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**Results from the weekend of Saturday
7th March 2026**

Dates for the Diary:

Kirk Benjamin Memorial Trophy (SuperVets v Art Network) , Sunday 19th April 2026

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- 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, OWFCtogger@outlook.com)

OLD WILSONIAN'S FOOTBALL TRAINING

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**** OWFC TEAM OF THE WEEK, WEEKEND OF 7th March 2026 ****

1. Harley Tucker
2. Dan Shaw (Vets)
3. Gary Bonsels (Vets)
4. Toby Shelton (2s)
5. Haydn Nguyen
6. Sam Forbes (1st XI)
7. Ed Hadaway (3rd XI)
8. Bruce Graham (7th XI)
9. Danny Morris (7th XI)
10. Kapsewski (5th XI)

OWFC Business Code of Conduct / Annual Subs

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

We have kept 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 , but no annual subs. Junior members paying annual subs to the junior section & schoolboys pay no annual subs but pay £5 weekly subs. Vets due to the number of games pay annual subs , Supervets pay £50 annual subs & £10 per game match .

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 2025 . 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 7.5% this season taking it above £24,000 per annum . The reason is ground maintenance (looking after both hayes & Hawesdown) costs £71,000 per year (up from £60,000 last season due mainly to the extra cost of running Hawesdown), utilities has gone from £21,000 in 2021 to over £54,000 in 2025. 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. Here's 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 apologize 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.

Join the 100 club today . All funds are sloughed back into the club, so any support is appreciated. Also, if you are a gold member you get £50 back to spend across the club ie you could use it for annual subs
It's easy to enter follow the details below
There are 3 levels to the 100 club :-

If you pay one lump sum you get 2 months for free !

Gold £25 per month or one off £250 per year. For this u get £50 off annual subs or can be spent within the club on merchandising or events

Silver £10 per month or one off £100 per annum

Bronze £5 per month or one off £50

15 draws a year . one number across all 3 colours . Drawn monthly with one of the big 3 every 4 months

Prizes

Gold top prize 1 x £5000 , 2 x £2500 and 12 x £500

Silver top prize 1 x £2000, 2 x £1000 & 12 x £200

Bronze top price 1 x £1000, 2 x £500 & 12 x £100

We would love you to participate .Let me know what you have picked which colour works for you (if any) and I will let u know your lucky number - alexforbes46@hotmail.co.uk

Bank details are :-

Either The Old Wilsonians' Association or OWA

Sort code - 20-05-57

Account number.- 00015431

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.

Available on popular streaming platforms





A round up of all this week's results and scorers for the weekend of 7th March 2026.

	Vs	Score	Scorers
OWFC 1Xi	Lyonians	4-1	Sam Forbes, Jeeven 2, Sam Wright
OWFC 2Xi	London Welsh	3-0	George Catton, Toby Shelton, OG
OWFC 3Xi	River Green	2-3	Exelby, Duncan
OWFC 4Xi	No Game	n/a	
OWFC 5Xi	Tenisons	2-6	Arzente, Wright
OWFC 6Xi	Polytechnic	0-0	
OWFC 7Xi	St Marys	1-6	Jack Curtis
OWFC Vets	BPR	0-7	
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		



After back to back defeats, the boys were back at home looking to turn our form around after a poor start to the year. After an inspiring story from Sam James about his new found tramp friend who'd been through many a hard ship in his life. Spirits were high and the boys felt ready to go and get a result with a real emphasis on going out and enjoying our football as that's when we are at our best.

The good vibes continued into the game as in the first 5 minutes **Forbes** fired one high into the roof of the net after an ever dangerous Beatson long throw was too much for Lyonians to deal with.

The early pressure continued through the half but Wilsonians struggled to find the back of the net despite creating plenty of chances. But the pressure paid off as Farmer managed to get to a loose ball in the box just before the Lyonians left back drawing a clumsy challenge and a penalty. **Jeeven**, cool and composed as ever slotted the ball past the keeper who could only watch the ball roll into the net as he dived the wrong way.

The second half contained in a similar vein, with Wilsonians piling on the pressure. Lyonians could not handle the intense press on their back four and were forced into a plethora of mistakes. Despite this all our chances managed to drift agonisingly wide. The third killer goal was looking allusive until Forbes managed to draw a foul in the box causing the referee to point to the spot for a second time. **Jeeven** stepped up again and the result was the same as he deceived the keeper with his eyes rolling it into the opposite corner.

3-0 up and full of confidence, the boys were really cooking now, fluid one and two touch football was cutting through the Lyonians defence with ease. After some nice play Jeeven floated a perfect cross to the back post where captain **Sam Wright** met the ball with conviction guiding it into the top left corner.

Things were looking good for a clean sheet, however it was not meant to be after letting our guards down momentarily allowing Lyonians to claim a late consolation goal.

The final whistle blew, a 4-1 victory. The boys could celebrate victory for the first time in 2026. Turning our form at the vital moment ahead of a huge last 2 games. UT1s

On a cold, grey Saturday afternoon the 2s made the trek over to Barnes with a mismatched squad, to face bottom of the league London Welsh.

Keen to avoid a surprise slip up in their title charge, Wilson's started strongly, and opened the scoring through **CATTON** after good pressure high up the pitch from Cal. Wilson's continued on the front foot, with the defence and midfield denying the opposition creating any significant chances. It was only a matter of time until the scoreline increased, this time through the younger **T.SHELTS**, as he leapt highest from a corner to smash home a bullet header, and score his first goal for the club after an 8 year wait. 2-0 half time.

A slow start to the second half, saw the match stagnate as Wilson's were unable to take the game away from the opposition and relied on Kaya to make a few good stops, to prevent London Welsh from gaining a foothold in the match.

What happened next has already been described by many as the greatest bit of defending the sport has seen. A header from an opposition corner looked destined to find the back of the net. That was until PAGE, on the goal line, leapt up to block the ball going in, not once but twice, as he then flung himself down sharply to the bottom left corner, and at full stretch headed the ball away from danger.

A few minutes later with the adrenaline pumping, a clever backheel from Binstead, allowed Page who had steamed down the left flank to whip in a quality cross which left the opposing defender with little choice other than to head the ball into his own net.

At 3-0 up, Wilson were able to see out the rest of the match without much drama. However, there was still time for a late chance for Welsh, but J.SHELTS thwarted any idea of a consolation, as he crunched the attacker with an expertly timed sliding challenge. Full time 3-0, and up to third in the table, with games in hand. #welovecleansheets

Match Report – Old Wilsonians 7th XI 1–6 St Marys 2nd XI

Scorer: **Jack Curtis**

Squad: Nick Daniels, Cody Wilkins, Ash Phakey, Pete Taylor, Saj Phakey, Bruce Graham, Bruce Stringer, Paul Hartnup, Danny Morris, Jack Curtis, Dan Hartnup, Andrew Hoffman

Venue: Hawes Down

Conditions: Muddy and bobbly

Summary

A difficult day for the 7s, both before kick-off and on the pitch. With five players dropping out on the day—three still without a valid explanation—the squad was stretched, and it showed. The commitment and energy that have been there all season simply weren't present across the pitch, and when heads dropped, the wheels came off.

First Half

Despite the challenges, the game was fairly even early on.

A brilliant 20-yard strike from Jack Curtis put OWs ahead, rewarding a positive start.

Unfortunately, St Marys equalised shortly after, bundling home from a messy one-minute scramble in our penalty area

Second Half

The match swung quickly.

Within ten minutes after the restart, we conceded three goals. The first was tough to take: Danny Morris had clearly claimed the ball, only for it to be kicked out of his hands with the referee poorly positioned.

From there, St Marys exploited space out wide and finished strongly, running out deserved winners.

What Needs to Improve

Commitment: If you drop out without a valid excuse, you will not be selected.

Attitude: If you're not committed to the club and the 7th XI, then this isn't the right team for you.

Heads Up: We will have subs — if heads drop, we can gather, regroup and reset.

Basics:

Keep your positioning

Find the easy pass

Communicate

Win your individual battles

This was a setback, but nothing we can't fix. We go again next week.

Fixtures

A look at all the upcoming fixtures for the weekend of 14th March 2026 throughout the club (Week 23)

	Vs	Competition	Location
OWFC 1Xi	Actonians	SAL	Away
OWFC 2Xi	Wandsworth	SAL	Away
OWFC 3Xi	Sinjuns	SAL	Home
OWFC 4Xi	Grantonians	SAL	Home
OWFC 5Xi	Actonians	SAL	Home
OWFC 6Xi	Thorntonians	SAL	Away
OWFC 7Xi	Sedcopians	SAL	Away
OWFC Vets	No Game		
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

Classified Results, March 10th 2001

1 st XI	5	Glyn Old Boys	0	Pope.D 2, Kendrick.N, Murray, OG
2 nd XI	2	Old St Marys	2	Coomansingh 2
Old Meadonians	2	3 rd XI	2	Taylor, Graham
3 rd XI	2	Old Meadonians	1	Kerr, Taylor
Old St Marys	1	4 th XI	1	Hughes.M
5 th XI	1	John Fisher Old Boys	3	(Greg) Smith
6 th XI	1	Old Tenisonians	3	Dry
Old Tenisonians	3	6 th XI	0	
Old Finchleians	3	7 th XI	1	Deadman
Wimbledon	1	Palace	0	



Letter(s) to the Editor

Dear Mike,

I am angry; I am terribly sorry but I am doing a project on the Amazon Forest and I strongly feel you are wasting an incredible amount of paper emailing by Dad (Stuart Paton) about football. ***I am ashamed of you.***

From Tamara

Dear Mike,

I complain; I am terribly sorry but I am doing a project on time and you have sent my Dad – Stuart Paton – a long, long, football newsletter. ***I am ashamed of you.***

From Stuart Paton's angry daughter, Tamara Paton

Dear Tamara

Sending the newsletter by email was supposed to preserve the Amazon Forest as it can be sent without using ***any*** paper at all, but at least I now know why I receive so few reports as your project obviously involves persuading people not to write any!

As for sending your Dad a 'long newsletter,' this is done in an attempt to improve his very limited knowledge of the game. However, I tend to agree with your implied suggestion that educating him in this way is a hopeless cause, so shall I remove him from the email list? Mike, your ***very ashamed*** editor

CUP FINAL PLACE ESCAPES SEVENS Old Finchleians 3 7th XI 1

The 7th XI's first match since late January took us to Finchleians for the Old Boys Invitational Cup semi-final. The first half was a scrappy affair, with Finchley having the upper hand but they failed to take advantage of the few chances they made.

We were more competitive after the break and took the lead when **ALAN DEADMAN** scored direct from a corner, and it appeared luck would continue to be on our side when Stuart Gosney made a great goal-line clearance, getting the ball over the cross-bar. However, the luck swung around quickly when a defensive clearance hit a team mate and fell loose for Finchleians to equalise and they they took the lead from a corner before scoring a third from a free-kick.

Neville Spencer

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 50 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

Classified Results, March 6th 1976

1 st XI	7	Mill Hill Village	0	Pilgrim.M 3, Adams.T, Cowell.C, Hannifan, Reaseley
Old Bealonians	3	2 nd XI	0	
Mill Hill Village	1	3 rd XI	1	Scorer not reported
Mayfield Athletic	1	4 th XI	3	Scorers not reported
5 th XI	3	Camden	1	McClinton 2, Brittain
Old Suttonians	3	6 th XI	3	Hough, Cornish, Aruede
Sunderland	0	Palace	1	Whittle



DEADLY FROM THREE FEET 1st XI 7 Mill Hill Village 0

This was one of those days when everything was going to go right. Our opponents obliged by turning up with only eight men but, showing our customary politeness, we waited until they were at full strength before scoring our first goal with a well-taken volley by **TERRY ADAMS** after the ball had been cleared from a typical John Puigh corner.

We were playing against a strong wind in the first half but soon settled down to the attacking style of football we have been playing in the last three or four weeks. Plenty of chances were being created in front of goal but it was from another corner that the second goal came. The ball should have been in the goal-keeper's hands, but Chris Cowell managed to take it from him and knock it back to **MICK PILGRIM**, who made no mistake from three feet!

With the wind behind us in the second half we were able to keep most of the play in Mill Hill's half and, after a period of heavy pressure, Paul Hannifan headed against the post for **CHRIS COWELL** to hammer home the rebound and make it 3-0.

After this the only matter in doubt was how many goals we were going to score, and **MICK PILGRIM** determined to buy a jug and scored two more goals, both from about three feet range, and **PAUL HANNIFAN** and **GERRY REASELEY** made the total up to seven. Sam Bond, playing only his second game for the 1st X1, put in a good performance, providing excellent distribution of the ball.

The recent scoring form – 16 goals from the last three games – and the good understanding that has developed in the team, should stand us in good stead for our four remaining league games, which we can expect to be more difficult than this encounter.

Bruce Graham

RARE DETERMINATION PROVES TO BE THE KEY 5th XI 3 Camden 1

After last week's rather unfortunate loss to Libertians, the 5th XI got back to winning ways by beating a ten men Camden side. The game started very well for us, with John Brittain's first touch of the ball giving **ANDY McCLINTON** the chance to head a very fine goal indeed.

Kicking uphill in the second half we soon settled into the same pattern as before – possessing 90% of the ball but mostly wasted! Camden were thus allowed more into the game, and we had one or two close shaves before **ANDY McCLINTON** made it 2-0 with a fierce shot following a goal-mouth scramble. One or two heads lifted at this point. and we were able to make it 3-0 via a cross-come shot by **JOHN BRITTAINN**.

The last 20 minutes will be forgotten by everyone, I hope, as Camden scored, the midfield stopped running, the tackling was poor and we looked like the side with ten men. Good games from 'Mac,' Les Wilks and Andy McClinton, who has rare determination.

The Club's "5th best goal-keeper," albeit unnamed



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