

Fri 26 Dec	Bury <i>Prices expected to be £18 seats</i>	Rose & Crown, 16 Manchester Old Rd Plenty of choice	The Staff Of Life, 111-113 Manchester Rd
Sat 10 Jan	Accrington <i>£13 terrace</i>	Peel Park Hotel, Turkey St <i>Friendly free house</i>	Crown Inn, 318 Whalley Rd <i>Club-owned pub, refurbished</i>
Sat 24 Jan	Shrewsbury <i>£16 seats</i>	The Loggerheads 1 Church St <i>Quaint town</i>	None near new stadium
Sat 31 Jan	Dagenham <i>£19 seats</i>	The Palm Tree, Haverfield Rd, Mile End <i>Canal-side ale</i>	The Eastbrook, Dagenham Rd, off Rainham Rd
Tues 3 Feb	Bradford <i>£20 seats</i>	The Corn Dolly, 110 Bolton Rd, <i>Handy for</i>	The New Beehive 171 Westgate <i>Edwardian</i>
Sat 14 Feb	Lincoln C <i>£17 seats on day, £15 adv</i>	Golden Eagle, 21 High St <i>Very friendly, with good ales. 1/2</i>	Centre Spot, Lincoln City FC, <i>Visitors welcome</i>
Sat 28 Feb	Exeter £16 seats (£17 if average crowds)	Brook Green, 31 Well St <i>Good ales and close to ground</i>	St James Centre, Exeter City FC <i>The social club is friendly</i>
Tues 10 March	Gillingham <i>£20 (£17 adv) in uncovered seats</i>	The Barge, 63 Layfield Rd, <i>One-roomed pub with river view</i>	Livingstone Arms, 239 Gillingham Rd, <i>Fan-friendly with</i>
Sat 24 March	Port Vale <i>£19 seats (£12/50 conc, £8 juniors)</i>	The Bull's Head, 14 St John's Sq, <i>Burslem Titanic ales, great</i>	The Vine, Hamill Rd, Burslem <i>Busy, bijou with ale choice</i>
Sat 28 March	Barnet £16 seats, £15 terrace	Lord Nelson, 14 West End Lane, <i>Past the church, good food too</i>	The Old Red Lion Great North Rd. <i>Welcoming</i>
Sat 11 April	Chesterfield <i>£15-17 seats TBA</i>	Derby Tup, 387 Sheffield Rd, <i>Tynemill pub</i>	The Industry, 49 Queen St <i>Busy—good pies, nr ground</i>
Sat 18 April	Rochdale <i>£20 (£12 conc)</i>	Cask & Feather, Drake St, <i>Brews own beer and good food</i>	The Church Inn, Wilbutt's Lane <i>Friendly pub with Lees ales.</i>
Sat 2 May	Chester £16 seats (2007-08)	Telford's Warehouse S View Rd <i>Canalside</i>	Chester City Social Club

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Before home games you can usually find a few DAFTS in Number 22 in Coniscliffe Road and also the Quaker Café in Mechanics Yard.

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Hello again!

A penalty miss denied us a play-off final last season, while our injury crisis meant we should have changed our name to *Holby City*.

All that's behind us now and it looks as if Dave Penney is going to have to achieve more with less.

There's been something of an exodus of players, with particularly fond farewells to the likes of Neil Wainwright, Micky Cummins and Julian Joachim.

The core of a good squad remains and it just remains to hope they stay fit.

There's still enough to be positive about in this division and our defensive solidity, particularly at the start of last season, will be important again.

A reminder that you can receive our (usually) monthly email bulletin by contacting us at dafts2002uk@yahoo.co.uk

The DAFTS website on www.dafts.co.uk is updated regularly and has all the travel details and away match guides

We hope to see you during the season!

Comings, goings and other things

Midweek home matches will kick off at 7.45pm from this season, not 7.30pm.

The home match with Bradford City has been moved to Monday October 20th and will be shown live on *Sky Sports*.

Players in: Clayton Fortune (Leyton Orient), Adam Griffin (Stockport) Jason Kennedy (Middlesbrough), David Poole and Adam Proudlock (both Stockport)

Players out: John Brackstone, Kevin Burgess, Michael Cummins (Rotherham), Julian Joachim (Kings Lynn), Clark Keltie, Guylain Ndumbu-Nsungu, Sen Reay, David Stockdale (Fulham) Neil Wainwright (Morecambe), Scott Wiseman.



DAFTS AWAY PUB OF THE YEAR 2007-2008:

Some crackers to choose from—our favourites in Chesterfield, Lincoln and Nottingham for example—but we have picked one which is never a disappointment (*if only we could say the same for the matches there...!*) **The Waters Green Tavern at Macclesfield** combines excellent ales, reasonably priced food and always a warm, football-friendly welcome. *Let us know your favourites—especially with those new grounds.*

The Darlington Rhythm & Booze beer festival is being held the weekend of the Accrington home game on 18th-20th September at the Arts Centre.

As always DAFTS will be aiming to make a bit of a weekender, including a curry on the Friday night.

The festival includes music from The Stumble (Fri eve) and Copperhead Still (Sat lunchtime)

The Friday session from 6pm costs £5 (£4 CAMRA members). It's free entry on Saturday lunchtimes

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Date	Fixture &	Real ale pub	Nearest pub
Tues 12 Aug	Walsall Carling Cup, pay on gate	The Wellington, 37 Bennett's Hill, B'ham <i>If getting train, New St 8 mins</i>	Victoria, 23 Lower Rushall St, Walsall <i>Town centre nr station</i>
Sat 16 Aug	Notts Co £20 seats (£12 conc, £5 U16)	Vat & Fiddle, 12-14 Queens Bridge Rd <i>Ales and whisky galore!</i>	Crown Inn, 318 Whalley Road, <i>Now owned by club, refurbished</i>
Sat 30 Aug	Macclesfield £14 (£10 conc, £5 u16), terrace; £18 seats	Waters Green Tavern, 96 Waters Green <i>DAFTS pub of 2007-2008 nr station, great ales, hearty food</i>	The Golden Lion, 98 Moss Lane- <i>Nearest to ground and welcomes away fans</i>
Sat 6 Sept	Aldershot Seats £18, terrace £15 in South Stand	The White Lion, 20 Lower Farnham Rd <i>Community real ale pub, mile from ground</i>	The Beehive, 264 High St
Sat 27 Sept	Bournemouth	The Goat & Tricycle 27-29 West Hill Rd <i>Good choice of ales & fruit wines</i>	Queens Park 482 Holdenhurst Rd <i>Large pub</i>
Sat 11 Oct	Luton Town £20 (adults), £15 (u21 and OAP), £5 (u10)	Bricklayers Arms, 14-16 Hightown Rd <i>Real ale pub close to station</i>	English Rose 46 Old Bedford Rd <i>More good ales</i>
Sat 18 Oct	Wycombe W £19 (£17 adv) U16 £7, OAP £16	The Belle Vue, 45 Gordon Rd, <i>Short walk from station, a taxi ride</i>	Centre Spot, Wycombe FC <i>At doormen's discretion</i>
Tues 28 Oct	Rotherham Don Valley, Sheff £18-20 seats	Red Lion, 109 Charles St, Sheffield <i>Ale pub near station</i>	Cocked Hat, 75 Worksop Rd, Attercliffe <i>Marston's pub</i>
Sat 1 Nov	Grimsby £18 (2007-2008)	No 1 Refreshment Room, 1 Station Approach	The Leaking Boot, Grimsby Rd, <i>Short walk to ground</i>
Sat 22 Nov	Brentford £19 seats	The Magpie & Crown, 128 High St <i>Four real ales</i>	The New Inn, 1 New Rd <i>Crowded but near away end</i>
Sat 13 Dec	Morecambe £13-14	Ye Olde John O' Gaunt, 53 Market St, Lancaster	Eric Bartholomew, 10-18 Euston Rd, Morecambe