



# Leicestershire Junior Cup 1893-94

**Winner:** Castle Donington  
**Runner-Up:** Earl Shilton Town  
**No. of entries:** 24

Twenty four teams entered the Junior Cup in 1893.

Teams were divided into three divisions for the first two rounds.

London-road and Wanderers in the first round tie at Victoria Park, played in the same colours that "mixed matters up considerably at times."

Several protests and appeal were made after the first round:

- Earl Shilton Town claimed that Earl Shilton Excelsior players unduly kicked the ball out of place. The referee reported that there was no special wilful waste of time and the result was allowed to stand.
- Coalville protested against the result of their match with Melton, on the ground of the incompetency of the referee and the improper division of the gate money. After investigating the Association called upon Coalville to apologise to the referee.
- The cup tie between Hemington and Castle Donington was stopped 25 minutes before time. Castle Donington players refused to continue after the referee allowed Hemington's fourth goal. In support of Castle Donington, the visitor's spectators invaded the pitch and would not leave, resulting in the abandonment of the game. The match was awarded to Hemington. Leicestershire Football Association informed Hemington that they were responsible for the conduct of spectators on their own ground.
- Coalville were awarded the tie against Gresley Rovers despite losing 4-0 on account that Gresley fielded four professionals which was in breach of competition rules.

The semi-final games were played at Hemington and Enderby.

Castle Donington retained the trophy against Earl Shilton at Hinckley in front of 1,200 spectators. After a goal-less first half Castle Donington scored 4 times in the second to win comfortably.

## Round 1

### Division 1

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
1	14.10.1893	King Richard's-road AN Other	1 (0)	7 (5)	Belgrave St Michael's Tendall (3) Curtis Beadsworth Johnson Struthers	Belgrave scored 2 goals within the first 3 mins.
2	14.10.1893	Leicester Military Depot	0	2	Leicester Excelsior	South Wigston. Excelsior scored a lucky goal after 10 mins.
3	14.10.1893	London-road Booth	1 (1)	2 (1)	Leicester Wanderers Mellor Tyler	Victoria Park, Leicester. London-road scored directly after the start. "The teams played in the same colours and it mixed matters up considerably at times."
4	14.10.1893	St Mary's Swifts Rogers Hyde	2	1	South Wigston Holt	Bedehouse Meadows, Leicester.

Melton Town Swifts (aka Melton Rovers), a bye

*Division 2*

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
5	14.10.1893	Ashby Albion	3	5	Coalville East End	Fair number of spectators.
6	14.10.1893	Earl Shilton Town	2	1	Earl Shilton Excelsior	
7	14.10.1893	Coalville Town Swifts	0 (0)	4 (0)	Gresley Rovers Parker (3) Jones	Wagon and Horses Ground, Coalville. Coalville were awarded the tie against Gresley Rovers despite losing 4-0 on account that Gresley fielded four professionals which was in breach of competition rules.

Coalville Albion, a bye

*Division 3*

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
8	14.10.1893	Hemington United AN Others	4 (3)	2 (1)	Castle Donington Hodkinson AN Other	800 spectators. Spectators invaded the pitch 25 minutes before time. Match Abandoned - Hemington were awarded the match. This decision was later overturned when it was discovered that Hemington had fielded a man who was under suspension
9	14.10.1893	Quorn Havelock Parker	1 (1)	4 (2)	Kegworth St Andrew's Branson (3) Green	
10	14.10.1893	Shepshed Town Reserves	1 (0)	2 (0)	Barrow-upon-Soar Rising Star	The first goal of the game, was scored by Shepshed 15 minutes before time.
11	14.10.1893	Sileby Rangers	2	5	Kegworth Town	

**Round 2***Division 1*

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
12	11.11.1893	Belgrave St Michael's	1	1	St Mary's Swifts	
13	11.11.1893	Leicester Excelsior	W		Leicester Wanderers	

*Division 2*

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
14	11.11.1893	Coalville Town Swifts	0 (0)	3 (1)	Coalville East End White T Smith J Matley	Wagon and Horses ground, Coalville. Good attendance.
15	11.11.1893	Earl Shilton Town	6 (2)	1 (0)	Melton Town Swifts	Large number of spectators.

*Division 3*

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
16	11.11.1893	Kegworth St Andrew's AN Other	1	1	Barrow Rising Star E Ward	Large number of spectators.
17	11.11.1893	Castle Donington	6	0	Kegworth Town	

**Round 2 Replays**

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
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	18.11.1893	Kegworth St Andrew's	P	P	Barrow Rising Star	Postponed due to unfavourable weather conditions - <i>Leicester Chronicle</i> - 25 November 1893.
18	26.11.1893	Kegworth St Andrew's	10 (2)	1 (1)	Barrow Rising Star	
19	?	St Mary's		W	Belgrave St Michael's	

### Round 3

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
20	9.12.1893	Castle Donington Gidlow Brown	5 (2)	0 (0)	Belgrave St Michael's	"Unusually large concourse of people."
21	9.12.1893	Kegworth St Andrews	2	0	Coalville East End	Fox ground. Kegworth. "

Earl Shilton Town and Leicester Excelsior, byes.

### Semi-Finals

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
22	24.2.1894	Castle Donington (HOLDERS)	5	1	Kegworth St Andrew's	At Hemmington. 800 spectators
23	3.2.1894	Earl Shilton Dayman Wileman Chesterton (pen) AN Other	4 (1)	1 (1)	Leicester Excelsior Perkins	At Enderby.

### Final

	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
24	17.3.1894	Castle Donington	4 (0)	0 (0)	Earl Shilton Town	At Hinckley. 1,200 spectators. Referee - Mr H Weston and Messrs J E Carpenter and T Cartwright as linesmen.

### Match Reports

#### #1 KING RICHARD'S-ROAD v BELGRAVE ST MICHAEL'S

Played in the former's ground. Belgrave scored two goals within the first three minutes, and their combination was much better than that of their opponents. At half-time they led by five goals, and on resuming they soon added two more. For the winners the goals were scored by Tendall (3), Curtis, Beadsworth, Johnson, and Struthers one each. Timson played a good game for the visitors at the back.

Final:

BELGRAVE, seven goals;  
KING RICHARD'S-ROAD, one.

*Leicester Daily Post* - 16 October 1893

#### #2 LEICESTER DEPOT v LEICESTER EXCELSIOR

At the Depot, South Wigston. The Depot kicked off and play ruled even for ten minutes, when the Excelsior scored a lucky goal. The Depot then rushed away and forced a corner, which proved fruitless, while the Excelsior scored a second goals. The game ended:

EXCELSIOR, two goals;  
DEPOT, nil.

*Leicester Daily Post* - 16 October 1893

### **LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

A commencement was made with this competition on Saturday when, notwithstanding heavy rain, all the first round matches were concluded, as follows:

**#3 LONDON-ROAD v WANDERERS** – At the Victoria Park. Booth scored for London-road directly after the start, Mellor equalising before half-time. Play in the second stage was very fast and a well contested match result - Wanderers, two goals; London-road, one goal.

*Sporting Life – 18 October 1893*

**#1 KING RICHARD'S-ROAD v BELGRAVE ST MICHAEL'S** – Belgrave scoring twice in the first five minutes, and using their opponents pretty much as they liked, won very easily. Score: - Belgrave St Michael's seven goals; King Richard's-road, one goal.

*Sporting Life – 18 October 1893*

**#2 LEICESTER MILITARY DEPOT v LEICESTER EXCELSIOR** – A fast game at South Wigston, in which, after a long spell of even play, the Excelsior gained the upper hand, and won as under:- Leicester Excelsior, two goals; Military Depot, one goal.

*Sporting Life – 18 October 1893*

### **#3 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

#### **LONDON-ROAD v WANDERERS**

On the Victoria Park. The Wanderers started the game, and immediately got round their opponents' goal, but their pressing only resulted in a couple of goal kicks. Then London-road retaliated, and a nice run down field by their forwards resulted in Booth shooting the first goal for his side. The Wanderers then made a good effort, and Shingler put in a splendid shot from the wing, but Brown caught the leather and threw away in the nick of time. Page got away down the wing, but only fruitless corner kick followed. Then the Wanderers sped up the field in a body, and B Mellor put in a shot which passed just under the bar, and the London-road custodian failing to handle. The game up to this point play slowed down considerably, although Rowson and Walthe cleared one or two determined attempts in fine style and placed the ball up among the forwards. From one of these Mellor and Tomlinson got through the London-road defence and all but score, Brown slipping down and only just turning the ball round the post. The ensuing corner kick was safely got away, and the ends were changed in a pelting shower of rain with the score unchanged.

Re-commencing hostilities, the Wanderers were the first to press, but the leather was shot over, and London-road came away to the other end with the goal kick. They were, however, sent back by Rowson, who continued to play sound defence, and play opened out considerably, the ball travelling end to end with great rapidity, but when nearing the goal the respective forwards were generally smartly met by the backs on each side, and Allen and Brown consequently had little to do. The ball was now beginning to get very heavy owing to the continued wet, but Tyler managed to score another point for his side, which was the winning notch, as nothing further resulted. The teams played in the same colours and it mixed matters up considerably at times, but a pleasantly fought game ended:

WANDERERS, two goals;

LONDON-ROAD, one

*Leicester Daily Post – 16 October 1893*

**#4** A match between St Mary's Swifts and South Wigston, in the first round of the Junior Cup Competition, was played on Bedehouse Meadows on Saturday. A good game was witnessed. Wigston pressed in the first half and Holt scored from a corner. Rogers equalised, and Hyde put on another. Crossing over, each team worked hard, but nothing more was scored. Result: St Mary's Swifts, two goals; South Wigston, one goal.

Referee, Mr J Armson, Hugglescote.

*Leicester Journal – 20 October 1893*

#### **#4 ST MARY'S SWIFTS v SOUTH WIGSTON**

Played on the Bedehouse. Result:

SWIFTS, two goals;

SOUTH WIGSTON, one,

*Leicester Daily Post – 16 October 1893*

## **Leicestershire Junior Cup**

### **#5 Coalville East End v Ashby Athletic**

The East End journeyed to Ashby on Saturday to meet Albion FC, in the first round of the Leicestershire Junior Cup. There was a fair number of spectators on the ground. The game was evenly contested, but the East End proved themselves the better team, the result being:

East End            5 goals

Ashby                3 goals

*Coalville Times - 20 October 1893*

### **#5 ASHBY ALBION v COALVILLE EAST END**

At Ashby. Half-time score:

COALVILLE, three goals;

ASHBY ALBION, one.

*Leicester Daily Post - 16 October 1893*

### **#6 EARL SHILTON TOWN v EARL SHILTON EXCELSIOR**

At Earl Shilton. Result:

TOWN, two goals;

EXCELSIOR, one.

*Leicester Daily Post - 16 October 1893*

### **#7 Coalville Town Swifts v Gresley Rovers Reserves**

These teams met in the first round of the above cup competition on Saturday on the Wagon and Horses ground. The visitors brought a strong team, two or three of last year's first eleven men being included. The game went all in favour of Gresley, and when the whistle blew for time, the score stood:

Gresley              4 goals

Town Swifts        0 goals.

*Coalville Times - 20 October 1893*

### **#7 COALVILLE TOWN SWIFTS v GRESLEY ROVERS**

This match was played at Coalville. Robinson won the toss and played up hill with the wind. The visitors pressed hard during the first half, but at half-time neither side had scored. On changing ends, the visitors had much the best of the game, and Parker scored the first, third and last, Jones also doing the needful.

GRESLEY, four goals;

COALVILLE, none.

*Leicester Daily Post - 16 October 1893*

**#8** The first round tie between Hemington and Castle Donington terminated somewhat abruptly owing to the fact that the home team were not in possession of goal nets. Matters ran fairly smooth, although the game was fast and exciting, until the referee gave a goal for a shot that the spectators affirmed went yard wide, when the crowd rushed on to the field of play and refused to allow the game to proceed, despite appeals from the home officials. The referee was escorted off the ground, although no one attempted to interfere with him, and the game was abandoned. The matter was subsequently brought before the Leicestershire Association, who decided, after a long discussion, and by 22 votes to 12, to award Hemington the match.

*Burton Chronicle - 19 October 1893*

### **#8 HEMINGTON v CASTLE DONINGTON**

The above match took place on Saturday at Hemington, in the presence of about 800 spectators. Hemington won the toss and kicked with the wind. Castle Donington pressed hard, and after five minutes' play Hodgkinson scored the first goal for the latter team. Hemington replied, and soon equalised, at half-time the goals stood 3 to 1 in favour of Hemington. On resuming play, Castle Donington swarmed round the Hemington goal, and within a few minutes scored another goal, making the game 3 to 2. Castle Donington continued to press when Hemington suddenly broke away, and Hickingbotham shot the ball, which went a yard wide of the goal. The players appealed, and to the astonishment of the whole of the

spectators, the referee allowed the goal. A scene of great excitement ensued and would not allow the game to be resumed. Several times the Castle Donington captain appealed to them to clear the ground, but they persistently refused. The referee was conducted off the ground, although no one attempted to interfere with him, and the game, which been played with keen rivalry but with no bitterness, was abandoned. As far as the game had proceeded in the second half it was entirely in the hands of the Castle Donington team until the incident referred to occurred. Thus one of the most exciting and interesting games that has been played in this district was brought to a sudden termination when there was yet twenty-five minutes to play.

HEMINGTON	4
CASTLE DONINGTON	2

#### **#9 QUORN HAVELOCK v KEGWORTH ST ANDREW'S**

Played on the Quorn ground on Saturday. Quorn started the ball against the wind, and for about twenty minutes play was chiefly in mid-field; then the Saints' forwards made an attack on the home goal and Branson scored. The same player scored again immediately afterwards, but this time was ruled off-side. The visitors, however, would not be denied, and this time Parker did the trick. The Quorn backs now played a rough game and the home goal-keeper also had to keep out some "scorchers" Quorn played desperately, the heavy ground being in their favour, half-time arriving with the scores: Kegworth, two goals; Quorn, one. In the second half the visitors, although playing against the wind, beat the home custodian four times, but only two goals were allowed, the legitimate ones coming from Branson and Green respectively. About 15 minutes from time a Quorn player was injured, and had to retire. Bailey and Hallam, the goalkeeper of the homesters, played well. Result: The Kegworth St Andrew's four goa; Quorn Havelock, one goal. Kegworth team: L Hardy, goal; T Osborne and J Wallis, backs; G Cook, A Halfpenny (captain), and J Ballard, half-backs; A Branson and W Rock, left wing; F Orchard and H Green, right wing; E Parker, centre. Referee, T Cartwright of YMCA, Leicester; linemen, T Gutteridge.

*Melton Mowbray Mercury and Oakham and Uppingham News – 19 October 1893*

#### **#10 SHEPSHED TOWN RESERVES v BARROW RISING STAR**

In the first half play was very even, no goals being scored. Fifteen minutes before time Shepshed scored, but in the remaining time the visitors scored two. Result:

BARROW, two goals;  
SHEPSHED, one.

*Leicester Daily Post – 16 October 1893*

#### **#11 SILBEY RANGERS v KEGWORTH TOWN**

Played at Sileby. A good game, in which the visitors the proved the much stronger team, ended:

KEGWORTH, five goals;  
SILEBY, two.

*Leicester Daily Post – 16 October 1893*

#### **#14 FOOTBALL LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP.**

##### **Coalville East End v. Coalville Town Swifts**

These teams met in the second round of the above competition on the Wagon and Horses ground, last Saturday, before a fairly good attendance of spectators. The weather was dull and cold, but the ground was in good condition. The teams lined up as follows:

Swifts: T. Smith, goal; J. Benistone, and J. Pickering, backs; J. C. Brown, J. Dooley and T. Tivey, half-backs; A. Knifton, and J. Courtenay, right-wing; T. Kendrick, centre and W. Twigg, W. King, left-wing.

East End:—Haywood, J. Moore, and D. Armson, backs; W. Clamp, J. Matley, and A. Matley, half-backs; W. Tyler and A. White, left-wing; K. Tollington, centre; and T. Smith and Upton, right-wing.

East End lost the toss and kicked up-hill, and against the wind. Tollington kicked off for the End, and the Swifts gradually worked down, the ball going out three or four times. Clamp got possession and passed to Tyler, who centered and Pickering kicked out at the expense of a corner. It was safely got away and was travelling down the field but Armson relieved, and shortly after Moore kicked out, a corner resulted, but nothing came of it. Notwithstanding that they were playing against the wind the East End were having the best of the game, although the Swifts' forwards made several shots at goal. Smith tried a shot which was easily dealt with and the ball was taken to the other end, and the Swifts were getting dangerous when the

ball went out. Play proceeded in the visitors' half for a while and at one time Twigg from a pass by Kendrick had what looked a good chance to score, but kicked just outside. From the kick Clamp and Mattley sent the ball up field but Benistone and Knifton essayed a shot from the right, which, however, went wide. Shortly after the Swifts got well down, and King was just going to shoot when A. Mattley stopped him and Smith and Upton took the ball to the other end. Tollington shot in, and Smith had to fist out, only however, for White to head it through a minute later amidst loud cheers. From the kick off the Swifts got down and Kendrick passed to King, who had a shot at goal, but Haywood easily dealt with it, and from another shot later the East End custodian conceded a corner, which was safely got away. The ball was now first at one end and then other, and play was of an uninteresting character, when the whistle blew for half time with the score

East End	1 goal
Swifts	nil.

On the restart, the visitors got down but the ball rolled out. A foul by White let the home team up, but Clamp returned, and shortly after a good bout of passing was seen by Tyler, Tollington, Smith, and Upton, but Dooley pulled them up before they got dangerous. A foul fell to the East End, from which Tivey kicked to his forwards only for it to be returned. The East End were now pressing the Swifts forwards hardly ever getting dangerous. From a shot by Clamp which Smith just managed to fist out, T. Smith put another through for the East End. Several shots were sent in a which Smith successfully dealt with, but as the light was now very bad it was hard work to keep them out. Shortly before time J. Matley added another for the East End. A corner was forced by the visitors but before it could be taken the whistle blew and the game ended:—

East End	3 goals
Swifts	nil.

*Coalville Times - 17 November 1893*

#### **#14 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

##### **COALVILLE EAST END v COALVILLE SWIFTS**

This match in the second round of the Leicestershire Junior Cup was played on the Wagon and Horses ground on Saturday before a good attendance. Tollington kicked off for the East End up hill and facing the wind. The Swifts got down, but the ball went out. From the kick, East End left worked up, and Tyler put in a good centre, but the ball was kicked out at the expense of a corner, which was safely got away. The Swifts got down, but Moore kicked out, a corner resulting. This was got away, and Smith, from the right, tried a shot which missed the mark, and Swifts got the ball back, only to be again sent up field by J. Matley. Shortly after the visitors' goal was in danger. Twigg and King both making good attempts to score. The ball was taken to the other end, and from a scrummage round the home goal White headed through. After this the Swifts livened up, and Kendrick worked hard to equalise, Haywood having twice to fist away. East End were having rather best of the game when the whistle blew for half-time, the scores standing East End one goal; Swifts nil. Re-starting, the East End, got down, and had decidedly the best of the game. Swifts got away. but Clamp kicked back, and Tyler had a shot which was fisted away, only, however, for Smith to put it through. Just before the whistle blew, J. Matley put another through for the East End, and the game ended:

EAST END,	three
SWIFTS,	nil.

*Melton Mowbray Mercury and Oakam and Uppingham News - 16 November 1893*

**#15 FOOTBALL** - On Saturday a match, in the second round of the Junior Cup tie, was played between Earl Shilton Town F.C. and Melton Town Swifts. A large number of spectators lined the ropes. The home side played with the wind, and in a few minutes secured a goal. During the remainder of the first half the ball was kept near the visitors' goal, but thanks to the splendid back play of Howett, the goal was saved; half-time arriving with the score: Shilton, two goals; Melton, nil. On the change of ends some really good play was witnessed, and in about two minutes the home team made a third shot, which proved successful. Shortly afterwards another good kick secured a goal, but this was ruled a foul, one of the Shilton players having thrown a Melton player. From the free kick a goal was secured, and the remainder of the play was a struggle by the visitors to score. They once or twice pressed severely, but were unable to get the ball through. Result :— Shilton, six goals ; Melton, nil. Shilton team:— Goal, G. Coe ; right back, Job Taylor; left back, Mr. Worthington; centre half-back, H. King (captain); right half-back, W. Bowler; left half back, F.

Marvin ; centre forward, C. Dayman ; right wing-forwards, W. Chesterton and J. Wileman; left wing-forwards, A. Simpson and J. Taylor. Linesman, T. Simpson; referee, Quartermaster-Sergeant Lord.  
*Leicester Chronicle – 18 November 1893*

**#16 FOOTBALL** — Barrow Rising Stat met Kegworth St. Andrew's at Barrow in the second round of the Leicestershire Junior Cup. The Saints played the same eleven which defeated Quorn Havelock in the first round by four goals to one. Kegworth started, and the game soon became fast, both goal keepers being called upon, but half-time arrived with a clean sheet. The Stars were the first to attack, but the shooting at goal was erratic. The Saints, by the aid of Halfpenny, the centre half-back, who played a grand game, changed the venue to the home goal, and from a scrimmage drew first blood. This roused the home team, who were quickly in the Saints' quarters, and G. Ward put the ball through, but the goal was disallowed. Still the Stars kept up the attack, and from a throw-in E. Ward scored for the Stars with a splendid shot five minutes before time, and the game resulted in a draw of one goal each. The match is to be re-played at Kegworth next Saturday. Barrow players:— S. James, goal; W. Wilford, J. Townsend, backs; G. Lewin, H. Rudkin. and T. Witham, half-backs; G. Ward, S. Sharpe, right wing; E. Ward, J. Williamson, left wing; A. Disney, centre. Referee, Mr. Cartwright, Leicester Y.M.C.A.  
*Leicester Chronicle -18 November 1893*

**#18 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP  
SECOND ROUND**

**KEGWORTH ST ANDREW'S v BARROW**

These teams met at Kegworth in the second round of the Leicestershire Cup the game being abandoned last week on account of the weather. At half-time Kegworth had scored two goals to Barrow one. The home team continued to press during the second half, scoring repeatedly, the result being – St Andrew's, 10 goals; Barrow, one.

*Nottingham Evening Post – 25 November 1893*

**#19 ST MARY'S v BELGRAVE ST MICHAEL'S**

**#20 BELGRAVE ST MICHAEL'S v CASTLE DONINGTON**

Played at Castle Donington before an unusually large concourse of people. The visitors won the toss and kicked with the wind in their favour. Half an hour's good play on the part of both teams took place without result, when Gidlow scored for the home men, Brown scoring shortly afterwards for the same time. Half-time - Donington two goals, St Michael's none. In the second half Donington played with excellent judgment, and adding three more goals the result was – Donington, five goals; St Michael, nothing.  
*Nottingham Evening Post – 9 December 1893*

**#21 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

**Coalville East End v Kegworth St Andrew's**

These teams met in the third round of the above competition on the "Fox" ground. Coalville kicked off and at once broke away, but the forwards were not far enough up, and the chance was missed. From the kick, Kegworth worked down, and a tame shot was sent in, which however went out. Play was now contested in mid field and was principally confined to the forwards. Clamp made several good kicks, and Upton and Tollington worked up, but the visitors backs relieved, and the ball was again taken back only however to be returned by Moore. Tyler on the left centred, but the Kegworth back sent the ball down the field with a good kick, and the left got possession, and went down but fouled, and the East End backs stopped, but no whistle sounding one of the visitors forwards shot and Heywood not attempting to stop it, the ball rolled through. Much to the delight of the spectators and the players the Referee allowed the goal. It was several minutes before the game could again be started. In our opinion it was clearly a foul and ought not to have been a good goal. From the mid-field kick the East End got away but the ball was returned, and a corner fell to Kegworth which however was fruitless, and shortly afterwards after half-time arrived with the score:

Kegworth	1 goal
East End	nil

After the restart, the East End had rather the best of the game and the visitors backs had plenty of work. The East End ought to have scored several goals were hardly quick enough on the ball. The Reds broke away but Matley stopped the rush and passed to Tyler who put in a nice shot which however the Kegworth



goal-keeper stopped in fine style. A corner fell to the homesters but it was got safely away. Play was now taken to mid-field and was very uninteresting. A foul fell to the East End and Clamp took the kick and put it right through without however anyone touching it. From the kick off Branson the visitors left made a good run and passing the backs sent in a stinger which Haywood saved equally well, shortly after the forwards again got up and the second goal was added for Kegworth. After the kick-off the ball was taken to the other end and corners fell to Coalville but without success. From a scrimmage round the goal a shot was made by one of the home team, which went outside. The spectators thought it was a goal and cheered accordingly, but on the Referee giving it as a goal, the spectators all swarmed in the ground, and a great deal of disputing took place. The game came to an abrupt conclusion with, the score:

Kegworth	2 goals
East End	nil

East End: Haywood, goal; Moore and Armson, backs; J. Matley, and A. Matley, and W. Clamp, half-backs; A. White and Tyler, right-wing; Tollington, centre; T. Smith and Upton, right wing.

*Coalville Times - 15 December 1893*

## **#22 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

### **SEMI- FINAL**

Kegworth St. Andrews met Castle Donington, the holders of the above Cup, at Hemington today, and more than the average amount of interest taken in encounters was evinced over the meeting of these two clubs, and in view of the struggle it will be as well to review the records of the two teams in this competition before today's event was reached.

To begin with, then, as holders Castle Donington must be given preference for the first place. It will be remembered that they were drawn with Hemington United, and the game was brought to an abrupt conclusion owing to the intrusion of the spectators, who differed from a decision given by the referee and although twenty-five minutes were required to time, contrary to everyone's opinion and against all the rules which govern football which distinctly states that ninety minutes shall be the time played the Emergency Committee of the Leicestershire Football Association did not order the match to be replayed but subsequently awarded the match to Castle Donington, thereby establishing a record probably without parallel in football history. In the second round they were fortunate in being drawn to play on their own peculiar ground, and still more fortunate in having as their opponents Kegworth Town, who at that time were somewhat disorganised. In the third round they had an easy thing on, this also at home against Belgrave St. Michael's, whom they defeated by five goals to one.

St. Andrew's certainly in the number of goals scores by them in their three rounds against Quorn Havelock, Barrow, and Coalville East End an even better average than have their opponents of today, and for this reason have established a record in scoring ten goals against Barrow at Kegworth after playing a drawn game at Barrow.

Mr Lovell, of the Association, officiated as referee, before a very large attendance the teams lined up as follows:-

Castle Donington— Barker, goal; Welch and Hutchxy, backs; Hudson, Hodgkinson and Castledine, half-backs; Gidlow, Bosworth, North, Brewin and Theobald, forwards.

St Andrew's- Hardy, goals; Wallis and Osbourne, backs; Cook, Ballxx and Halfpenny, half-backs; Rock, Branson, Orchard, Green and Parker, forwards.

The game started before 800 spectators and the "reds" with the assistance of the wind quickly scored through Orchard, Gidlow soon after equalising. The same team quickly added two more, half-time arriving with the score three to one in favour of the "Dons". On resuming, even play resulted for some time, the "Dons" eventually winning by 5 to 1.

## **#23 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

### **SEMI-FINAL**

#### **CASTLE DONINGTON (Holders) v KEGWORTH ST ANDREW'S**

At Hemington. Result:

CASTLE DONINGTON,	five goals;
KEGWORTH,	one.

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## **#22 EARL SHILTON v LEICESTER EXCELSIOR**

Played at Enderby. Both teams kicked very high and consequently the ball was frequently carried out of play by the wind, against which Shilton started the ball. This at first travelled from end to end at a rapid pace, and Chesterton passing the ball nicely to Dayman, the latter scored for Shilton, but Perkins soon equalised. Later on, the Shiltonians pressed and Dayman put in a splendid shot, which, however, was well stopped by the Excelsior goalkeeper. From a throw-in the Excelsior appeared to have a good chance of scoring, but were a trifle too slow to rush the ball through. Half-time arrived with the score one goal each. In the second half nearly all the play was confined to the Excelsior quarters. Five minutes only had elapsed when Wileman added another goal for Shilton whilst a penalty kick was allowed, from which Chesterton easily scored. After a bit of fairly good play in midfield, the Shiltonians managed to score another goal, making the result.

EARL SHILTON TOWN, four goals;

EXCELSIOR, one goal.

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#### **#24 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR CUP**

##### **FINAL**

##### **CASTLE DONINGTON v SHILTON TOWN**

At Hinckley, before 1,300 spectators. Shilton played with the hill during the first half, and both sides attacked, several opportunities being lost. No score had taken place at half-time. In the second half Donington scored four times, the right wing playing finely. Shilton tried hard to score, but their attacks were not combined, and Barker saved all that came to him. Taylor, Chesterton and King played well for Shilton.

Result:

CASTLE DONINGTON, four goals;

EARL SHILTON, none.

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