



Welcome to the November edition of 'ON THE BRINK' - Not much space this month so read & enjoy!!

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Somewhere in 'ON THE BRINK' you will find 7 Footballs with a letter in the middle, can you find them? The first is below to help you. Once you have got all 7, arrange the letters to make up the name of the United States goalkeeper in the World Cup!

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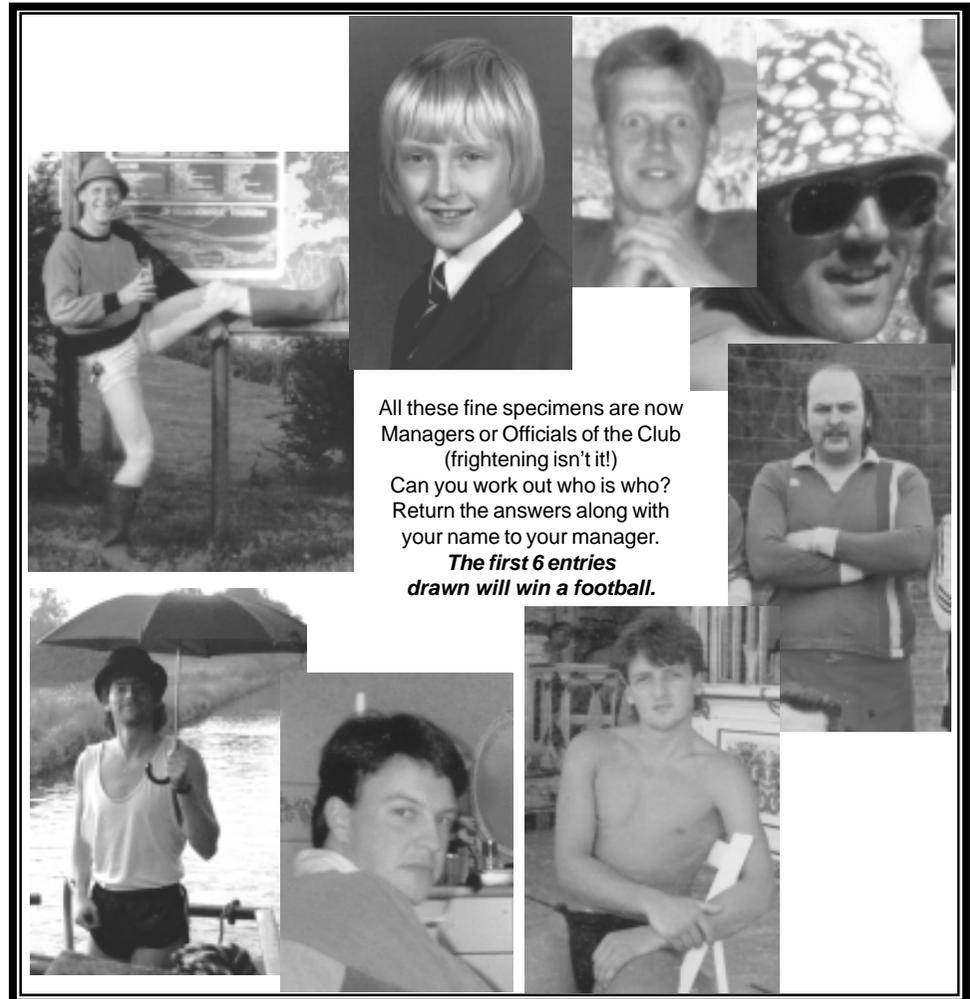
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SENIORS TEAM NEWS

Brinklow 1	Hillmorton 1	(Gaz Moore - Pen)
Yelvertoft 2	Brinklow 4	(Gaz Moore - Pen, Dave Anderson 2, Mark Bird 1)
Ryton Albion 4	Brinklow 2	(Carl Moore 1, Gaz Moore 1)
Raglan Arms 2	Brinklow 1	(Gaz Moore 1)

Since our last '**ON THE BRINK**' the 1st team have played another four games, winning one, drawing one & losing two. Although this may appear as a somewhat indifferent record, we are not at this moment unduly concerned, as some of our team performances have been superb. We have always seemed to have a Jekyll & Hyde side to our play, as showed against Hillmorton & Ryton Albion, two matches that I thought we should have won. However it appears that we always seem to save our best for when we come up against the top sides, showing not only our footballing ability but true battling spirit. Drawn away to Yelvertoft in the 1st round of the Hospital Cup, the lads turned in a superb display coming away with a highly creditable 4-2 victory. Another game that may well receive attention was our 2-1 away defeat at last years Div 1 Champions, Raglan Rangers. I personally felt that this was the best we have played this year, with all the players giving their all and playing some very good football. With a little more luck, having hit the woodwork twice, we may well have come away with 3pts instead of the 'nothing' that we didn't deserve!

So far this season due to injury & players going A.W.O.L. we have been operating with a very thin squad. we are hopeful that we will soon have a stronger squad to choose from with players returning from injury and everyone showing 100% commitment. With some of our recent performances in mind I remain hopeful that providing we can start showing more consistency, we can consolidate with a reasonable league position and possibly have a good cup run!

Best wishes to all at Brinklow F.C.

Barry Wilkinson

*I couldn't settle in Italy, it was like living in a foreign country.
- Ian Rush*



*It took a lot of bottle for Tony (Adams) to own up.
- Ian Wright
(commenting on his teammate's alcoholism)*



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change of formation, that we could have done without. This was made even more difficult due to not having a recognised defender on the bench, I was faced with making a quick decision, which unfortunately did not go to plan. Our goalkeeper Dale had played at the back before, so he was taken out of goal and replaced Nick at centre half. Scott who normally plays in goal, but was on the bench, came on as a substitute to replace Dale in goal. This seemed to be the best option, but unfortunately back-fired on us, with Coundon taking full advantage and scored 2 quick goals within 10 minutes, to bring the score line to Coundon 3 - 4 Brinklow Youth. With 5 minutes left, Coundon gained momentum and scored an equalising goal to make the final score unbelievably 4 - 4 !!

This was by far our best performance of the season and understandably the lads were gutted and knew that the final score was not a true reflection on the game and we were unlucky not to come away with 3 points.

Man of the Match Tommy Muldoon (for 2 excellent quality goals!)

Dave Wright

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Brinklow Colts 1 Coventry Sphinx A 6
Brinklow Rangers 0 Coventry Sphinx B 0

This was the first competitive match for the U7's this season. Having arranged two games just about all our players were able to have at least half a game.

Cov. Sphinx were a very well organized side that held their shape well, attacking in strength. Overall Brinklow had a greater amount of the play particularly in the first half when Jake was a tower of strength in midfield but were unable to make it count. Despite some great link up play and determined tackling they turned around at 0 - 3.

Just after the restart Andrew.S. made a strong tackle in the centre of the pitch and made one of his familiar strong runs down the right drawing the Sphinx defence and put a clear pass through to Sean who put it away very neatly. Sphinx came back hard and scored three more goals, much of the credit going to their very strong no.9. The score line didn't reflect what a close game that it was, we had a lot of the ball and created many chances. Andrew.J. in goal did a great job and the score line was certainly no reflection on his performance.

In the second game some of the new lads had their first ever competitive game. It shows playing 20 mins each way can be quite tiring. It was an entertaining game with some encouraging performances. Liam up front held his own and Matthew our left footer improves all the time. Connor and Jack each played a half in goal and made some good saves as well as valuable contributions in their halves on pitch. A first for us we had twins, Daniel and Jordan, playing, who along with Robert and Thomas also played their part in an encouraging start for the team.



The Jigsaw Puzzle

Alex Ferguson calls David Beckham into his office. 'David,' he says, 'I'm worried about your performances in the last few games. To be honest, you've been completely off form'. 'Sorry, boss', says David. 'I've not been myself lately. I've got a few problems at home'. 'Oh dear,' says Ferguson, pretending to care. 'What's up? Victoria and Brooklyn okay?' 'Oh they're fine', says David. 'It's just that something's really bugging me and I'm losing sleep and everything. I can't concentrate on my football and it's really messing me up.'

'Whatever's the matter, David?' says Fergie.

'Well, boss', says David, 'it's pretty serious. You see I'm really stuck on this jigsaw and...'

'A jigsaw?!!!!' explodes Alex. 'You're can't play football all because of a bloomin' jigsaw?!!!!'

'Yeah, boss, but you don't understand, it's really doing my head in!' says David. 'It's really hard. It's this picture of a tiger and it looks really good on the box and I'm sure I've got all the bits and everything but I just can't get it right. I even had my hair cut to try and cool my brain down and...'

'David, David, David,' says Ferguson. 'You've got to get a grip. It's affecting our games and nothing is as important as Manchester United's success.'

'Yeah, boss,' says David, 'but it's this picture of a tiger and it looks really good on the box and I really want to finish it but it's really hard and it's doing my head in and it's this picture and it's a tiger .and it's hard and I can't make the bits fit and, er, it's a tiger, er, on the box...er...boss.'

Ferguson waits until even Beckham realises he's repeating himself.

'David,' he says. 'Bring the jigsaw in and let's have a look. We've got to get you back playing football.'

'Oh thanks, boss,' says David, 'that'd be really helpful 'cos it's really hard and it's a picture of a tiger and it's doing my head in, that tiger is.'

So David brings the jigsaw into Ferguson's office. 'Here it is, boss,' he says, showing Ferguson the picture on the box. 'Look, boss, it's this tiger, right, and it's a really good picture and everything but I just can't do it and it's really hard and it's doing my head in and it's this picture here of a tiger,' and Beckham empties all the pieces from the box all over Ferguson's desk.

Ferguson looks at what's on his desk and the faint dust-cloud now hanging over it. Then he looks up at Beckham.

'David? he says??.. 'GET THESE FROSTIES OFF MY DESK !!!!!'



Lawford Reserves 5 Brinklow 1

Well another month gone by and another batch of tough games, the first one being away to Lawford Reserves. As it had been 'Whiffs' stag party the night before it wasn't a surprise to see quite a few 'rough' players. Brinklow didn't get off to a great start and Lawford took a deserved 1-0 lead. However, Anthony Ford equalised with a bullet header just before half time. Unfortunately Lawford still managed to regain the lead before the whistle blew. The second half began like the first, with Lawford attacking. It was early into the second half when Lawford made it 3-1. Brinklow didn't have an answer and Lawford went on to win 5-1.

Newman's 3 Brinklow 4

Again we were away and after the performance against Lawford we were desperate for a win. It was Newman's though who started the scoring early on to make it 1-0. Brinklow stayed focused and as it was nearing half time, one of our strikers whose name I won't mention, scored an amazing goal from just inside Newman's half. It was a great lob and he assures me he meant it!! The second half began with Brinklow really going at Newman's and it wasn't long until the Brinklow striker got his second. Roger Lunt flicked it on with his head and left the striker a simple finish. Newman's came back with a scrappy goal to make it 2-2. Ford put us back in control with his first of the game. Again Newman's equalised and it looked like it was heading for a draw, but Anthony Ford had other ideas. Right near the end of the game he toed a hard, low shot past the keeper to give us a 4-3 win.

Brinklow 5 Wolston 3

As this was Wolstons first game, having replaced Peacock, we didn't quite know what to expect. It still came as a shock when by half time we found ourselves 2-0 down after sloppy play. Early into the second half 'Turkey' scored a low shot off the post. Our 'striker' then made it 2-2. Wolston then got a penalty and missed. As we breathed a sigh of relief they scored from our goal kick. Again it was sloppy and we only had ourselves to blame. But Brinklow were still not finished and after a cracking cross, a flick from Ford and a header from somebody we were back level. This time we played better and substitute, Hub Cierniak, scored an amazing lob from close range. Did he mean it? No way did he!! However, they all count and Hub deserved his goal after playing so well. At 4-3 Wolston came back at us but we held on and grabbed a 5th after a mix up between the Wolstons goalie and defender. Again it was Brinklows 'striker' and the goal gave him his hatrick. It was a good result especially as Wolston had around 80 fans on the sideline and it very much felt like we were playing away.

Brinklow 7 Avon Mill Reserves 1

This game saw us play one of the teams in the league. They did start well though and had they had a striker we could have easily found ourselves behind. But it wasn't to be and 'Turkey', the captain, led by example and started the scoring with a looping header. Neil Johnston then added to it with his first goal for the club. Brinklow went on to score another 2 thanks to their Striker who I think has scored 7 in 3 games!! As we started the next 45, 4-0 up, Avon Mills heads had already dropped and Brinklow went onto to score 3 more, with goals from Simon Bates, Anthony Ford and Neil Johnston with his second. Avon Mill managed to get one back but they were never really in it.

Overall it has been a good run of form winning 3 out of the last 4. The only thing we need to improve on is our first half performances. And finally if you were wondering who our 'Striker' is just ask the manager Dave. I'm sure he'll know!!

Lee Kenney

*"He dribbles a lot and the opposition don't like it - you can see it all over their faces."
 (Ron Atkinson)*



YOUTH TEAM NEWS

Potters Green 1 Brinklow Youth 5

After our convincing 6 v 0 win in our last game, it was vitally important to continue with a winning trend, against one of our rivals. We unfortunately got off to a slow start, due to the fact that two of our key players were late arriving, which meant a sudden re-think in terms of selection and formation. At half time the score line was 1 - 1 with both sides having an equal amount of possession and James (Kewell) Hennedy opening the scoring for us, with a cracking goal. Second half we started with a change in formation, making two substitutions and we were quickly into our quick passing game, with two cracking goals from Tommy (Thommo) Muldoon and Chris (Viera) Wardy from outside the box. Suddenly the floodgates opened up for us and we took full advantage with a great header from Nick (Desailly) Ram and a tap in penalty as cool as you like from Danny (Di Canio) Vincent, to complete our goals tally.

Man of the Match James Hennedy (Good Goal - worked hard!)

Finham Park Rangers 0 Brinklow Youth 2

After our pleasing second half performance last week against Potters Green, we went into this game full of confidence. We were all fired up from the off and retained possession throughout the match, with Finham barely having a shot all game. Terry (No studs) Kinney opened the scoring with a well taken goal, followed by a powering header from Andy (Wooden Head) Houston, making him top scorer for the season so far. Second half we were awarded 2 penalties, but missed both!! Hit the bar twice!! And the post once! Final score a 0 - 2 victory.

Man of the Match Wardy (Battling performance!)

Brinklow Youth 3 Balsall & Berkswell 1

Due to a clash with the Senior Reserves playing at home, we switched our game to the Revel, which suits our style of play perfectly. The lads were relishing this game, following recent performances and we didn't disappoint. Terry (bad boots) Kinney opened the scoring with a courageous challenge on the keeper, which resulted in a nice tap in. Shortly after, James (Kewell) Hennedy turned the full back inside out and back again, before unleashing a 30 yard drive that swerved in flight and smashed the back of the net, before the keeper could move. Balsall & Berkswell clawed a goal back just before half time, which meant that we were in for a tough second half. We started the second half well and were rewarded by another flying header from Andy (Wooden Head) Houston, his 4th goal of the season (all headers), which is not bad for a Centre Half. We continued to press and keep the ball, but were unable to add to the score line.

Man of the Match Andy Houston (Strong at the back and an important goal!)

Coundon Cockerills 4 Brinklow Youth 4

This saw us play an afternoon kick off and the lads were relaxed and ready to go. On paper this was due to be a tough game, having had some keenly fought matches in the past, we knew we had to be up for this game. I had decided to change the formation slightly with Danny Vincent sitting in the hole just behind central midfield. This was working well and Danny was holding the midfield while Wardy and Sharpy pushed on and played some good football. It wasn't long before we opened our scoring with 2 cracker's from James (Kewell) Hennedy, the first from outside the box, which the keeper just watched as it flew past him and the second was equally as good with a firm left shot from just inside the box. Coundon replied with their opening goal just before half time. We entered the second half realising that a 1 goal lead was not going to be enough and Tommy (Thommo) Muldoon cut inside the full back and drilled the ball past the keeper in the bottom left hand corner and the bench erupted what a goal!!! Ten minutes later Tommy picked up the ball on the right wing, skipped past 2 defenders, waited for the keeper to commit himself and sweetly chipped the ball over the goalies head and dropped into the back of the net, to make it 4 - 1, what a beauty! With 15 minutes to go, Nick (Desailly) Ram one of our central defenders, was struggling with an ankle injury and could not continue, so we were forced into a sudden

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U9'S TEAM NEWS (GREEN LEAGUE)



I would like to say a belated 'Welcome' to the under 9 Green team to all my young players. The start of the season has been pretty tough so far, the team started off as a couple of under 9 veterans with the rest of the squad under 8's. I'm pleased to see the squad strengthen over the last few weeks with several new players very welcome. What the team lacks in technical ability it more than compensates for in attitude and spirit, on more than one occasion I have mentioned the 'Bulldog' spirit and as such our squad pet name of the 'Bulldogs' has emerged!

'The Bulldogs!'

Exhall Tigers 2 Brinklow 0

A very encouraging start to the season, very unlucky to lose.

Man of the match Ben Stone (who hit the wood more times than 'Woody Woodpecker')

Brinklow 0 Jaguar youth 11

This game highlighted the difficulties facing the young Brinklow team, Jaguar were a very strong side through the squad. All credit to our boys who never stopped trying.

Man of the match Phil Hibbard

Balsall and Berkswell 8 Brinklow 1

This was certainly a game of two halves! Short of players due to holidays and such, 7-0 at half-time. Brinklow came out fighting in the second half, the inevitable goal created by relentless pushing was scored by Josh Stothard.

Man of the match Willem Main

Brinklow 0 Binley Woods 11

Ouch! The lads seemed half asleep and their heads were down all game!

Man of the match Connor Jenkins (For keeping it going!)

Athletic Untd 4 Brinklow 0

After the previous game it was great to see the Bulldog spirit return, the squad looked a different lot! No man of the match - it was nice to see the whole squad enjoy the game again.

Brinklow 1 Ash Green 5

A few new faces in the team and a couple of key players missing. Trying out new positions created a dis-jointed first half. After the half time scoreline of 4-0 the second half was played well with a really positive attitude.

Man of the match Tom Wright

Chapelfield Colts 8 Brinklow 1

Again key players missing added to the number of goals conceded. 4-0 at half time doesn't reflect the positive attitude and good play of the Brinklow team up to half time. A couple of quick goals in the second half by the Colts kept the Brinklow bulldogs fighting, pushing forward. Ben Stone scored the well deserved goal from a free kick.

Man of the match Ben Stone

(Difficult to separate three for man of the match, but it deservedly went to Ben Stone.)

The Squad

Connor Jenkins	Joe Winbush	Willem Main	Phil Hibbard
Henry de Boer	Josh Stothard	Lewis Pepper	Ben Stone
Tom Wright	Micheal Paul	Ryan Murray	Alex Kukielko
Josh Newman			

I'm certain this is a team of the future and all the lads are developing, I'm sure it won't be long before some team gets really bitten by the Bulldogs! Finally I'd like to say thankyou to the really supportive Andy Pepper for all his help and advice, it really is much appreciated. And a thankyou to former Coventry player Lee Hurst for a great training session with the squad on Friday 25th October.

Andy Main

U9'S TEAM NEWS (RED LEAGUE)

Finham Park Rangers 1 Brinklow Juniors 1

Brinklow started quite slowly with Finham having a lot of possession early on, forcing Mathew Mooney into making one or two fine saves. George and Stuart were working really hard in defence to stop Finham from taking the lead. Brinklow started to come into the game more and more with Craig, Shaun and Lee putting some neat passes together, one of which split the Finham defence and found Matthew Pine unmarked, who turned and shot unfortunately just past the post. In the second half it was all very even with Brinklow having a lot of the ball, pressing forward going in search of a goal when all of a sudden Finham broke the length of the field forcing Mathew Mooney to make a great save giving Finham a corner. From the corner Stuart Day cleared it to the halfway line but only for the ball to be booted straight back towards Brinklow's goal on the way taking a wicked bounce and going straight over a stranded Mathew Mooney. The boys soon got themselves back into the game after a fine run and shot from Matthew Pine. With only a few minutes left in the game Finham were firing shot after shot at the Brinklow goal with Mathew Mooney making several outstanding saves to keep us in the game. Brinklow still had a couple of chances themselves but a draw was probably a fair result in the end.

'Mathew Mooney making several outstanding saves'

Man of the Match Mathew Mooney
(Brilliant Goalkeeping display)

Brinklow Juniors 1 Christ the King 2

In this game Christ the King had two decent chances which to their credit scored on both occasions, where as we must have had chance after chance but couldn't take advantage. We probably couldn't have played any better if we tried. Unfortunately it was just one of those days when nothing would go right, on any other day we could have come off winning by four or five goals.

Man of the Match Matthew Pine (A constant threat)
Craig Payne (Some fine passing)

London Road Lions 2 Brinklow Juniors 1

A very even game right up until the last minute with nothing separating the two teams, until a London Road cross takes a freak ricochet off one of the Brinklow players and flies into the top corner of the net. With no time left to equalize Brinklow lost another game that they didn't deserve too.

Man of the Match Stuart Day

Brinklow 3 Whitley 1

I don't need to tell anybody how much I wanted to win this game. All I can say is thanks to all the boys I definitely will be smiling all the way to our next game.

A great comeback after going a goal down with goals from Glen Wright (well done Glen), Shaun Russell and another from Lee Huddleston (three goals from his last three games, can't be bad). There was some good performances today from Daniel, George, Craig and a much better second half from Joe Kemp. (Keep it up all of you).

Matthew Pine made an immediate impact in the game as soon as he came on, setting up two of our goals – well done Matthew.

Man of the Match The Whole Team
(A superb display, brilliant, well done all of you)

Fixtures

Sunday 3rd November	Dunlop Junior Colts v Brinklow
Sunday 10th November	Brinklow v AT7 Youth
Sunday 17th November	Chapelfields Colts v Brinklow
Sunday 24th November	Brinklow v London Road Lions

Dave Payne

U16'S TEAM NEWS

Privileged and Honoured!

Brinklow under 16's of the Coventry Minor League took on Bilton Ajax of the mid Warwickshire League in the Birmingham Junior Cup. This was a match that players from both sides have been looking forward to, not only because they go to the same school and play in the same school team, but the arguments have been raging for years about which is the harder league to play in. Bilton looked nervous as they arrived at the hallowed ground of Brinklow F.C., only in their dreams could they imagine playing at one of Rugby's Premier football grounds. I even overheard one of their player's saying. "I feel so privileged and honoured to be here, it's a dream come true". Nigel Lunt one of our loyal supporters overheard another Bilton player saying "Look at those fine changing rooms", well Nigel thinks they said Fine, anyway it started with an F! Many a Bilton player has tried to join our club over the years, only one has managed to cross the great divide and that is Grant Manderston, you could see the pride in his face as he put on the yellow and blue of Brinklow. The only message of hope I can give to the Bilton Ajax players is to **Keep trying and keep believing** and one day your dreams of playing for Brinklow might come true.

On a more serious note Brinklow won the game 2-1 with two fine goals scored by Rajen Patel and Gareth Yeend. It was a match of two halves with Brinklow dominating the first and going into the interval with a 2-0 lead. The second 45 mins was a different story, Bilton came at us with all guns blazing and got a well deserved goal with 20 mins remaining. Bilton's defence was under constant pressure for the rest of the game but managed to hang on.

WELL DONE BRINKLOW! Thanks for the game Bilton, see you again soon.

Other results

Brinklow 4	Bedworth 0	(Peter Sharp 2, Gareth Yeend 1, Ryan Byrne 1)
Brinklow 5	Sporting Athletic 4 (A.E.T)	(Gareth Yeend 2, Ryan Byrne 2, Rajen Patel 1)
Brinklow 1	Yenton 1	(Grant Manderston 1)

Forthcoming games

27th October	FREE WEEK!	
3rd November	Chaperfield Colts	(Away)
10th November	V.S Sports	(Home)
17th November	FREE WEEK!	
24th November	Whitehart	(Away)

Easter Tour

All deposits should be paid in by now. If not could you please get the money to me as soon as possible. £30 per person, cheques made payable to Heather Yeend.

Keith Bryne

Three kids are playing in the street & get hit by a truck. They all go to heaven and God says to them, "You weren't supposed to die - you were all supposed to live out your lives. This was not your time. To make it up to you, I'll let you choose what you want to do with your life. Take a running jump off of that cloud over there, and as you're flying back to Earth, shout out what you want to do. And so it shall be."

The 1st kid takes a running leap and shouts "I want to be an Lawyer." And so, 20 yrs later, he is a very successful lawyer, making lots of money, with an upcoming appointment to the High Court.

The 2nd kid takes his turn and shouts "I want to be a brain surgeon." And so, 20 years later, he is the most admired man in his field of medicine and making a ton of money saving lives.

The 3rd kid goes to take his turn, and as he runs he trips over his own feet and stumbles off the cloud muttering "....stupid clumsy duffer....."

And so, 20 years later.....he's still playing left back for England and Manchester United...



U14'S TEAM NEWS

Brinklow 6 Coventry Boys Club 2

This was actually our 2nd home game of this new season – the first was a 2-1 victory against Chapelfield Colts, with goals from Joe Shore and Ricky Lee. Although I was unable to watch this particular match, we were apparently a little fortunate to snatch a win, but win we did, and thanks for the three points.

As with most of the other teams in this division, Coventry Boys Club were perhaps a bit of an unknown quantity to us, but these can be the sort of games where you can become unstuck – so Mick and Martin's side would have to be careful and stick to the neat passing game that has served us well in our pre-season friendlies.

Right from the kick off Brinklow applied pressure to the visitors, with Rainard Stocks supplying a string of quality crosses from the right, and the team confining CBC to their own half for the first five minutes of the game. After about 10 minutes however, the game had settled nicely with both teams enjoying their share of the ball.

In a frenetic three minutes spell, Joe Shore, fed from the left by a lovely James Parker ball, forced a save from the CBC keeper – then James had a shot saved after the rebound from a Joe Shore effort, then again Joe was through but pulled his shot wide. Shortly afterwards Shane Hunt scored his first of the season, the ball hitting the net in off of the far post 1-0.

Things were looking good for Brinklow as they continued to pressure the CBC defence. Joe Shore was proving a bit too nippy for CBC and was scythed down in the box whilst bearing down on goal. The referee had no hesitation in awarding a penalty, so Joe took the responsibility and cracked the ball home to make it 2-0.

To be totally honest Brinklow were not playing as well as they might, but were still in control of the game when Ricky Lee hit a thunderbolt of a shot against the bar, James Baker following through to volley home to extend our lead to 3-0.

Rainard Stocks was having a fine game, and in a lovely fluent move started by some excellent passing from Joe Shore and Ryan Wood, struck home to make it 4-0. A well deserved goal following excellent build up play, as sometimes happens, players get a little over confident and before long Brinklow lost their concentration allowing CBC back into the game with two quick goals, the second of which would have graced any game. A lovely back flick was met by the boot of the CBC no 11 who smashed it past the Brinklow keeper to make it 4-2. That grabbed Brinklow's attention and with plenty of vocal 'encouragement' from the home supporters limited CBC's play to some futile long range shots, Ricky Lee hit a beautiful angled shot past the CBC keeper only to see it hit the upright but sub Danny Carter hit the rebound like an exocet missile to make it 5-2.

In the final few minutes, Macca, Danny Carter and Ricky all had chances to wrap the game up, with eventually a Rickster shot hitting one of the CBC defenders to bounce in for an own goal. The final score was 6-2 but with the team adhering closer to the game plan it could easily have been 10. Again Brinklow, having not been at their best managed a good win and valuable three points. The day when we are right on form and play the way we know we can, god help the opposition!!

Results

Brinklow	2	Chapelfield Colts	1
Brinklow	6	Coventry Boys Club	2
Allesley Aces	3	Brinklow	2
Brinklow	1	Rugby Town	13 (Cup)
Coventry City Boys	2	Brinklow	3
Brinklow	4	Coventry Irish	2

Fixtures

Sun 3rd Nov	Home to Ernesford Dynamos
Sun 10th Nov	Away to Hawks Mill Colts
Sun 17th Nov	Away to Morris Rangers (2pm K.O.)

Report by Malc



Mick Holt

U10'S TEAM NEWS

Brinklow 8	Binley Woods 1
Peugeot PSA 5	Brinklow 2
Keresley Colts 2	Brinklow 3
Brinklow 1	Dunlop 5

Well October has been something of a mixed month for the under 10's, with two convincing wins offset by two defeats. First off I need extend a warm welcome to local lad Sam Hayley who joins the team this month. Sam has already showed his strength and determination to be a regular on the team sheet, and I'm sure will prove to be a real asset to the team as the season progresses.

The early part of the month saw Brinklow take on local rivals Binley Woods in the first round of the Cup. We had strongly encouraged as many parents as possible to turn up and give the lads a bit of 'cup atmosphere' and hopefully inspire them to lift their game. We were not disappointed on either count.

Despite a spirited performance from the visitors, Brinklow took full control of the game with some excellent sweeping moves. Jamie Huddleston and Tommy Hyde constantly battled for possession and fed the ball forward at every opportunity with accuracy and speed. Zack Murphy showed some real strength on the ball and proved that he is not just a 'poacher' by setting up chance after chance for his team mates. Tommy Glasscoe had a storming game as he peppered the woodwork multiple times, eventually finishing up with 5 goals. Full back Alex Stage also managed to get himself on the score sheet on the day to round off a great all round performance. I have no doubt that support of parents, grandparents and friends made a big difference on the day. Looking forward to the next round on 24th November against Squires Gear Youth.



U10's with the new jackets kindly donated by Steve Hyde

The game against Peugeot was played on a difficult pitch, and despite taking a first half lead, Brinklow eventually succumbed to some scrappy goals. In the first half we clearly looked the better side, but couldn't convert the possession to clear cut chances.

Travelling to Keresley Colts for the first time saw the best team performance so far this season. A few changes to the team paid off massively, showing how versatile some of our players really are. Tommy Glasscoe moved into defence from where he read the game superbly. Jamie Huddleston played central midfield and worked some brilliant moves with Tommy Hyde. Tarun Sud made a second half appearance and came very close to his first goal of the season when his right footed effort went just wide. Outstanding performances on the day also came from Tom Morrison (left midfield) and Zack Murphy (striker). Brinklow drew first blood with a long range strike from Jamie Huddleston. Two superb finishes from Zack Murphy put us 3 goals up and despite two late goals from the home side Brinklow totally outplayed their opposition in every department. Thrilling football to watch.

All in all some very positive performances from a team which has several new players alongside the more experienced, in a league which is highly competitive. Building towards next years challenge of 11 a side football might mean making a few compromises this season, but based on the commitment we have seen from the players so far, at the very least we are in for a few exciting Sunday mornings!

Don't forget that in December/January we have two social events planned – Pantomime (for kids and parents) and 10 pin Bowling (parents only). Speak to Jan if you need more details.

Tony Glasscoe

U11'S TEAM NEWS



Six league games played, six league games won, forty six goals scored, four goals conceded, TOP OF THE LEAGUE, a perfect start to the season. Well done boys.

However, there's still plenty of work to do. Over the course of the next few weeks and months the management team will be changing tactics and formations in order to develop the squad further. Again, patience will be needed while these changes take place. In the short term, the changes may affect results but in the long term the benefits will become apparent.

Mums-v-Mums

I'm pleased to announce the Mums v Mums football match and Dads v Lads Penalty Shoot Out raised an incredible £950. An outstanding achievement. A huge thankyou to every one who took part on the day, donated raffle prizes and supported the day generally. A significant amount of the money raised is being used to purchase a new kit for the Under 11s. After considerable delay, I now have the kit, which just needs the club's logo printed on it. I anticipate it will be available by mid-November ready for the press launch!!



Scorers	Man of the Match Awards
Chris Brennan 13	Anthony Donnell 2
Anthony Donnell 11	Jordan Thompson 1
Alex Cramp 6	Chris Brennan 1
Arron Steel 5	Milan Sud 1
Alex Wood 4	Alex Cramp 1
Miles Wilcox 3	Tom Rowell 1
Milan Sud 2	
Tom Rowell 2	
Jordan Thompson 1	
Tom Fountain 1	

U13'S TEAM NEWS



No report this month

Subscriptions

Can everyone whose not paid their 2002/2003 subscriptions please do so straight away. These are now long overdue and I'll get into trouble with the committee if they're not paid!! Cheques for £30.00 should be made payable to 'Brinklow Football Club'

Thank you's

Once again many thanks to everybody who helps with the Under 11s. It's always appreciated, no matter how little or often. Well done to the team, they've earned their position as LEAGUE LEAD-ER'S, lets enjoy it while it lasts.

Thank you for your support.

Peter Day

