

**Winner:** Not Known

**Runner-Up:** Not Known

## Melton & District League 1896-97

Nr		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1	Melton Villa	5	5	0	0	21	4	10
2	Abb Kettleby	5	3	1	1	19	8	7
3	Ashfordby Swifts	5	2	1	2	7	9	5
4	Melton Rovers	6	1	2	3	6	18	4
5	Somerby	5	0	0	5	3	17	0

Last known table - 19 December 1897

Little is currently known about this competition.

Thrussington and Melton Town 2<sup>nd</sup> both resigned from the League during October 1896.

The League was not completed.

## Results & Match Details

Date	Home			Away	Match Details
17.10.1896	Abb Kettleby	1	3	Melton Villa	1st vs 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the League.
24.10.1896	Abb Kettleby	8	1	Melton Rovers	
31.10.1896	Melton Rovers	1	1	Abb Kettleby	
31.10.1896	Somerby	1	4	Melton Villa	
14.11.1896	Melton Rovers Simpson Lowe	2	0	Somerby	All England ground, melon.
14.11.1896	Melton Villa Moorhouse (3)	3	0	Ashfordby Swifts	Villa's first home match of the season - the ground on Leicester-road lent to them by Mr Copley
5.12.1896	Ashfordby Swifts			Somerby	
12.12.1896	Melton Rovers	0	0	Ashfordby Swifts	Southern-lane ground, Melton.
9.1.1897	Melton Villa	P	P	Somerby	Somerby failed to put in an appearance

## Match Reports

MELTON VILLA V. ABB KETTLEBY.—These teams met to fulfil their fixtures on the Leicester-road ground last Saturday. An even game ensued, the only goal scored in the first half being by Smith for the Villa. In the second portion considerable feeling was imparted into the play, which deteriorated in consequence, and ultimately the referee finding his rulings were not obeyed put an end to the game. The Villa at that period were still a goal to the good. The teams were:—*Melton Villa*.—Wallace, goal; Chamberlain and Toone, backs; Harper, James, and Green, half-backs; Gilian, Warner, Gilson, Smith, and Moorhouse, forwards. *Abb Kettleby*.—Barlow, goal; Willmott and Lowden, backs; Johnston, W. Betts, and Durrance, half-backs; Sharpe, Duval, Townsend, Attewell, Etterley, forwards. Linesmen, Messrs. Chapman and Stapleford. Referee, Mr. Eaton.

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## Additional Information

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Melton Villa .....	5	5	0	0	21	4	10
Abb Kettleby .....	5	3	1	1	19	8	7
Asfordby Swifts .....	4	2	0	2	7	9	4
Melton Rovers.....	5	1	1	3	6	18	3
Somerby .....	5	0	0	5	3	17	0

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