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MIKE JACKSON

# THE MANAGER

**Good afternoon and I hope you are all keeping safe and well. I'd like to welcome Derek Adams and his team to Prenton Park for today's game. We wish them a safe trip to and from the stadium.**

I'm writing to you now off the back of a pleasing result on Saturday against Southend United and we are now preparing to travel to Crawley and build on Saturday's result.

On Saturday, I was pleased to pick up the three points and as I said after the game, I think our performance could have been better but it is a good platform to build on given the bodies we now have back in the group after a tough few weeks.

I thought we started the game quite edgy and we decided to make the changes when we did and it worked. I spoke to the lads who we brought off because it wasn't down to their performance, we just wanted to change the dynamic of the game.

I was delighted for the group to get that win because I think we needed it with what has been going on recently with availability. It was an important result for us and it was also important for some of the lads to get minutes into them as we head into a busy schedule.

Clarkey's goal was another big plus point for us. We know the quality that Liam Feeney has with his crosses and that was just typical Peter Clarke with his determination and power to get to the ball. It was at a really good time for us in the game and we know how important it is to get the first goal in games too.

We were happy with the clean sheet and it was good to see Scott back involved after 14 days in isolation. He made a really important save early in the game and that's what he brings to the side. He's the captain of this Club and is a leader so I'm delighted for not just him, but the whole team because we need to keep collecting clean sheets too.

Going into Crawley on Tuesday, we want to build on Saturday's win again. The extra minutes and training time that some of the lads have been able to get should help us towards that. Hopefully you're reading this after a positive result and performance down in Crawley going into today's game.

Morecambe will be another tough test for us, as all games are. We've had some real battles with Morecambe in recent years and I'm expecting no different today. We'll prepare for the game as we always do and go out there aiming to represent all of you fans watching from home in the best way that we can.

Enjoy the game!

Jacko





# MORECAMBE

## The Shrimps



**Derek Adams took over from long-standing manager Jim Bentley, who left to take charge at AFC Fylde, in November 2019.**

Born in Glasgow, Derek Adams' career consisted mostly of Scottish football, playing for Ross County, Motherwell, Ayr United, Aberdeen, Livingston and Ross County. His first two spells as a manager were in The Staggies hotseat between 2007 and 2014. Adams was then appointed Plymouth Argyle manager in 2015, where he remained until 2019. Adams won promotion to League One with The Pilgrims in the 2016/17 season.

Morecambe finished in 22nd place last season in League Two, just one position above the relegation zone. This summer, Morecambe have strengthened largely in defence, signing the likes of Stephen Hendrie, Nathaniel Knight-Percival, Harry Davis, Kelvin Mellor, Yann Songo'o and Liam Gibson all



penning permanent deals. Ryan Cooney also signed for The Shrimps on loan from Burnley. Other permanent additions include former Tranmere winger Ben Pringle and striker Liam McAlinden from Stockport. They have also added youth to experience with the loans of Goalkeeper Jake Turner from Newcastle United and midfielder Adam Phillips from Burnley.

In terms of a head-to-head history between the two teams Tranmere have won 4, drawn 1 and lost 1 against Morecambe across all competitions. This includes a nail-biting encounter between the two teams in October 2018 where an 89th minute winner from Harvey Gilmour proved the deciding factor as Tranmere won 4-3 at the Globe Arena. This was Gilmour's second of the match, the other goal scorers for the visitors that day being Ollie Banks and Jonny Smith.

## OPPOSITION PLAYERS



### Jake Turner- Goalkeeper

Goalkeeper, Jake Turner was brought in on loan from Newcastle United after the retirement of Morecambe legend Barry Roche at the end of last season. Born in Wilmslow, Turner came through the youth ranks at Bolton Wanderers but never made a senior appearance for The Trotters. He joined Newcastle in 2019.

### Nathaniel Knight-Percival - Defender

Nathaniel Knight-Percival started his senior career in non-league, playing for Histon, where he made 186 appearances, scoring 29 goals. He has since had spells with Wrexham, Peterborough United, Shrewsbury Town, Bradford City, and most recently Carlisle United before joining Morecambe this past summer. Knight-Percival spent the earlier part of his career playing as a winger before being converted to a central defender at Wrexham.

### Aaron Wildig - Midfielder

Welsh midfielder Aaron Wildig started his career with Cardiff City before moving to Shrewsbury Town after a loan spell with Hamilton Academical followed by one

with The Shrews. Wildig made 52 appearances for the Shropshire side, he was also sent out on loan to Kidderminster Harriers and then Morecambe by manager Micky Mellon. The Welshman subsequently joined The Shrimps on a permanent basis in June 2015. He has made well over 100 appearances in the league since moving to the Globe Arena, scoring 11 goals.

### Cole Stockton - Forward

Born in Huyton, Cole Stockton made his name coming through the ranks at Tranmere Rovers. The striker scored 14 goals in 97 league appearances for the Super White Army in his first spell with the club. Whilst on the books at Tranmere, Stockton had loan spells with Vauxhall Motors, Southport and Morecambe. After leaving Prenton Park initially, the Liverpoolian had spells with Hearts and Carlisle United before returning to Birkenhead in 2018 upon Tranmere's return to League Two. Stockton scored 1 league goal against Morecambe on Boxing Day before being sent out on loan to Wrexham. In June 2019, Stockton joined Morecambe on a permanent deal.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Keisuke Takano was the first Japanese player to score in the FA Cup. He scored for Morecambe against Emley in a 3-3 draw between the two teams back in 1997. Morecambe were a semi-professional side at the time, so he balanced playing for The Shrimps while studying at The University Of Lancaster.



## ON THIS DAY

In 2000 Tranmere beat Premier League Leeds United at Prenton Park. The match had looked to be over after just half an hour as Darren Huckerby's double put Leeds 2-0 in front in the Third Round League Cup tie. Andy Parkinson pulled a goal back for the home side after the interval, before Steve Yates equalised late on to take the tie to extra time. Parkinson then doubled his tally with to hand Tranmere a dramatic 3-2 win.





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# FROM THE BOARDROOM



**ALTHOUGH A POOR SUBSTITUTE FOR BEING IN THE GROUND IN PERSON, IT WAS GOOD TO SEE THE FIRST 100 OR SO OF THE "FACE IN THE CROWD" IMAGES IN PLACE FOR OUR LAST HOME GAME. THESE ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AND WOULD MAKE GREAT CHRISTMAS PRESENTS**



**Welcome to Derek Adams and his Morecambe team for what looks to be a hotly contested match. Morecambe started the season very strongly, and sit in the top half of the table. Tranmere, by contrast, had a difficult start, with injuries and Covid disrupting training and match availability, and are now looking to show what the squad can do when settled and having had time to get to know each other.**

Results across all divisions seem to suggest that playing behind closed doors is throwing up some very strange results and Prenton Park is definitely not the same without the 12th man present. Although a poor substitute for being in the ground in person, it was good to see the first 100 or so of the "face in the crowd" images in place for our last home game. These are still available for purchase and would make great Christmas presents.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the phenomenal work done by the Club, the Trust, TROSC and the supporters to ensure that children entitled to free school meals in many of our local schools will receive nutritious food during the half term holidays. Once again, we have all worked together to look after the vulnerable in our community and that makes me very proud. The Club is the conduit through which we deliver much of the community support, but we could not do it without you all.

We have had a phenomenal response to our kit design competition and I would like to commend the 4 who made it through to the final vote. The standard of submissions was excellent, and thousands of you have cast your vote. The winning kit (which will remain secret until it's unveiling in the spring) will now start being manufactured by our new Indonesian kit supplier for the 2021/22 season, Mills Sport.

There is clearly a lot of creative talent within the SWA, as I also have to congratulate our Halloween programme-cover design winner, seven year old Charlie Britton. I am sure you will agree it is a great design, but it was a very difficult job to choose between the 400+ entries that we had and it was the clever pun that ultimately sealed the victory. Here's hoping the team can seal victory today!





**For Joe Murphy, returning to Tranmere Rovers was a decision there was no need to think twice about.**

Back at the club after 18 years away, the Irish goalkeeper has nothing but fond memories of his initial Prenton Park stay and is now hoping to make his mark once more.

Reflecting on his four years with the Whites between 1998 and 2002, Murphy revealed why he remains indebted to the club years down the line.

"It's been a full circle. I've lived back on the Wirral for the last six years and it's a club that I have massive respect and massive love for. Without the four years I had at Tranmere, I don't think I'd still be in the game right now," the Dublin-born shot-stopper told Tranmere Rovers FC.

"It's great to be back at Prenton Park and seeing the pictures in the corridor at the ground, it brings back the good times that we had at the club in the late nineties and start of the millennium. It all came flooding back.

"When I first came on trial at 14, what struck me was the friendliness. Ronnie Taylor was the youth team manager and you just felt at home. The team were doing well when I came to the club, they

were always there or thereabouts with the play-offs. It was an easy decision for me to make and one that was great for me.

He added: "Although I only played around 70 games, there were really good times that we had at the club with the year or two in the Championship as well as the cup runs. It's a great place to play, it's a great stadium and the fans are excellent. It's always nice to play in front of the Prenton Park crowd, whether you're a home or away player."

At 39 years of age, Murphy is the most senior member of the current first-team squad.

Having learned his trade across the top four tiers of English football through spells at the likes of Scunthorpe United, Coventry City and West Bromwich Albion, the experienced keeper is leading by example both in training and on the pitch.

But even as a professional who has witnessed drastic changes during a 22-year playing career, Rovers' No.13 has insisted that he continues to learn valuable skills to help adapt to football's ever-changing landscape.

"I think what always happens, anywhere and at any club, is that your experience comes out.

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# JOE MURPHY

>>> Myself and Peter Clarke are quite vocal, both on and off the pitch. If you can help people along, it's natural that it comes out when you're that age. Clarke is still playing some great football and I'd like to think that I can still contribute," stated Murphy. "Being a keeper is completely different to being an outfield player. For me, it's a concentration thing. It's massive. You can never get too high when you're playing well and never get too low when you're playing badly. From kids, as goalkeepers, we're always diving around and making saves but that's not the be-all-and-end-all when you're a keeper. You have to be happy to go through a game without touching a ball, it's not often that happens and you should just be pleased at being able to contribute. If you can get players into positions that you want them in, the ball doesn't come to you. I'm 39-years-old and still learning every day, new things happen all the time and it's about dealing with them as best you can."

Murphy has only ever once previously featured at League Two level, achieving automatic

promotion with Bury in the 2018/19 season under former Tranmere man Ryan Lowe.

Now plotting to establish a route out of the fourth tier with Rovers, he explained what will be required of Mike Jackson's men to reach similar heights of their previous successful campaign at this level. "You need to be able to alter your game as a lot of the matches are tough, the first 15 or 20 minutes is a bit of a dogfight. When you're past that initial stage, hopefully that quality is there as a team and can come true. If you look at Tranmere that season they last went up, they kept a lot of clean sheets in tight games and got over the line. It's a great quality to have, that nastiness and toughness to grind games out. When it comes to quality, you've also got that as well. "It's still early days. We've had some hiccups but, if we get everyone back fit, we've got a squad that can push towards that top seven. We'll get there, we definitely will. We've got the quality in the building to do it. Saying it is one thing, but doing it is another. We have to train well and then get things done on a Tuesday and Saturday."



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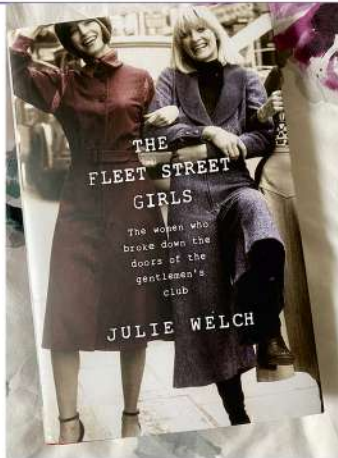


## 'The Fleet Street Girls'

**Readers of this column will know how much I love a good book – and I've just finished one that I can heartily recommend.**

'The Fleet Street Girls' is the inspiring and evocative story of the female journalists who broke down barriers in the 1970's and 1980's as women moved up the ranks in Fleet Street for the first time. These days there are a welcome increased number of top notch female football reporters but even when I started this role over 25 years ago they were few and far between. The book is written by the trail-blazing journalist Julie Welch and she recalls that when she called in her first ever football report at the 'Observer', an entire room of men fell silent. Julie waited for the voice on the end of the line to declare it passable. She'd done it. She was the first ever female football reporter.

In 'The Fleet Street Girls', Julie looks back at the steps that led to that moment, from the National Union of Journalists nearly calling a strike when she dared to write an article as a mere secretary (despite allowing men who weren't journalists to write for the same pages), and many other battles in between. Julie also shines a light on others who were climbing the ladder against the



odds, from Lynn Barber (of 'An Education' fame) to Wendy Holden a war correspondent for the Daily Telegraph. Pioneers one and all!

In many ways it shines a fascinating light on the social history of the time and as I was reading it was reminded of the



film 'Made in Dagenham' where in the Ford Motor Co. plant in Dagenham women were classed as unskilled labour despite performing the specialised task of sewing upholstery for car seats. Oh yes, and paid much less than men. Here, led by Rita O'Grady, and encouraged by a sympathetic union representative, she leads her colleagues to strike. This all happened in 1968 and Julie Welch's story is a resonance of a similar battle for equal rights and equal pay. I'll leave you to decide on how far down that road we are in 2020.

But back to 'The Fleet Street Girls' – it's a fascinating story of hopes and despairs, triumphs and tribulations of a group of women in the glitzy heyday of journalism, where they could be interviewing Elton John one moment and ducking flying bullets or fighting off sex pests the next. At a time when Fleet Street was the biggest cosiest all-male club you can imagine, and the interests of half the human race were consigned to 'The Women's Page' in the paper, we follow Julie and her contemporaries through dramas, excitement and sheer fun in their battle to make sure women's voices were heard.

I promise you - it's a really good read – check it out.





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# RETROSPECTIVE

**Joe Pritchard and Gary Jones share a rare distinction of being indispensable members of the Tranmere squad for many seasons, without making any position in the team their own.**

The quality that made him so valuable to managers during the 1960s and the 1990s was an enduring one: versatility.

Birkenhead-born Pritchard played centre back, full-back, wing half, inside forward and centre forward over a career covering 204 first-team starts between 1963 and 1969.

During one season, 1967/68, Prichard wore seven different numbers on his shirt while an ever-present in the side over 46 Division Three games. He was also second top scorer for the campaign with 11 (behind George Yardley's 23).

Clearly, manager Dave Russell trusted him to do a job just about anywhere on the pitch.

Jones' career with Tranmere covered two spells, the first yielding 212 appearances and 34 goals between 1994 and 1999. The second, following a two-year stay at Nottingham Forest, added another 105 games and a further 21 goals between 2002 and 2005.

During those Prenton Park years Jones played centre back, centre forward left midfield and centre midfield.

Unlike Pritchard, who played under just one manager, Jones' adaptability was appreciated by a succession of managers: Johnny King, John Aldridge, Dave Watson, Ray Mathias and Brian Little.

Tranmere's scouting setup picked up Prichard while he was playing schools football in Birkenhead. He signed in at Prenton Park in 1962 as a part timer so we could continue his apprenticeship as a joiner at Cammell Laird shipyard.

Pritchard was 19 when he made his debut in May 1962 at inside left. He spent most of the next two seasons in the reserves then made the breakthrough into regular first-team football in 65/66, when he started 37 games.



The following season Pritchard played a big part in helping Tranmere clinch promotion from Division Four, contributing nine goals from 41 league starts. Historian Peter Bishop, writing about Pritchard in "Tranmere Rovers - the Complete Record" says: "standing just short of 6 foot tall with flaxen blonde hair, what he lacked in subtlety he more than made up for in energy, commitment and determination. "He was, as Johnny King observed, the kind of lad you would want alongside you in a battle."

Pritchard was given a free transfer



at the end of the 69/70 season, when he moved to Ellesmere Port Town. Chester-born Jones was a product of the youth development system, headed by Warwick Rimmer, that produced a remarkable succession of talented young players of first-team quality during the late 1980s and 90s.

Tranmere quickly converted the 6ft 3ins youngster from centre back to centre forward and at the age of 18 he scored a classic headed goal on his Football League debut at Millwall in 1993.

However, the youngster spent most of the next two seasons in the reserves, until September 1995, when an injury to Liam O'Brien created an opportunity for Jones to play in midfield for a run of 20 straight games.

John Aldridge, succeeding King in the 96/97 season, used Jones both as an attacker and a midfielder.

Jones' strength as a midfielder was illustrated in the 2000 League Cup Final when his precise headed pass sent David Kelly clear to score Tranmere's goal in the 2-1 defeat to Leicester City at Wembley.

He departed at the end of that season as a free agent, joining Nottingham Forest. But the move was not a success. Unable to establish himself as a first-team player at the City Ground, Jones returned to Prenton Park in 2002.

He quickly became a first-team regular action under Ray Mathias and then Brian Little. After a final 2004/05 season undermined by injury, Jones moved on and after a trial signed for Grimsby Town, where he operated as a striker with some success.

He was the Mariners' leading scorer (with 17 goals) during a 2005/06 season in which they made the Division Four play-offs.

Jones left Grimsby at the end of the 2007/08 season after playing 118 League games.

After retirement as a player, he worked in coaching roles at Colwyn Bay, Chester, Stockport County and Altrincham.





**Tranmere Rovers take on Morecambe in Sky Bet League Two this afternoon as Mike Jackson's men go in search of three points at Prenton Park.**



The Whites completed a league double over this afternoon's visitors when the sides last met in the fourth tier in 2018/19, with Rovers claiming a dramatic 4-3 away win in addition to a 3-1 triumph on home soil.

But what can we expect from the Shrimps on this occasion? We spoke to Morecambe reporter for the Morecambe Visitor, Gavin Browne (@GavinBrowne77), to find out.

**Have you been surprised by Morecambe's impressive start to the season?**

I think, for obvious reasons, this season was always going to be a step into the unknown for all clubs in terms of how they dealt with returning to football again. That said, Morecambe's start wasn't the easiest on paper so it's a pleasant surprise to see them where they are.

**Where would you say the club should be aiming to finish this campaign?**

In the past, it could be argued that success for Morecambe has been retaining EFL status and having a cup run of sorts. However, with Derek Adams in charge and having spoken to some of the players, they have a more ambitious target in mind but I don't think anyone would be disappointed with a mid-table finish.

**How do the fans view manager Derek Adams and the style of football he has implemented?**

Given his success with Ross County and Plymouth Argyle, it was something of a coup when he took the Morecambe job - not least because he rejected an approach from Hearts after verbally agreeing to join the Shrimps. He guided them to safety last season and continued that improvement into this season, playing some nice football as well as being tactically astute and changing his approach when required.

**Do you think people have underestimated the threat of this Morecambe side?**

Being underestimated isn't anything new for anyone involved with the Shrimps given they are

usually tipped for relegation every year as a result of their reputation as the club with League Two's lowest attendance and wage bill. However, should their impressive start continue, then I'd imagine there might be a few people having to reassess their pre-season predictions.

**How would you assess the club's summer transfer business?**

Busy but promising. Eleven players have come in with another 13 departing and, of those arriving, Burnley loanees Adam Phillips and Ryan Cooney were well known after making a good impression with the club last season. Jake Turner is a highly-rated keeper at Newcastle United, while Yann Songo'o and Kelvin Mellor know what it takes to be successful in League Two.

**Former Tranmere striker Cole Stockton is currently at the club. Have you been impressed with his contributions?**

Everyone has been impressed with his contributions, starting with the manager and his team-mates. As Adams has acknowledged publicly, Stockton's role is an arduous one but his ability to close down the opposition as well as hold up the ball and bring his colleagues into the game are crucial elements of the way Morecambe play.

**Who will be the one to watch when the two sides meet?**

Adam Phillips. The Burnley midfielder contributed a goal every three games during his loan spell with the club last season. He's already continued in that vein this time around as, at the time of writing, he's scored five times in a dozen matches so far.

**How do you expect Morecambe to line-up?**

Possibly 4-2-3-1: Jake Turner; Kelvin Mellor, Nat Knight-Percival, Sam Lavelle, Stephen Hendrie; Yann Songo'o, Toumani Diagouraga; John O'Sullivan, Aaron Wildig, Adam Phillips; Liam McAlinden.

**What is your score prediction?**

Morecambe have had some good results on the road this season so I'll go for a 1-1 draw.

# THE AWAY ASPECT



# COMMUNITY



**Tranmere Rovers in the Community have donated thousands of essential hygiene products to local women's charity 'Tomorrow's Women'.**

As part of a funded essentials project by Wirral Council, TRIC were allocated funds to provide essential items for women. This meant Tranmere Rovers were able to donate thousands of items to Wirral charity, Tomorrow's Women, 'Femme-2-You' female delivery service.

The 'Femme-2-You' delivery service was set up in April in order to support vulnerable women in the local area by delivering parcels made up of essential women's hygiene items straight to their door step.

Tranmere Rovers in the Community have previously supported this project with a donation of items upon the initial release and are proud to be able to support the cause even further.

TRIC Development Manager, Emma Palios, said: "We are proud to help support the fantastic work

that TWW are doing during this pandemic to ensure women have access to basic and essential hygiene and sanitary items that may sometimes be overlooked in emergency parcels.

"This is a continuation of our dedication to help the most vulnerable in our community as part of TRFC's wider covid-19 response programme"

Upon receiving the donation, Tomorrow's Women Communications Officer Sharna Kennedy said: "It is always a pleasure to work with Tranmere Rovers in the Community who offer continued support to our work with women and in receiving this overwhelming contribution to our crucial Femme 2 You project (a project that has supported over 600 women so far!)

"We will be able to continue to tackle period poverty head on with and most importantly make women of Wirral feel supported and not alone during these continually difficult times, both financially and socially."



**With the new season currently being played under unprecedented conditions, the availability of both hard copy and digital matchday programmes is now changing within the sport.**

This then is one of many features this season covering the history of our own matchday programme, and the various matches and special occasions they were connected to since we first entered the Football League in 1921.

**Today's letter in the matchday programme alphabet is E – and covers a selection of ex-league clubs who faced Rovers over the last few decades, but who sadly eventually folded for one reason or another.**

#### GATESHEAD

Tranmere's last official visit to was a pre-Christmas fixture during the final season the old Third Division North

Not to be confused with the current Gateshead FC with whom we crossed swords during our time in the National League – the original Gateshead FC were formed in South Shields in 1899 as South Shields Adelaide Athletic. After success in the North Eastern League prior to World War I, they were voted into the Football League in 1919. Financial problems in the late 1920s forced the club relocate to Gateshead in 1930, and in turn adopting the name of their new town. They remained in the Football League until 1960, when surprisingly they voted out of the Football League and replaced by Peterborough United, despite not having had to apply through the old system re-election since 1937. It would be during the 1957/58 season – the last involving the old

Third Division North – that Rovers would sign off their final meeting at Redhugh Park with a 3-2 win. Goals from Peter Farrell, Keith Williams and Jimmy Dodd were played out in front of a crowd of just 3,146.

Gateshead were also renowned for producing an above average programme during this era, and the edition for Rovers' final visit was no exception. A 12-page issue on high quality paper contained all the usual information, with a combination of adverts and league statistics – with the team selection layout on the centre pages.

#### HEREFORD UNITED

Founded in 1924, the club entered the Birmingham Combination and switched to the Birmingham & District League four years later. They entered the Southern League after World War II, winning the North-West Division in 1958–59 and Division One in 1964–65. Hereford achieved national prominence in 1972 when they knocked top-flight Newcastle United out of the FA Cup and were elected into the Football League later that year. Promoted out of the Fourth Division in 1972/73, they won the Third Division title in 1975/76, though lasted just one

season in the Second Division and were relegated again the following year.

Hereford spent 19 seasons in the fourth tier before losing their Football League status with a last-place finish in 1997. They remained in the Conference for nine seasons under the stewardship of Graham Turner, finishing second three consecutive times before winning promotion after winning the 2006 play-off final. Promoted out of League Two in 2007/08, they were relegated the following season and were again relegated into non-League football in 2012. On 19 December 2014, the club was wound up in the High Court with debts around £1.3million.

Following the demise of United, a new 'phoenix club' was set up, Hereford. The new club incorporates the words 'Forever United' into its crest design, as well as the iconic Hereford Bull, and gained promotion to the National League North in 2018.

Rovers' first trip was a successful one, as on 19 September, and in front of over 9,000 spectators, they won 2-0 with goals from Eddie Loyden and Tommy Young, thus extending their run at the top of Division Three.

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A large sized programme for United's second season of league offered a distinct alteration in colour covers throughout the campaign, with Tranmere's visit marked in orange. 16-pages of detailed content, one section of which was devoted to Rovers, was complimented by small sized adverts, throughout including the back cover.

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Both clubs met just the once – during the 2003/4 season – as Rushden went on to secure their second and final win over Rovers that season, as despite a Danny Harrison equaliser, the visitors lost 2-1 with 3,074 watching the game. The self-titled programme was considered an above average issue, which contained a fine wealth of content using some excellent articles, and spread over 64 pages. The midweek fixture also didn't deter the edition from selling out on the night, and is rarely seen now in the current climate.

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# +Vantage Point+

DAVE GOAT 'GIVE US AN R' TRANMERE ROVERS FANZINE

**I've noticed recently while watching Match of the Day that we are fast approaching the year of the sash. Southampton have got the ball rolling by adopting the single, diagonal red stripe bisecting the front of their white shirts.**

The Saints are sporting it on their home kit, although a number of clubs have also used the design in recent years for away or third kits. This iconic shirt design gained most notoriety in the 1978 World Cup when the bravado and gung ho spirit of a Peru side caught the eye augmented by their white shirt with red sash. The tournament was in Argentina and it was the year the hosts won the final with a tickertape backdrop in Buenos Aires. Peru, like Brasil and Portugal, had a standout player in Teofilo Cubillas who scored a legendary goal when he hit a free kick with the outside of his foot, bending it round the wall and into the roof of the net in their 3-1 win against Scotland. He was the Pele of Peru. It's the sort of memory that stays with you for the rest of your life and he was wearing that shirt which in a recent poll was voted the most popular World Cup kit of all time. Peru came top of their first group even though Holland and Scotland were in it. They won two games, but drew against Holland. In the next group they lost all three games, but it was the so called 'group of death' with Brazil, Argentina and Poland sharing the stage with them. Even so they had already captured the imagination of many fans. Cubillas finished second highest scorer in the tournament behind eventual top scorer Mario Kempes of Argentina. Most Rovers fans from my era I've



met (young kids in the swinging 60s) consider our kit with the blue sash to be their favourite, and it's certainly mine, and for most of us it also reminds us of our first season with sponsored shirts. The sash had 'Storeton' printed on it. I think it was Storeton Motors who were the first to dip their toe into the world of sponsorship at Tranmere Rovers. Anyway, when I was a kid I was brought up on a diet of Airfix models, card collecting (Man From Uncle, Batman and The Outer Limits), and comics. One of my favourite comic strips was Billy's Boots where a kid called Billy Dane is clearing out his grandmother's loft and acquires a pair of very, very old boots belonging to a long dead prolific goalscorer, Charles Dead-Shot Keen. Billy was a figure of fun in the old boots, but they enabled him to score for fun. So popular was the story that it appeared in four different comics, Tiger, Scorchers, Eagle and Roy of the Rovers. Rovers fans Half Man Half Biscuit in their song 'Our Tune' included the line: Is this me, or is this Dead-Shot Keen?

By the time I was a teenager my main interests were Paula Wilcox (the dark haired girl from the

sitcom 'Man About the House') and Tranmere Rovers. In the 1979/80 season Rovers decided to adopt the Peru kit as their home strip, obviously with a blue sash. It was an Umbro kit so also had a chain of their distinctive diamond shaped logos going from the collar down the sleeve to the cuff. It also had the very popular TRFC' in script on the right chest. It was a fantastic looking shirt. That season I was 19 years old, old enough to fight in the Viet Nam war but too stupid to realise I was deluded.





Although it was a long time since I'd read Billy's Boots, where a pair of old boots turned a kid into James Norwood, I still harboured thoughts of our new kit making us play like Peru. Unfortunately that season we played like Poulton Vics (no disrespect to Poulton Vics intended) They say delusion is a false belief sustained despite clear evidence to the contrary, and despite having the best looking kit in the 4th division we struggled all season, and never reached the heights of the Peruvian World Cup team. I spent most of the season (in my flares) standing on the steps of the Cowshed shouting Beeee-Mo, Beeee-Mo' but unfortunately our leading scorer Ken Beamish, a Bebington lad, only reached the heady heights of nine league

goals and this told the story of our season, with a goal difference of -6. Our Chairman, Mark Palios, played a handful of games at the beginning of the season and a young bloke from north of the border who looked like a rottweiler made out of granite made his debut in November. Some of you may remember him, Steve Mungall. It was a season of innovations to get the crowds in with our kit, our sponsorship and our match day programme that was basically a newspaper. It was like buying a thin version of the Wirral Globe at the match. Ultimately it failed to attract the punters with Rovers ending the season with an average home gate of just over 2,000. Our lack of goals saw us struggle all season and we finished in 15th

place, just five points above the bottom four. It wasn't an easy division to be in that season with relative giants like Portsmouth, Huddersfield and Bradford being dragged down to the basement league. The highlight of the season was probably the 0-0 draw at home to Liverpool at the end of August in the League Cup. The crowd of 16,675 gave us much needed record gate receipts. Obviously the real highlight of this season was the kit. Gok Wan would have been proud of us. It did paper over the cracks though and this would be John King's penultimate season in charge for his first stint as manager. The following season he was replaced by Bryan Hamilton after just a month in charge, with Rovers finishing fourth from bottom.

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JOHN ADAMSON

# ADAMSON'S AWAY DATES

Location  
Location!



**Balneology and thermalism may be Greek to us, but if we travel back 2,500 years to that civilisation, we would find the upper classes using warm springs for hygiene and health purposes.**

Could that be the distant origin of Harrogate's reputation for being posh? It did take until 1571 for one William Slingsby to find the first aquatic medicinal source in the area, but something more subtle provides a key.

Spa towns and treatments were the preserve of the aristocracy, who held many of the values of ancient Greece in the highest regard. In centuries following William's discovery, nobility and gentlefolk were attracted. Harrogate was about location.

Cue a resurgence of interest in the eighteenth century in the spa tradition led by the monarchy. By now they had added opulent surroundings and class exclusivity to the wish list.

Spa culture was something to which one aspired, and the news reached the middle classes. Railway expansion made access easier. The burgeoning spa market now required affordability as well. The product thus began to evolve and Harrogate began to adapt. The town was posh, but not right at the top of the tree. That was the preserve of Tunbridge Wells and Leamington Spa, to which the Crown granted the prefix of 'Royal'. It was better placed, then, to accept a broader range of visitors and after all, it



was in Yorkshire, where folk are largely reputed to be down to earth.

The evidence of their success is nowhere stronger than in the town café culture. The upper classes dined later in the evening than the rest of us, so were hungry around 4 pm. Betty's Tea Rooms didn't appear until 1919 but is still a must-do on a trip to Harrogate, contributing to its reputation as the afternoon tea capital of England.

Charles Dickens wasn't having it. In 1858, he described Harrogate as 'the queerest place with the strangest people leading the oddest lives'. He wouldn't have cut it as an estate agent but even today, Harrogate and neighbouring Knaresborough celebrate two characters who were at least eccentric, and for whom a des res was a waterside cave beside the River Nidd. The first occupant, in the twelfth century, was a certain Robert who

isolated himself as a religious hermit. The second, 200 years later, was Ursula Southell, aka Mother Shipton, reputedly a witch and soothsayer.

This eclectic trend continued in the eighties, Sir Terry Wogan fronting Eurovision (1982) two years before Johnny Rotten and the Sex Pistols made an iconic video at the Turkish Baths. Contemporary spa experiences are mostly hotel-based using corporation pop, but health, hygiene and leisure benefits are as popular as at any time in the past 2,500 years. William Slingsby has not been forgotten either, his name surviving on a gin label. His brand is of course made with Harrogate water.

Healing waters, posh houses, riverside caves and gin. For three years Rightmove declared this place to be the UK's happiest place to live.

Location, location, .....



# SEVEN UP

*Morecambe 3  
Tranmere Rovers 4*



## **An afternoon of 'blood and thunder'- Rovers Rewind: Morecambe 3-4 Tranmere**

When Morecambe and Tranmere Rovers last went head-to-head in the month of October in Sky Bet League Two, quite the spectacle unfolded.

October 6, 2018: Morecambe 3-4 Tranmere. An unforgettable affair during a remarkable, promotion-winning campaign.

This was an early sign of things to come from Rovers, who displayed fighting spirit and a ruthless streak in the final third to claim all three points at the Globe Arena on Matchday 12 in the 2018/19 season.

The Whites fell behind early on in the contest, with Rhys Oates' drive from distance placing the hosts a goal to the good inside a quarter of an hour.

But the tide soon turned as Tranmere hit back through Ollie Banks and Harvey Gilmour, to head into half-time with a 2-1 lead.

Jonny Smith extended Rovers' advantage in the game ten minutes after the restart, curling a trademark left-footed effort into the bottom corner from outside the area.

At this point, a Tranmere win appeared a certainty. Morecambe's players, however, had other ideas.

Notching twice in quick succession in the 73rd and 80th minute, the home side restored parity in unlikely fashion and left Micky Mellon's men in disbelief.

There was to be one final twist to the tale, though. Gilmour capped off a first league start for the club

in memorable fashion, firing an emphatic last-minute finish into the top corner to send the 1,367 travelling members of the Super White Army into raptures.

Making sense of such a helter-skelter 90 minutes proved troublesome at the full-time whistle as Gilmour and Mellon delivered their assessments of proceedings.

"They'll be things that we're disappointed about, but would that be taken away from what was a proper game of football with blood and thunder? Questioned Mellon.

"It was a great game of football with two teams going hell for leather for a victory. In some ways you've got to take a step back as a coach and just say 'that was some game'.

"I'll be honest; I thought we were cruising from then on in [3-1]. We had a couple of chances after that to get a fourth but, with how mad the game was, anything could have happened- and it did. All of a sudden, it's three each.

"What a goal to win it. That's an unbelievable goal to win it. We're obviously delighted to get the winner in the end and pick up a really valuable three points. But from a coach's point of view, you probably won't want to see that every week."

Gilmour added: "We can definitely fight for top place- we're not scared of anyone in this league. Hopefully we can carry on what we're doing.

"I never score- it's a first for me as well. I'm as surprised as everyone else is!"

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2	Tue 8 Sep	A	Port Vale	EFT1-NGD	D 0 - 0	--	BCD	--	Lost 4-3 on additional penalty shoot-out	Declan Bourne
3	Sat 12 Sep	A	Mansfield Town	SBL2	D 0 - 0	17th	BCD	--		James Bell
4	Sat 19 Sep	H	CHEL TENHAM TOWN	SBL2	L 0 - 3	20th	BCD	--		Carl Boyeson
5	Sat 26 Sep	A	Cambridge United	SBL2	D 0 - 0	20th	BCD	--		Sam Purkiss
6	Tue 29 Sep	H	LIVERPOOL U23	EFT1-NGD	W 3 - 2	--	BCD	--	Vaughan (74, 75), Payne (90)	Scott Oldham
7	Sat 3 Oct	H	SCUNTHORPE UNITED	SBL2	W 2 - 0	15th	BCD	--	Vaughan (41, 66)	Anthony Backhouse
8	Sat 10 Oct	A	Salford City	SBL2	D 2 - 2	13th	BCD	--	Morris (86), Lewis (90)	Sam Allison
9	Sat 17 Oct	A	Newport County AFC	SBL2	L 0 - 1	16th	BCD	--		Antony Coggins
10	Tue 20 Oct	H	LEYTON ORIENT	SBL2	L 0 - 1	17th	BCD	--		Samuel Barrott
11	Sat 24 Oct	H	SOUTHEND UNITED	SBL2	W 2 - 0	16th	BCD	--	Clarke (31), Vaughan (52)	Andy Woolmer
12	Tue 27 Oct	A	Crawley Town	SBL2	6:30pm					
13	Sat 31 Oct	H	MORECAMBE	SBL2	3:00pm					
14	Tue 3 Nov	A	Harrogate Town	SBL2	7:00pm					
15	Sat 7 Nov		Emirates FA Cup First Round							
16	Tue 10 Nov	H	WIGAN ATHLETIC	EFT1-NGD	7:00pm					
17	Sat 14 Nov	A	Port Vale	SBL2	3:00pm					
18	Sat 21 Nov	H	GRIMSBY TOWN	SBL2	3:00pm					
19	Tue 24 Nov	H	CARLISLE UNITED	SBL2	7:45pm					
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34	Sat 20 Feb	H	OLDHAM ATHLETIC	SBL2	3:00pm					
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45	Mon 5 Apr	H	CAMBRIDGE UNITED	SBL2	3:00pm					
46	Sat 10 Apr	A	Scunthorpe United	SBL2	3:00pm					
47	Sat 17 Apr	H	SALFORD CITY	SBL2	3:00pm					
48	Tue 20 Apr	A	Bradford City	SBL2	7:45pm					
49	Sat 24 Apr	H	BARROW	SBL2	3:00pm					
50	Sat 1 May	A	Forest Green Rovers	SBL2	3:00pm					
51	Sat 8 May	H	COLCHESTER UNITED	SBL2	3:00pm					

**v Harrogate Town, Carabao Cup First Round - lost 8-7 on penalties:**

Scored: Khan, Banks, MacDonald, Morris, Payne, Clarke, O'Connor. Missed: Vaughan, Spearing, Monthe.

**v Port Vale, EFL Trophy First Round - lost 4-3 on penalties:**

Scored: Banks, Morris, O'Connor. Missed: Khan, Payne, Walker-Rice.



**FAC** Emirates FA Cup    **CC** Carabao Cup    **EFLT** EFL Trophy

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# MATCH DATA



# 2020 2021

## FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES & GOALS

Player	DOB	SN	POS	SBL2		FACUP		CCUP		EFLT		Total	
				GMS	GLS	GMS	GLS	GMS	GLS	GMS	GLS	GMS	GLS
Oliver Banks	21/09/1992	28	MID	7	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	10	0
Corey Blackett-Taylor	23/09/1997	11	MID	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Jake Burton	15/11/2001	27	STR	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Peter Clarke	03/01/1982	26	DEF	8	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	10	1
Scott Davies	23/02/1987	1	GK	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	0
Mark Ellis	30/09/1988	5	DEF	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	7	0
Liam Feeney +	28/04/1986	19	MID	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
Morgan Ferrier	15/11/1994	10	STR	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Kyle Hayde	25/09/2001	24	DEF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otis Khan	05/09/1995	17	MID	8	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	11	0
Paul Lewis	17/12/1994	22	MID	5	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	9	1
Calum MacDonald +	18/12/1997	18	DEF	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	6	0
Emmanuel Monthe	26/01/1995	6	DEF	6	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	8	0
Kieron Morris	03/06/1994	7	MID	8	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	10	1
Joe Murphy	21/08/1981	13	GK	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0
Sid Nelson	01/01/1996	4	DEF	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0
George Nugent	04/12/2001	25	MID	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lee O'Connor +	28/07/2000	2	DEF	7	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	10	0
Stefan Payne	10/08/1991	23	STR	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	6	1
George Ray	13/10/1993	21	DEF	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Liam Ridehalgh	20/04/1991	3	DEF	7	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	9	0
Sam Smith	08/03/1998	29	STR	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Jay Spearing	25/11/1988	8	MID	8	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	11	0
James Vaughan	14/07/1988	9	STR	5	3	0	0	1	1	1	2	7	6
Danny Walker-Rice	10/11/2000	20	MID	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0
Kaiyne Woolery	11/01/1995	14	STR	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0
Jack Young	21/10/2000	15	STR	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Own Goals	--	--	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

+ Player in on loan \* No longer at the Club

## SKY BET LEAGUE TWO FIXTURES & LEAGUE TABLE

### SKY BET LEAGUE TWO

**Saturday 31 October 2020**

	Pos	Club	Home Record					Away Record					GD	PTS
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A			
1	Newport County	8	3	0	0	5	2	3	1	1	8	3	8	19
2	Barrow v Bradford City	8	3	2	0	9	3	2	0	1	10	2	14	17
3	Cheltenham Town	8	2	1	2	5	5	3	0	0	7	0	7	16
4	Forest Green Rovers	8	1	2	0	4	3	3	1	1	7	3	5	15
5	Exeter City	8	3	0	1	7	4	1	3	0	6	5	4	15
6	Crawley Town	8	1	1	1	4	4	3	1	1	8	3	5	14
7	Harrogate Town	8	3	0	0	6	2	1	2	2	3	6	1	14
8	Carlisle United	8	1	4	0	8	5	2	0	1	5	1	7	13
9	Salford City	8	3	1	0	8	4	0	3	1	4	5	3	13
10	Colchester United	8	2	1	1	3	1	2	0	2	5	5	2	13
11	Port Vale	8	1	1	2	3	8	3	0	1	7	8	-6	13
12	Morecambe	8	2	2	0	4	2	0	4	0	6	6	2	12
13	Walsall	8	2	1	0	6	1	1	1	3	5	9	1	11
14	Crawley Town	8	0	1	2	4	7	3	1	1	6	3	0	11
15	Leyton Orient	7	1	2	2	3	6	1	1	0	5	3	-1	9
16	Bradford City	8	2	0	2	4	4	0	3	1	2	3	-1	9
17	<b>Tranmere Rovers</b>	7	0	1	2	2	7	2	1	1	6	4	-3	8
18	Grimsby Town	8	0	1	3	1	5	1	2	1	6	7	-5	6
19	Bolton Wanderers	8	0	5	0	8	8	0	0	3	1	4	-3	5
20	Barrow	8	1	0	3	3	4	0	2	2	2	4	-3	5
21	Stevenage	8	0	2	2	2	5	0	3	1	4	5	-4	5
22	Mansfield Town	8	0	1	4	6	10	1	1	1	5	7	-6	5
23	Oldham Athletic	8	1	1	2	3	10	0	0	4	1	7	-13	4
24	Scunthorpe United	8	0	1	3	3	10	0	1	3	1	8	-14	2
24	Southend United	8	0	1	3	3	10	0	1	3	1	8	-14	2

**All games kick-off 3:00pm  
unless stated**





# FUTURE

AGILITY REDEFINED



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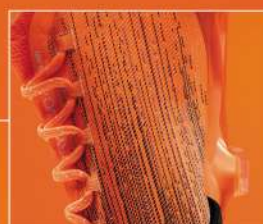


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# ULTRA

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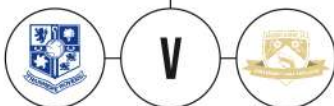
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FINISHING

**TRANMERE ROVERS****MORECAMBE****Manager:** Mike Jackson**Manager:** Derek Adams

Scott Davies	1	1	Jake Turner
Lee O'Connor	2	2	Kelvin Mellor
Liam Ridehalgh	3	3	Stephen Hendrie
Sid Nelson	4	4	Nathaniel Knight-Percival
Mark Ellis	5	5	Sam Lavelle
Emmanuel Monthe	6	6	Harry Davis
Kieron Morris	7	7	Jordan Slew
Jay Spearing	8	8	Toumani Diagouraga
James Vaughan	9	9	Cole Stockton
Morgan Ferrier	10	10	Aaron Wildig
Corey Blackett-Taylor	11	11	Carlos Mendes Gomes
Joe Murphy	13	12	Mark Halstead
Kaiyne Woolery	14	13	Andre Da Silva Mendes
Jack Young	15	14	Alex Kenyon
Otis Khan	17	16	John O'Sullivan
Calum MacDonald	18	17	A-Jay Leitch-Smith
Liam Feeney	19	18	Ben Pringle
Danny Walker-Rice	20	19	Liam McAlinden
George Ray	21	20	Adam Phillips
Paul Lewis	22	21	Ryan Cooney
Stefan Payne	23	22	Liam Gibson
Kyle Hayde	24	23	Freddie Price
George Nugent	25	24	Yann Songo'o
Peter Clarke	26		
Jake Burton	27		
Oliver Banks	28		
Sam Smith	29		
Lee McAteer	50		
Larne Wallisson	51		
Simon Moscrop	52		
Mark Richardson	53		
Martyn Best	55		

**NEXT HOME LEAGUE GAME**

Grimsby Town  
 Sky Bet League Two  
 Saturday 21 November 2020  
 Kick-off 3:00pm

**TODAY'S MATCH OFFICIALS**

Referee: Craig Hicks  
 Assistant Referee: Andrew Hendley  
 Assistant Referee: Gareth Mellor  
 Fourth Official: Paul Stonier

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