International help sent abroad by Redpath Albion

When Redpath Albion coach Irfan Sheikh headed back to Mumbai, India, for a family visit he was able to maintain a sequence of international aid provided by the Pilrig Park-based football club.

Irfan took with him some used Albion kit for needy village kids who were delighted to accept the donation.

Club chairman Bryan Maughan said: "As well as the boys' team we were able to kit out a girls team who have just played their first ever match, winning 3-0. Given the dustbowl pitch our UK players are so lucky with their facilities."

A couple of years ago Redpath Albion showed similar generosity using Irfan as the conduit but their gestures go back much further.

Redpath Albion's first donation was a shipment to the North Australian outback in 2001 where it was appreciated by the local Aboriginal community. In 2006 they helped out a team in Tanzania.

