

No. 41 Sidney Holcroft

Sid Holcroft was born in Aston, Birmingham, in August 1901 and initially appeared for Britannia and Small Heath United before arriving at Hednesford Town at the beginning of the 1922-23 season.

He made his Hednesford Town debut, 16 September 1922, becoming an instant success as a goal-scoring inside-left operating in the same team as Harold Shaw, Ted Bowen, Alec Talbot, Sam Clansey and Jack Harrington, all of whom were bound for League Football during the following twelve months.

Sid managed 41 games during his one season with us and was amongst our leading scorers, including a hat-trick at Kidderminster, 23 December, helping his team finish in 12th place in the very strong Birmingham League.

Following a season at Stourbridge, Sid signed for Third Division South's Bristol Rovers in 1924, featuring in 21 senior games with six goals in his first season. Rovers gave him 14 games during seasons 1925-26 and 1926-27, when he hit four goals in payment, before moving out to Willenhall and later Birmingham Trams.

Sid died in 1934 at the age of 33.