



Coalville & District Challenge Cup 1891-92

Winner: Gresley Rovers
Runner-Up: Coalville Town
No. of entries: 7

The 7 teams that entered the second Coalville and District Challenge Cup competition included two from Gresley (Derbyshire).

Cup holders [Coalville Town] reached the final again where they lost 4-3 to Gresley Rovers in a thrilling game played on Easter Monday.

Round 1

No.	Date	Home			Away	Venue
#1	30/01/1892	Gresley Rovers Fox (3) AN Other	4	3	Hugglescote Robin Hood AN Others	At Gresley.
#2	30/01/1892	Coalville Town	1	1	Gresley Swifts	At Coalville. The referee ordered an extra half-hour, but the visitors refused to play and left the field. The home team, therefore, kicked goal and claimed the match. Match was ordered to be replayed.
#3	30/01/1892	Ashby Ivanhoe	4	0	Coalville Albion	Coalville protested that the referee was not the one selected by the Cup committee. The protest was upheld and the game was ordered to be replayed.

Woodville, bye.

Round 1 Replays

No.	Date	Home			Away	Venue
#4	13/02/1892	Coalville Albion	4	3	Ashby Ivanhoe	Sports Ground, Coalville.
#5	05/03/1892	Gresley Swifts	0	1	Coalville Town	At Coalville Large number of spectators

Semi-Finals

No.	Date	Home			Away	Venue
#6	19/03/1892	Gresley Rovers	3 (2)	0 (0)	Woodville	At Coalville. Good number of spectators.
#7	26/03/1892	Coalville Town	2 (2)	1 (0)	Coalville Albion	At Coalville. Large crowd.

Final

No.	Date	Home			Away	Venue
#8	25/04/1892	Gresley Rovers	4 (3)	3 (2)	Coalville Town	At Coalville. Easter Monday

Match Reports

#1 GRESLEY ROVERS v HUGGLESCOTE ROBIN HOOD —This cup tie in the above competition, was played at Gresley on Saturday last. The visitors kicked off, and went for the home goal in good style, ending with a shot at goal, but Perks easily stopped the ball. The home team, however, soon settled down to their work, and Fox scored for Gresley after about fifteen minutes play. The home team continued to have the best of the play, and Fox scored No.2 before half-time. On restarting, the visitors played up and scored their first

goal, the Gresley men retaliating with another. Fox scored No. 4 for the home team, after which they took matters easy. The Robin Hood now had a look in and scored, and just before the call of time repeated the "offence." Final result Gresley 4, Hugglescote 3.

Leicester Chronicle – 4 February 1892

#2 COALVILLE CHARITY CUP - 1st ROUND

COALVILLE (HOLDERS) v GRESLEY SWIFTS - This match was played at Coalville tin Saturday last. Coalville won the toss, and the Swifts kicked off against a strong wind. The home team got possession and were the first to attack, but the backs relieved, and even play followed for some time. Eventually Coalville scored, and their opponents tried hard to equalise before half time, but were unable to do so. Restarting, the Swifts pressed hard, all the team working their hardest to get on even terms, and at last their efforts were rewarded. After this both teams strove hard to gain the winning point, but time was called with the score: Coalville 1, Grealey Swifts 1. The referee ordered an extra half hour, but the visitors refused to play so left the field. The home team, therefore, kicked goal and claimed the match.

Burton Chronicle – 4 February 1892

#4 FOOTBALL – A match was played on Saturday afternoon on the Sports Ground, between Coalville Albion and Ashby Ivanhoe. Some very good play was shown. The scoring was as follows:- Coalville Albion, 4 goals; Ashby Ivanhoe, 3 goals.

Leicester Journal – 19 February 1892

#5 COALVILLE TOWN v GRESLEY SWIFTS

This replayed tie was played at Coalville before a large number of spectators. A splendidly contested game ended:

COALVILLE TOWN, one goal;

GRESLEY, nil

Leicester Journal – 19 February 1892

#6 COALVILLE CHARITY CUP – SEMI-FINAL

GRESLEY ROVERS v WOODVILLE - This match was played at Coalville on Saturday last, before a good number of spectators. Robinson for the Rovers, elected play with wind against them. On the ball being started the Rovers were soon busy round the Woodville goal, Robinson putting in some good shots, but the game was twenty minutes old before the Gresley men scored. This was soon followed by a second. Nothing more was done up to half-time, but on restarting another goal was quickly added. This seemed to dishearten the Woodville players, who were now playing against a very high wind, and they continued to play a defensive game to the end, when the score was— Greeley 3, Woodville 0. Harrison, Topliss, Dale, Fox, and Robinson all played a good game for Gresley, while Hoult, Smith, and Sherwin played the best for Woodville.

Leicester Chronicle – 24 March 1892

#7 COALVILLE CHARITY CUP

SEMI-FINAL

COALVILLE TOWN v COALVILLE ALBION

At Coalville, before a large crowd. The Town pressed in the first half, and scored twice. In the second half the game was equal, but no points were made. Result:

COALVILLE TOWN, two goals;

COALVILLE ALBION, one.

Leicester Daily Post – 28 March 1892

#8 COALVILLE CHARITY CUP FINAL

GRESLEY ROVERS v. COALVILLE TOWN

This match was played at Coalville on Easter Monday, before a large number of spectators. This being the first season that the Rovers had entered this cup, there was a lot of interest centred in the meeting of these teams. The Coalville team scored the first goal soon after the start, much to the delight of their own supporters, but the Gresley men soon altered this state of affairs by scoring two very quickly. The score at half-time was Gresley 3, Coalville 2 Each team scored again in the second half of the game. At the call of time

Gresley had won the cup by 4 goals to 3. The cup was presented on the ground to the winners by Mr. Peplow, of Coalville.

Burton Chronicle - 28 April 1892