



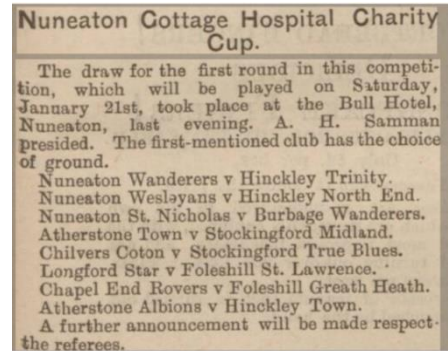
Nuneaton Cottage Hospital Charity Cup 1892-93

Winners: Foleshill Great Heath
Runners-Up: Atherstone Town
No. of entries: 16

In the inaugural Nuneaton Charity Cup competition Leicestershire were represented by Burbage and three Hinckley clubs – North End, Town, and Trinity.

The draw for Round 1 was made at the Bull Hotel, Nuneaton on Saturday 17 December 1892.

Burbage and Hinckley Town were eliminated in Round 1, Hinckley Trinity in Round 2 and Hinckley North End reached the semi-final where they were slaughtered 10-1 in by Atherstone – who finished runners-up to Foleshill Great Heath.



Coventry Evening Telegraph – 21 December 1892

Round 1

Date	Home			Away	Match Details
21.1.1893	Atherstone Albion Toone	1	0	Hinckley Town	200 spectators. "many enthusiast, with a laudable desire to emulate true Perry Bar Style, wore mottoes in their hats, adjuring the Albions to "play up!."
21.1.1893	Atherstone Town	8 (5)	2 (1)	Stockingford Midland	Good attendance. Game commenced at 2.30pm.
21.1.1893	Chapel End Rovers	1	?	Foleshill Great Hall	
21.1.1893	Chilvers Coton	3	2	Stockingford True Blues	At Coton.
21.1.1893	Longford Star	1	6	Foleshill St Lawrence	At Longford.
21.1.1893	Nuneaton St Nicholas Tomlinson (2) Jephcoate (2) Jones Stockley Sidwell	7 (5)	3 (0)	Burbage Wanderers AN Other	Arbury Road Ground, Nuneaton. Fair number of spectators. Ground was in slippery condition. Strong wind. Game commenced at 2.50 pm.
21.1.1893	Nuneaton Wanderers AN Other	1 (1)	2 (2)	Hinckley Trinity G Moore (2)	Wanderers first defeat of the season.
21.1.1893	Nuneaton Wesleyans YMA AN Other	3 (1)	5 (3)	Hinckley North End Wilbur Flude (2) Smith (2)	Play was of a rather rough nature.

Round 2

Date	Home			Away	Match Details
4.2.1893	Foleshill Great Heath AN Others	2 (1)	1 (1)	Nuneaton St Nicholas Sidwell	At Foleshill. 200 spectators.

4.2.1893	Foleshill St Lawrence	0	2	Atherstone Town	
4.2.1893	Hinckley North End	4	1	Atherstone Albion	500-600 spectators. "The Atherstonians had a rough reception at the hands of the spectators. One man had his collar bone broken, and another received two black eyes, while all members of the visiting team were pelted with turf, and otherwise ill-treated."
4.2.1893	Stockingford True Blues Arnold (3)	3	0	Hinckley Trinity	Played on a field lent by Mr Wright of Church Farm, situated at the back of Stockingford Church. Fair number of spectators.

Semi-Finals

Date	Home			Away	Match Details
4.3.1893	Foleshill Great Heath	2	0	Stockingford True Blues	
4.3.1893	Atherstone Town	10 (5)	1 (0)	Hinckley North End	Played at Atherstone Grammar School. Town players were "vastly superior in size and weight."

Final

Date	Home			Away	Match Details
22.4.1893	Foleshill Great Heath	3 (0)	0 (0)	Atherstone Town	Special trains brought 100s to Nuneaton to watch the final. Splendid weather, 2,000 spectators. Dr E N Nason hon. secretary of the Cottage Hospital Committee presented the cup to the winning captain.

Match Reports

Nuneaton Wesleyan Y.M.A. v Hinckley North End.	
This match was played at Nuneaton on Saturday, and after a very pleasant game resulted :—	
North End	5
Y.M.A.	3
Atherstone Town v Stockingford Midland.	
At Atherstone. Result :—	
Atherstone	3
Midland	2
Atherstone Albions v Hinckley Town.	
At Atherstone. Result :—	
Albions	1
Town	0
Foleshill Great Heath v Chapel End Rovers.	
At Chapel End. Result :—	
Great Heath	1
Rovers	0
Foleshill St. Lawrence v Longford Star.	
At Longford. Result :—	
Saints	6
Star	1
Stockingford True Blues v Coton Villa.	
At Chilvers Coton. Result :—	
True Blues	3
Villa,	2

Nuneaton Observer - 27 January 1893

Nuneaton Cottage Hospital Charity Cup First Round

Nuneaton St. Nicholas v. Burbage

This match came off on the Arbury Road Ground, on Saturday last before a fair number of spectators. The ground was in slippery condition, and considering the strong wind not a word of fault is to be found with the homesters' play. The Nuneaton captain (W. Cooper) being successful with the spin elected to play uphill with the wind. Foxon started the ball at 2-50, but the home forwards were the first to assume the aggressive with some pretty passing. Jones having grazed the upright with a swift shot, the visitors broke away, but the ball was soon returned towards the Burbage goal. As the result of a splendid run on the left, Jeffcoatt opened the score with a low shot. On restarting, play quickly travelled into the visitor' quarters, the "Nicks" forwards played a grand passing game, and soon after Jones put well into the mouth of the goal, thus enabling Tomlinson to bang through. Burbage now pulled themselves together, but the home backs were found unpassable. W. Cooper gave Jones and Stockley possession and they were again seen travelling at a fast rate on the right. The former having shot over the line another centre was put in by that player, and Tomlinson added goal No 3. From the centre kick Burbage had a look in, but their shooting went wide, and play reversed to the other end where a corner was awarded the homesters. Jones put in a grand kick and Jeffcoatt scored with a difficult shot. Lester having fisted out, a series of runs by the St. Nicholas forwards followed, Jeffcoatt and Stockley each getting over the line. The ball remained in the visitors territory for some time, one or two good chances being lost by the Nuneaton forwards. However, Stockley soon after put in a shot which scored. Half-time arrived with the score:

St. Nicholas	5
Burbage	0

After the interval, Burbage went off with a dash, and seemed to have improved very much on the first half. Before many minutes had elapsed the visitors secured a chance, and scored with a long shot. On the restart, another attempt was made but the backs relieved, and a run by the "Nicks" forwards resulted in the ball going over the line. The goalkeeper put into midfield thus enabling the forwards to break away, and snore with a swift shot. A free kick was then awarded the homesters owing to Foxon fouling Wright, but the ball was returned by Gent. The Burbage forwards now travelled up the field in grand style, but Fogarty

robbed Foxon when he was about to shoot. Mid-field play followed for some time, until the home forwards broke away, and after several hard tries to open their score for the second half Jones put in a shot which beat Towers. Another " free " was similarly awarded the homesters, but nothing came of it, and the visitors backs were obliged to relieve by kicking out. At last the ball was taken to the other end, and the visitors forwards got over the line, the ball just grazing the upright. Burbage added goal No. 3, and on the re-start, Jones and Stockley put in some grand runs, which resulted in the former striking the crossbar. Still trying hard the visitors backs had plenty to do, and Towers saved a fast shot from Jones. Sidwell got possession and after displaying some useful work on both wings, that player headed through from a capital centre by Jones. Time was soon afterwards called leaving the "Nicks" victorious as follows:

St. Nicholas	7
Burbage	3

The teams were :—St. Nicholas: Goal, A Lester; backs, W Cooper (capt.) and M Fogarty; half-backs, F Cooper, W Wright, and H Thomas; forwards, E Jones, J Stockley , E Sidwell, H Tomlinson, and A Jeffcoatt; linesman, Mr. C Williams.— Burbage: Goal, T Towers; backs, Gent and Sutton; half-backs, Allsopp, Hatton and Bates ; forwards, Dudley, Bennett, Foxon, Biggs and Allsopp. Referee, Mr. G. A. Maley. Coventry.

Nuneaton Observer - 27 January 1893

NUNEATON WANDERERS v HINCKLEY TRINITY – This match was played on the ground of the former club. The Trinity captain won the toss and chose to play downhill. The Wanderers' centre started the leather, and it was worked down well into the Trinity quarter, but Harris quickly returned it, and some good even play took place, it being evident that the teams were well matched. The home forwards got away to the Trinity goal, and Spencer had to fist out several times in quick succession. This seemed to rouse the visitors, and, after a bit of clever passing among the forwards, Daffern passed to G Moore who scored. On restarting the home forwards tried hard to equalize, and finally succeeded in getting the leather through, but the goal was disallowed on the plea of off-side. Nothing daunted, however, they resumed attacking, and succeeded in scoring. Starting again, both teams worked hard, but the Trinity forwards got to the ground. Robottom centered to Daffern, who passed it to G Moore, and the latter player shot the ball through. At half-time the score stood:

Trinity	2 goals
Wanderers	1 goal.

Daffern started the leather for the second half, and a raid was made on the home goal, Kenny and F Moore playing a good game, and causing the goalkeeper to fist out. The home team now began to press and secured a corner, but nothing resulted. Play was now confined to mid-field, but eventually, the Wanderers gained another corner which was cleared well away by Harris. The Trinity forwards got away and Robottom passed to Kenny, who put the ball through, but it was disallowed through the plea of off-side. Some give and take play ensued, and at the call of time, the score read: Trinity 2 goals, Wanderers 1. Trinity team: H Spencer, goal; T Harris and T Turner, backs; R Moore, J Baker, and H Iliffe, half-backs; F Moore, T Kenny, G Moore, W Robottom, R Daffern (captain), forwards. Linesman: E Mustin. Referee: Mr G Morgan (Coventry). *Hinckley Times - 28 January 1893*

HINCKLEY NORTH END v NUNEATON WESELEYAN YMA - This match was played at Nuneaton on Saturday last. Wilbur kicked off against the wind. Play was of a rather rough nature at the commencement: Underwood being cautioned by the referee. The home team broke away, but were driven back, Crouch relieving. T Smith got possession, and raced along the left, finishing with a capital centre. Knight missed in front of goal, but Wilbur secured, and scored the first goal for the visitors. This reverse aroused the home team who quickly made for their rivals' goal, but Underwood and Crow were equal to the emergency, and transferred to Smith, who again dodged through all opposition, but failed at goal. End-to-end play followed, but at length Nuneaton equalised. The game continued fast. The home team again attacked a scrimmage ensuing near the visitors' goal, but at length, Underwood, by a huge kick, cleared. Flude, getting possession, passed to Wilbur, and by good combination, Flude was enabled to score. T Smith added a third just before the interval. Half-time:

Hinckley North End	3 goals,
Nuneaton Wesleyan YMA	1 goal

On re-starting with the wind, North End quickly added a fourth, Flude scoring. From the kick-off, the home team got well down, and Garner made a good effort to score. Toone just reached the ball and threw away, but it was quickly returned, and the same player punched away a capital shot. Afterwards Crow passed to

Smith, and this player again made a splendid dribble and shot, but he backs now, now by a mistake, let in the home forwards, who scored a second, and quickly after, a third goal. Play proceeded evenly during the rest of the game; Smith adding a fifth for the North Enders, and the visitors won a hard fought game by 5 goals to 3. T Smith, Crow, Crouch and Underwood played well for the winners; Smith dribbling being a treat to witness. Garner, Savage and Farndon played well for the losers. – Hinckley Team: G Toone, goal; Underwood and Crouch, backs; Smith (captain), Crow and Garrett, half-backs; Abbotts, Flude, Wilbur, Knight, T Smith, forwards.

Hinckley Times – 28 January 1893

MATCHES NUNEATON CHARITY CUP

SECOND ROUND

HINCKLEY NORTH END v ATHERSTONE ALBION

It was apparent that everyone who visited the Holy Well ground on Saturday last to witness this Cup match between these clubs, were more than surprised at what they saw. The Atherstone team succeeded in putting the Hinckley Town eleven out of competition, and when it was found that the Albions had drawn the Hinckley North End, the conclusion immediately arrived at was that a crushing defeat awaited the Hinckley boys. But there one solitary gleam of hope for the Northenders, the match to take place at Hinckley. The Atherstone ground is described as altogether unfit for a match to played on; it is altogether too small, and the players are simply boxed up." Consequently when team meets the Albion on their ground, they are altogether "at sea." A good deal of interest was shown in the fixture, and the ropes were lined by some five or six hundred people. The home side played full strength, and the Atherstone team with one exception the same as that which met the Town Eleven. Play commenced five minutes to the boys kicking down hill with the wind in their faces. From the kick off the ball sent a little way in the direction of the home goal, but was immediately returned, and the boys shot at goal. Atherstone attacked, and Toone had to fist out several long shots. After about ten minutes play it apparent to everyone that the boys would make a good fight for victory. They went into the game with great dash; all worked with might and main, and though the weight of the Atherstone men was much against them, they to assume the upper hand. Smith on the outside right put in some good runs, and was well backed by his comrades on right - Flude – and Wilbore in the centre. Time after time Smith centred in fine style, and from these Flude and Dawson sent in some warm shots - one hitting the bar and running along the top of the bar. Mellor at back was playing a fine game for Atherstone, and cleared several times with powerful kicks. The forwards were not able to cope with the half-backs of home side, and the ball was soon in front of the Atherstone goal. At length Smith sent in a beauty from the right, and the other forwards rushed it through amid loud cheers. After the kick-off the boys worked the ball down again, and Windridge had a warm time. Flude sent in some excellent shots, and Wilbore, Abbotts and Knight also had several tries. A corner fell to Hinckley, and Smith dropped the ball just in front of line, and it was rushed through off one of visitors' backs. After this the visitors played up, and obtained a corner, but the kick went outside. The home forwards got away, and again peppered the goal with shots, Flude scoring a third point after some good combined play among the forwards. Several times before half-time the downfall of the visitors' goal looked certain, and once the ball was sent through by Flude, who was ruled offside. At half-time the scores read:

North End	3
Atherstone	0

In the first minute of the second half, Hinckley nearly scored, and before three minutes had passed the boys again did the trick from centre by Smith. Atherstone now made vigorous efforts to score, and obtained a corner. The home goal was never in danger, however, and Toone had a quiet time of it. Even play now took place from now till close on time, both sides seeming to be content with keeping ball in midfield. About quarter of hour before time, the boys again attacked, and the Atherstone goalkeeper had to save several times. The whistle sounded, however without any further increase to the score, the game then standing Hinckley four, Atherstone none. For home side all played a good game, T Smith, Flude, Crow, and Crouch being perhaps the best. The boys showed they had good idea of the game, and their passing and heading were very effective. They passed with such determination and pluck, that Atherstone never stood chance after the first goal was scored. Mellor was the best man of the Atherstone team sides were— Hinckley: G Toone, goal; Underwood and Crouch, backs; Crow, Smith, Garratt, half-backs; T Smith, and Flude, right; Wilbore, centre; Abbotts and Knight, left. Atherstone: Windridge, goal; Mellor, Cook and Clarke, half-backs; Billings and Shilton, left; Toone, Wilesmith and Spencer, right. Referee Mr F T (Coventry).

Hinckley Times – 11 February 1893

Stockingford True Blues v Hinckley Trinity

For the purpose of deciding which of the above teams should enter the semi-final of the Nuneaton Cottage Hospital Charity Cup, a match was played at Stockingford on Saturday afternoon last. Mr. Wright, of the Church Farm, kindly lent one of his fields, situate at the back of Stockingford Church, for the occasion, the ground being in good condition. There was a fair number of spectators, who enthusiastically cheered the "Blues" on numerous occasions. The home team started the game, making a rush straight for their opponents' quarters, and it was not long before Arnold drew first blood for the homesters. This livened Hinckley up, and for some time the game was very fast. Corners fell to each team, but nothing resulted from them. From a throw-in near the visitors' goal Arnold shot the second goal through, the remainder of the first half being fruitless. Curl, at back, played a magnificent game for Stockingford; with the result that Hinckley could not score, although they experienced very hard lines on one of two occasions. The third goal was headed through by Arnold, who played a good game at right-wing forward, but if he had kept in his place a little more, no doubt he would have secured more goals. "Big George" and "Worcester" played well at half-back, while the forwards played very strong. The home team were by far the heaviest, completely overpowering their opponents, and eventually won as follows:

True Blues, 3

Trinity, 0

The teams were as follows:—True Blues: Goal, Bryan; backs, W Curl and R Tonks; half-backs, W Butler, Bishop, and G Harris; forwards, W Bryan, J Lucas, J Arnold, T Bryan, and A Moreton. —Trinity: Goal, H Spencer; backs, R Daffern and T Harris; half-backs, It Moore, T Turner, and H Iliffe; forwards, T Kenney, F Moore, G Moore, H Kiddie, and W Rowbottom; linesman, E Mustin; referee, Mr. A Hathaway, Coventry.
Nuneaton Observer - 10 February 1893

HOSPITAL CUP SEMI-FINAL TIE

ATHERSTONE TOWN v HINCKLEY NORTH END

This match was played neutral ground at Atherstone Saturday last, the Grammar School Field being utilised for the occasion, in the presence about 600 spectators. Unusual interest was manifested in the event, all Atherstone, in the manner of speaking, being present, as well large numbers of people from outlying districts and Hinckley. This being first time the two teams had met the general opinion was that the Town would have to make a good show if they wished to figure in the final, as in previous round North End beat Atherstone Albion by four goals to nil at Hinckley, but as afterwards became evident, the Town were one and all in the best of trim. Previous to Saturday the Town had met Stockingford Midland and Foleshill St Lawrence, who they defeated by eight goals to two and two to nil, respectively, which with Saturday's result gave the Town a score of 20 goals to three, a truly grand record.

ATHERSTONE TOWN – Goal, A Barnsley; backs, J Mears and H Fox; half-backs, J Challis, G H Taylor and W Taylor; forwards, J Stretton, T Morgan (Captain), D Brown, T Bates and G Gilbert.

HINCKLEY NORTH END – Goal, G Toone; backs, J Crouch and J Underwood; half-backs, S Smith, G Crow, and W Garrett; forwards, T Smith, T Flude, C Wilebore, J Knight, and W Abbott.

Referee, Mr Kirk (Singers' FC Coventry). Linesmen, Messrs C Day and E Cope

Punctually at 3.15 the teams faced each other, and Morgan having won the toss North End kicked off against a slight breeze and immediately went with a dash, but Smith's centre was easily disposed of by the Town halves. A little give-and-take play ensued after which the Atherstone left wing broke clear away and from a splendid centre by Gilbert their captain opened the score, amid deafening cheers. From the centre kick the "Adders" rushed straight up the field and forced a corner, which was well placed by G H Taylor. Brown scored a second goal and was soon afterwards responsible for a third. Things were now looking rather gloomy for North End evidently, and evidently roused by this prolonged reverse they played up with a little more dash, but the Atherstone halves completely broke up their combination, rarely permitting them to get over half-way line. Mears and Fox were then cheered some fine back play, the former making the visitors' custodian fist out from a splendid long shot. Stretton on the right then put in a nice piece of individual work, and centring nicely in the mouth of goal Morgan scored No 4. Immediately afterwards the "Adders" put the ball between the uprights, but for some reason or other the point was disallowed. Out of a scrimmage in the goal mouth Atherstone again scored, at half-time figures stood:

Atherstone Town	5 goals
Hinckley North End	nil

After usual interval the home team kicked off, Hinckley now had the advantage of the wind, and making use of it scored from a low shot by Abbott within three minutes the re-start, the home goalkeeper being caught fairly napping. The Town then began to again settle down to work and after a fine run by Bates and Gilbert, Brown scored the sixth goal. Midfield was the next order of the game, North End trying desperately hard to break away, but were foiled by the Town halves, Challis and Taylor, who held them well in hand, receiving frequent applause from the spectators for their splendid head play. Smith now broke on the visitors' from a throw-in, but Fox having "grassed" him, cleared with a magnificent kick. The home forwards then broke away, and Stretton passed beautifully to Morgan, who scored again. Still keeping up the pressure, Bates scored another, a fine piece of individual work. From the kick-off North End made another rally, but all in vain, as they could not pass the home backs. Smith tried hard to break again, but the Atherstone left half brought him to a full stop, and placing nicely to his forwards, Bates sent in a shot which struck the uprights with terrific force. From the goal kick Gilbert secured, and scored a nice screw shot. The visitors now pulled themselves together for what appeared to be a final effort, and Abbott, obtaining an opening, tried to shoot, but W Taylor robbed him of the ball in style. Challis then came with some capital half-back play, working the ball through no less than three of the North Enders, and passed to Brown, who put Atherstone into double figures. From the kick-off Hinckley tried a long kick and rush, but W Taylor headed well into midfield, when the whistle sounding, the "Adders" passed into the final round, amid tremendous cheering, the result being:

Atherstone Town 10 goals
Hinckley North End 1

REMARKS ON THE GAME

Atherstone were undoubtedly the better team, showing their superiority from start finish. The forwards worked splendidly and the half-backs shone very conspicuously. Barnsley, when called upon, shows good form in goal, but on Saturday his post was a sinecure. Atherstone no less than five off-side goals. North End sadly lacked combination, and Smith, Abbott, Underwood and Toone were the pick. At about a quarter of an hour before half-time was called S Smith sustained an injury to his nose which at first thought, was broken. He retired the injured organ was bathed, when it was found that it was badly cut. However, Smith resumed play during the second half.

Great Heath having beaten Stockingford True Blues on Saturday by two goals to nil, Atherstone Town have to meet Great Heath in the final round of the Hospital Cup on Saturday Mar. 18 at the Newdegate Arms Ground, Nuneaton, and an evenly balanced game is anticipated.

Atherstone News and Herald - 10 March 1893

Nuneaton Charity Cup Competition.

Final Round

Foleshill Great Heath v. Atherstone Town

A Record Gate for Nuneaton

Amongst the various subscribers to the funds of the Nuneaton Cottage Hospital, the building of which is now nearly finished, the devotees of football will assuredly not rank the least. It was an excellent idea to start a football challenge cup competition in connection with an institution which has such useful objects view, and the hearts of the promoters must have been exceedingly joyful as the special trains poured in their hundreds last Saturday to witness the final tussle between the above clubs. Splendid football weather favoured the occasion, for although a brilliant sun was shining the whole of the afternoon, a keen dry wind sufficient to check any tendency to perspire too freely. The Nuneaton Rugby Club handed over, we believe, last year the respectable sum of £8 to the Cottage Hospital funds, but on Saturday these receipts were more than doubled, owing to the fact that the contest attracted not only Nuneaton people but the supporters of the respective teams competing. Shortly after three o'clock nearly 2,000 spectators thronged round the ropes eagerly waiting for the match to commence. Atherstone were the first team to put in an appearance, and they were lustily cheered by their supporters. A quarter of an hour later the Foleshill men turned up, and they received a warm reception. Foleshill kicked off, made a dash for goal, a goal-kick resulting. Atherstone were put on the defensive for a short time, but their backs played well. Passing on to Challis, the latter made a grand rush along the right and succeeded in getting close to goal before the came to grief. The game was soon transferred to the other end, and Mears saved twice in quick succession. Atherstone made a determined rush, but Clarke kicked out just in the nick of time. A corner fell to Atherstone, and after some hot work in the mouth of the goal the ball was sent over the cross-bar, amidst loud shouts of "Goal." Atherstone forced another corner, but nothing resulted. The "Adders soon began to press again, but the "Heathens" proved

equal to the occasion and gradually changed the scene of operations to the other end of the ground until Mears put a stop to their career. Taking the ball up the ground one of the Atherstone forwards scored, but he had the misfortune to fowl the ball before he shot. From the free kick a temporary visit was made to the Atherstone quarters, but they retaliated and gradually forced two more corners, which, however, were fruitless. The Foleshill two right wingers broke away and would no doubt have scored but for the timely intervention of Mears. The game was now very fast, the ball travelling quickly from end to end. Foleshill pressed and Barnsley knocked out a nasty shot, one of the Foleshill fowling in front of goal. Mears took the kick, sent the ball the whole length of the ground, and the goalkeeper in knocking out gave a corner, but nothing came front it. Foleshill went off with a dash, and succeeded its getting put the Atherstone backs. Barnsley left his goal, but Taylor saved almost marvellously. A free kick was awarded Foleshill about 6 yards from their goal. They gradually pressed, until a fine shot struck the upright the ball bouncing into play again the next kick sending it over the crow-bar. At this point the game slowed down little, but on Foleshill assuming the aggressive it became very exciting. Barnsley was called upon to save a critical shot, and shortly afterwards half-time arrived, the score standing:

Atherstone	0
Foleshill	0

After five minutes' "wind," Atherstone started operations for the second half. Foleshill attacked first, Barnsley having to fist out twice in quick succession. Both teams pressed in turn, a corner falling to Foleshill, but the ball was sent over the bar. Some useful kicks were put in by Mears, but the "Heathens" forced another unsuccessful corner. Atherstone next got dangerous, a fine chance being lost through shooting wide. Each goalkeeper were in turn called upon to save, and they were both applauded for the manner in which they performed their task. A fowl was given against Atherstone in close quarters to their goal, and this resulted in Foleshill securing first honours. From the restart Foleshill made a grand dash, forcing a corner. This was nicely placed by Wilkinson, and Walters neatly headed the second goal through. Atherstone made a good attempt to score, but the back section of their opponents proved too much for them. One of Foleshill backs sent in a clever shot at goal which Barnsley returned. A plucky attempt to score was made by Atherstone a shot by Stretton skimming across the mouth of the goal. A free kick awarded Foleshill won afterwards, the third goal resulting, and the remainder of the gains was uneventful. When the whistle blew for time the score stood:

Foleshill	3
Atherstone	0

Teams: —Foleshill: Goal, Clarke; backs, Cattell and Clarke; half-backs, Burden, Ashby and Dalton; forwards, Wilkinson, Webster, Walters, Patrick and Rollason.—Atherstone Goal, A.W. Barnsley; backs, J. Mears and H. Fox; half-backs, J. Challis, Taylor and G. H. Taylor ; forwards, J. Stretton, T. Morgan, D. Brow., G. Gilbert and T. Hater.— Linesmen, Messrs. C. R. Day and E. Cope (Nuneaton); referee, Mr. A. Maley (Coventry).

At the conclusion of the match Dr. E. N. Nason secretary to the Cottage Hospital Committee, presented the cup to the captain of the winning team, and also announced that there were medals for each two that had competed that day.

Nuneaton Observer - 24 April 1893

Additional Information

RE ATHERSTONE ALBIONS v. HINCKLEY
NORTH END.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In your issue of the 11th, I notice that you make no mention at all of the *cowardly* treatment to which the Atherstone spectators were subjected. So kindly allow me to state that they were treated so shamefully that the Atherstone team hardly dare touch the ball, for they knew if they did their comrades (the spectators) would receive still further ill-treatment from the Hinckley spectators. The Albions met the North End at Atherstone once before, and defeated them by two goals to nil, and still maintain that they can do so again with fair treatment. I will venture to say that when the North End come to play Atherstone Town, at Atherstone, in the semi-final for the Nuneaton Charity Cup, their spectators will not be treated as the Atherstone spectators were at Hinckley. Thanking you for publishing this,

I remain,

ATHERSTONIAN.

Atherstone, February 15th, 1893.

[Our report of the match did not contain any reference to the *cowardly* treatment referred to by "Atherstonian," simply because our reporter, who was on the ground, did not see anything of it. There was a good deal of chaffing going on, and two men were ejected from the ground because they wanted to fight, but as to the Atherstone spectators being so "shamefully ill-treated" that the Atherstone players hardly dare touch the ball, the statement is absurd. The players were not interfered with in any way, and they were fairly beaten.—ED.]