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AGM Sheepshed FC	<i>Loughborough Herald &amp; North Leicestershire Gazette - Thursday 15 May 1884</i>
Belgrave FC Annual Dinner	<i>Leicester Chronicle - 17 May 1884</i>

### MARKET HARBOROUGH

**FOOTBALL CLUB** - At the annual meeting of this club, held at the Angel hotel, on Friday last, Mr F. K. Smith was elected captain, Mr C. Woodford vice-captain, Mr Bland, jun. secretary, and Messrs J. Green, W. Sulby, F. Rawlins, L. W. Bland and H. P. Capell. Practice to commence on 6<sup>th</sup> October.

*Leicester Journal - 28 September 1883*

FOOTBALL FIXTURES FOR 1883-4 :-		
Date.	Who against.	Where played.
1883.		
Aug. 25	Notts. Forest	Sheepshed
Oct. 20	Long Whatton	Long Whatton
Oct. 27	Hugglescote	Sheepshed
Nov. 3	Whitwick	Sheepshed
Nov. 10	Coalville	Sheepshed
Nov. 17	Loughborough Victoria	Loughborough
Nov. 24	Notts. Forest	Nottingham
Dec. 1	Long Whatton	Sheepshed
Dec. 8	Leicester Association	Sheepshed
Dec. 15	Barrow Victoria	Barrow
Dec. 22	Notts. St. Ann's	Sheepshed
Dec. 26	Hathern	Hathern
1884.		
Jan. 5	Whitwick	Whitwick
Jan. 12	Hemington	Sheepshed
Jan. 26	Notts. St. Ann's	Nottingham
Feb. 2	Hathern	Sheepshed
Feb. 16	Coalville	Coalville
Feb. 23	Loughborough Victoria	Sheepshed
March 1	Leicester Association	Leicester
March 8	Barrow Victoria	Sheepshed
March 15	Hugglescote	Hugglescote
March 22	Hemington	Hemington

*Leicester Chronicle - 29 September 1883*

**FOOTBALL** - Owing to the heavy downpour of Saturday, with the exception of the contests at the Floral Hall, all sports were abandoned. Several interesting football contests were to have been played among others, Bedford v Leicester, on the Victoria Park; Leicester v Notts, at Nottingham; and Leicester A.F.C. v Hugglescote, at the last-mentioned village but each of these was abandoned through unfavourable atmospheric influences. The racing at the Victoria Grounds, Knighton-road, was also postponed for a week.  
*Leicester Chronicle - 24 November 1883*

**SHEPSHED**

**NEW FOOTBALL CLUB** - A new football club has been started at Britannia Inn.  
*Melton Mowbray Mercury and Oakham and Uppingham News - 11 October 1883*

**LEICESTER ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB.**

**LIST OF MATCHES FOR SEASON 1883-4.**

Date.	Name of Club.	Ground.
Oct. 20.	Coalville	Coalville.
" 27.	Notts. Forest (2nd)	Leicester.
Nov. 3.	Loughborough Town	Loughborough.
" 10.	Sneinton Rovers	Leicester.
" 17.	Victoria	Leicester.
" 24.	Oakham Amateurs	Oakham.
Dec. 1.	Loughborough Town	Leicester.
" 8.	Sheepshed	Sheepshed.
" 15.	Wellingborough Grammar School	Wellingborough.
" 22.	Hathern	Leicester.
" 29.	Barrow Victoria	Barrow.
January 5.	Coleorton	Leicester.
" 12.	Wreake Valley	Syston.
" 19.	Market Harborough	Leicester.
" 26.	Oakham Amateurs	Leicester.
February 2.	Sneinton Rovers	Nottingham.
" 9.	Earl Shilton	Leicester.
" 16.	Barrow Victoria	Leicester.
" 23.	Notts. Forest 2nd	Nottingham.
March 1.	Sheepshed	Leicester.
" 8.	Hathern	Hathern.
" 15.	Coalville	Leicester.
" 22.	Market Harborough	Market Harboro
" 29.	Wellingborough Grammar School	Leicester.

October	6.—Mountsorrel	Mountsorrel.
"	13.—Notts. St. Ann's	Nottingham.
"	20.—Wyggeston School	Leicester.
"	27.—Wigston Victoria	Wigston.
Nov.	3.—Croft	Leicester.
"	10.—Ravenstone	Ravenstone.
"	17.—Hugglescote H.R.H.	Hugglescote.
"	24.—Quorndon	Leicester.
Dec.	1.—Earl Shilton	Earl Shilton.
"	8.—Mountsorrel R.S.	Leicester.
"	15.—Mountsorrel	Leicester.
"	22.—Croft	Croft.
"	29.—Notts. St. Ann's	Leicester.
January	5.—Belgrave	Belgrave.
"	12.—Wigston Victoria	Leicester.
"	19.—Mountsorrel R.S.	Mountsorrel.
"	26.—Hugglescote H.R.H.	Leicester.
Feb.	2.—Wyggeston School	Leicester.
"	9.—Barrow R.S.	Barrow.
"	16.—	
"	23.—Belgrave	Leicester.
March	1.—Coleorton	Coleorton.
"	8.—Barrow R.S.	Leicester.
"	15.—Victoria	Leicester.
"	22.—Ravenstone	Leicester.
"	29.—Quorndon	Quorndon.
	N.B.—Leicester Ground, Victoria Park.	

*Leicester Chronicle – 20 October 1883*

#### FOREST UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB FIXTURES FOR 1883-4

Date 1883	Name of Clubs	Where played	
Oct	6	Forest United v Hathern Rising Star	Hathern
	27	Forest United v Barrow Victoria	Sheepshed
Nov	3	Hathern Rising Star v Forest United	Sheepshed
	17	Forest United v Whitwick	Sheepshed
	24	Forest United v Barrow Rising Star	Sheepshed
Dec	8	Forest United v Coalville British Workman	Sheepshed
	15	Forest United v Barrow Rising Star	Barrow
	22	Forest United v Barrow Victoria	Barrow
	29	Forest United v Loughborough Rising Star	Sheepshed
Jan	5	Forest United v Mountsorrel R.S.	Sheepshed
	12	Quorndon Rovers v Forest United	Quorndon
	19	Coalville B.W. v Forest United	Coalville
	26	Mountsorrel R.S. v Forest United	Mountsorrel
Feb	2	Forest United v Quorndon Rovers	Sheepshed
	9	Castle Donington v Forest United	Castle Donington
	16	Loughborough Rising Star v Forest United	Loughborough
March	1	Forest United v Castle Donington	Sheepshed
		Whitwick v Forest United	Whitwick

*Melton Mowbray Mercury and Oakham and Uppingham News – 25 October 1883*

#### KETTON

**FOOTBALL CLUB** – The rising generation in this village are making a laudable effort to start a football club during the coming season. We wish them every success.

### LOUGHBOROUGH

A man named Kitchen has his shoulder bone broke in a football match, at Mountsorrel, on Saturday.  
*Leicester Journal -30 November 1883*

### WYGGESTON SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

The football (the organisation of which was very kindly undertaken and efficiently carried out by an old pupil of the school, Mr A. E. Wright) has been carried on with considerably more spirit than in former years, and a very marked improvement in style has taken place. So far nine matches have been played, of which five have been won, three lost, and one drawn.

*Leicester Chronicle – 12 January 1884*

**BROUGHTON ASTLEY.**  
FOOTBALL CLUB.—On Saturday evening last the members and a few friends connected with this club, to the number of 38, sat down to an excellent supper provided in first-rate style by Host Cook, at the Bull's Head Inn. After the removal of the cloth Mr. T. Johnson was voted to the chair, and gave "Success to the Broughton Astley Football Club," which was received with much enthusiasm. Other toasts followed, numerous songs and glees were sung, and a very pleasant evening spent.

*Leicester Chronicle – 23 February 1884*

**BARWELL F.C.**— This annual supper of this club was held at the Queen's Head Inn on Saturday last, when an excellent repast was provided by the hostess, Mrs. Powers. After the cloth had been drawn Mr. G. Garner, hon. sec., read the statement of accounts for the season, which showed the club to be in a good position, both financially and otherwise, they having played 25 matches, won 15, lost four, and drawn six, and secured 48 goals to their opponents' 13. The rest of the evening was very enjoyably spent, several songs being sung by Messrs. J. Grewcock, E. Jervis, E. Garner, and others.

*Leicester Chronicle – 5 April 1884*

### HUGGLESCOTE

**FOOTBALL CLUB**— On Saturday last the members of the Robin Hood Football Club held their annual supper, on closing the season, at the Gate Inn. Rev. H. E. Broughton, president, occupied the chair, and after the cloth was removed, proposed the health of "The Queen," briefly referring to the sorrow occasioned to her, and all, by the sudden death of the Duke of Albany. From statements made by the treasurer and secretary, it appears that there is a fair balance in hand, and that during the past season the club have played seventeen matches, won ten, lost five, and drawn two. One special feature which has been developed during the winter is a fund for allowing 10s. per week to any member incapacitated by an accident while playing, and from this fund one member is now in receipt of the sum named. Toasts and songs were afterwards the order of the evening.

*Leicester Chronicle – 5 April 1884*

**COALVILLE FOOTBALL CLUB.**—The annual meeting of the Coalville Football Club, followed by an excellent spread, in Mr. Butler's usual style, was held at the Fox and Goose Hotel, on Saturday, when thirty members and friends sat down to dinner. On the withdrawal of the cloth, the president Mr. James Jones, of the Lymes, Ravenstone Fields (partner in the elastic works, Belvoir-road, Coalville), took the chair, Mr. Jas. Scasebrook being in the vice. The toasts of the "Queen and the Royal Family" were very loyally given by the Chairman, but of Prince Leopold they were drunk in silence; "The Army, Navy, and Auxiliary Forces" was next given, to which the vice-chairman very appropriately responded. Mr. J. Moulden gave an excellent song, "I have no home," and the Secretary then read the report of the season's doings, the Chairman making some excellent observations on the game of football as an exercise, and now, by its rules and practice, grown into an art. The health of the secretary, Mr. John Burton, was proposed by the Chairman, and met with a very hearty response; Mr. W. Bradshaw sang "St. Patrick's Day Parade." The health of the committee was then given, to which Mr. Jos. Burton ably responded; song, by Mr. W. Glover, "Be kind to your Mother." The health of the chairman was given by Mr. W. Massey, and was enthusiastically drunk. Mr. Jones made a capital response. Song, by Mr. Jos. Burton, "The Red Cross of England." The health of the treasurer, Mr. Butler was heartily drunk, and Mr. Butler responded. Harmony was vigorously kept up by Messrs. Bradshaw, Wardle, Massey, Burton, and some of the visitors, and the songs "Michael Murphy," "Go and leave me," "The Mulligan Guards," "Lady Godiva," "The Veteran," "The Vacant Chair," "Love at Home," were well sung. The health of the Host and Hostess was given with musical honours, and Mr. Butler appropriately acknowledged the compliment.

*Hinckley Times* - 12 April 1884

**LEICESTER ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB**—A general meeting of the above club was held at the George Hotel, on Wednesday week. The captain, Mr. A. T. Porter, presented his report on the different matches. He stated the club had been fairly successful for the first year. They had played 37 matches, had won 15, lost 13, drawn 9. They had played some very strong teams and had held their own against them. Next year he hoped the club would be more successful. The secretary read a statement of accounts, and stated that the club would have (when all the subscriptions had been paid) the substantial balance of £3 14s 7d. The reports were adopted, and the meeting proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing season, 1884.5, with the following result:—President and vice-president, T. Wright, Esq., and Mr. A. T. Porter; captain, W. G. Horner; hon. sec., W. A. Smith; treasurer, J. H. Bankart; committee, A. E. Wright, T. Loveland, E. Dexter, and W. Bates. It was resolved to reduce the subscription to 2s. 6d. this year.

*Leicester Journal* - 2 May 1884

**LEICESTER VICTORIA FOOTBALL CLUB.** — The annual meeting of the members of this club was held on Friday evening last at the "Welford" Coffee House, when a report of the past season's doings was read, showing that 29 matches had been played: of these 10 were won, 13 lost, and six drawn, which, considering some of the teams played, was very satisfactory, and showed a great improvement over former seasons. The club also will be in a satisfactory financial position when the few outstanding subscriptions have been paid; and there seems to be a good prospect for next season, it being decided to arrange some better matches, including the following:—Nottingham St. Ann's or Sneinton Rovers, Melton, Derby, and Lutterworth Grammar School.

*Leicester Chronicle - 3 May 1884*

**FOOTBALL CLUB.**—The annual general meeting of the Forest United Football Club was held on Monday in the Railway Hotel club-room. Mr. J. Needham was voted to the chair, and the secretary, Mr. J. H. Grimley, presented his report, which stated: "The season that has just closed has been one of the most successful we have had with regard to the matches played, the club not having lost a single game. We have played 11 matches, won nine, drawn two, scoring 38 goals to our opponents' three. This I believe has not been equalled before in Sheepshed. And now that the Band of Hope Club has joined with us we hope to do even better in the future. The reason we have only played 11 matches is because three clubs failed to play us at all, and one return we did not play."—Mr. J. Needham said the Band of Hope Club had had a very successful season, considering the clubs they had played, viz., Loughborough Victoria, which they won at Sheepshed by three goals to none, while at Loughborough the Victorians won by three goals to one. They had also played Loughborough Star, Mountsorrel Star, Long Whatton, Ibstock Albion, and others, and considering that 16 matches had been played, of which only three were lost, he thought it very creditable. The reports were approved, and the officers elected as follows:—Treasurer, Mr. J. Needham; secretary, Mr. J. H. Grimley; captain, Mr. T. Lovitt; vice-captain, Mr. H. Needham; captain of second team, Mr. P. Briars; vice-captain of second team, Mr. Arthur Kidger; committee, Messrs. J. Haywood, J. Waring, W. Gibson, T. Walker, A. Needham. A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.

*Loughborough Herald & North Leicestershire Gazette - Thursday 15 May 1884*

**BELGRAVE FOOTBALL CLUB** - The first annual dinner of this club was held at the Talbot, on Saturday evening last. There was a good number of members present, who did justice to an excellent repast. Mr. J. Walker was voted to the chair, and after the usual toasts and several good songs, Mr. W. Shillcock, on behalf of the club, presented a handsome meerschaum pipe to Mr. J. Page, who has during the last season filled the office of umpire in a manner greatly appreciated by the club. The report was then read; the number of matches played was stated to be 13 of these four were won, five lost, and four drawn. A vote of thanks was given to Mr. T. A. Angrave for his services as hon. sec., and the officers for the ensuing season were then elected as follows:—President, the Vicar (the Rev. F. H. Richardson, M.A.); vice-president, Mr. J. Walker; captain, Mr. W. Shillcock; vice-captain, Mr. J. Walker; hon. treasurer, Mr. E. J. Witham; hon. sec, Mr. A. R.

Kaye: match committee, Messrs. H. Collier, J. Bennett, and J. Pole. After the general business was over a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."  
*Leicester Chronicle -17 May 1884*