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LEAFIELD ATHLETIC

SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER
RUMBUSH LANE, B94 5NA
2::00PM KICK OFF
SATURDAY VASE

BIRMINGHAM COUNTY FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION
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CHAIRMANS WELCOME

Good afternoon and welcome to Rumbush Lane for today's fixture against our neighbours and landlords, Leafield Athletic.

A particularly warm welcome to the players, management, committee and supporters of Leafield. It's not often you get to welcome your landlords to their own ground as the away team, but that's exactly what we've got today! Having been drawn at home, we get the privilege of occupying the home dressing room, whilst Leafield will have to make do with the away facilities for a change. I'm sure there will be a bit of friendly banter about that before kick-off!

On the pitch, we come into today's game on the back of an excellent 4–0 victory over Coventrians last Saturday. It was a really pleasing result and another example of what this group is capable of when everyone is pulling in the same direction. Four goals and a clean sheet is always a good afternoon's work, but just as importantly, it was the attitude, application and togetherness of the lads that stood out.

We also had the opportunity to test ourselves in midweek with a competitive friendly against the RAF Under-23s. It was a worthwhile exercise and another opportunity for the management team to get minutes into the players' legs, maintain momentum and continue building the understanding within the squad.

One thing I particularly want to highlight is the togetherness we're seeing throughout the club at the moment.

Football is a funny game. Results will come and go, performances will fluctuate and there will inevitably be difficult afternoons along the way. But what gives you the best chance of achieving something is having a group of players who genuinely want to be part of something together.

That's what we're trying to build here at AFC Solihull.

It's not just about the starting eleven or even the sixteen selected on a matchday. It's about every player in the squad, those who aren't selected, the management team, the volunteers and everyone who gives up their time to make this club what it is. We want players who support one another, celebrate each other's successes and are prepared to put the team ahead of themselves.

There will always be disappointment when players aren't selected, particularly when competition for places is strong. But how people respond to those moments says a great deal about the character of a squad. Seeing lads turn up to support their teammates, even when they're not involved themselves, is exactly the sort of culture we want to encourage.

We have a good group of people here, and I genuinely believe that if we maintain that spirit, keep working hard and continue to demand the best from one another, we can have a very positive season.

Today's fixture should be a fantastic occasion. There are plenty of familiar faces on both sides, and with both clubs sharing Rumbush Lane, there's naturally a little extra local pride at stake. Once the whistle goes, however, friendships and ground-sharing arrangements can be put to one side for ninety minutes!

Finally, a word to everyone watching today. Your support really does make a difference. We're working hard to grow the club both on and off the pitch, and we'd love to see more people coming down to Rumbush Lane, bringing friends and family and getting behind the lads. If every supporter could encourage just one or two more people to come along, it would make a huge difference to the atmosphere around the place.

Thank you, as always, to our sponsors, volunteers and everyone who continues to support AFC Solihull.

Enjoy the game, and let's hope we can build on last weekend's result with another strong performance today.

Up The Hounds!

CHAIRMAN
PAUL WOODFORD



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"It is an exciting game to be a part of. The first competitive fixture between the two clubs and with it being a knockout cup competition, just adds that bit more to it.

We have progressed massively since we played each other in pre season, and our squad is full of quality; but most importantly to me, that real togetherness and hunger to achieve something. That was highlighted to me during the midweek friendly where we had to show real fight and bounce back ability twice during the game.

Although it is important to understand the meaning of this game and the added weight it carries, it is also imperative to stick to what has proved successful for us over recent times. Be aggressive, be positive, be confident, work hard, and enjoy it."

MANAGER:
JOE BALLINGER

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AFC SOLIHULL 2-2 RAF U23'S (4-3 PENS)



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" GOOD MINUTES FOR THE LADS IN A INTENSE MIDWEEK FRIENDLY WHICH SAW THE HOUNDS TAKE A PENALTY VICTORY"

NEXT UP LEAFIELD ATHLETIC (H)

GOALSCORERS: MCNICHOLAS, MATTHEWS

OPPOSITION REPORT:

FORMED:
1970

LEAGUE POSITION: 8TH (MFL DIVISION 3)

TOP GOALSCORER: DAN STAITE

CAPTAIN: JACK SMITH

LEAGUE FORM:
4 WINS, 2 DRAWS, 5 LOSSES

GET TO KNOW

HOME GROUND:
RUMBUSH LANE

PREVIOUS

MEETING

AFC SOLIHULL 3-3 LEAFIELD ATHLETIC

SATURDAY 4TH JULY 2025

WOODFIELD ACADEMY

GOALSCORER: ALLEN X2, RACHEL



STARING XI

1.STARES

2.MCNICHOLAS

3.KAAR

4.BIRLEY

7.SEY

8.CAMARA

10.TRIALIST

11. WHITEHOUSE

12.MEADEN

15.RACHEL

17.HACKETT

SUBS:

COONEY,ALLEN,

TRIALIST

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PLAYER Q&A

NAME: JOSH GILMOUR
AGE: 28
POSITION: CENTRE BACK

What would you say your best attribute is as a player?

"Reading the game, you don't always have to make a tackle to win the ball back"

If you could be good at any other sport what would it be?

"Probably Snooker or basketball"

Outside of football what do you like to do?

"I like anything either DIY or gardening, bit of an old man really"

Since coming to the Hounds what have you enjoyed most about the club?

"Probably the gym sessions, it's something I've not had at any other club, although I probably wouldn't say that if you asked me the day after"

If you could compare yourself to a professional player who would it be?

"Virgil Van Dijk"

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OCTOBER

LEAGUE AND CUP FIXTURES

3RD OCT
3:00PM

AFC SOLIHULL VS COVENTRIANS
MFL 2
RUMBUSH LANE

10TH OCT
2:00PM

AFC SOLIHULL VS LEAFIELD ATHLETIC
SATURDAY VASE
RUMBUSH LANE

17TH OCT
2:00PM

AFC SOLIHULL VS CENTRAL AJAX
COVENTRY CHARITY CUP
RUMBUSH LANE

24TH OCT
3:00PM

AFC SOLIHULL VS FAIRFIELD VILLA
MFL 2
RUMBUSH LANE

31ST OCT
3:00PM

COVENTRY ALVIS VS AFC SOLIHULL
MFL 2
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The Harry Moseley Cancer Charity

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AFC SOLIHULL'S CHARITY PARTNERSHIP

At AFC Solihull, we believe that football is about more than what happens on the pitch. It brings people together, creates friendships and gives us the opportunity to make a positive difference within our community.

That's why we're proud to be partnered with **Help Harry Help Others,** a charity dedicated to supporting people and families who are affected by cancer, while also helping to raise awareness and provide much-needed support within the local community.

The charity was founded in memory of Harry Moseley, a young Birmingham boy whose fundraising journey inspired thousands of people. Harry's determination to help others continues through the work of the charity today, supporting families when they need it most and helping to make a difficult time that little bit easier.

Our partnership gives AFC Solihull the opportunity to support this incredible work and use the football club as a platform to raise awareness, bring people together and encourage our supporters to get behind a cause that makes a genuine difference.

Supporting people & families affected by cancer

Raising awareness in our local community

Providing much-needed support

TO DONATE SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW

OR VISIT https://www.justgiving.com/charity/hhho

Football. Community. Together.

We're incredibly proud to stand alongside Help Harry Help Others and look forward to working together throughout the season.

We encourage everyone connected with AFC Solihull — players, coaches, volunteers, supporters and families — to find out more about the charity and the work they do.

MFL DIVISION 2

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Birmingham United	11	8	2	1	26	8	18	26
2	Cadbury Athletic	12	7	4	1	35	15	20	25
3	Earlswood Town	11	7	3	1	20	12	8	24
4	Kenilworth Sporting	11	7	2	2	31	16	15	23
5	Hampton	12	7	1	4	22	11	11	22
6	A F C Solihull	11	5	3	3	21	11	10	18
7	Coventry Colliery	10	5	2	3	23	17	6	17
8	Paget Rangers	11	6	1	4	17	18	-1	16 *
9	Central Ajax	11	4	3	4	19	18	1	15
10	Coventry Alvis	11	5	0	6	17	24	-7	15
11	Nuneaton Griff	11	4	0	7	16	25	-9	12
12	Wake Green Amateur	11	3	2	6	12	15	-3	11
13	Fairfield Villa	11	2	3	6	14	28	-14	9
14	Bolehall Swifts	12	2	2	8	17	30	-13	8
15	Inkberrow	11	1	3	7	12	21	-9	6
16	Coventrians	11	0	1	10	7	40	-33	1

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