Old Wilsonians Newsletter

Full recap of the weekend's events

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Results from the weekends of Saturday 23rd November 2024

Dates for the Diary

OWA AGM ,Tuesday 10th December 2024, 7.30pm

Charity Match at Dorking , Saturday 14th December. (page 5)

OWFC Christmas Party, Crown & Pepper, Croydon, Friday 20th December 2024

OWFC Tour to Belgrade (May 29th to 1st June 2025)

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, OWFCtogger@outlook.com)


OLD WILSONIAN'S
FOOTBALL TRAINING
Every Monday
Fom
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2ND, 2024
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We resume training on Monday, September 2nd at 19:45pm.
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** OWFC TEAM OF THE WEEK, WEEKEND OF 23rd November 2024 **

1. Harry Ingamells (1st XI)
2. Leon Kapszewicz (5th XI)
3. Chris Billing (5th XI)
4. Nathan Tambini (3rd XI)
5. James Clutterbuck (2nd XI)
6. Terell Wells (3rd XI)
7. Dom Furnival (7th XI)
8. Max Exelby (4th XI)
9. Fred Ingles (2nd XI)
10. Mike Atti (7^{th} XI)
11. Leo Messi (1^{st} XI)

Old boys Dave & Charlie Beer (2013, 2009), Josh Mackley, Ben Giles and Jude Boateng (2013) will be playing in a mental health awareness fundraiser between charity sides BHMT FC and Beder FC at Dorking Wanderers FC at 6pm on Saturday 14th December. BHMT support community-based mental health projects around the country, while Beder take a unique approach to softly raising awareness around mental health and suicide prevention through events like football matches. There will be a couple of ex-pros playing, a special guest from the BBC on mic and several mental health charities from the South of England speaking at half-time. Tickets are freeand Jamie Parkinson is managing the 2013 school side. here: https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feventbrite.co.uk%2Fe%2Fbhmt-fc-vs-beder-fc-mental-elf-derby-fundraiser-tickets-993824033437&data=05%7C02%7C%7C2049f5a32d904de1d47008dd073d6452%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638674682423534877%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=xZiZG0oSN5JRhzxujT6rwhh12aYMszxEdNGdjx6zeXU%3D&reserved=0 and you can donate here if you would like to contribute: https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.justgiving.com%2Fcampaign%2Fbhmt-xi-vs-beder-fc-football-fundraiser&data=05%7C02%7C%7C2049f5a32d904de1d47008dd073d6452%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638674682423556146%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=eXjHWZ63WVb%2BR28JPgc3Z3GBbaTLZ%2BiFmxzSU2Bzx24%3D&reserved=0.

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 30thSeptember 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.

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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.



Available on popular streaming platforms

Results

A round up of all this week's results and scorers for the weekend of 23rd November 2024 (Week 11).

	Vs	Score	Scorers
OWFC 1Xi	Old Parmiterians	3-0	Riman, Wright, Sutherland
OWFC 2Xi	Old Tiffians 1s	2-5	Clutterbuck, J Shelton
OWFC 3Xi	South Bank 4s	6-1	S Benwell, T Wells 3, E Turner, T Duffy
OWFC 4Xi	Actonians 6s	1-3	Max Exelby
OWFC 5Xi	Actonians 7s	1-0	Chris Dyki
OWFC 6Xi	No Game	0-1	
OWFC 7Xi	Old Meadonians	3-4	Stringer I, Sharp Dada
OWFC Vets	No Game	n/a	
OWFC SuperVets	No Game	n/a	

Old Parmiterians (23/11/24) (3-0 W)

With the full force of storm Berty behind them, twelve of Old Wilsonians' finest sporting heroes made their way to Hayes Hill. It soon became clear that the latest youngster to join the ranks, Tom Riddle, had favoured the invisibility cloak instead of the iconic black & yellow stripes this week.

Even so, the changing room was bouncing to the sound of JEves' disco juice and war cries of LEOOO sent the boys pitchside with a fire in their belly. Wind in the hair, rain in the eyes and a fresh trim for Smelly Fingers could only mean one thing - it's game time baby.

The 1s kicked off with dominance from the get-go, having joy with Messi causing havoc down the right wing. It didn't take long for the deadlock to be broken, with Wright beating the Parmits left-back and finding the fox in the box (Sitch), whose effort was parried only far enough for Riman to sweep home - 1-0 to the 1s. 1 soon became 2, with Messi hitting the byline and coolly finding Wright, whose first time finish left the Parmits keeper wanting and the 1s - in the words of lyrical genius James Blunt, flying high. To couple OWs' threat in the attacking third, Ingamells had pulled off a couple of brilliant saves at the other - smothering any threat from Parmits on the break.

2-0 and though dominating, it was obvious that a third goal would be needed to put the game to bed at half time. Fret not, with a tinnie in the changing room, and a pint of irn-bru at half time, Sutherland stepped up to pounce upon a Sitch flick on from a corner early in the second half - making tough work of a 2-yard finish, bundling it in on second go and wheeling away to celebrate what you'd think was a 30-yard screamer!

3-0 and with the President's lounge calling, the boys were able to fight off any last attempts from Parmits to get back into the game. Cue the final whistle, a high-spirited warm down and the boys rushed in for a lovely warm shower. Scratch that, much to the hardy Scotsman's preference it was decided that all running water would be turned off, save the knee-high icy tap. Not quite to the liking of the 10 naked men crowding the showers, but a bonding experience nonetheless.

Roll on the Presidents lounge, with Kirby firing Robbie Keane's gunfingers at anyone passing through. Beatson was saving all the pennies he could, demanding the young barkeep split the £5 bill for a handful of crisps, and we luckily managed to catch the ref on his way out - who shared some particularly interesting insights from his footballing and boxing past. Final reports spotted Ingamells and Kirby running their best impersonation of the 5mph speed deterrents on the way into the car park.

A huge win, 3 points, and up to second in the league. The 1s on a high, next stop the AFA Cup - up the 1s!

Squad: H Ingamells, P Kirby, J Eves, S James, C Sutherland, K Steadford, G Jeeven, S Wright, L Messi, H Riman, O Sitch, O Beatson

Goalscorers: H Riman, S Wright, C Sutherland

OWFC 2s vs Old Tiffinians match report

After a well deserved and long awaited first win in the league last week, the 2s were raring to go again in the 3rd round of the cup. Despite the freezing weather and constant downpour Old Wilsonians made a strong start with two great crosses from the left with both chances narrowly going wide, and finally breaking the deadlock from a long throw flicked on by STANLEY and well finished by CLUTTERBUCK making it 1-0 at the half hour mark. Unfortunately, Old Tiffinians responded quickly to make it 1-1. Frustrated by the oppositions lucky goal Old Wilsonians pushed on quickly with a great ball from BUDDLE-SMITH on the right into INGLES who got cleaned out and was awarded a penalty, which was then slotted home by SHELTON sending the keeper the wrong way making it 2-1. Before the break MARTINS made a brilliant save tipping the ball over the bar from a header a yard out. Again luck turned against us with Old Tiffinians equalising a minute before half time.

As the second half started Old Tiffinians scored quickly. After conceding, Old Wilsonians pushed on dominating most of the second half with both QUASHIE, LINTON and INGLES putting great deliveries into the box but unable to capitalise on any chances. Due to the forward dominance from the whole team looking to equalise we unfortunately were caught on the break twice making it 5-2. Although we lost, Old Wilsonians put in a great shift with several positives to take from competing against a higher ranked team.

OWFC 3rd XI Match Report:

It was a gloomy November afternoon, the winter was well and truly upon us. With a squelch in our step and revenge in our hearts, Old Wilsonians 3rd XI stood face to face with a Southbank team who had stolen points from us earlier in the league.

This time however the engine known as Adam box-to-box Benwell was missing from the starting line up. The sigh of relief from the relieved Southbank side was almost powerful enough to change the direction of the strong wind that blew across the pitch.

The game begun. Old wilsonians started strong thanks to the puppetry of a wise Rory Sweeney, whose words from the sideline acted like strings to pull the players into whichever beautiful passages of play he desired.

Nathan Tambini, with a point to prove that he was not the worst right back at club level, despite an absolutely abysmal performance against Southbank last time out. Some would say that he was the sole reason for that loss, he couldn't get anything right and had their winger running rings around him for the entirety of his regretted start in that game....but ofcourse we don't want to single anyone out. Today Nathan Tambini was UNBELIEVABLE, with a beautifully placed pass down the wing to M. Jones who continued the move with a perfectly waited cross into the hungry S. Benwell. A little lob was all that was needed and guess what?? Benwell provided. 1-0 to the Wilson's.

As Tambini looked along the sideline trying to seek out Adam's approving smile, he was not disappointed. The collectively known Big Dog Benwell's glowing smile reignited that spark in Tambini and he knew from then on he would not put a foot wrong.

30 mins in...It happened. That pregame fear that had subsided in the Southbank side after seeing the starting line up quickly turned to anguish as A.Benwell stepped on the the pitch. One of their players even tried to convince to ref to stop the game at 1-0 to save the embarrassment that would inevitably become reality. The ref with guilt in his heart had the near impossible task of disappointing the young man as we all know, the show must go on. With the Thespian now on the pitch he knew what it took to give the punters what they wanted. Almost instantly he served a ball on a platter to M. Jones who once again knew exactly what to do, a pass in to the middle to T. Wells and another tidy finish to double the lead.

The game carried on, Terrell got a hatrick or whatever, Ethan scored a screamer and there were more goals but most notably the 6th. A. Benwell received an incredible ball from H.Habil, who had clearly been studying one of the many fan made Benwell passing Highlight reels on YouTube. A. Benwell with a proud tear in his eye, no look passed it through to T.Duffy. I for one never knew that you could get scorch marks on wet mud but Tom proved otherwise, the blistering pace used to reach the ball before the injured Southbank keeper had something poetic about it as the flames reacted with the drizzling rain to leave a rainbow in his wake.

This game sounds too good to be true doesn't it? Well fear not, for every story needs jeopardy.

The Old Wills had conceded a corner....This time their keeper couldn't face the torment from Rory Sweeney and Nathan Tambini once more, after coming up for the corner previously at 6-0 down and so decided to stay in his goal. The ball came in and A.Benwell pulled off a mighty block to stop a inevetibale goal, he put his body on the line to save his fellow teammates...but...due to the lack of pressure on their midfielder another shot managed to get through. As the midfield general lay on the floor already having given everything to block the previous shot, he looked up at his beloved brother S.Benwell with a will to do what was right. Stephen tried to get to him in time but Adam held up his hand, much like that scene in man of steel, and took the blow from the thurderous effort. The ref however saw this heroic sacrifice as a handball and blew the whistle to give a penalty. Adam broke down in tears for fear that he may have cost his team the clean sheet, because that's what it all means to him. The ever grateful G.Gill locked eyes with him and by all accounts mouthed "Thank you for saving me" to the midfield Maestro. Southbank stepped up and George in between the sticks, legs still wobbling at the thought of an almost certain hand break if it the shot got through was unable to make the save.

6-1...

But the tears soon faded as that final whistle blew. Elation was the only thing to be seen now from these young powerful stallions that donned the black and gold. We were through to the next round of the Cup!!! Despite everyone's attempts to give Dick of the Day to someone else, Adam Benwell gracefully took the burden on to once again protect his teammates

MoM: Nathan Tambini
DoD, Match Report and Washing of the kit : Adam Beefcake Benwell

This story is based on actual events. In certain cases incidents, characters and timelines have been changed for dramatic purposes.
Final score: 6-1

Old Wilsonians 5s 1 vs 0 Old Actonians 7s
SAL Cup 🏆 - Saturday, 23rd November

A grey, rainy afternoon greeted the 5s as they made their way to Old Actonians for a cup clash.

The opening exchanges were scrappy, the weather and uneven pitch contributing to both sides struggling to settle. Old Wilsonians, however, were the first to find their rhythm. With slick passing and good movement, the 5s began to stretch the Actonians' defence, switching play from left to right, patiently probing for an opening.

The high press from the 5s paid off as Old Actonians' attempts to play out from the back repeatedly faltered under pressure. The midfield was relentless, forcing errors and ensuring Actonians barely ventured out of their half.

The breakthrough came midway through the first half. A speculative ball forward caused confusion among the Actonians' defenders, who seemed frozen as the ball looped over their heads. Dyki, charging forward, was quickest to react. With the keeper rushing out, he showed incredible composure to dink the ball delicately over him and into the back of the net.

The defence swept up any danger with ease and Sam in goal had little to do but stayed sharp, coming out confidently when needed.

With the rain continuing to pour, the half time talk was straightforward: stay disciplined, keep the intensity up, and see the game out.

The second half began with much of the same. Old Wilsonians continued to dominate possession, showing great composure despite the worsening conditions. Actonians grew increasingly frustrated, unable to create any meaningful chances as the backline shut down every attack with perfectly timed challenges.

Then came the turning point for the opposition. Already rattled by the 5s' relentless pressing, their centre mid lost his head and after receiving a yellow for dissent, he proceeded to berate the referee further, earning a second yellow within seconds. Down to 10 men, Old Actonians had little left in the tank.

The 5s controlled the rest of the game with ease, maintaining possession and sitting back comfortably, with some occasional counter attacks to keep the opposition on their toes, to claim a well-earned 1-0 victory.

1. DYKI, 2. BILLING, 3. DIYATH, 4. LEON, 5. CURRAN, 6. HOLMES, 7. GILBERT, 8. DAY, 9. HADAWAY, 10. KADJI, 11. CALLUM, 12. WATON 🧤, 13. COUGHLAN, 14. WRIGHT

Goal: Chris Dyki
MOM: Leon Kapszewicz
Report by Leon Kapszewicz

Fixtures

A look at all the upcoming fixtures for the weekend of 30th November throughout the club (Week 12)

	Vs	Competition	Location
OWFC 1Xi	Tenisonians	AFA	Home
OWFC 2Xi	South Bank	SAL	Away
OWFC 3Xi	No Game		
OWFC 4Xi	Old Blues	SAL	Home
OWFC 5Xi	Old Blues	SAL	Home
OWFC 6Xi	Actonians	SAL	Away
OWFC 7Xi	Merton	SAL	Away
OWFC Vets	Old Bealonians	OBC	Away
OWFC SuperVets	No Game		

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

Classified Resuts , November 20th 1999				
1st XI	1	HSBC	2	Commanansingh
2nd XI	1	The School	5	Trout
Ravenscroft Old Boys	0	3rd XI	11	Baker 4, Quinton 2, Curtis 2, Corrigall 2, Paton.S
Alleyn Old Boys	0	4th XI	3	Kirkham, Branston, OG
5th XI	1	The School	2	Scorer not reported
6th XI	3	Old Josephians	0	Warboys.D, Hayward, MClaughlin
Port Vale	2	Palace	2	McKenzie, Svensson



No reports were received for the games played 25 years ago, particularly disappointing as there were two games against the school, so a report of the Vets game played the previous Sunday, November 14th

EXTRA TIME FOR SPRITELY VETS Old Wilsonians Vets 3 Westminster City Vets 4

Having had my team plans thrown into chaos with the late withdrawal of Luke Burton, the Vets took to the field for this Old Boys Invitation Cup game against a (young?) Westminster City side in a traditional 4-4-2 formation encompassing wing-backs had been considered but, given our age, was discounted as we could either 'Wing' or 'Back' but not together!

We got off to a glorious start, with **DUNCAN HAYWARD** dispossessing a defender and planting the ball into the net inside the first minute. On the re-start we continued to press forward, having put the opposition on the back foot with our great start. At this point Pete Davis was somewhat bemused by the speed of the game and was concerned that the opposition "were running."

We held out for 25 minutes or so but conceded a goal from City's first corner of the game, and the second followed shortly afterward, followed by a third, all coming from corners. Considering that, before the game, we felt that corners were going to be our ground as we were considerably taller than them – Chris Cowell and myself excepted – this was most disappointing. Fortunately we got one back before half-time, with **STEVE CHINNERY** ghosting his way through the centre of the defence to slot calmly past the 'keeper.

The second half started with Dave Valder coming on as a substitute for Jim Matthews and joining the tireless Duncan Hayward up front. Chris Cowell was gradually getting the better of his defender and put in several good crosses, which went begging. We finally scored with yours truly threading the ball to Dave Valder who, in turn, laid it off to Duncan Hayward, who spotted **STEVE CHINNERY** once again unmarked in the area and he completed the task. So three each – with 15 minutes to go.

With five minutes to go Dave Valder found himself unmarked on the edge of the area but, unfortunately, his shot went just the wrong side of the post and players on both sides groaned as neither wanted extra time, but extra time it was.

At some stages in extra time the game was played at walking pace. (Pete Davis vindicated? – ed) Both sides created chances but the game was decided by a goal direct from a free-kick with two minutes to go, Andy "I want to go home" Kirchin being unable to gather a ball that bounced low in front of him and there were audible sighs of relief on both sides that the game did not have to go to penalties, whilst Chris Cowell said that Westminster City would have taken theirs from the corner flag!

Great games from everyone, with lots of effort, energy and enthusiasm being exhibited all round and played by both teams in a good spirit. Thanks to all 12 guys for helping me out and also to Andy McClinton for refereeing.

Dave Stewart

Kirchin Forbes.A Davis.P Udale Robinson Cowell.C McGeever Chinnery Stewart Hayward (Jim) Matthews (Valder)

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 50 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

Classified Results, November 23rd 1974

2nd XI	3	Furness Whithy	1	Scorers not reported
5th XI	1	Centymca	1	Drabwell



All other games postponed; and so the bad weather continued, and, although I did not get a report for either of the above games, I did get a (late) one from the previous week, namely:

DETERMINATION IS THE KEY FOR THE SEASON Blue Circle 1 7th XI 4

Taking part in one of the few games to be played on a rain affected day, the 7th XI gained their first win of the season, although it must be admitted that the opposition were very weak!

The previous week, against Private Banks, the 7ths had achieved early success only to be overcome by their opponents, but I am pleased to report that we had learned from our mistakes and that everyone kept running until the final whistle this time.

A well-timed through ball from Terry Fanning enabled **DAVE WELLMAN** to open the scoring within two minutes. This excellent start was then increased by an own goal, caused by determined harassment by Eric Sanger, who showed good determination throughout as well as some good running from backward positions, and our position was made even more secure by **PETER RUSSELL** scoring a fine individual goal to put us three ahead within a quarter of an hour.

There then followed a long period of dominance by the 7ths, but to no avail , the woodwork and fine goal-keeping restricting our lead and, in the 70th minute, a defensive slip allowed Blue Circle to pull one back. However, this set-back was short-lived for, within minutes, **JOHN GIBBONS** turned well to put the ball home following a well-flighted corner.

It is difficult to draw particular attention to one player for, by implication, that detracts from the efforts of others, all of whom played well, sustaining effort for 90 minutes. I think, however, that particular mention should be made of Peter Russell, who showed great strength, and Terry Fanning, whose control of the game in midfield, and covering at the back, were both important contributions.

Finally mention should again be made of Eric Sanger, who enjoyed considerable freedom at left-back, although he must not sacrifice defence by being too adventurous. I am sure that, if the 7th XI can show as much determination in future games, then they will achieve many more favourable results.

Graham McLeod

Bevan Bayliss Cornish McCleod Higgins.P Russell.S Sanger Fanning Wellman Wysocki Gibbons.J

SEC'S GOSSIP

For your own benefit ***PLEASE DO NOT*** use the goal-mouths The ground is used to its limits as it is, without miss-using it in this way.

The 3rd XI have a long journey to Solihull, Warwickshire, this week , so please do not drop out on Friday night. The side will have to leave early on Saturday morning to reach their venue on time.

With long journeys in our minds, a further reminder to non-driving away players about the 25p payable to your man behind the wheel. The price of petrol seems to increase weekly as Oil Companies get richer and the motorist gets poorer.

Sadly I again have to comment on slackness in getting to meeting places on time and, if necessary, I will send an extra player and you will be left behind if you cannot comply. I know some of you work on Saturday mornings and it is a bit of a rush, but no more excuses about having to take the dog for a walk.

Your captain will be giving you some draw tickets this week, so kindly see that you sell them all and then ask for more; not to do so could affect the future of the Football Club. Mike Harris

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