

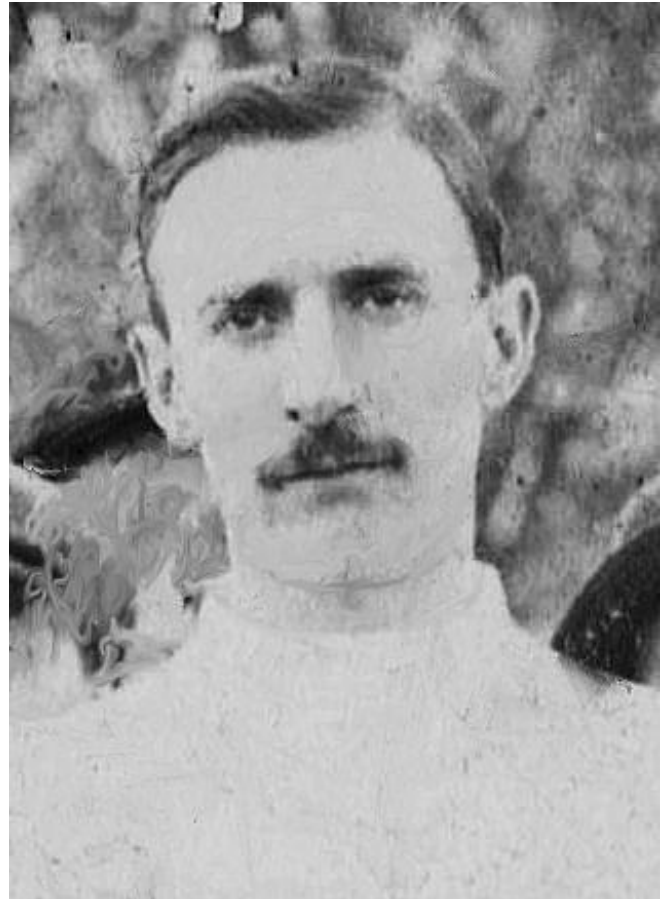
No. 9 Orlando Evans

Tall and slim-looking Orlando Evans played for Birmingham Juniors against Scotland Juniors during the 1900-01 season.

Born in Hednesford in June 1878, Orlando was right wing-half in our 1896-97 season and moved to First Division Aston Villa in July 1900. He made just two appearances for them, deputising for England international Joe Bache, against Bolton and Notts County in March and April 1903.

Surplus to requirements the following season, he found himself at Second Division Burton United, playing 31 games in each of the next three campaigns before moving out of League Football with Leyton Orient in 1905, returning to Hednesford Town in 1906.

When his playing days were over he retired to the comparatively less glamorous life of landlord of the Plough and Harrow public house on Hill Top. He had also been a Railway Engine cleaner and a clerk at some time in his past.



Hednesford Town; 1909-1910 Birmingham Combination League Champions. Orlando stands fourth from the left, back row.

