

Sedgmen in for Monarchs against Scorpions

Stellar Monarchs kick-start their home matches in the Cab Direct Championship play-off on Saturday, weather permitting, when they host Scunthorpe Scorpions (7pm).

The Armadale combine desperately need to get themselves off the mark after a confidence-sapping 59-31 defeat at Scunthorpe).

Justin Sedgmen is guest replacement for suspended Craig Cook and Ryan Douglas is the standout for Scorpions but they also have a solid side.

It includes former Monarch Drew Kemp at reserve and Monarchs' captain, Josh Pickering, said: "We all know what we have to do and we can only hope all the bad luck is behind us."

STELLAR MONARCHS: Justin Sedgmen (guest), Lasse Fredriksen, Kye Thomson, Paco Castagna, Josh Pickering (captain), Dayle Wood, Bastian Borke.

ATTIS INSURANCE SCORPIONS: Ryan Douglas, Connor Mountain, Simon Lambert, Jake Allen, Michael Palm Toft, Nathan Ablitt, Drew Kemp.

NOTE: The match will be followed by a Northern Junior League fixture between Armadale Angels and Ashfield Giants and on Friday night Stellar Monarchs Academy produced one of their best displays of the season with a 54-36 win over Mildenhall Fen Tigers, ending the visitors hopes of making the play-offs.

Scott Wilson, the Academy manager, said: "We produced a real team performance."