

Croft Rising Star						6-4			1-0
Earl Shilton Excelsior	3-1	2-0	1-1	1-0				2-3	1-0
Earl Shilton Town Reserves		2-2	4-1	5-2	1-3		3-2		2-1
Earl Shilton Victor	6-0		4-2		3-0	0-1			
Hinckley Granville		4-2	7-0	3-1		4-1	3-3		3-1
Stoney Stanton Rising Star	6-1		6-1	0-1	11-1	2-1	5-3	2-2	

Home win
 Away Win
 Draw
 Result Not Known

Results & Match Details

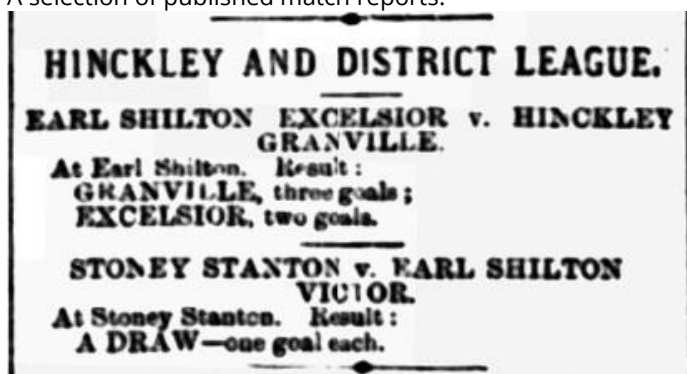
Date	Home			Away	Details
11.9.1897	Hinckley Town Reserves Wells Wood	2 (1)	2 (1)	Burbage United Moore Orton	Holy Well ground, Hinckley. Small attendance. Hinckley equalised with just 3 mins from time.
18.9.1897	Barwell Swifts Reserves	3	0	Earl Shilton Town	
18.9.1897	Hinckley Granville Warren Greaves Spencer	3 (2)	1 (1)	Croft Rising Star AN Other	Fine weather. Croft scored first,
18.9.1897	Hinckley Town Reserves AN Others Wells	3 (1)	2 (2)	Earl Shilton Victor Orton Brown	Holywell ground, Hinckley. Small gate.
25.9.1897	Earl Shilton Town	4	1	Cosby	
25.9.1897	Earl Shilton Victor	6	0	Barwell Swifts Reserves	
25.9.1897	Hinckley Granville	4	2	Burbage United	
16.10.1897	Burbage United Lucas	1 (1)	0 (0)	Croft Rising Star	Home team not known
16.10.1897	Earl Shilton Excelsior	3	0	Hinckley Town Reserve	
16.10.1897	Sapcote	0	8	Earl Shilton Victor	
16.10.1897	Stoney Stanton	6	1	Barwell Swifts	
23.10.1897	Barwell Reserves	1	1	Cosby	
23.10.1897	Burbage United	2 (2)	2 (0)	Hinckley Town Reserves	
23.10.1897	Hinckley Excelsior			Hinckley Victor	
23.10.1897	Hinckley Granville Taylor (og) Flude (2) Bolesworth	4 (1)	2 (0)	Burbage United Wood	Fair sprinkling of spectators
30.10.1897	Barwell Swifts Reserves			Hinckley Town Reserves	
30.10.1897	Burbage United Smith (2) Colkin	3 (3)	2 (2)	Earl Shilton Excelsior AN Other Hampson	Lutterworth Road Ground, Burbage.
6.11.1897	Stoney Stanton	2	2	Hinckley Granville	
13.11.1897	Burbage United Lucas AN Other	2 (0)	2 (1)	Barwell Grewcock AN Other	Lutterworth Road ground, Burbage. Game commenced at 3.15 pm. After consulting with two captains the game ended 13 mins before time due to bad light.
13.11.1897	Hinckley Granville Warren (2) Bolesworth AN Other (pen) Sketchley	5 (3)	0 (0)	Hinckley Town Reserves	Lawns ground, Hinckley. Town played 10 men till half-time when Wells filled the vacancy.
20.11.1897	Barwell Swifts Reserves	1	2	Burbage United	Larger attendance than usual as the first team did not have a match.

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20.11.1897	Earl Shilton Town	2	1	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	
20.11.1897	Hinckley Granville Bolesworth (2) Sketchley Spencer Hewitt AN Other	7	0	Cosby	Lawns Ground, Hinckley.
27.11.1897	Croft	2	0	Hinckley Town Reserves	Abandoned - rain stopped play
27.11.1897	Earl Shilton Excelsior	2	3	Hinckley Granville	
27.11.1897	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	1	1	Earl Shilton Victor	
4.12.1897	Cosby	1	4	Stoney Stanton	
4.12.1897	Croft	6	4	Earl Shilton Town Reserves	
4.12.1897	Earl Shilton Excelsior	3	1	Barwell Swifts Reserves	
4.12.1897	Hinckley Granville Hewitt Bolesworth Sketchley	3 (3)	3 (2)	Earl Shilton Victor AN Others	Lawns Ground, Hinckley.
4.12.1897	Sapcote	0	3	Burbage United	
11.12.1897	Burbage	2	1	Hinckley Granville	
11.12.1897	Earl Shilton Victor	0	1	Earl Shilton Town Reserves	
11.12.1897	Stoney Stanton	5	1	Sapcote	
18.12.1897	Sapcote		W	Barwell Swifts Reserves	Sapcote's 7 th league defeat of the season.
18.12.1897	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	0	1	Croft Rising Star	
25.12.1897	Barwell Swifts	5	1	Earl Shilton Town Reserves	Gate receipts - £2 15s 10d
25.12.1897	Burbage	6	0	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	
1.1.1898	Barwell Swifts Reserves	0	1	Earl Shilton Victor	
1.1.1898	Earl Shilton Excelsior	2	0	Burbage United	
1.1.1898	Sapcote	0	10	Earl Shilton Victor	
8.1.1898	Earl Shilton Town Reserves	5	2	Croft Rising Star	Moderate gate.
8.1.1898	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	6	1	Cosby	"Goodly" number of spectators.
22.1.1898	Burbage United	3	2	Earl Shilton Victor	
22.1.1898	Croft Rising Star	1	0	Stoney Stanton	
22.1.1898	Earl Shilton Town Reserves	1	3	Earl Shilton Excelsior	
22.1.1898	Hinckley Granville			Barwell Swifts Reserves	
29.1.1898	Earl Shilton Excelsior	1	0	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	
5.2.1898	Cosby			Croft	
5.2.1898	Hinckley Granville	4	1	Earl Shilton Town Reserves	
5.2.1898	Stoney Stanton	5	3	Earl Shilton Victor	Moderately good gate.
12.2.1898	Barwell Swifts	0	3	Hinckley Granville	
12.2.1898	Croft Rising Star			Burbage United	
12.2.1898	Earl Shilton Excelsior	1	1	Cosby	
12.2.1898	Earl Shilton Victor			Stoney Stanton Rising Star	

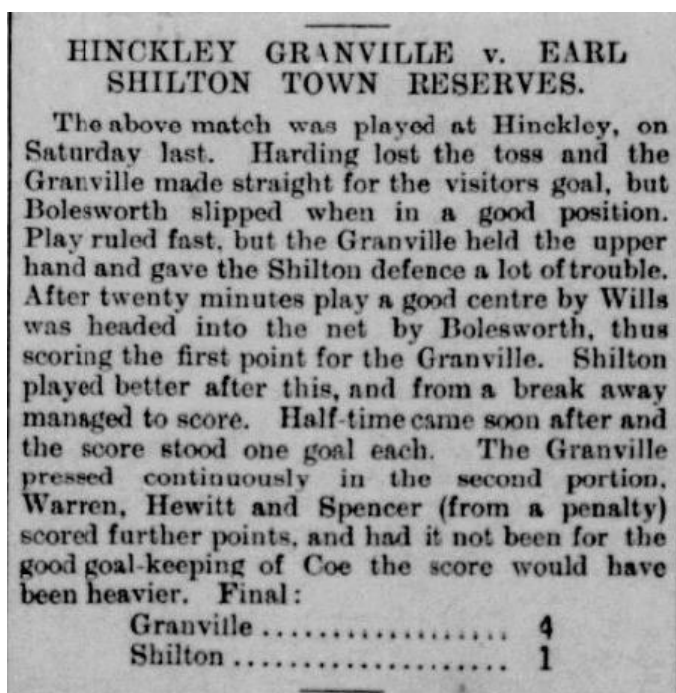
19.2.1898	Cosby			Hinckley Granville	
19.2.1898	Croft Rising Star			Barwell Swifts Reserves	
19.2.1898	Earl Shilton Victor	3	0	Earl Shilton Excelsior	
26.2.1898	Barwell			Stoney Stanton	
26.2.1898	Cosby			Earl Shilton Victors	
26.2.1898	Earl Shilton Excelsior	1	0	Croft Rising Star	
5.3.1898	Earl Shilton Victor	4	2	Cosby	
5.3.1898	Hinckley Granville	3	1	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	
12.3.1898	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	2	1	Earl Shilton Town	
26.3.1898	Stoney Stanton Rising Star	11	1	Earl Shilton Excelsior	
16.4.1898	Barwell Swifts Reserves	3	7	Croft Rising Star	
16.4.1898	Hinckley Granville	4	1	Earl Shilton Excelsior	

Match Reports

A selection of published match reports.



Leicester Daily Post - 29 November 1897



Hinckley Free Press - 11 February 1898

HINCKLEY AND DISTRICT LEAGUE,
EARL SHILTON VICTOR v. EARL SHILTON
EXCELSIOR.
 At Earl Shilton. Result:
VICTOR, three goals;
EXCELSIOR, none.

Leicester Daily Post - 21 February 1898

Additional Information

MEETING OF THE HINCKLEY AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.

On Saturday night a meeting of this league was held at the Wentworth Hotel, Elmsthorpe, Mr. H. Orton (Earl Shilton) presiding. The minutes of the last meeting were read, and the secretary stated that Hinckley Town F.C. had paid their fine of 5s. A. Town, referee, of Earl Shilton, was reported by Stoney Stanton F.C. for sending in a wrong report to the league secretary, re their match with Burbage, on Dec. 25. Each of the clubs had reported the result as 6-0, whilst the referee gave it as 7-0. After hearing the evidence it was decided to accept the report of the referee as correct, but cautioned him. Earl Shilton Excelsior were reported by Mr. Wm. Pilgrim, referee in their match with Burbage, that the ground was not marked out in accordance with the rules of the Association, and that the goal was not the proper height. Evidence was given to show that the ground was totally unmarked, a fact which was admitted by the club representative, but he was of opinion that the goal was the required height. A fine of 1s. was inflicted, the committee remarking that if such gross neglect was again reported clubs would be more severely dealt with. A protest by Burbage in respect to the above match was overruled on the ground that it was not made to the referee before the match, and the league would retain the deposit. A letter was read from the Sapcote F.C., withdrawing from the league, which was accepted on the understanding that the Sapcote club pay the expenses of the two nonfulfillments of fixtures within 14 days. The remainder of the business was the appointment of referees for the month of January.

Leicester Daily Post - 17 January 1898

HINCKLEY & DISTRICT AMATEUR FOOTBALL LEAGUE.—The annual meeting of this league was held at the Railway Hotel, on Saturday last, when most of the clubs were represented. The Secretary read the report and balance sheet, which showed that there was a small deficit. The election of officers then took place. President: W. Smith (Barwell); Vice-Presidents: H. S. Cooper, W. Powers, W. Dayman, J. G. Hill, Rev. Brookes, (Croft), T. Colver, W. G. Bradley, H. Orton, A. J. Norton, T. Aucott, C.C.; Chairman of League, H. Orton; Vice-Chairman, H. Bradbury; Hon. Sec., J. T. Hawkins; Executive Committee, Messrs. J. Waring (Burbage), F. Kenney (Hinckley), H. Warren (Croft), Worthington (Shilton), A. Bywater (Barwell); Auditor, W. Powers (Barwell). The two bottom clubs of last season had sent in letters resigning, according to the rules, but were willing to become members again if accepted. It was then decided that the following clubs should constitute the league for next season. Hinckley Granville, Burbage United, Stoney Stanton, Croft, Earl Shilton Victor, Earl Shilton Town Reserves, Cosby, Barwell Reserves and Barlestons Rovers, Hinckley Volunteers and Earl Shilton Excelsior were also accepted if they decided to join at their meetings which will shortly be held. The rules were read for approval, and it was noticed that several important alterations had been made. Both junior and senior players now being eligible to play in league matches, but they must be amateurs, previously the number of senior players taking part in the games, was limited. Messrs. Towers and Hill (Hinckley) and King (Earl Shilton), were added to the list of referees. It was agreed to form a Minor League, and draw up rules to be submitted at a subsequent meeting. The Secretary was requested to invite clubs, and a committee was formed to draft the rules. It was decided that the fixtures should be arranged at an early date.

Hinckley Free Press - 17 June 1898