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**Results from the weekend of Saturday
29th March 2025**

Dates for the Diary

- OWA Presidents 121 Years Anniversary Ball, Saturday 3rd May 2025. Tickets now purchased through OWA Barclays Bank Draw Account SC 20 05 57 Account 00015431, OR At the Club BAR.
- OWFC End of Season Dinner, Saturday 26th April 2025 (£50 per person, £25 concession).

Other Bits

- Men Of The Hill
- All Our yesterdays (25/ 50 years Ago)
- Monday night Training @ Coloma School, Shirley, 8pm until 9.30 on their 3G pitch with a UEFA B Qualified Coach. Cost is £5
- OWFC Code of Conduct and Annual Subs Update
- Team of the Week
- Fixtures for next weekend
- OWFC Togger (Contact Roddy Trompiz, OWFCtoggler@outlook.com)

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OWFC Business Code of Conduct / Annual Subs

A new season is upon us . With the influx of juniors and schoolboys , plus training and most team playing through the summer. Our hopes are high. We have expanded to 7 teams on Saturday & the Vets have joined the vets league on Sundays . Supervets will continue to play friendlies on Sundays.

We have raised annual subs for 21s & over in employment to £150 & under 21s in employment £75, both pay £10 weekly subs . If you are playing 4 or less games you will pay £20 match fees . junior members paying annual subs to the junior section. & schoolboys pay no annual subs but £5 weekly subs. Vets due to the number of games pay annual subs , Supervets £20 per game . Unemployed please chat to your skipper or Stu Dunk (treasurer or me (asst treasurer) and we will agree something that is workable for you as we want you to play . Annual subs are due on 30th September 2024 . We are using pitchero & you should have an email to confirm your details, receive newsletters , about events also paying your annual subs or outstanding fines like yellow and red cards.

Why the rise in annual subs ? our rent to the association has gone up by £3,500 to £22,500 per annum . The reason is ground maintenance (looking after both hayes & hawesdown) costs £60,000 per year , utilities has gone from £21,000 in 2021 to over £50,000 in 2024. So it is important you pay your annual subs on time as we look to break even. Its also important you support events not only so you meet players from other teams but also have some fun & hopefully we make a bit of money , which will hopefully keep your annual subs as low as possible

Also find a code of conduct we expect all our member to follow. Please read them as this is the minimum we expect as a club.

Heres to a great season , good luck & enjoy

Alex Forbes

OWFC Assistant treasurer

Old Wilsonians Football Club

Code of Conduct

As a representative of the Old Wilsonians Football Club, I agree that;

On and off the pitch, I will:

- Always play the game fairly and in the right spirit.
- Be aware of the impact of bad language; keep spectators and members of the public - including children - in mind.
- Never verbally abuse a match official, player or spectator based their appearance, race, religion, gender or sexuality. Doing so could lead to dismissal from the field, suspension and possible police action.
- Never physically assault a match official, player or spectator. Doing so could lead to dismissal from the field, suspension and possible police action.
- Help to create a safe and inclusive environment both on and off the pitch.
- Report all allegations of abuse or poor practice to the Club Welfare Officer.
- Not to abuse, neglect, harm or discriminate against anyone; or act in a way that may be interpreted as such.
- Adhere to the club's safeguarding policy, rules and regulations.
- Attend the match with correct kit, this includes black shorts and gold socks.
- Arrive on time. If for any reason I may be late, I will inform my captain as soon as possible.
- Respect the decisions made by my captain.
- Not drop out from the game at short notice. This is unfair to other players who may have been left out, so that I could play. If I have a valid reason, I will inform my captain. Failure to contact my captain will result in being reported to the disciplinary committee.

Old Wilsonians Football Club

Code of Conduct continued

Selection, finances and expected conduct.

- I understand, if I have made myself available to play, I will be expected to represent any team within the Old Wilsonians football club, as per rule 11 of the OWFC rules.
- I will sign up to the FA Matchday app.
- I will pay my annual and weekly subs on time. If I am unable to do this, I will inform the club treasurer who may be able to assist.
- I will conduct myself in such a manner as not to bring the Old Wilsonians football club into disrepute.
- I will not be involved with/under the influence of any drugs or illegal substances whilst representing the football club, in line with the OWFC drugs policy.
- When playing at home, I will help when required to offer hospitality to the visiting teams and complete requested duties.
- I understand the expectation that I support the club with fundraising events and activities.
- I understand that I need to provide the club with any personal data required for registration and/or safeguarding purposes.
- I will refrain from any criminal activity. I will represent the club with integrity and honesty.

Old Wilsonians Football Club

Code of Conduct continued

I understand:

If I do not follow the Code, I may expect to:

- Be cautioned, sin binned or sent off by the match officials, depending on the nature of the offence.
- Be asked to apologise to whoever I have offended or abused.
- Be disciplined by my club via the disciplinary committee, including being substituted, dropped, given a formal warning, suspended from training or matches or a permanent suspension from the club. This will depend on the nature of the offence.
- Be disciplined by the County Football Association, including being fined or suspended for a number of matches depending on the nature of the offence.
- Be handed a permanent exclusion by the FA or County Football Association, if the offence is deemed serious enough.

Declaration;

I agree to abide by the conditions above and follow any guidance or policy as set out by Old Wilsonians football club, The AFA (County FA) or the Football Association.

Name:

Date of Birth:

E-mail address:

Phone number:

Address:

Men Of The Hill

Its good to talk. Its ok, not to be ok.

Several Old Boys and Club members have set up a Facebook group during these difficult times.

Talking about how we feel is something we all find hard to do whether you are a Man or a Woman.

About

This group has been set up to help anyone connected to the Wilsonian Sports club, whether they be friends of friends or family members.

Private

Only members can see who's in the group and what they post.

To access the group search on Facebook or [Click Here](#).



Not So Old Boys

Kicking taboo out of the game

After meeting through football and becoming a close knit group of friends.

They decided to launch a podcast to discuss taboo topics and just let the world know what it's like to play on Saturday football.

Follow the adventures of the Old Wilsonians Football Club through this Podcast and on Instagram.

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Results

A round up of all this week's results and scorers for the weekend of 29th March 2025.

	Vs	Score	Scorers
OWFC 1Xi	Old Blues	1-2	Sam James
OWFC 2Xi	Actonians	1-0	Billy Mansfield
OWFC 3Xi	South Bank (DH)	2-3 and 1-2	James Penn, Thomas Duffy and Amari Taylor
OWFC 4Xi	No Game		
OWFC 5Xi	South Bank (DH)	1-0 and 2-0	Danny Holmes and Steve Benwell 2
OWFC 6Xi	Polytechnic	3-4	James Kpogo, James Stride, Jordan Richards
OWFC 7Xi	Carshalton - Postponed		
OWFC Vets	Livingstone RARA (DH)	1-3, 0-2	Chris Kennedy
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		

The 1s title charge continued this weekend with a trip to the New River Leisure Centre in N22 to face Wilberforce Wanderers. The New River Leisure Centre takes its name from the New River which runs to the west of the complex, an artificial waterway that supplies fresh drinking water to London from the River Lea.

Spirits were high in a cramped changing room as we were buoyed by the return of SITCH and KENDRICK to the fold. Discussion quickly turned to the relative strengths of Robot Wars house robots Matilda and Sir Killalot and questions on what PLAYFOOT might be up to on his school trip to Prague. After a rousing team talk the lads burst the banks of the changing room and spilled out onto the 4G ready for the game.

Early knockings saw the Wilsonians dominance that we have come to expect this season, with neat passing and a high line helping us to maintain territory in the Wilberforce half. After some hard work pressing the centre back, WRIGHT intercepted a wayward pass just outside the box and opened his body up to whip a devilish finish into the far post. 1-0 to the 1s.

The dominance continued with Wilberforce forays into the Wilsonians half only few and far between, yet the 1s struggled to make many clear cut opportunities for themselves. That was until RIMAN slipped one through the inside channel to SMART who showed his youthful vigour in reaching the over-hit pass before being assaulted by the keeper and earning a penalty. JEEVAN calmly dispatched the penalty in the bottom left of the goal, leading the 1s into half time with a 2-0 lead.

The 2nd half began in a somewhat more attritional manner with Wilberforce gaining some territory for the first time in the game. A ball down the channel and a looping cross saw the opposition bring it back to 2-1 at the back post. It was time for the lads to dig in and take control, and through some valiant defending from JAMES at CB we were able to dam the flow of many Wilberforce attacks. Indeed, our CBs would continue to be the source of our success as GILL peeled off to the back post from a JEEVAN corner and rifled a trademark volley into the top corner for 3-1. GILL's jubilant celebrations rewarded him with an off-the-ball kick from a particularly chirpy opposition defender, but like pebble subject to the erosive power of the New River as it travels downstream the opposition defender's confidence was eroded by a stern talking to from the ref and a glance at the scoreboard. Little was heard from him for the remainder of the game.

After a couple of controversially disallowed goals from SITCH and KENDRICK, the game was wrapped up when JEEVAN meandered into a dangerous area and slipped one into RIMAN who took a touch and slotted it past the keeper for 4-1. A resounding win for the 1s and another 3 points closer to the title.

Post-game events saw a friend of the uncle of the Haringey Borough's assistant manager's gardener tap up STEADFORD and JAMES for a run in the Ithsmian league. Both laughed him off asking why they'd take a step down in quality at their ripe old age. After a season's-best rendition of Aerosmith in the changing rooms, the mighty 1s were into the bar for some beer and chips at the top of the league. What a feeling.

Squad: H Ingamells, P Kirby, G Gill, S James, N Cooper, K Steadford, G Jeeven, S Wright, O Sitch, H Smart, H Riman, C Sutherland, J Kendrick

Goals: S Wright, G Jeeven, G Gill, H Riman

MoM: G Gill

Actonians FC 0-1 Old Wilsonians 2s

After a long journey to West London, the spirits were high due to it being the last game of the season. Although the game didn't matter much towards the league, we wanted to end the season on a high, and with Actonians fighting relegation, we were fully focused on the 3 points.

The game started with Old Wilsonians dominating possession and creating a few half-chances. A quick counter attack put Old Wils through and a bouncing ball came to Billy who smashed it into the bottom corner, with the keeper having no chance of saving it. After the goal, the intensity dropped with the majority of our team suffering from a severe hangover, which gave Actonians the chance to get back into the game. Although they didn't capitalise, we could see their threat from set pieces having the height advantage over us. It didn't help that our tallest player, James, was constantly thinking about his new girlfriend, allowing them to win most of the balls into the box.

The second half started just like the first, with Old Wils dominating the possession and creating many opportunities to get their second goal of the match. The best chance of the second half was for Old Wils, with a ball played over the top of the Actonians back line and Nils getting to the end of it with a header which hit the post. His reward for this chance was getting absolutely clattered by the opposition goalkeeper. We weren't at our best but we felt comfortable to not concede as Actonians didn't carry much threat in the second half. The boys saw out the game to keep it 1-0 and ended the season with 3 points. With our form in 2025, we're excited for the season to come and hopefully we can push for promotion.

Having spoken to their skipper during the week, we were looking forward to a semi final on the hallowed turf of Eton College 1st team pitch. A week of rain put pay to that the game was played on a cow field that looked more like a pig field after 120 minutes.

Paton and Parkinson "passed" fitness tests so a full squad took the field having driven 8 miles to get to it from the changing rooms.

Eton were in the ascendancy early on with Parkinson, in goal, doing well to cope with a number a set pieces and Hannah getting away with a suspicious looking handball on the line. We looked dangerous on the break and it was from one of these that Kennedy gave us the lead. We were soon pegged back with a suspiciously offside looking striker lobbing Parkinson for old times sake. A missed header from our defence soon led to a second from Eton. At this point we got on top and deservedly equalised from Free's knee.

It was a sapping pitch and all subs were used at the break. Unfortunately, Eton score about 15 minutes in, another sloppy goal where a cross somehow got to the back post to be slotted in. We huffed and puffed but nothing was really falling for us. As time went on we started to just get it into the box for all angles with Sherwin causing some chaos. With second on the clock a set piece was cleared to Howe at the edge of the box. For those of you familiar with Jon will know that we all thought he would either take an air shot and they would break and score or he would pluck a robin out of the trees and the game would be over. Instead, like a young Tony Yeboah he planted a volley into the top corner.

Onto extra time and we were confident that the momentum was with us. Eton however found some resolve and an excellent strike ended up in the net early in extra time.

We didn't threaten until the last few minutes and had strong claims for a handball and the ball being over the line turned down before the whistle went.

A tough result but everyone left it all out there and I'm sure we'll convert a semi one day.

Mom went to Free who covered most of the school grounds. Without the presence of Doug Smart he would have a strong claim for player of the year.

Andy Parkinson, Dave McLeish, Doug Smart, Guy Hannah, Dan Harris, Jamie Parkinson, Andy Free, Gary Bonsels, Andy Fox, Jon Howe, Chris Kennedy, Pat DuCasse, Paul Sherwin, James Paton, Simon Elliott



Fixtures

A look at all the upcoming fixtures for the weekend of 5th April 2025 throughout the club (Week 25)

	Vs	Competition	Location
OWFC 1Xi	Wilberforce	SAL	Home
OWFC 2Xi	TBC	SAL	
OWFC 3Xi	Carshalton	SAL	Away
OWFC 4Xi	Old Wimbledonians	SAL	Home
OWFC 5Xi	Bank (DH)	SAL	Home
OWFC 6Xi	Merton	SAL	Home
OWFC 7Xi	Polytechnic	SAL	Away
OWFC Vets	Colebrook Royals	SAL Junior Cup Semi Final	Away
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

Classified Results , March 25th 2000

Old Buckwellians	1	1 st XI	0	
Old Josephians	0	3 rd X	2	Holmes, Harvey
Old Sinjuns	2	4 th XI	1	Kirkham
5 th XI	5	Glyn Old Boys	1	Target.M 2, Tarn, Vincent, Boxall
6 th XI	2	Chertsey Old Salesians	0	Ward, du Casse
Mickleham Old Boys	0	7 th XI	1	Warboys,D
7 th XI	1	Mickleham Old Boys	0	OG
8 th XI	2	Old Wokingians	2	Breen, James or Jerome – One of the goals is in dispute – sort it out
Palace	0	Charlton	1	So is this one!!



LEAGUE LEADERS WELL WITHIN REACH 6th XI 2 Chertsey Old Salesians 0

On the back of a 5-0 win against Old Paulines the week before, the 6th XI went into this 'top of the table' clash with Chertsey Old Salesians full of confidence. The game started slowly, with both teams having few chances, but the deadlock was broken after about 20 minutes with **JOHN WARD** heading superbly home from a Duncan Hayward cross, and the 6th XI reached half-time with a 1-0 lead in a game which Chertsey certainly could not afford to lose.

And this attitude manifested itself as the 6th XI goal had to put up with attack after attack, with little happening at the other end. But the team came through this onslaught well and, after a quick refereeing change, the game went on as before, with Chertsey squandering chances here and there.

Our defence continued to hold their ground, with valuable performances from 'newcomer' Stuart McBride and Duncan Hayward, and the game was put beyond Chertsey when **PAT du CASSE** slotted home five minutes from time.

This great result sets the 6th XI up neatly for the league championship, as we are now only two points behind Chertsey and with a game in hand.

Pat du Casse

Parkinson.A Forbes.A McCutcheon.B McBride.S Hayward Nelson Barry Hume Gartell Ward du Casse

8TH XI SIGN OFF WITH A DRAW 8th XI 2 Old Wokingians 2

Against a competitive and willey Wokingians side we again found it difficult to play our normal flowing football. Having said that, everybody gave their all, although we were hampered by the loss of Pete Davis (Really? – ed) after pulling his newly discovered muscle, and Anthony Taylor, who proceeded to be rather ill on the sidelines at regular intervals. Luckily we had Tony Higgins (Really? – ed) who replaced Pete and, may I say, played very well, and Fred Brindle, who came on for Anthony.

The first 15 minutes saw the 8ths under continuous pressure, notwithstanding that, at that time, they only had ten men, but we weathered the storm and, on actual chances, should have won the game. However, Woking were always a threat and, in the end, a draw was probably a fair result.

This was a somewhat disappointing ending to a magnificent season and it would have been nice to have finished with a win.

Ian Rayworth

McCutcheon.A Lee Przednowel Davis.P (Higgins) James Breen Jerome.C Taylor (Brindle) Shale Burton Hughill

5th XI: Kirchin Vincent Robinson Goodman Hoffman Benjamin Targer.M Boxall Tarn Chillman 'Brian'

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 50 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

Classified Results, March 29th 1975

4 th XI	5	Mill Hill Village	0	Simner 2, Pilgrim.M, Poynter, A.N.Other
5 th XI	0	Old Esthamians	3	
6 th XI	3	Old Grammarians	0	Russell 2, Forbes.I



A letter from our Life President

Dear Mike,

May I, through the newsletter, thank those concerned for a delightful evening last Friday at the Football Club Dinner. You will probably never be able to appreciate what it means to be able to meet such a lot of old friends after such a long break. Bob Bevan's organisation of the event left nothing to be desired and the meal was excellent.

I was particularly pleased to learn that John Cooper is now an 'Honorary OW.' He has been a jolly good scout for many years and I believe his name and mine were linked together in Bill Greenland's 'History of the AFA.' We both went to the 'Golden' and 'Diamond' Jubilees of that organisation and I believe I also went to the 'Silver.'

My journey home was without incident and my wife, Audrey, was waiting for me at Seaford station.

All the best to you all, and may the Club continue to thrive. I feel sure that it will as the 'young 'uns' are enthusiastic and are well guided by the experience of the seniors.

Yours etc, George Croucher

FORBES THE FLYING WINGER 6th XI 3 Old Grammarians 0

Playing against a team languishing near the bottom of the table, the 6th XI were slow into their stride in conditions that were near unplayable. Grammarians lined up with only ten men, including an obvious new-comer to the goal-keeper's jersey, but, for much of the first half, the 6ths were lucky to be on even terms, as Grammarians adapted to the conditions much better, with our midfield having trouble adjusting to the flow of the play and we were continually caught in possession attempting to string neat passes together in the quagmire around the centre-circle.

Too often Mike Gasson and Pete Russell were left to take on the Grammarian defence on their own, and it took a brilliant piece of individual skill by **PETE RUSSELL** to give us the lead, evading several lunging tackles as he dribbled his way through their defence before placing the ball wide of the 'keeper.

Midway through the first half a Grammarian player was carried off the pitch and took no further part in the game but, even with nine players, our opponents continued to create chances.

The pattern of the play in the second half was similar to that of the first, with passes continually going astray as players were caught in possession. Gradually, however, numbers began to tell and one of **IAN FORBES'** numerous right-wing crosses was left by their goal-keeper, and the rest of the Grammarian defence, to find its way into the far corner of the net and, shortly before full-time, a goal-mouth scramble ended with **PETE RUSSELL** sending a low hard shot past the goal-keeper for our third goal.

Summing up, this was a game best forgotten by the 6th XI, despite the victory, and the pitch conditions cannot excuse a poor performance by several of the players. The problems appeared to stem from the team's approach to the game from the outset, only to be confronted by a Grammarian side who fought harder than expected.

This casual approach by several players must be eradicated if the 6ths are going to improve on what has been a disappointing season to date.

Dave McCarthy

Bevan Kidd McCarthy Fielder.A Easden Wilks Fanning Pike Russell Gasson Forbes.I



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