

NOMADS ARE CHAMPIONS!

WITH two games to go the Nomads finally wrapped up the Premier Division title with a 1-0 defeat of Ratby Sports to start the champagne corks popping. Records show the last time was 26 years ago. They can now look forward to a new challenge in the East Midland Counties Football League next season, however confirmation is still awaited.

The big match against 2nd placed Blaby & Whetstone ended in a 0-0 draw which enabled the Nomads to hang on to the 6 point cushion. This was followed up by two 1-0 victories over Birstall United and Thurnby Rangers. Only two goals scored but they proved to be very important as their rivals dropped points leaving just 5 more points for the championship.

The 2-0 victory over Thurmaston Town reduced the points required to just 2, with four matches to play, and then came the hiccup when they were beaten 2-1 at 2nd placed Ashby Ivanhoe. The manager Stu Dealey would have liked nothing better than securing the points in this match, but realised the work had already been done and it was only a matter of time, with bottom of the table teams to play.

The strength of the squad had been tested in recent weeks with injuries, suspensions and holidays and as the results suggest a goal was hard to come by, but at the same time the defence stood firm, and until the Ashby match when five changes had to be made, none were conceded.

On the Cup front, the Nomads have two semi-finals to play. The Beacon Bitter League Cup gives the Nomads their best chance of reaching a Final, as they drawn against Division One team Barlestone St Giles; whereas Oadby Town look formidable in The Rolleston Charity Cup.

In the previous issue, I mentioned Nomads Reserves were in line for a 4th spot. But five victories on the trot, and the teams above them dropping points, this may be bettered. The League Table shows how tight it is, but if the Nomads can manage two victories from their remaining two matches, they too will become Champions. Having beaten the 3rd placed team Hathern Reserves, and 2nd placed Ashby Ivanhoe, they will now have to overcome the top team Saffron Dynamo Reserves. Looking back the 1-2 defeat by Barlestone St Giles Reserves on the 7th March may prove to be costly as they could have been on an unbeaten run of 16 matches. Who



knows what will happen, but fingers are crossed.



One of the pleasing things this season has been an increase in the number of spectators watching our matches. Winning teams will always attract more spectators, but on behalf of the Club, may I give a huge thanks to all those that have attended. Your presence has not only lifted the players but helped the Club financially.

Finally may I add my usual reminder, Refreshments are provided in the Clubhouse, which has a licensed Bar, and children are always welcome if supervised. The clubhouse is available for hire, Pat Kelly will be pleased to advise and inform you if dates are free to book. (0116 2364868)

Don't forget to view the website www.ansteynomadsfc.co.uk and keep forwarding your photographs. Big thanks to Diane Bowcott for contributing the match photos.

MERVYN MILES

Everards Brewery Leicestershire Senior Football League

PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Anstey Nomads	24	19	3	2	80	15	65	60
2 Ashby Ivanhoe	25	17	4	4	84	45	39	55
3 Blaby & Whetstone Athletic	24	16	5	3	64	21	43	53
4 Rothley Imperial	25	13	5	7	61	37	24	44
5 Leicestershire Constabulary	25	12	6	7	49	31	18	42
6 Thurnby Rangers	25	12	6	7	43	35	8	39
7 Highfield Rangers	25	12	3	10	41	37	4	39
8 Saffron Dynamo	24	10	4	10	48	55	-7	34
9 Birstall United	24	10	2	12	41	40	1	32
10 Ratby Sports	24	9	3	12	41	37	4	30
11 Aylestone Park	24	9	2	13	50	56	-6	29
12 Cottesmore Amateurs	26	6	3	17	22	68	-46	21
13 Thurmaston Town	24	2	3	19	30	75	-45	9
14 Asfordby Amateurs	25	0	1	24	12	114	-102	1

*Adjustment made

City Goldsmiths Leicestershire Football Combination

DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Saffron Dynamo Res	21	14	2	5	51	21	30	44
2 Ashby Ivanhoe Res	22	14	2	6	56	35	21	44
3 Ravenstone Res	21	13	3	5	40	20	20	42
4 Anstey Nomads Res	20	12	4	4	59	29	30	40
5 Hathern Res	21	13	1	7	43	32	11	40
6 Barlestone St Giles Res	21	9	2	10	35	36	-1	29
7 Narborough & Littlethorpe Res	21	9	2	10	27	29	-2	29
8 Cottesmore Amateurs Res	20	7	4	9	34	38	-4	25
9 Highfield Rangers Res	21	7	1	13	23	51	-28	22
10 Dunton & Broughton Rangs Res	21	4	6	11	24	31	-7	18
11 Lutterworth Town Res	21	4	3	14	26	52	-26	15
12 FC Khalsa Res	22	3	4	15	23	67	-44	13

As at Sunday 19th April 2009.

ANSTEY NOMADS FC

FIXTURE LIST 2008/09

DATE	FIRST TEAM	RESERVES
AUGUST		
WED 13	B of B A Blaby & Whetstone	2-0 W
THUR 14	H Birstall United	3-0 W
SAT 16	SL A Thurnby Rangers	4-0 W
TUES 19	SL H Blaby & Whetstone	6-1 W
THUR 21	SL H Ashby Ivanhoe	2-1 W
SAT 23	SL H Saffron Dynamo	2-2 D
TUES 26	BB Cup H Saffron Dynamo	2-2 D
SAT 30	SL H Saffron Dynamo	2-2 D
SEPTEMBER		
TUES 2	B of B H Birstall United	4-0 W
SAT 13	SL H Asfordby Amateurs	12-0 W
WED 17	B of B N Barrow Town	6-0 W
SAT 20	FA Vase H Shifnal Town	0-1 L
SAT 27	SL A Ratby Sports	4-1 W
OCTOBER		
SAT 4	SL A Leics Constabulary	0-2 L
SAT 11	S Cup H Oadby Town Res	4-1 W
SAT 18	SL H Cottesmore Ams	5-1 W
SAT 25	SL H Aylestone Park	3-0 W
NOVEMBER		
SAT 1	SL A Thurmaston Town	4-0 W
SAT 8	S Cup H Uppingham Town	6-1 W
SAT 15	SL H Ashby Ivanhoe	9-3 W
SAT 22	SL H Ashby Ivanhoe	9-3 W
TUES 25	RCC A Ibstock United	3-1 W
SAT 29	SL H Leics Constabulary	0-0 D
DECEMBER		
SAT 6	SL H Rothley Imperial	1-0 W
SAT 20	S Cup H Quorn Res	4-4 L
JANUARY		
SAT 3	SL H Thurnby Rangers	4-0 W
SAT 10	SL A Cottesmore Ams	9-0 W
SAT 17	SL H Highfield Rangers	4-1 W
SAT 24	SL A Highfield Rangers	2-0 W
SAT 31	SL A Highfield Rangers	2-0 W
FEBRUARY		
SAT 28	SL A Rothley Imperial	3-2 W
MARCH		
SAT 7	SL A Saffron Dynamo	3-0 W
SAT 14	SL A Blaby & Whetstone	0-0 D
SAT 21	SL A Blaby & Whetstone	0-0 D
SAT 28	SL A Birstall United	1-0 W
TUES 31	BB Cup A Cottesmore Ams	3-0 W
APRIL		
SAT 4	SL A Thurnby Rangers	1-0 W
TUES 7	SL H Thurmaston Town	2-0 W
SAT 11	SL H Thurmaston Town	2-0 W
TUES 14	SL A Ashby Ivanhoe	1-2 L
SAT 18	SL H Ratby Sports	1-0 W
TUES 21	SL A Aylestone Park	1-0 W
THUR 23	RCC A Oadby Town	1-0 W
SAT 25	SL A Oadby Town	1-0 W
TUES 28	SL A Asfordby Amateurs	1-0 W
MAY		
TUES 5	BB Cup H Barlestone St Giles	1-0 W

Historical records, Business letterheads, invoices and adverts Anstey Millennium Collection No.5301

Courtesy of Anstey Clarion, April 2009