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Discus ace Greaves is looking to lay down a marker

Athletics

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SUTTON Paralympic hopeful Dan Greaves will return to the place of one of his greatest athletics achievements in May after receiving a GB call-up this week.

Greaves recorded a new F44 discus World Record (at the time) of 59.27m at the BT Paralympic World Cup 12 months ago.

He will return to Manchester's Sport City for this year's event on Tuesday, May 22, with realistic aspirations of a throw in excess of 60m.

The three-time World Champion broke his own World Record three times last year.



Dan Greaves is set to return to Manchester, where he has fond memories

Most significantly, he exceeded his Manchester mark with a new 59.85m global best at the US Paralympic Championships in Florida.

He opened his 2012 campaign with an impressive indoor world best of 57.56m at the unique Vaxjo World Indoor Throwing meet in Sweden.

And now wants to step up

his progress ahead of this year's Paralympics.

"It's great to be part of the Great Britain team for this event in such an important year," said Greaves.

"The BT Paralympic World Cup gives me the best possible opportunity to compete against my rival athletes ahead of London 2012, not only on home soil but in front of home support and friends and family too.

"Manchester is also one of my favourite places to throw, and I'm hoping to continue my record-breaking form this year in my final preparations for the Paralympic Games."

Greaves is part of a 24-strong GB and Northern Ireland squad taking part competing in May.

The BT Paralympic World Cup is the largest annual international multi-sport competition in elite disability sport.

As well as athletics, it will include football, basketball, volleyball and boccia.

GB team leader Peter Eriksson said: "Everyone has been working hard over the winter to be in the best possible shape moving into this Paralympic Games year, and we're all excited about getting out there to compete.

"The BT Paralympic World Cup is an important competition in our schedule, giving an opportunity to our athletes to lay down some markers against quality opposition."



SWIMMING: Alice Dearing picked up her second county title in two weeks as Boldmere Swimming Club continued to boost their medal haul at the ongoing Warwickshire Championships last weekend. Turn to page 166 for more pictures and details of their individual and team successes. Picture by Steve Harlow.

Ex-Sky Blues youth set for Roms debut

Football

ROMULUS boss Richard Evans boosted his squad this week with the addition of former Coventry City prodigy Curtis Wynter as he looks to turn his side's fortunes around, writes *Andy Mitchell*.

Wynter, 20, made an appearance for the Sky Blues' first team before playing in Spain for professional club Jerez through the Glenn Hoddle Academy.

The full-back/midfielder then returned to the UK and had a brief spell in the Blue Square Bet Premier with Hayes and Yeading United, before linking up with the Roms.

The youngster is expected to go straight into the side to face Carlton Town on Saturday as Evans is without midfield pairing Gavin Day (injured) and Nathan Walker (suspended).



Gavin Day is set to miss the clash between Romulus and Carlton Town

The Roms will be looking to bounce back from a disappointing result at Coalville Town last Saturday as they allowed a two goal lead to slip, losing 4-2 in Leicestershire.

Evans said: "We made a good start but we didn't defend well and suffered through individual mistakes.

"We had a good chat afterwards and we need to get the Romulus of old back - we need to roll up our sleeves and show some spirit. The lads here have had enough chances, they need to show their worth now."

The Romulus manager will also have to make do without experienced goalkeeper Lee Evans, who has returned to former club Chasetown, with Lewis Exall expected to deputise.

Evans added: "We will go into the game with a positive outlook as our performances have generally been quite good.

"We have proved we can score against decent sides now and have got that bit of belief back, we just need to cut out those errors and I am sure we can climb the table.

"Carlton will be a test, like any other side in this league, but it is a game we are capable of getting a result from."

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