



Leicestershire Football Results & Match Details 1820 to 1878-79

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5/6.11.1822	Appleby			Ibstock	Played on a field at Snarestone in front of several thousand spectators. Challenge match - 12 guineas a side Game was 'not properly decided'
Shrove Tuesday 1852	Blaby	W		Wigston	Match was played for £5 a side on a field near Countesthorpe. Several thousand spectators from adjacent villages. 15-a-side. Blaby won the game easily. Wigston players lost their temper and began to kick the Blaby youths.
15.3.1852	Enderby	2	1	Whetstone	11-a-side. Played on a meadow near the River Soar, midway between the two villages. Enderby won 2 out of the 3 games played.
23.11.1855	Market Bosworth Grammar School	W		Stoke Golding	Market Bosworth School won. Score not known.
17.12.1860	Sheffield FC	1(10)	1(5)	58 th Rutlandshire Regiment	Hillsborough barracks, Sheffield. First 'foreign' opponent of Sheffield FC (world's oldest football club). Goals (rouges). The rouge originated in the Eton Field Game, where it was awarded when a player touched the ball down behind the opponents' goal-line in a somewhat similar manner to today's "try" in rugby.
16.1.1862	Willoughby	4	3	Ancaster	Ancaster fielded 13 players; Willoughby just 8.
25.3.1864	Market Harborough			Market Harborough	Good Friday. Harborough cricket field. Approx. 30 players divided into 2 teams. The game resulted in a fatal accident.
30.3.1866	Mr Cook's XI		W	Mr Webster's XI	At Rothley - played in a field belonging to Mr. Winterton. 5-a-side. Two games were played - both won by the same team.
30.3.1866	Mr Crook's Team		W	Mr Webster's Team	At Rothley. Played on a field belonging to Mr Winterton. A second game was played which was also won by Mr Webster's team.
Dec 1867	Rev W Earle's Rev T B Rowe's Final Rev W F Witt's	W D	W D	Rev W F Witt's Rev E Thring's Rev T B Rowe's	Uppingham School Football Challenge Cup
22.1.1868	Sawley FC	W		Castle Donington FC	There were two games played in the afternoon, in both of which the Sawley men were victorious, though not without a severe contest, the Donington men playing with great vigour and determination.
14.03.1868	Sawley FC	2	0	Ockbrook Morovian	At Sawley.
21.03.1868	Castle Donington FC	1	0	Sawley	At Shardlow

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25.2.1869	Messrs Morley and Sons	1	0	Messrs Marshall and Gill	75 mins duration.
19.11.1870	Ockbrook and Borrowash	2	2	Nottingham Forest	Played at Ockbrook. Game commenced at 3pm.
26.11.1870	The School	2	0	Rev W Sable's Team	Played Uppingham School.
29.11.1870	Uppingham School House	0	1	Rev. W T Witt's Team	Played at Uppingham School
17.12.1870	Lutterworth FC			Lutterworth FC	16 members of the newly formed Lutterworth FC members met for their first days' play in a field adjoining the Rifle Butts kindly lent for the occasion by H. Rodgers, Esq., of Gilmorton.
4.10.1871	Whites	0	0	Reds	Uppingham School. Game played between teams comprised of players from the school. Sides chosen via surnames
27.11.1871	St Margaret's Club (Leicester)	1	3	Belgrave	Played on Abbey Meadows The term 'bases' used instead of goals
13.2.1872	Field House School F.B.C.	3	0	Leicester Grammar School F.B.C.	Belgrave Pastures.
17.2.1872	Trent College	0	3	Notts Forest FC	
6.4.1872	Trent College	4	0	Derwent Rowing Club	
4.11.1872	St Margaret's Club (Leicester)	1	3	Field House School, Belgrave	Abbey Meadows. The term "bases" is used in the match report instead of "goals".
13.11.1872	Field House School FBC Wright snr Broome snr Dicks snr	3	0	Leicester Grammar School FBC	Belgrave Pasture.
7.12.1872	Leicester Athletic Society FC E D Gittins (Captain) side	0(2)	(0)1	Leicester Athletic Society FC - Fuller and Wheeler's side	Newspaper reports claims that this was the first game of football played on Victoria Park, Leicester. No goals were scored, but the "Captain's team won by "two rouges to one." "The club will play on every Saturday afternoon (weather permitting) until the close of the season, which will terminate the week before Easter. Applications for membership should be made to the Secretary on the ground."
13.2.1873	Uppingham School "Sixth form"	4	0	Uppingham School "School"	
12.11.1873	Leicester Grammar School FBC	0-	3	Field House School FBC [Belgrave] Crick Jackson (2)	Abbey Meadow, Leicester. The term 'bases is used in the match report - not goals.
25.10.1873	Leicester Grammar and Mr Gordon's School Club's combined	0	6	Stoneygate School	16-a-side.
12.11.1873	Leicester Grammar School FBC	0-	3	Field House School FBC [Belgrave] Crick Jackson (2)	Abbey Meadow. The term 'bases is used in the match report - not goals.
24.10.1874	Mr Crick's Club (Hinckley)	0	4	Mr Gordon's Club (Hinckley) J Parsons (2) P Carryer (2)	Played at Hinckley.
21.11.1874	Kibworth	0	2	Leicester Athletic Club FC Bailey Russell	Game played under Association Rules. 12-a-side game.
5.12.1874	St Margaret's	W		Field House School	Abbey Meadows.

					St Margaret's won by 3 goals and no byes to nothing.
9.2.1875	Field House School	5	0	"The Village" [Belgrave]	Belgrave Pastures – Shrove Tuesday. 2 hours duration.
10.3.1875	Ashby-de-la-Zouch Club AN Other	1 (0)	1 (1)	Leicester Athletic Society FC J A Gill	Bath Grounds, Ashby. Return match. First Association match played by the Athletic Club. Wednesday afternoon. 12-a-side game. LAS plated the last 30 mins with 2 men short.
20.3.1875	Leicester Athletic Society FC (Town members) Collier	1	0	Leicester Athletic Club FC (County members)	Racecourse (Victoria Park, Leicester). Large number of spectators.
13.11.1875	Whitwick Colliers FC	W		Colliers' Tradesmen	Victory for Whitwick Colliers' FC; no score given. This was Whitwick's first-ever game.
17.11.1875	Derby Derwent	1	0	Ashby-de-la-Zouch	County Ground, Derby. Derby Derwent played 2 men short.
24.11.1875	Ashby Grammar School	0	1	Spondon A Hill	Bath Ground Ashby. Game commenced at 2.15 pm.
12.1.1876	Leicester Athletic Society (LAS)	0	5	Ashby	The only match played by the L.A.S under Association rules in 1875-6 season.
14.2.1876	Lutterworth FC	1	0	Market Harborough FC	Lutterworth Cricket Ground. Market Harborough played 4 men short. This was the first game played by several of the Lutterworth players.
19.2.1876	Coalville FC	0	0	Wigston FC	Game played under Sheffield Rules. Game commenced at 3.45 pm – ending at 5.15 pm. First-ever match played by Coalville FC.
26.2.1876	Market Harborough FC			Leicester FC	"Harborough players were successful."
4.3.1876	Wigston	0	0	Coalville	
11.3.1876	Market Harborough FC	1	0	Wigston FC	
6.4.1876	Coalville FC H Gibbs Merchant	2	0	Half-Holiday Thursday	Good number of spectators. Game commenced at 3.45 pm.
8.5.1876	W Bax esq of Grace Dieu Warren			Coalville	"In an unfortunate and vigorous charge against one of the players, Mr David Heward, by Mr Handley. R Handley's collar bone was seriously shattered.
28.10.1876	Thursday Half-Day Holiday	0	0	Coalville	Racecourse [Victoria Park], Leicester. Association rules played. Game ended after 2 hours.
9.11.1876	Half-Day Holiday [Leicester] Broughton	1	0	Wigston	Played on a Thursday. Game commenced at 3.40pm.
15.11.1876	Ashby Carter (2) AN Other Fawcett	4	0	Coalville	Game commenced at 3.40 pm.
18.11.1876	Mineva	3	0	Gresham	Loughborough. One hour's duration.
18.11.1876	Wigston Ferryman Parker (2) AN Other	4	0	Coalville	
2.12.1876	Loughborough Grammar School Stephen	1	1	Leicester Athletic Society Turner	Played under Association Rules.
2.12.1876	Wigston	2	0	Market Harborough	Wigston Fields.

					Association rules adhered to. Of the 6 matches played by Wigston only one had been lost.
16.12.1876	Ashby	4	0	Coalville	
16.12.1876	Coalville Clay (3)	3	0	St Margaret's	Clay hat-trick.
16,2,1876	Market Harborough FC	1	0	Lutterworth FC	Harborough played 4 men short, but to balance this there were several among the Lutterworth team who had never played in a match before.
16.12.1876	Wigston	3	0	Leicester Amateurs	Played under Association Rules.
13.1.1877	St Margaret's			Coalville FC	Abbey Meadow, Leicester, Game kicked-off at 3.30 pm and called at 5 pm -resulting in a draw in favour of St Margaret's
20.1.1877	Wigston	5	0	Leicester Amateurs	
27.1.1877	Coalville WJ Gibbs (2)	2	0	Wetmore FC (Burton-on-Trent)	Incessant rain rendered the ground a perfect quagmire. "Few, if any, of the players escaped without outward and visible signs of contact with Mother Earth."
3.2.1877	Lutterworth	0	1	Wigston	Return match, Played under Association Rules. Lutterworth scored a goal which was disallowed just before the call of time.
17.2.1877	Coalville Mr Clay Mr J Coulson	2	0	Hugglescote	Return match. Large gathering of spectators. "Throughout the whole season. so far gone, Coalville has in nearly instance, proved victors in this increasingly popular game."
28.2.1877	Leicester Amateurs	0	4	Coalville Wardle (3) Gibbs	Racecourse [Victoria Park], Leicester. The drizzling rain fell most of the day, rendered the ground very slippery and uncomfortable for the players. Association rules were adhered to.
28.2.1877	Loughborough Grammar School (2 nd eleven) Campion (2) Gregg Oliver Finney Newill Goodlife	7	0	Mr Carter's School, Leicester	Grammar School Ground. Mr. S. Coleman, an old boy, brought over a scratch team from Leicester, against the school. The match terminated in draw after a most exciting contest of an hour-and-a-half."
3.3.1877	Coalville	3	0	lbstock	Coalville played one man short. "The breaking up of the frost, the dissolving of the snow, with the recent rains, caused the ground to be anything but a comfortable state. In some places lakes were found several yards in area, and one or two of the more unfortunate players had the happiness of measuring their depths, only to find them too shallow swim in, but too deep for their comfort."
3.3.1877	Loughborough Grammar School	D	D	Mr Coleman's Fifteen	Mr. S. Coleman, an old boy, brought over a scratch team from Leicester,
10.3.1877	Wigston			"A Burton-on-Trent club"	Match terminated after an hour-and-a-half.
14.4.1877	Coalville	1	0	Fawcett's Team	Fawcett's Team - professionals selected by C. A. Fawcett, from Ashby-de-la-Zouch and Derbyshire.
6.10.1877	Coalville	2	1	Hugglescote Robin Hood	Favourable weather. Good number of spectators.

					"The secretary for the Coalville Club, Mr. J. Gibbs, has made arrangements for eleven matches, and is engaged filling up his programme for the season, so that the members may have plenty to do this year."
10.10.1877	Coalville juvenile FC Church Wharmby (4) AN Other	5	0	Ashby Grammar School	
10.10.1877	Juvenile Club [Coalville]	6	0	Lily Club [Ashby]	
30.10.1877	Stoney Stanton	0	0	Earl Shilton	
3.11.1877	Loughborough Grammar School	2	0	Loughborough Athletic and Football Club	Played at Loughborough Grammar School.
15.11.1877	Thursday Half-Holiday	0	0	Hugglescote Robin Hood	
1.12.1877	Hugglescote	0	0	Snibstone Rising Star	"... no goal was made; the game ending rather in favour of the 'Rising Star' by several points."
13.12.1877	Thursday Half-Holiday Ridgeway	1	0	Coalville	Victoria Park, Leicester. "[Coalville] kicked the ball between the posts, and it just touched the goal-keeper's hands, he being behind the posts." The goal was claimed but disputed and not given. "The match ended in a victory for the T.H.H. by one goal to a disputed one."
29.12.1877	Coalville	1	1	Hugglescote Robin Hood	Game ended "in favour of the Robin Hood team."
12.1.1878	Croft	0	1	Stony Stanton	17 vs 18 game.
12.1.1878	Hinckley	2	1	Barwell	There was a short delay in the first half caused by the bursting of the ball.
19.1.1878	Ashby Ivanhoe FBC	0	0	Hugglescote Robin Hood FBC	
19.1.1878	SCRS Coalville	1	0	Leicester Amateurs	"The game ended in favour of Coalville by 1 goal 2 points to Leicester one point."
19.1.1878	Stoney Stanton	0	0	Hinckley	Good number of spectators. Game commenced at 2.30 pm. Game last 2 hours – 1 hour each half.
22.1.1878	Wigston Magna FC	3 (0)	0 (0)	Leicester Half-Holiday	"Annual meeting between these clubs."
2.2.1878	Loughborough FC	0	2	Coalville	Mr Bromhead's Cricket ground. Large number of spectators. Play commenced at 3.15pm. game terminated at 5 pm.
16.2.1878	Barwell FC Peace Herbert Joseph Grewcock	2	0	Stoney Stanton	This was# Barwell's 6 th game – W3, D2, L1
16.2.1878	Moira Till Shuttleworth	2	0	Ibstock	Game commenced at 3.25 pm. "... the Moira umpire unable to attend, and therefore the fairness of the game was entirely left with the Ibstock umpire, whose judgment in all cases of appeal was satisfactory."
16.2.1878	Wigston H Boothway G Broughton	2	0	South Leicestershire Rovers	Wigston Fields. 12-a-side. Uncertain wat rules were played.
20.2.1878	National School Ravenstone William Moore Ambrose Goucher Stanely Bertenshaw Thomas Pickering (2) AN Others	9	0	Coalville Juvenile Club	Ravenstone had 18 players, and Coalville only nine.

23.2.1878	Coalville SCRS	6	0	Royal Oak FC [Burton-on-Trent]	
23.2.1878	Loughborough FC	0 (0)	3 (2)	All Saints FC [Nottingham]	Mr Bromhead's cricket ground, Loughborough. Play commenced at 3 pm.
27.2.1878	Ibstock Glover	1	0	Ashby-de-la Zouch	Very confusing match report. No mention of Ashby – only Moira.
2.3.1878	Earl Shilton	0	0	Coalville SCRS	Time was called after 90 mins. "We are pleased to say that no one was hurt, and not an angry word was spoken."
2.4.1878	Market Bosworth Junior FC	0	6	Coalville Junior Jospeh Pickering (2) Frank Starkey (3) Walter Wharmby	Played at Bosworth. Starkey scored a hat-trick for Coalville.
5.8.1878	R1: Earl Shilton R1: Coalville Final Coalville	1 (1) 0 (5) 2 (2)	0 (6) 0 (1) 0 (3)	Moira Hugglescote Earl Shilton	Six-a-side football tournament played at the Coalville Sports Day. Numbers in brackets are points. Uncertain what rules were being played- goals (points).
17.9.1878	Barlestone Juveniles	0	5	Coalville Juveniles	
19.10.1878	Coalville FC	0	0	Loughborough FC	
19.10.1878	Hugglescote Robin Hood	1	1	Moira	
19.10.1878	St Pauls [Ashby]		W	Old Church [Ashby]	Victory for Old Church.
26.1.1878	Loughborough FC	1	0	Mr H Perkins Team	Bromhead's Ground, Loughborough.
6.11.1878	Ashby	4 (2)	0 (0)	Leicester (Alert)	Association rules played.
23.11.1878	Stoney Stanton	3	0	Broughton Astley & Earl Shilton	
30.11.1878	Stoney Stanton	2	0	Earl Shilton Juniors	
12.2.1878	Barwell	2	0	Stoney Stanton	
17.9.1878	Barlestone	0	5	Coalville	"Juveniles" game.
19.10.1878	Coalville	0	0	Loughborough	
19.10.1878	Hinckley	2	1	Barwell	
1.11.1878	Woodville	0	0	Swannington	
27.11.1878	Loughborough	5	0	Leicester Alert	Bromhead's grounds, Loughborough. Played under light lights. First time that Leicester alert had played according to Sheffield Association Rules
14.12.1878	Coalville	7	0	St Paul's, Burton	
25.1.1879	Snibstone Rising Star	0	1	Earl Shilton	4 pm kick off. "Several points were made on both sides, and it was a very good game throughout."
1.2.1879	Loughborough FC 2 nd team R Gall G Lydall	2	0	Loughborough Falcon	
15.2.1879	Coalville	0	1	Hugglescote Robin Hood	
22.2.1879	Loughborough FC W Harris AN Other	2 (2)	2 (2)	Hugglescote AN Others	Bromhead's Ground, Loughborough. "One of the most interesting football matches of the season..."
22.2.1879	Moira	0 (0)	1 (0)	S.R.S. Coalville Landford	Game commenced at 4.15 pm.
1.3.1879	Loughborough FC	1 (1)	2 (1)	Nottingham Forest	Bromhead's Ground, Loughborough. Large number of spectators. Notts Forest had beaten Oxford University the previous week to reach the semi-finals of the English Challenge Cup. They were knocked out by Old Etonians (22 March 1879) who beat Clapham Rovers in the final at the Kennington Oval.

1.3.1879	Loughborough Amateur FC (2 nd XI)	0	1	Hughes Falcon Works (2 nd XI) W Swan	Recreation Ground, Loughborough.
8.3.1879	Moira Shuttleworth	1	0	Swannington	Game commenced at 4 pm. The only goal was scored one minute before the call of time.
15.3.1879	Moira	1	1	Coalville SRS	
22.3.1879	Loughborough Amateur FC (1 st team)			Loughborough FC (17 of the remaining club members)	Recreation Ground, Loughborough. Captains – 1 st team (R Cayless) and 2 nd team (W Brown).
22.3.1879	Moira	1	0	Ashby	
29.3.1879	Swannington	1	0	Hugglescote	
29.3.1879	Loughborough FC J Cartwright	1 (0)	0 (0)	Coalville FC	Brodhead's ground, Loughborough. "The dribbling of Turner for the L.F.C. was exceedingly clever, and was much admired, but it was evident to nearly everyone that the days of "dribbling" are gone, and that "passing" has superseded it; in fact, we believe it is axiom amongst football players of the present day that two players acting in concert can take the ball from the most accomplished 'dribbler'."
11.10.1879	Coalville	2	2	Loughborough	"After a short rest the Loughborough team started for home about 7 pm, calling by special invite at the country residence of our well-known towns man, Mr. Samuel Dakin, where a hospitable entertainment of a truly rural character had been prepared for them, after which, giving three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Dakin, they drove homewards through the bleak, cutting winds and drizzling rain."
11.10.1879	Loughborough Amateur AN Others	2 (0)	1 (0)	Falcon Works (Loughborough) H Hickling	Recreation Ground, Loughborough. The Amateur's used a shed on the ground for dressing purposes. There was a dispute following Amateur's second goal and play was not resumed.
15.10.1879	Ashby Grammar School	6	0	Coalville Britannia	
18.10.1879	Ashby Grammar School E A L Thompson	1	0	Burton Grammar School	Game lasted 75 mins.
27.10.1879	Earl Shilton Junior FC	3	1	Broughton FC	
29.10.1879	Coalville	0	0	Leicester	Ground in poor condition.
1.11.1879	Loughborough Amateur 1 st team (R Cayless Capt.)	1	0	Loughborough Amateur Remaining club players, (W Brown, Capt.)	Recreation ground, Loughborough. Closing match of this club for the season.
1.11.1879	Woodville	0	0	Swannington	"The play of both teams, considering the state of the weather, was remarkably good."
8.11.1879	Loughborough FC J Cartwright AN Others	4 (2)	2 (0)	Loughborough Grammar School AN Others	Bromhead's Ground, Loughborough.
8.11.1879	Swannington	1	0	Gresley & Linton	
15.11.1879	Coalville	1	0	Burton Britannia	
15.11.1879	Coalville	0	0	Swannington	One hour's play. Game commenced at 3.45 pm.
15.11.1879	Coleorton	1	2	Castle Gresley	Beaumont Arms. Darkness set in after Coleorton scored. Gresley scored two goals in the dark to win the game.

					The players afterwards spent a convivial evening together.
15.11.1879	Nuneaton and Neighbourhood FC (Mr Rowbottom's team)	W		Nuneaton and Neighbourhood FC Mr Townsend's team)	Nuneaton and Neighbourhood FC's first game of football. Played on Newdegate Anne meadow.
19.11.1879	Coalville	4	0	Ashby	
22.11.1879	Croft	0 (0)	1 (1)	Earl Shilton Rising Star	
22.11.1879	Oakham Grammar School		W	Oakham Town	Played on the School Cricket Ground. "An easy victory for the School."
25.11.1879	Loughborough	1	1	Wigston	Played on the field adjacent to the cricket ground, Leicester Road.
25.11.1879	Coleorton F.C.	1	1	Swannington F.C.	Played at Beaumont Arms.
29.11.1879	Sheepshed Institute FC	6 (4)	1 (0)	Loughborough Rising Star	Large number of spectators.
6.12.1879`	Castle Gresley T Landford	1	0	Coleorton	
6.12.1879	Newhall Wanderers (2 nd)	0	1	Mount Pleasant (2 nd)	
13.12.1879	Sheepshed FC	3	2	Loughborough Athletic & FC	"Newly formed Sheepshed FC."
13.12.1879	Swannington	1	0	Woodville	Owing to the late start the game lasted only 30 mins.
22.12.1879	Loughborough Athletic Society	0	0	Hathern	Recreation Ground, Loughborough.

Season Summary 1878-9

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Loughborough Athletic Club	26	14	5	7	37	

This 1878-79 season "was only the second the Loughborough Athletics Club had made football a part of their programme, and an investigation of their list of matches played shows very good result and taking into consideration the fact that last season nearly the whole of the team were "raw material" and with the exception of two or three members have never played a football match before, we think that the results are exceptionally good and creditable to all concerned, and that the material, tough "raw" was of the right quality. Another fact worthy of notice to show the rapid improvement there has been, is that the first match last season was against the Grammar School and resulted in a rather easy victory for the latter; this season the Loughborough Football Club have defeated the Grammar School three times, and in one of their latter matches were only beaten by one goal by a first class team the Notts Forest Football Club. We hope that next season the club may be still more successful and that in time they may even aspire to, and win that prize, which all association football players desire (and which has narrowly escaped being taken off this season by our neighbours the Nottingham Forest Club), viz the Association Challenge Cup." - *Leicester Daily Post* - 5 April 1879