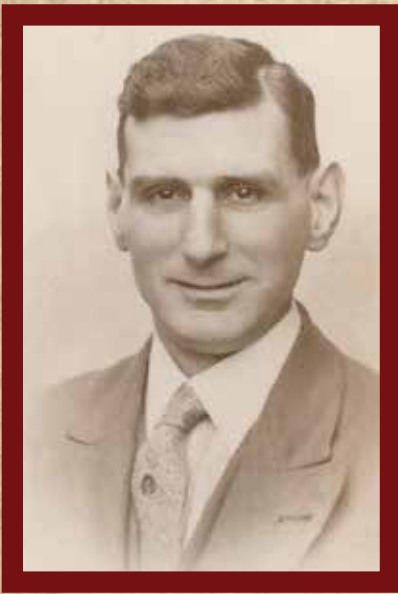


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George ‘Kid’ Moore



The name of no Nuneaton Town player was greater in his day than that of George “Kid” Moore. George, who combined trickery with speed and shooting power, had joined Nuneaton, together with his brother Alban, from Stockingford FC in 1906.

Alban “Muzzer” and George “Kid” Moore, of Stockingford, then played major roles when Nuneaton Town won the championship of the Birmingham Junior League in 1906-07. They joined Nuneaton when Stockingford were suspended from the Coventry and North Warwickshire League.

George was a nippy player and a prolific goal scorer, smart on the ball and dangerous at any time when within shooting range, for his shots were precise and hard and delivered at the most unexpected time. He was a good dribbler and a most unselfish player

In 1908, as the Junior League was retitled the Birmingham Combination, George Moore was transferred to Birmingham City for a fee of £50. Within twelve months his Football League career had been cruelly ended by a knee injury and the big talking point among Nuneaton fans was the return of “Kid” Moore for the 1909-10 season.

It was anticipated that the Town’s right wing partnership of Jack “Sandy” Sheldon and George Moore, although both on the small side, would create problems for any defence in the Combination.

George remained on call for Nuneaton Town for two more seasons, but only made sporadic appearances. Although not as forceful as before his injury he would provide glimpses of his old form.

“Kid’s” penultimate appearance came on April 20th 1912 at the Newdegate Arms Ground. His display was reported as a “revelation to many” as Wellington St. George were defeated 9-1 in a Combination game that doubled as a benefit for his brother Alban. To his generation George never had a superior for the inside right position in the Town’s history. George eventually left the Nuneaton Town to join Hinckley United.

George passed away at Stockingford in April 1955 at the age of 72.