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21st March 2026**

Dates for the Diary:

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

OWFC End of Season Dinner , Saturday 18th April 2026

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)

IT'S DINNER TIME!

OWFC END OF SEASON DINNER • 18TH APRIL, 7.30PM



OLD WILSONIAN'S FOOTBALL TRAINING

Every Monday

From
**SEPTEMBER
2ND, 2024**

Match Time
FROM 19:45

Training Location
COLOMA SCHOOL

EVERYONE WELCOME

We resume training on Monday, September 2nd at 19:45pm.
Coloma School Upper Shirley Rd, Croydon, London, CR9 5AS
Training led by a UEFA B License Coach

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**** OWFC TEAM OF THE WEEK, WEEKEND OF 21st March 2026 ****

1. Joe Barile (6th XI)
2. Marley Quashie (2nd XI)
3. Louie Day (3rd XI)
4. Luke Curran (3rd XI)
5. Dan Whetton (3rd XI)
6. Tristan Brink (5th XI)
7. Oli Smith (5th XI)
8. Jake O'Sullivan (2nd XI)
9. Sam Wright (2nd XI)
10. Darin Sepeji (6th 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



Results

A round up of all this week's results and scorers for the weekend of 21st March 2026.

	Vs	Score	Scorers
OWFC 1Xi	No Game		
OWFC 2Xi	Chattan	3-2	Sam Wright, Zac McCulloch, Jack Shelton
OWFC 3Xi	Witan	3-1	Duncan, Whetton, Mitch
OWFC 4Xi	No Game		
OWFC 5Xi	Bank of England	1-1	Chris Dyki
OWFC 6Xi	Actonians	0-3 and 1-1	Darin Sepelj
OWFC 7Xi	No Game		
OWFC Vets	No Game		
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		

Another long journey to Hackney awaited Old Wils which has notoriously been a very tough place for us to go to, with some of the team never winning there for 5 years.

The game started with Old Wils trying to play out from the back, which was very quickly deemed impossible at Hackney Marshes so we had to be more direct. However before discovering this, Hackney were all over us, winning every 50/50 and putting our backline under threat, which gave them an early penalty (which was a dodgy decision). Their striker stepped up to take it, but was immediately put off as George asked him his favourite question, "Do you breathe in or out when you kick a ball?". This seemed to work as the player smashed the ball against the post, which Kaya had covered because he guessed the right way (again). The joy of a close escape was quickly broken as a shaky back pass gave their striker a 1 on 1. Despite Old Wils having the best keeper in the league, the striker took it round him and slotted it into an open goal. Old Wils answered back very quickly with a long throw from Marley falling to Sam Wright in the middle of the box who smashed it into the back of the net. This seemed to be Marley's last bit of action for a while as he was sin binned for calling the ref f ing blind. It didn't matter to us as we managed to keep Chattan away from our box, and create some chances, with Billy having a free kick which ended up in row z, immediately taking him off of all set pieces and putting Sam Wright on them, who's delivery was on point every single time. The first half ended 1-1, but we were confident that we could get a win to put more pressure on 1st place.

The second half was a very tight half, with Chattan creating a few half chances, but Old Wils creating the same, mainly from set pieces. Chattan managed to break through our left hand side, with their winger squaring the ball to their striker who slid the ball into the bottom corner. Old Wils quickly fought back with a brilliant corner from Sam ended up at Zac's feet to even the game up again. Once again, James was having a stinker of a performance, being ran around by their midfielder who was spraying the ball around the pitch, but not very well. We finally played for another corner which was delivered by Sam Wright yet again, who found Shelts' head to put us 3-2 with not long left. We stayed defensively secure and were still getting in behind, with George having a 1 on 1 and basically passing the ball to their keeper, and in the dying embers of the game he had the ball on the half way line with no one in front of him but instead of taking the ball into the corner to waste time, he smashed the ball out of the pitch to give Chattan another chance to attack. But through our relentless defending, the ref blew the whistle and Old Wils won the game 3-2, taking them right behind first place.

OW 3s v Witan Match Report:

The 3s rocked up to Hayes on a beautiful summers day raring for a much needed 3 points. After a strong warm up and motivating team talk from the skipper we started the game slightly hesitant, but it quickly became clear we were the far better team as we pushed Witan deep for most of the early stages. Witan then scored a flukey goal from outside the box, but we didn't let it phase us and were straight back on top with some strong 50/50s from Hardaway, some good hold up play from Sonny, and threatening long balls from Cummo. Our breakthrough came soon after when Duncs stepped up to take a half-decent free kick, which somehow went in - one all. Half time came and we felt on top, but we're also nervous deep down about drawing yet another game that we deserved to win. The second half was a battle, but thankfully Louis and Curran decided that they were good at football (shock) and started to dictate the game (Duncs take notes mate). I then also decided that it was time to score a goal and switched the play to Busia who carried the ball well, knocked it back to me nicely and I slotted it home - a well deserved lead for the lads. Unlike previous weeks, we locked in and didn't get complacent. This was assisted by their number 6 throwing an unwarranted fit every few minutes, ticking the clock down nicely for us. I heard Louis did something rude to him but we don't need to talk about that. As the game neared the end, a strong counter from the boys led to a very composed finished by Mitch (how many hours sleep did u get last night buddy?). 3-1 and the oppo looked down and out, so they started to get angry again to make themselves feel better.

Unfortunately for them, this was inconsequential as the mighty 3s ended up picking up a much needed 🎄 points to keep our survival hopes alive. Shenanigans continued after the final whistle which was quite entertaining, poor number 6 was rattled (can u blame him?)

The sun then set beautifully on Hayes with a few proper gentlemen staying around for some jars of sweet nectar and shared some great stories - our favourite being Curran who lied about doing 6 pints in 2 minutes 😬. Good value tbf. Up the 3s!

Motm- Curran (well done fella)

Dotd - Curran (not good enough mate)

Fixtures

A look at all the upcoming fixtures for the weekend of 28th March 2026 throughout the club (Week 25)

	Vs	Competition	Location
OWFC 1Xi	No Game		
OWFC 2Xi	Civil Service (Postponed)	SAL	
OWFC 3Xi	Sunnah	SAL	Away
OWFC 4Xi	Wimbledonians	SAL	Away
OWFC 5Xi	Actonians	SAL	Away
OWFC 6Xi	Glyn Old boys	SAL	Away
OWFC 7Xi	Dorkinians	SAL	Away
OWFC Vets	No Game		
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

Classified Results, March 24 th /25 th 2001			
All of the Saturday	Games were postponed		
Old Wilsonians	3	Lloyds Bank	0 Cowell.C, Barry, Graham
The above was the	Millenium game played		On Sunday March 25th



‘People try to put us down, just because we get around
Things they do look awful cold, hope I die before I get old’

Sometimes the anthems of our youth come back to haunt us and although those involved in this game will argue that they **are still in their prime, playing in** a game where the criteria insisted that the total age of all 11 players on the field of play at any one time must be at least 550, whilst being a member of a squad of 20 **players whose total yearS had to exceed 1,000**, somehow tells its own story!

Summer time arrived dull, dank and grey – a bit like the team – apart, that is, **for Ian Rayworth, who forgot to turn his clocks forward!** The OWs used nineteen players – Gerry Adams was due to come on for the last ten minutes but decided to have a shower instead. Peter Wakeford and Pete Davis lined up for the Lloyds side and, with chemical toilets strategically placed behind each goal, the referee blew his whistle and the game commenced.

The referee was Mike Harris, who inspired confidence in his ability to keep up with play by sporting heavily bandaged knees and personified clarity of vision by wearing heavy rimmed spectacles. Mike is a Class One referee, which is a lot different from being a first class referee, and his name is in the ‘Guinness Book of records’ for the quickest dismissal of all time when he sent off a certain Lee Todd after two seconds for “foul and abusive language,” Mike having blown his whistle to start the game only for Mr Todd to exclaim. “******** me, that was loud” and was shown a red card.

The early exchanges were encouraging from an OW perspective, with both Chris Cowell and Jim Matthews going close, but when the lead came it did so in an unexpected way when **CHRIS COWELL** sent over a speculative cross, everyone missed it, the ball hit the inside of the post and the ball rolled over the line. The home side were dominant but did not add to the score-line until late in the game, both goals coming from crosses from Chris Cowell, the first being neatly converted by **LOU BARRY** and the second a diving header from **BRUCE GRAHAM** – a bit elaborate perhaps, but **the** crowd loved it.

So how did our nineteen perform? Rod Warboys played in goal throughout, did not have a shot to save and did well to keep warm. He was helped in keeping a clean sheet by the performances of those in front of him, with 'Mac', still the Club's only England International, giving another 'God like' display and must also be congratulated for being the oldest player on the pitch.

Ron Meadows reminded me of a Dickens novel – "It was the best of haircuts, it was the worst of haircuts", whilst Tony Brighton's performance was Dickensian. Tony Reed put down his pen and played in a way only he could describe whilst one of the highlights of the game came when the commentator declared: "John Houghton is on the pitch; they think he'll fall over; he has now." It had been a bad week for John; on Wednesday he bought a book on alopecia and all the leaves fell out.

Steve Smith had travelled all the way from Lewis in Sussex and could not believe that he had once described John Cowell as "a player of genuine pace" Nor did we when John came on. As already mentioned, Ian Rayworth was late, which was probably just as well, otherwise we would have had longer to endure his tackles, which have often been described in a similar way.

Malcolm Taylor and Jim Matthews, the twin strikers, played with the sort of understanding that only brothers-in-law can achieve whilst those other brothers-in-law, Terry Adams and Dave Cohen added a touch of class and sophistication.

But perhaps the real difference between the two sides was the contributions of the 'younger' players, by whom I mean Mick Pilgrim, Hugh McGeever and Bruce Graham. They, of course, still play regularly, as does Lou Barry, and it showed, whilst Chris Cowell has lost none of his trickery.

This was also a victory for organisation, and many thanks to Ian Forbes for an herculean effort and a splendid spread of food. For sportsmanship – congratulations to both sides on a sporting contest. For nostalgia – it really was a treat to see so many players who have served the Club so well over the years, and for sheer guts and determination, and a special word here for Peter Wakeford who played the entire game, the full squad of players being:

Rod Warboys 'Mac' Mick Pilgrim Tony Brighton Terry Adams Steve Smith John Pugh Ron Meadows Chris Cowell Jim Matthews Malcolm Taylor Tony Reed John Houghton Hugh McGeever Bruce Graham Ian Rayworth Dave Cohen and Pete Davis
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ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 50 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

Classified Results, March 20 th 1976			
1	1 st XI	0	
2	2 nd XI	0	
5	Mill Hill Village	2	Scorers not reported
1	5 th XI	2	Scorers not reported
6	John Fisher Old Boys	0	Bye 2, Russell 2, Hough (Pat) Johnson
2	Cuaco	5	Scorers not reported
1	Palace	1	Taylor



END OF SEASON LOOK GIVES WITAN HOPE Witan 3 2nd XI 0

Witan won this poor, scrappy game with three goals in the last ten minutes. Just when the game seemed set for a draw the Reserves had a definite end of season look about them, having been eliminated from Cup and League honours in the last few weeks. The two points will help Witan in their fight to avoid relegation, but we will probably have to settle for a middle of the table position. The 2^{nds} created enough chances kicking downhill in the first half to have the game sewn up but, as has happened so often lately, the chances were not put away!

In the second half openings were made, but Witan's 'keeper kept them in the game time after time. After a lengthy spell of pressure from the 2nd XI, and just as Witan seemed fit to crumble, a breakaway produced a silly error at the back and they scored an easy goal. I cannot remember how the other two goals were scored, but I am told they were nothing to write home about! Malcolm Taylor

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC TOTALLY CONSUMED 6th XI 6 John Fisher Old Boys 0

This was not a particularly good game of football and, although we scored six goals, our performance can best be described as functional rather than exciting. We were strengthened by some higher team players and Alan Tyson, in particular, showed his worth, but it was gratifying to see the regular 6th XI players working hard and not leaving it all to their more talented team mates.

Kicking down the slope in the first half we only managed one goal, **RAY BYE** finishing off a good move after some fine work by Nigel Hough on the right, but one goal hardly seemed enough as our opponents now had the advantage of the slope in the second half.

But then came a rush of goals, two from **PETE RUSSELL**, one each from **NIGEL HOUGH** and **PAT JOHNSON** and **RAY 'KOJAK' BYE's** second. The game never got above an economic stroll at any stage but, with six goals under our belts, the contest now turned into a Sunday picnic.

Brian Wells kept a clean sheet, Alan Tyson, as has already been mentioned, had a fine game whilst Steve Jessett is becoming an accomplished full-back on either flank and Andy McClinton's height and positive approach were a great asset at the centre of the defence.

Mike Titchner's performance can best be described as erratic – accomplished one minute but wayward the next. Pat Johnson seemed to be in a moody frame of mind, drifting out of the game for long periods and then coming back with a bang when he seemed to have been forgotten.

As for the forwards, they all showed the qualities we know they possess. Ray Bye had his best game for quite some time, whilst Nigel Hough put in his usual workmanlike display and, in the middle, Pete Russell showed all the hustle, bustle and will to win the ball which can make him so dangerous inside the penalty area.

A good win, then, but John Fisher Old Boys were worthy opponents and the score flattered us somewhat. Pikey

Wells Tyson Jessett McClinton Fielder Pike (Pat)Johnson Titchner Hough Russell Bye



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