

# AMMER TIMMER



YORKSHIRE AMATEUR V DRONFIELD TOWN  
NCEL DIVISION ONE  
2ND SEPTEMBER 2023  
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# WELCOME TO THE SOUTHERNS STADIUM



Good afternoon Ammers and travelling Dronfield fans

Given Ammers' new management's short period in charge, inconsistency is common in this instance as it has been in their opening two fixtures.

A debut 3-2 victory against Athersley last week was followed by the 7-0 defeat at Wakefield on Tuesday..

Those now in charge have provided a better outlook for the club's league position. The Ammers are out of the bottom three relegation positions, currently in 20th on four points, three clear of the drop.

That's level with Dronfield in 29th.

A 4-3 victory against Harrogate Railway only on Tuesday portrays an improvement in today's visitors' form. Their other point coming against Beverley Town, also at home.

Enjoy the game!



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# CLUB

# HISTORY

Yorkshire Amateur AFC was founded in November 1918 by Kolin Robertson, but only began playing matches in 1919. In those early days, the club's fixtures largely consisted of playing friendlies at Elland Road following the demise of Leeds City FC, on the order of the Football Association, after irregularities were discovered in their accounts.

However, in 1920, the club decided that the ground was not suitable for their needs and sold the lease to the newly formed Leeds United AFC for the sum of £250.

The aim of the Ammers in those days was to compete as a major force against the professional teams in the North of England. This proved not to be viable and in 1920 the club became one of the founder members of the Yorkshire League. In 1922, the club became the first British team to tour in Latvia and Estonia. The club produced a number of leading amateur international players such as Joe Woodcock who, at left-back, was the first Bradford born amateur international.

The 'Ammers', as they were known, moved to their present headquarters at Bracken Edge in 1922 after using several other grounds, including sharing with Harrogate Town. This period was by far their most successful for the club and a record crowd of 3569 paid receipts of £160 to see the 5-2 Amateur Cup Quarter Final replay over Wimbledon. This was after a 2-2 draw at Wimbledon before a crowd of 12,000. The Ammers had demolished the holders, Wycombe

Wanderers, 4-0 in the previous round and the club's sights were now set on a Wembley appearance. Unfortunately, Marine FC had not read the script and triumphed 2-1 in the semi-final relay played at Leicester City's ground.

Such was the strength of the side in the 1931-32 season that George Hudson, the Amateur international and Captain of that season's Football Association Representative XI, could not make the Ammers side and left the club in mid-season to join Farsley Celtic in the hope of gaining a first team place. The same season saw the club finish as runners-up to Huddersfield Town in the Yorkshire League after losing 2-1 in a play-off. The club also reached the first round of the FA Cup, losing 3-1 at home to Carlisle United after defeating Denaby United, Altrincham and Frickley on the way.

The 2007-08 period saw John Ward taking over the academy and bringing a whole host of exciting young players with him to add to the players already at the Academy. Several Yorkshire Amateur Junior players also made the step up to the Academy. The Academy had a very good season, finishing third place in the league and having a good run in the FA Youth Cup.

The 09-10 season saw further changes made with the reserves entering the Lancashire League which will be a better standard of football than the league they were previously in, which will hopefully better prepare players for the demands of the NCEL.

In 2007, the clubhouse was redecorated as well as the addition of a separate changing room for female officials and a new dance floor was installed.

Ammers were forcibly relegated from the NPL East at the end of the 21/22 season due to ground grading issues, despite a 10th placed finish.

Subsequently, the club was taken over in the summer of 2022, bringing an end to Nathan Cartman's reign as manager. An entirely new playing squad was assembled, consisting mainly of academy players, within three weeks of the start of the 22/23 season.

Yorkshire Amateur appointed their current manager Casey O'Reilly towards the end of the 22/23 season with an, albeit too late, upturn in form before Ammers' relegation. Andy Blair has joined the coaching staff this season as O'Reilly's assistant, working alongside Emeel Mati as first-team coach.

## The story continues...

# Squad

# 23/24



**AAREN  
WARNER**



**AARON  
BATLEY**



**JAKE  
BOYD**



**DANIEL  
LEAFE**



**NAHOM  
TESFAGERIGISH**



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SHARP**



**KADEEM COLE**  
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Good afternoon Ammers & travelling Dronfield fans, players & staff.



It's an important game today against a team who have started similarly to ourselves, albeit not conceding as many. These are the games we need to win in order to turn our season around.

Against Athersley we, the new management team, got our first three points which we wanted to build upon but unfortunately we met Wakefield in a destructive mood.

We put that behind us, it's still all to play for and very early in the season. We as a management team are very positive in what we are seeing and very pleased with how the new players are settling in. the environment has chaged, the atmosphere is a positive one.

We still have new faces coming in and it will take a bit of time to bed them in and find our right way of playing. We have the players now to be able to play the football we want to see going forward and they will learn that way, the more we train. Let's push for another three points on Saturday and then onwards and upwards.

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Liam Willingham - Joint-manager

Fixturelist

23/24

## July 23

29th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Wombwell Town 6-0 Yorkshire Amateur

## August 23

2nd | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur 1-1 Louth Town

5th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Nostell Miners Welfare 5-2 Yorkshire Amateur

12th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur 0-4 Retford United

16th | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Staveley Miners Welfare 7-0 Yorkshire Amateur

19th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur 0-5 Beverley Town

26th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Athersley Recreation 2-3 Yorkshire Amateur

29th | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Wakefield AFC 7-0 Yorkshire Amateur

## September 23

2nd | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Dronfield Town

9th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Harrogate Railway v Yorkshire Amateur

16th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Armthorpe Welfare

20th | 19:45

NCEL League Cup 1st Rnd ..... Brigg Town v Yorkshire Amateur

23rd | 15:00

FA Vase 2nd rnd Qual .....Yorkshire Amateur v Bishop Auckland

27th | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Selby Town

30th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Clay Cross Town v Yorkshire Amateur

## October 23

4th | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Retford FC

7th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Glasshoughton Welfare ..... v Yorkshire Amateur

14th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Brigg Town

21st | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Worsbrough Bridge

25th | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Ollerton Town v Yorkshire Amateur

28th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Swallownest

31st | 19:45

NCEL Division One.....Horbury town v Yorkshire Amateur

## November 23

4th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Shirebrook Town v Yorkshire Amateur

11th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Parkgate

18th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Wombwell Town

25th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Louth Town v Yorkshire Amateur

## December 23

2nd | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Nostell Miners Welfare

9th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Retford United v Yorkshire Amateur

16th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Staveley Miners Welfare

23rd | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Dronfield Town v Yorkshire Amateur

26th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Harrogate Railway

## January 24

6th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Beverley Town v Yorkshire Amateur

13th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Wakefield AFC

20th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Horbury Town

27th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Armthorpe Welfare v Yorkshire Amateur

## February 24

3rd | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Selby Town v Yorkshire Amateur

10th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Clay Cross Town

17th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Retford FC v Yorkshire Amateur

24th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Glasshoughton Welfare

## March 24

2nd | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Brigg Town v Yorkshire Amateur

9th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Athersley Recreation

16th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Worsbrough Bridge Athletic v Yorkshire Amateur

23rd | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Yorkshire Amateur v Ollerton Town

30th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Swallowness v Yorkshire Amateur

## April 24

6th | 15:00

NCEL Division One .....Yorkshire Amateur v Shirebrook Town

13th | 15:00

NCEL Division One.....Parkgate v Yorkshire Amateur

# DRONFIELD



Although football has been played in Dronfield since the 1860s, the history of the current Dronfield Town Fc can be traced back to 1973 when Briand Gould was asked to put a side together to take to Sindelfingen (Dronfield's town town in Germany). the following season, Brian entered a team called Dronfield Town in Sheffield Sunday League made up mainly of the lads that went to Sindelfingen, some of whom went on to play for Dronfield town for many years. Sadly, through lack of interest, the team folded at the end of that season.

In 1998, Dronfield sports JFC moved from the Masons Arms to the Pioneer Club and changed its name to Dronfield Town. At that time there were seven under 16s' football teams. the club now boasts eighteen junior boys sides ranging from under 7s to under 18s, playing in three different league, Sheffield & District JFL, Rowsley youth League and the Sheffield & District DB Sports u18 league.

The adult football section reappeared when dads who used to play football together to bring their kids to play for the junior football teams, decided to reform and have an Indian summer playing their skills in the Hope Valley League. Initially they were called Dronfield Cavaliers but when their bodies shouted enough is enough they added some young blood and changed their name to Dronfield Town in season 00/01.

In 01/02, Les Millington took his successful u18s team into the HOpe Valley League. Success came immediately and between 01-05 the first team had a very successful time. In four season they won all 3 Hope Valley divisions, as well as the Chatsworth Cup, Cliff Ellis trophy, Roden Cup, Lawrence Cup, Dore Shield and also the prestigious Derbyshire Divisional Cup.

The first team has since moved on through the Midlands Regional Alliance to the Central Midlands League and in the 13/14 season were successfully promoted to the NCEL, the highest any Dronfield team has ever reached.

In the summer of 04 the club broadened its community appeal by forming four junior girls teams. Once under 10s, two under 12s and an under 14s. This section of the club has grown steadily over the years and now has eleven junior girls teams, containing over 150 girls, playing the game in teams from u9s to u18s.

In 09/10, from the then u18s girls team, Dronfield Town Womens was formed and is now competing in the East Midlands Womens Regional League. This team has the distinction of being the first Dronfield Town team to compete in a national competition when in the 11/12 season they played in the Women's FA Cup.

The old timers were not to be outdone by the young upstarts. In 03 Dronfield town over 35s took to the field for the first time in the Wragg League and still continues, in addition to two over 45s teams.

The 17/18 season saw the introduction of the u21s, bridging the gap from junior to senior football.

## **PLAYING SQUAD**

**LEWIS NAYLOR  
ALFIE MILNES  
SAM BEBBINGTON  
NICK BENSON  
ARRAN BOVILL  
MATTY CROWE  
JOE DIXON  
MARK FEREDAY  
TOM GLADWIN  
CAMERON HILL  
STURART HILL  
JAKE HATTON  
CAMERON KNIGHT**

**ISSAC KNIGHT  
OWEN LESTER  
JAMES LINDORES  
CALLUM MAWBEY  
JOE PEARSON  
CALLUM RILEY  
REGAN ROOKE  
CHARLIE STEWART  
DANIEL WHITE**

## **MANAGEMENT**

**MANAGER:  
CHRIS MILLINGTON**

**ASSISTANT MANAGER:  
NICK SIDDONS**

**COACH:  
CHRIS BULLOCK**

# Next Home Game



Yorkshire Amateur v Armthorpe  
Welfare

 NCEL Division One  
16th September '23  
K.O. 15:00



# YORKSHIRE AMATEUR FC

Founded: 1918

Years in NCEL: 1982-2021, 2022-

Nickname: The Ammers

RegisteredName:YorkshireAmateurs  
Football Club Limited

Home Colours: Blue/Blue/Blue

Alternate Colours: Red

Midweek Matchday: Wednesday

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Club chairman: Will Bowler



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