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Thursday 7th September Kick Off: 19:30

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY AFC

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ESH WINNING

EBAC NORTHERN LEAGUE 2nd Division



Newcastle
University



AN INTRODUCTION TO NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY AFC

Newcastle University Athletic Football Club, known affectionately as “The Royals”, is a proud sports team of Newcastle University.

Our sports teams have finished in the top 10 out of around 146 Higher Education institutions in the British Universities and Colleges Sports (BUCS) table for seven of the last ten years. Newcastle University Athletic Football Club boast a BUCS and Northern Alliance league title, along with the Northumberland FA Scott’s Les Todd Benevolent Bowl trophy from the 17/18 season.

NUAFC has established itself as one of the biggest, proudest and most successful clubs at Newcastle University. The club has gone from strength to strength in recent years, namely winning AU Club of the Year in 2017 and BUCS Northern 1A league title in the 18/19 season.

However, on top of this we are one of very few university football clubs who compete outside of BUCS on the national scene. Attaining Northern League 2 status was a huge step for the club and a challenge we look forward to taking on, after winning the Northern Alliance Premier in the 17/18 season and gaining promotion. One of the core aims of the club is player development and prides itself on trying to play football the right way. This has led to players going on to represent England Universities.

NUAFC was promoted to the top level of University sport BUCS Premier after promotion in 2020.

Season 2021/21 saw the club have success in this reaching the semifinal of BUCS national championships.

Alongside this they reached the final of the Earnest Armstrong cup losing on penalties achieving a respectable finish in their first completed Northern league season.



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Steven Pennington

24, a centre back from Rome, Italy. Steve previously played in Italy.

Jos Veitch

21, a winger from Halifax. Jos previously played for Silsden.

Ben Long

21, a midfielder from south London. Ben previously played for Cartagena FC.

Angus Mitchinson

20, a central midfielder from St Andrews. Angus played for Kirkcaldy and Dysart FC.

Josh Walton

21, a right back from Chapel Park, Newcastle. Josh previously played for New Hartley.

Ryan Redford

29, centre midfielder from Newcastle. Previously played for Whitley Bay.

Tolu Osiyemi

21, a forward from Bishops Stortford. Tolu has previously played for Bishops Stortford FC.

Dan Gavaghan

20, a centre back from Salford. Dan previously played for Altringham FC.

Michael Woods

20, a right sided defender from Newcastle. Michael previously played New Hartley.

Keith Douglas

Experienced forward who has enjoyed a long spell at the club. Previously Played: Durham City, Gateshead, Bedlington Terriers, North Shields

Joel Burgess

19, midfielder who can pop up with a few goals. In his 1st season with the club

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Tom Butler

20, hardworking midfield player in his 2nd season with the club

Jack Butler

21, Lively forward in his 3rd season with the club. Previously played for Ashington and Blyth Spartans

James Matthews

19, a right sided defender. In his 1st season with the club

Ben Miller

20, Captain and a hardworking midfield player in his 2nd season with the club

Kane Morris

20, athletic forward in his 2nd season with the club.

Euan Pollard

21, versatile forward in his 3rd season with the club

Adam Redford

25, a versatile defender has been with the club for 6 seasons.

Max Richardson

Gk in his 4th season with the club

Freddie Topel

19, classy forward in his 2nd season with the club

Sam Carr

20, big strong defender in his 2nd season with the club

Dominic Griffin

24, strong forward who can grab goals. In his 2nd season with the club

Matthew Foster

22, forward who can bang in the goals in his 4th season with the club

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James McNicholas

23, Left back who has superb dead ball delivery. In his 4th season with the club

Mbako Chalashika

20, pacey winger in his 2nd season with the club

Claudius Cole

19, pacey winger in his 2nd season with the club

Miles Wallace

19, left back in his 2nd season with the club

Henry Cooper

20, midfielder in his 2nd season with the club

Richard Birtwhistle

Gk in his 3rd season with the club

Cassiun Langfield

20, Strong forward who has an eye for goal in his 1st season with the club

George Riley

20, defender recently returned from USA in his 1st season with the club

Jack Guy

20, lively winger in his 2nd season with the club

ESH WINNING HISTORY

Nickname: The Stags

Founded: 1967 (as Esh Winning Pineapple)

Ground: Windows Plus Roofs Arena, Waterhouses

Esh Winning is a former colliery village in County Durham, west of Durham city, situated in the Deerness Valley. The name of the village comes from the older nearby village of Esh, which is a Saxon word for Ash, and Winning which was a Victorian term used when coal was found.

Football clubs in Esh Winning date as far back as 1889, including a team which won the Northern League in 1913.

The original Esh Winning club was established in 1889 as Esh Winning Rangers. They played in local leagues until they joined The Northern League (One division at the time) in 1912. They went on to win the league at the first time of asking along with the Durham Benevolent Bowl. At the end of the season the club dropped the Rangers and became simply Esh Winning. The club's second season saw them finish eleventh. After World War 1 the club continued in The Northern League, finishing bottom of the table in 1926-27, 1931-32 and 1933-34. In 1934 the club were forced to fold as they were unable to pay rent to the parish council, they resigned from the league on 5th October after four matches and their fixtures were taken over by West Auckland Town.

The latest incarnation of the club was formed in 1969. The current version Esh Winning FC (EWFC) gained acceptance into the Durham and District Sunday League Third Division. Promotion was achieved in 1971, the Guards Cup was won the following season and in 1973 EWFC carried off the Division Two Championship. In 1975 there were victories in the Stafferri Cup and in 1976 the Earls House Sunday Cup. 1979 and 1980 saw EWFC carry off back to back Sunday League Championships before spending the 1981-82 season in the Northern Alliance here a respectable sixth place was achieved.

Successful election into the newly-created Northern League Second Division followed where EWFC remained until 2002 when the club was promoted to Division One. In the 2005-06 season the club got off to a slow start and were relegated back to the Second Division after 4 years in the Northern League top flight.

The 2007/08 season was a proud season in the history of EWFC. Despite finishing just 13th in the Second Division, the club won its first piece of silverware since joining the Northern League in 1982. Despite going into the game with Sunderland Ryhope CA as underdogs, the stags lifted the Ernest Armstrong Memorial Cup with an impressive 3-0 victory. At Ryton's Kingsley Park. In the run to the final EWFC also defeated Crook Town, Brandon United and Norton and Stockton Ancients without conceding a single goal in any game. Hopes were high for the 2008/09 season and they were not disappointed as EWFC finished in 3rd place and gained promotion to the Northern League First Division. After a few seasons in

the First Division EWFC were relegated back to the Second Division at the end of the 2010/11 season.

Between 2011 and 2013 EWFC enjoyed several good cup runs. EWFC were semi finalists in the 2011/12 Durham Challenge Cup, EWFC were beaten by Spennymoor Town who went on to win the trophy in the final. This is the clubs best run in this competition. In the 2012/13 season we also reached The FA Vase 2nd round proper but failed to overcome NCEL Premier Division side Parkgate at Rotherham.

The 2016/17 season started badly with The Stags picking up very few points in their first 10-12 games. After the bad start to the season Tony Boakes was appointed as manager. Tony spent the next few years and seasons steadying the ship keeping the club out of serious relegation trouble until Tony's departure in August 2021.

The 2021/2022 season didn't start in the best of ways and Tony Boakes stepped down at the end of August 2021. A couple of changes in management didn't bring much of a change in form so we turned to Bobby Coltman to try and save our season at the beginning of March 2022. Thankfully a very good end to the season secured Esh Winning 32 points, but this still left us in 20th place and 2nd bottom of the league, so liable to relegation. Thankfully Esh Winning received a reprieve so stayed in Northern League Division Two. The 2022/2023 season didn't start in the best of ways, however a great run of form from the start of 2023 saw Esh Winning finish in 13th place and securing a fantastic 50 points.

THE PLAYERS OF ESH WINNING

Goalkeepers

Harry Alderson – Young shot-stopper. Debut season with the club. Previously played for Spennymoor Town Youth.

Sam Wilson - Young shot-stopper. Debut season with the club. Previously played for Birtley Town and Jarrow.

Defenders

Jonathan Swift – Versatile defender who brings plenty of experience to the squad. The club captain is now in his sixth year at Esh, having previously played at Tow Law. Always reliable.

George Wilkinson - Now in his second year at Esh. England schoolboy international. Accomplished central defender, looking forward to seeing how George progresses this season.

Ethan Day - First year at Esh for Ethan. Previously with Boldon CA. Also had a spell with Gateshead. Can play at full-back or in central defence.

Andrew Taylor - Versatile defender, now in his second year at Esh. Previously played for Willington. Had an excellent season last year.

Reece Wilkinson - Versatile defender, now in his second year at Esh. Previously played for Horden CW. Had a very good season last year.

Harvey Rudd - Young centre-half. This will be Harvey's debut season with Esh. Previously played for Billingham Synthonia.

Robert Shields - Experienced centre-half. Now in his second spell with the club. Previously played for Willington.

Lucas Goddard - Now in his second year at Esh. Lucas looked good when given the opportunity last season.

Jai Grant - This is Jai's second spell at Esh. Previously played for Brandon United. Joined towards the end of last season, played well when given the opportunity.

Thomas Southwood - Young versatile defender. This will be Thomas's debut season with Esh.

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Midfielders

Niall Smith – No-nonsense midfielder, in his second year with Esh. Had an excellent season last year. Previous clubs include Darlington FC and Darlington Town.

Cobi Jones - This is Cobi's second season at Esh. Energetic midfielder. Had an excellent season last year.

Matthew Callender - This is Matty's second season at Esh. Covers a lot of ground in midfield. Previously played for Spennymoor Town Youth.

Ryan Cummings - Tough-tackling midfielder. Now in his second year at Esh. Previously played for Willington.

Glenn Donaldson - We welcome Glenn back to Esh for his second spell with the club. Glenn will also be part of the coaching staff this season.

Dan Pringle – Now in his second year at Esh. Energetic, quick winger. Had a very good season last year.

Samuel Haynes - Now in his second year at Esh. Brings a lot of energy to the midfield. Previously played for Spennymoor Town Youth.

Alma Mhlaba - This is Alba's debut season with Esh. Previously played for Deerness Valley.

Liam Graham - This will be Liam's first season with Esh. Previously played for Hetton Town.

Bradley Tyrie - This is Brad's debut season at Esh. Quick winger. Previously played for Jarrow.

Benjamin Jackson - This is Benji's second spell with Esh. Previously played for Durham United.

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Attackers

Owen Lister – Good goal scorer. Now in his third year at Esh. Previously played for Guisborough Town and Spennymoor U23's.

Ewan Forster - This is Ewan's second year with Esh. Looked good when joining the club towards the end of last season. Previously played for Crook Town.

George Pinder - This is George's debut season with Esh. Previously played for Sunderland RCA and Chester-Le-Street Town.

Liam Graham - This will be Liam's first season with Esh. Previously played for Brandon United.

Aaron Jackson - This will be Aaron's first season with Esh. Previously played for Willington and Middlestone Moor.

Date	Opponent	F	A	Game	Venue	Att	Scorers
29-07-23	Brandon United	1	0	DIV 2	H	42	<i>Miller</i>
02-08-23	Blyth Town	1	4	DIV 2	A	148	<i>Pearson</i>
05-08-23	Yarm & Eaglescliffe	P	P	DIV 2	A		
10-08-23	Jarrow	2	3	DIV 2	H	85	<i>Pennington 2</i>
12-08-23	Chester-Le-Street Town	3	4	DIV 2	H	48	<i>Pearson 2, Miller</i>
15-08-23	Billingham Town	2	1	DIV 2	A	208	<i>Miller, McKee</i>
19-08-23	Billingham Synthonia	4	0	DIV 2	A	75	<i>Miller, Holland, Griffin, Burgess</i>
24-08-23	Chester-Le-Street United	2	2	DIV 2	H	60	<i>Griffin, Foster</i>
26-08-23	Horden CW	3	5	DIV 2	A	104	<i>Osiyemi, Miller, Matthews</i>
02-09-23	Boldon CA	1	3	DIV 2	H	38	<i>Foster</i>
07-09-23	Esh Winning			DIV 2	H		
09-09-23	Bedlington Terriers			DIV 2	A		
13-09-23	Thornaby			DIV 2	A		
16-09-23	Newcastle Blue Star			DIV 2	H		
30-09-23	Washington			DIV 2	A		
07-10-23	Horden CW			DIV 2	H		
14-10-23	Redcar Town			DIV 2	A		
21-10-23	FC Hartlepool			DIV 2	H		
28-10-23	Easington Colliery			DIV 2	A		
04-11-23	Sunderland West End			DIV 2	H		
11-11-23	Ryton & Crawcrook Albion			DIV 2	A		
18-11-23	Blyth Town			DIV 2	H		
25-11-23	Jarrow			DIV 2	A		
09-12-23	Billingham Town			DIV 2	H		
16-12-23	Chester-Le-Street United			DIV 2	A		
23-12-23	Thornaby			DIV 2	H		
26-12-23	Prudhoe YC Seniors			DIV 2	A		

30-12-23	Esh Winning			DIV 2	A		
06-01-24	Ryton & Crawcrook Albion			DIV 2	H		
13-01-24	Brandon United			DIV 2	A		
20-01-24	Yarm & Eaglescliffe			DIV 2	H		
27-01-24	Chester-Le-Street Town			DIV 2	A		
03-02-24	Billingham Sythonia			DIV 2	H		
10-02-24	Boldon CA			DIV 2	A		
17-02-24	Bedlington Terriers			DIV 2	H		
24-02-24	Newcastle Blue Star			DIV 2	A		
09-03-24	Washington			DIV 2	H		
23-03-24	Redcar Town			DIV 2	H		
01-04-23	Prudhoe YC Seniors			DIV 2	H		
06-04-23	FC Hartlepool			DIV 2	A		
13-04-24	Easington Colliery			DIV 2	H		
20-04-24	Sunderland West End			DIV 2	A		

NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC FOOTBALL CLUB

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CLUB COLOURS

HOME

Blue Shirts, Blue Shorts, Blue Socks

AWAY

Red Shirts, Red Shorts, Red Socks

THIRD

White Shirts, White Shorts, White Socks

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