan was put in place with co-director Craig Whincup to put the clubs financial affairs in order and to pay off the clubs historical debt.

In April 2016, it was announced that Steve Shorthouse had stood down as chairman of the club, leaving it debt free.

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It actually looks like we may get this game played at the first time of asking this season. Last season we were due to play this fixture on the 6th January, before a few badly named storms hit, and flooding, and I can't remember what else, meaning it didn't actually get played until the 18th April, but more on that below. I am not sure how I feel about watching football on a Friday night instead of a Saturday afternoon. I can see the plus sides, which are the match not clashing with other higher-league games, and the chance for the players to get a weekend off, but on the negative side there are quite a few other things happening on a Friday night in the town which may affect attendance, and people getting home from work late on a Friday may not want to turn out to watch a football game.

By Darren Stockdale






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Our previous home game on Tuesday saw the visit of Frickley Athletic. Frickley dominated the first half and went in at the break one goal up. In the second half Barton dominated the game and got an equaliser from Elliot Broughton just before the hour mark. It was a classic "game of two halves". That draw, along with missing two or three league matches compared to other teams in the league, sees us in a lowly 17th position in the table. However, at this stage of the season winning the three matches we have in hand over leaders Penistone would put us only one point behind them in the table.





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Why do Clocks go Clockwise? - Have you ever wondered why clocks run clockwise? Probably not, but just in case you have here is a bit of research I have done to find out why.



We all learn to tell the time by reading a clock, and we all know that a clock runs clockwise. So, you may think that is the answer, clocks run clockwise because that is what they called the motion of the clock showing the time.

However, the motion clockwise is actually older than clocks themselves, or at least what we think of as a clock.

The most overwhelming explanation for why clocks run clockwise is that when you are standing in the northern hemisphere, and stand facing the Sun's path across the sky, you will see the arc it moves from east to west. If you then make a sundial, the shadow from that sundial goes in a clockwise direction, from west to north to east (opposite to the sun). This is the most likely reason why clocks run in a clockwise direction,





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because sundials (or any make-shift timepiece using the sun) would always show the time moving in a clockwise direction.



However, if clocks were not invented at that time what did people call this clockwise motion? We probably don't have an answer for that. There was probably no need to give the motion of

the shadow a name, it was just something they had to tell the time with.

Finally, some of you may now be asking the question "why the northern hemisphere? Surely it would be the opposite in the southern hemisphere?" The answer to the second question would be yes, the sun would cast a shadow in the opposite direction in the southern hemisphere, but the answer to the first question is that mechanical clocks were first widely developed in the northern hemisphere. As around 70% of the Earth's land surface is in the northern hemisphere, I suppose it was inevitable clocks would be invented in this part of the world, but as they were, the clockwise motion we all know, and take for granted, became the standard.





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There are a very small number of clocks whose hands move counter clockwise. The clock in the Duomo in Florence, and the clock with Hebrew letters on the Jewish Town Hall in Prague both run anti-clockwise. There may be others, but generally clocks that run in an anti-clockwise direction are for novelty value more than anything else.



Match History

Last season our away game against Goole was right at the start of the season. Barton took an early lead through Harrison Coley on ten minutes. Tom Waudby added a second just after the half-hour mark to leave it 2-0 at the break. Goole pulled one back in the 80th minutes, but Will Waudby put the game to bed with two goals of his





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own in the 87th and 90th minutes leaving the score 4-1 at the end. Our home game against Goole was postponed so many times I gave up trying to write the blog. If I remember correctly, it had been scheduled to be played on a Friday, then a Saturday, and a Tuesday, and eventually being played on a Thursday. It was the same score line as the first game, with Goole running out winners by four goals to one. Our solitary goal came from Will Waudby on the 81st minute, by which time we were already four goals down.

Let's hope for a good game today and up the Swans.





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Team America

The United States has had a number of abortive attempts to secure the future of soccer over the course of its history. In the immediate aftermath of the First World War, there was an opportunity to capitalise on the fame of touring Hungarian, Austrian and English sides and grow the game organically, but these gains were squandered. Instead, the USA drew on its star power as a means to grow the game, most notably in the most recent period between the arrivals of David Beckham and Lionel Messi, offering the greatest talents in Europe a playground in which to finish their careers. But in the 1970s, with an admirable collection of talent across the league, some lamented the inability of putting all those players together. That is, until they did.

The North American Soccer League operated between 1968 and 1984, almost immediately offering to big names the same as the MLS does now - money, fame and a brief place to showcase their talents one final time.



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George Best joined the league, along with Rodney Marsh. Italy international and Lazio legend Giorgio Chinaglia joined them. England World Cup winning captain Bobby Moore too. And, of course, the inimitable Pele. The United States was putting together a fantasy league, and what better way to cement the sport in the minds of the American public than with a fantasy team?



Marking the bicentenary of America's independence, the United States Soccer Federation invited teams from Brazil, Italy and England to join an unofficial international tournament. To compete with them, New York Cosmos manager Ken Furphy was given the task of putting all of the NASL's talent together, at short notice. Only 13 of the 31 players called into the side were American, and of those only



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three were born in the nation. 'Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses' reads the inscription on the Statue of Liberty, alluding to the proud melting-pot of America's history. That melting pot now formed Team America.

The team was not without controversy. Some voices found it embarrassing that the growth of the sport would rely on foreigners, and others thought that the national side could get experience from playing against these teams, rather than former superstars who, at best, would show the world that they could still play football. But Team USA had just lost 7-0 to Poland. The kind of defeat they might suffer at the hands of teams containing Zico or Dino Zoff or Kevin Keegan didn't bear thinking about. Instead, Pele and Chinaglia, they believed, would give them a fighting chance.

Best and Marsh withdrew before the first game, perhaps attempting to save their embarrassment, but officially because Furphy didn't guarantee them a place in all three games. Regardless, it weakened an already disorganised Team America that had no time to prepare. 33,000 fans watched the opener against Italy in the Kennedy Memorial Stadium in Washington, where Moore, Pele and Chinaglia would do their best, but ultimately lose to an Italy side who comfortably put four goals past them.



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For all the nostalgic talent of the squad, they couldn't compete with some of the world's best sides.

Brazil were up next, and unlike Chinaglia who had played against his home country, Pele refused to line up against his. For their part, Brazil understood the showpiece nature of the tournament, and took it easy on their hosts. They kept the ball and - to find an analogy American fans might understand best - played like the Harlem Globetrotters, giving the spectators tricks and turns. Gil scored after half an hour and effectively ended the contest, adding another in the second half.



That meant that Team America went into their final game with no chance of winning their home tournament. England, unlike Brazil and Italy, did not award caps for the tournament and did not take the game especially seriously. Keegan fired Don Revie's side into a two goal lead in the



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first half, with a third added by Gerry Francis after half time. But Team America did find a brief moment of glory, Pele and Chinaglia combining to set up Scotsman Stewart Scullion to get their only goal of the competition. Not that many were there to see it. In the 102,000 seater Philadelphia venue, just 16,000 were left enthused enough to attend. A final defeat drained what was left of their excitement. Brazil beat Italy in the final game, to win the tournament. 25 years later, FIFA revoked the caps given out by those two teams, declaring the tournament unofficial.

The tournament died away in the public consciousness with a fizzle. A decade later, the NASL would do the same. Despite the brightness that superstars brought to it, there was no real benefit to the Team America experiment. Still, where else would you find Pele, Bobby Moore and George Best on the same team.

Enjoy the game.

Martyn Green, The Untold Game

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