

= Kyle Nix =

Kyle Ashley Nix (born 21 January 1986) is an Australian @-@ born English footballer who currently plays for PTT Rayong , where he plays as a midfielder .

Nix was born in Sydney , Australia to English parents and moved to England at an early age . Nix started his football career with the youth teams at Manchester United and Aston Villa , before he joined Sheffield United . He had a loan spell with Barnsley , but left Sheffield to join non @-@ league Buxton . He played seven games for Buxton during the 2006 ? 07 season , before he joined Parkgate where he spent the remainder of the season .

He joined Bradford City for whom he made his debut in league football in August 2007 . After two seasons with City , he was released from his contract and returned to non @-@ league with Mansfield Town . He played two years with Mansfield during which time he reached the FA Trophy final before moving to another Conference side Gateshead . Internationally , Nix has represented England at youth level , playing for the U16 , U18 and U20 teams , and semi @-@ professional levels but holds an Australian passport and has expressed a desire to play for the latter country .

= = Early life = =

Nix was born in Sydney , Australia , while his father , Peter , was playing football there . Peter had been a left winger , whose own professional career included 22 league games for Rotherham United . When the family returned to Rotherham , South Yorkshire , Nix started his own football career . Nix 's brother Korey is also a footballer .

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= = = Early career = = =

Nix started his football career in England as a youth player for Premier League side Manchester United , before joining Aston Villa 's youth side for a year . He was part of Villa 's youth team which lost in the final of the FA Youth Cup to Middlesbrough . In July 2005 , he was signed by Sheffield United of the Championship on a one @-@ year deal . His debut came in a League Cup tie against League Two side Shrewsbury Town , which United won on penalties , when he came on as a 90th minute substitute . His only other appearance for Sheffield United was again as a substitute in the League Cup against Reading .

Towards the end of the 2005 ? 06 season he was sent on loan to League One side Barnsley where he stayed for three months . Barnsley won promotion to the Championship although Nix did not play in any games . He returned to Sheffield United but he was among seven players to be released by manager Neil Warnock . Nix had an unsuccessful trial at Peterborough United , and one at Grimsby Town which was curtailed by an ankle ligament injury , and played a reserve team outing for Rotherham United . But after failing to win a place at any of the three league teams , he turned to non @-@ league football . He first appeared for Northern Premier League side Buxton , making his debut against Bridlington Town on 11 November 2006 . He played seven times for Buxton , scoring one goal , which came in a 9 ? 0 Derbyshire Senior Cup victory over Blackwell Miners Welfare . For the rest of the 2006 ? 07 season he turned out for Northern Counties East League side Parkgate . He also scored once for Parkgate ? in a 4 ? 3 Sheffield and Hallamshire Senior Cup semi @-@ final defeat to Stocksbridge Park Steels .

= = = Bradford City = = =

In summer 2007 , he was offered a short @-@ term deal with League Two side Bradford City following a successful trial , teaming back up with Stuart McCall , who Nix knew from his days at Sheffield United . He made his Bradford debut against Wolverhampton Wanderers in a League Cup

game scoring his first senior goal . His league debut came three days later in the first league game to be played at Shrewsbury Town 's new ground the New Meadow . He was offered a longer term deal at City , before becoming a regular first team player . His first league goal was a long @-@ range equaliser as Bradford drew 1 ? 1 with Chesterfield on 8 December 2007 before he added a second in successive games in a 2 ? 1 defeat to Peterborough United . His goals helped to win him a contract extension in January until the end of the 2007 ? 08 season . Later that month he improved his run of goals by scoring in three successive matches to help Bradford to five points from three games within the space of eight days . Nix stayed in the team for the remainder of the season , but it was not until April that he scored again , with a long @-@ range volley against Brentford , as he bid for a new contract for the 2008 ? 09 season . On 29 April 2008 , Nix was offered a new deal , which he signed the following week to remain at Bradford for another season .

Nix started Bradford 's first two games of the 2008 ? 09 season in place of Joe Colbeck , who was suspended following a red card against Milton Keynes Dons at the end of the previous campaign . However , when Colbeck was available again , Nix was dropped to the substitutes ' bench , with new signing Paul McLaren partnering Lee Bullock , who had returned from injury , in central midfield . Nix struggled for form but was also playing with an ankle injury , which eventually forced him to take a hospital scan in November . He was one of six club midfielders to be injured at the time . He returned to action later that month as a second @-@ half substitute against his father 's former team Rotherham United , at the Don Valley Stadium . However , he struggled to hold down a regularly place in the side because of new midfielders signed during the course of the season , and he was released at the end of the campaign having played less than half the games that he played in his first year at City . Nix was offered the chance to return to Bradford by McCall if he could not find a new club but he rejected the invitation .

= = = Mansfield Town = = =

Nix spent two weeks of summer on holiday in Mexico with three former Bradford colleagues , Joe Colbeck , Dean Furman and Nicky Law . Although Nix had reported interest from League Two clubs , upon his return from holiday he dropped down a division to go on trial with Conference National club Mansfield Town . After just three days of his trial he signed a two @-@ year deal to become their 11th new player of the summer . Nix made his debut for Mansfield in their opening day 4 ? 0 victory against Crawley Town , and scored his first goal for his new club at the end of September during a 3 ? 1 defeat to Barrow . Nix enjoyed a run of games in the first team and was described by manager David Holdsworth as one of the club 's " best players " until he suffered an ankle injury , which required surgery at a hospital in Northallerton and kept him out of first @-@ team action until the new year . He returned to playing action for Mansfield reserves in late January and was back in the first team squad by the end of the month . He made his comeback to the first team in a 3 ? 1 defeat to Stevenage Borough at the start of February . By the end of his first season with Mansfield , he had played 23 league games and scored twice .

During the follow pre @-@ season , Holdsworth allowed Nix to attend a trial with Dutch Eerste Divisie side Sparta Rotterdam . Nix described it as a " chance of a lifetime " to pursue his dream of playing for the Australian national side with Sparta having an Australian coach . However , his trial was unsuccessful and he returned to Mansfield and he immediately scored in a friendly ahead of the new Conference season . Nix was not included in Mansfield 's squad for the first three games of the season , and during the third match with the side losing , the club 's fans were singing Nix 's name . After eventually winning 3 ? 1 , Holdsworth said : " I know Kyle is a very good player and I respect the fans have individuals they like . But we have a healthy squad here and I picked what I felt was a winning side today which proved to be right . " His first game of the season was as a late substitute for Adam Smith moments after Mansfield conceded an equaliser in a 1 ? 1 draw with Kettering Town . His first start of the season came as Holdsworth made changes to personnel and formation for a game at Southport on 11 September . A 2 ? 1 victory was Mansfield 's third consecutive win . Before the end of the month , he had scored his first goal of the month , during a 5 ? 0 victory against York City which put Mansfield second in the table .

At the end of his second season , Nix was one of five players to be released by Mansfield .

== Gateshead ==

During the summer , he had trials with fellow Conference side Gateshead , scoring a penalty in a friendly against Carlisle United on 16 July 2011 , before the game was abandoned after an hour due to torrential rain . Two weeks later , Nix signed an initial six @-@ month contract with Gateshead . He made his debut as a second @-@ half substitute on 13 August 2011 in Gateshead 's 3 ? 2 win over Kidderminster Harriers at Aggborough . He made his first start for Gateshead on 22 October 2011 in a 3 ? 1 win against Telford United at New Bucks Head . Having started only two games in five months with Gateshead , Nix is due to be released when his contracts expire on 24 January .

== Tamworth ==

On 14 February 2012 , Nix joined Tamworth on a free transfer . He made his debut on 3 March coming on as a second @-@ half substitute for Chez Isaac in a 3 ? 0 league defeat to Fleetwood Town .

== Chiangrai United ==

Following a brief spell at UR La Louviere Centre in Belgium where he did not play a competitive match Nix moved to Chiangrai United F.C. in the Thai Premier League in 2013 . Nix so far made 26 appearances , scoring five goals and claiming three assists . Nix scored in matches against Muangthong , Chonburi F.C. , Bangkok Glass and BEC Tero .

== International career ==

Nix has appeared for various England youth international teams including under 16s , under 18s and under 20s . He scored twice for the under 17s , in a 4 ? 0 victory over Faroe Islands and another in a 2 ? 1 victory over Norway , during the Nordic International Tournament in 2002 . After moving to Mansfield Town in 2009 , he was eligible to play for the England C team , which is the team which represents England at non @-@ league level . He was one of three Mansfield players , along with Louis Briscoe and Scott Garner , to play in a 1 ? 1 with Hungary on 15 September 2009 . He was called back up for the England C team by manager Paul Fairclough a year later .

Nix also holds an Australian passport , which he picked up in summer 2008 , when he returned to the country for the first time since he left as a youngster in order to coach at Mitchelton Football Club . It enables him to play for the Australian side , a dream which Nix is still pursuing .

== Personal Life ==

Nix holds an Australian passport .

On 2 June 2014 , Nix was reported missing by his family after leaving his home in Rotherham in the early hours of the morning . He was found safe and well by police later the same day .

== Playing statistics ==

As of match played 28 April 2012 .