Old Wilsonians Newsletter

Full recap of the weekend's events

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Dates for the Diary

- VP Day (celebrating all OWFC players with over 250 appearances), Saturday 9th November 2024

Other Bits

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- 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
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- OWFC Togger Starts Again (Contact Roddy Trompiz, OWFCtogger@outlook.com)
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OLD WILSONIAN'S
FOOTBALL TRAINING
Every Monday
Fom
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
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT AT WWW.OLDWILSONIANS.COM

** OWFC TEAM OF THE WEEK, WEEKEND OF 19th October 2024 **

1. Dhrev Rupal (5th XI)
2. Lucas Orchid (4th XI)
3. Jake Martins (4th XI)
4. Simon Elliott (SuperVets)
5. Marley Quashie (2nd XI)
6. Bruce Graham (7th XI)
7. James Stride (6th XI)
8. Henry Williams (3rd XI)
9. Lee Onye (1st XI)
10. James Paton (Vets)
11. Chris Billing (SuperVets)

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:

We launched Giving Day 2024 yesterday and are minded keeping it running for the rest of the week to allow donors to consider our offer carefully.

We have already exceeded our initial target of £50,000 and are pushing-on towards our stretch target of £80,000.

Please click on the link below for everything you need to know about Giving Day today and how to play your part in supporting science at Wilson's.

https://www.wilsons.school/wilsonrsquos-giving-day-2024/

With very best wishes.

Tim Edge
Director Of Development
Wilsons School

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 19th October 2024.

	Vs	Score	Scorers
OWFC 1Xi	Old Blues	3-1	Sam James, Josh Eves, Leo Onye
OWFC 2Xi	Chattan	4-4	Marley Quashie 3, Nils Bogaard
OWFC 3Xi	South Bank	1-3	Terell Wells
OWFC 4Xi	HSBC	5-4	Lucas Orchard 3, Byrne, Playfoot
OWFC 5Xi	Wimbledonians	1-3	Spencer
OWFC 6Xi	HSBC	2-5	James Stride 2
OWFC 7Xi	South Bank	0-1	
OWFC Vets	Balham	3-2	Andy Fox 2, Chris Kennedy
OWFC SuperVets	Art Network	3-2	Richard Pettingel, Jermaine Benson, Steve Benwell

OWFC 2xi vs chattan

OWs set out to redeem themselves after an away loss last week by bouncing back at home. Starting the game strong, OWs limited any threat from the oppo to desperate long balls. OWs set out as they meant to go on with Austin firing a rocket of a shot that their keeper managed to parry. Soon after he teed up Marley for the opener. OWs 1-0. Carrying the momentum, Marley chipped a ball over the defence which Nils tidily poked past the keeper. The game was in our hands at this point as OWs headed into half time with a strong lead and foothold on the game.

However in the second half, our plan to sit back was recognised by the chatan players as they capitalised on this and began their comeback. 2-1. It was at this point in the game that some of the chatan players also started to identify there were some flaws in the referees game, as they planned to exploit this to amount their comeback. 2-1 eventually became 2-2. Yellow cards were being thrown about so frequently it became hard to keep track of who had been cautioned and who hadn't.

Despite the oppositions frowning momentum, OWs still maintained good possession and kept up their atracks. Dan set up Marley to put us 3-2 up. It was after this where the game started to heat up as a ball over the top of your defence was claimed in the air by kaya who consequently was wiped out by their striker, leading to him fumbling the ball and a skirmish to poke it into the net. Despite the protests of the goal being offside and the fact that most refs don't allow tackle to be made on the go when he has 2 hands on the ball, the goals was given, fuelling chart and pursuit of the game.

But OWs persisted and kept breaking on counters and playing through their midfield with good passing moves. The ball eventually broke free to Marley, who was on a hatrick, and with a hint of handball and a deflection off of their centre back managed to force the ball into the oppositions net, restoring our lead. Hattrick for Marley.

The game seemed to be over and the referee was dishing our bookings as if they were going out of fashion. However at the death of the game, chatan were awarded a corner which was scrapped for in the six yard box before being promptly cleared by Kris Page. However, within the skirmish the referee had managed to position himself in such a way that he saw the ball cross the line leading to him, somewhat wrongfully, awarding chatan their 4th of the match. 4-4

This lead to outrage from OWs and amidst the protest the referee thought it best to start throwing some cards around, in the melee Kaya was wrongly picked out as the culprit and received a second yellow.

A game determined by decisions out of their control, OWs managed a thrilling, highly-contested 4-4 draw against chatan. Onto the next one where we can hopefully achieve our first league win of the season.

Saturday 19th October 2024.

Time to buck up our ideas

South Bank Cuaco 4XI *3 - 1* Old Wilsonians 3XI

Our 3rd league game of the season saw us taking the short trip over to the ever familiar Dulwich Sports Ground as we took on South Bank Cuaco 4's.

Relatively good conditions, a nice moist layer of precipitation covering the surfaces. A few latenesses to the meet time but slowly and surely the 3rd XI was assembling. Sore heads, a spaghetti bolognaise for breakfast, it was quite clear the lads enjoyed celebrating Adam Benwell's birthday the night before - Happy Birthday, Adam!

We congregated outside by the changing rooms as the squad was arriving and were greeted with a "Hi I'm Ryan" from a lad we'd never met before, you had to be there, but was a strange moment. A quick meet and greet with our fellow 7th XI also taking on South Bank this weekend. A few handshakes and best of lucks exchanged before both teams headed off to separate rooms to change.

Our usual warm up routine took place, with Steve Peares leading this, getting the lads organised and ready for a game of football.
After a few really poor performances over the last couple of weekends, Gaffer's Hoff and Chez brought the lads in for a pep talk before continuing our final warm up preparations. A few truths were said, by Hoff, a rallying of the troops and what seemed a very motivating chat, the lads appreciated it and fires inside started burning, the lads were really psyching themselves up! Chez talked through the game plan, how we were shaping up, a few coaching words and a couple of tactics in place, we were set and ready for battle.

The game got underway, and the 3rd XI were looking exceptionally good, Back to ourselves? Was looking that way! Terell and Henry were causing havoc with their trickery, dribbling abilities and killer passing. The Benwell brothers also getting themselves into regular dangerous positions, Steve had several shots saved by the South Bank keeper. Great Start!

About 25 mins in Terell won a free kick, Sam Gordon (sporting brand new all gold Diadora boots) cleverly played a low through ball piercing through the heart of the South Bank back line into *TERELL WELLS* who finished expertly, *0-1* the OW's - and we were looking so Dominant.

South Bank started to put some pressure on themselves gradually getting themselves back into the game. A lapse moment of concentration, and not following our man down our right hand side saw the south Bank winger dribbling the ball to our byline before cutting back for an easy tap in. *1-1*. It was important we responded positively and kept our heads up, but unfortunately that just didn't happen, we switched off and started to look lethargic, just as we had done in previous weeks, our passing became half hearted and everyone would agree our standards completely dropped!

Sure enough, not long before the end of the first half, the exact same thing happened again, totally identical to their first goal, a dribble to the byline, cut back, tap in again, *2-1* South Bank and heads were down!

Half-time came and some choice words said from the Gaffers, unacceptable, we spoke about standards, and how the way we were playing was just so unlike us!

Second half got underway and the lads went out with a rocket up their a**ses. A much, much better display, but we still lacked that final pass, looking after the ball was still a little off, and despite maintaining most of the possession again, we just couldn't find that killer ball to create the chances we needed.

The killer blow came around the 75th minute, a South Bank player found themselves in space on the edge of our 18 yard area who let fire, unfortunately we weren't quite quick enough closing the shot down, but we got something on it which gave a horrid deflection and left our keeper going the other way as the ball trickled past him into the back of the net. *3-1* South Bank and that put the game to bed, not much more was created from our-side, and the game came to it's conclusion.

Its not been the start to the season we expected or planned despite having a good preseason, however, I've got to know these lads over the years and one thing I know for sure, is that they will all do whatever it takes to put things right and get ourselves back to our best.

Next week our attentions turn back to the cup in the second round of the AFA Minor against local rivals West Wickham 5's up at Hayes Hill. One definitely not to miss!

Scorer: Terell Wells
MOTM: Henry Williams
Match Report: Hoff

Old Wilsonians 4's VS HSBC 3's (SAL Cup) Old Wilsonians 5 - 4

HSBC With a Strong 14 players fielded for Old Wils 4's, they turned up high spirited and buzzing to get their SAL cup run up and running for the year against a HSBC team who they lost 2-1 to a couple of weeks prior. The game kicks off with ORCHARD managing to miss the other 9 outfield players with his pass luring HSBC into a false sense of security. He soon made up for it when a defence splitting ball (apologies, can't remember who played the ball) was sent through for ORCHARD to poke past the Goalkeeper. 30 seconds played, 1-0 Old Wilsonians. The effects of a good warm up prevailed. A mere few minutes later and HSBC have been picked apart again and WHETTON plays a perfectly waited cut back to BYRNE who finishes it from the edge of the box. Old Wilsonians are 2-0 up inside the first 10 minutes. HSBC carried on pushing but the semi-makeshift back line dealt with everything excellently. 25 minutes into the game and the ball is picked up in the middle by Old Wilsonians and played out to the left for PLAYFOOT to try and win a foot race against the right back who is 30 years his senior. Unsurprisingly, PLAYFOOT gets to the ball first and even more unsurprisingly he tucks it in the Bottom Corner. 3 first half goals and Old Wilsonian's find themselves cruising to the next round of the cup and a pint on the terrace to celebrate was already on the boys mind. HSBC kept on knocking on the door and eventually broke through. Their right back makes a marauding run and finishes it into the bottom right corner just before half time. The ref blows for half time and Old Wilsonians are 3-1 up. HSBC are quick out of the blocks in the second half and a ball gets played through to their number 10 who rounds the Keeper and finishes well from a tight angle. 3-2. The game continues and Wilson's have been put on the back foot until the ball is played up to ORCHARD who scores a Bergkamp like volley from 30 yards but went on to celebrate it with a knee slide (he was instantly subbed off after this). 4-2 Old Wilsonians and the pressure has been lifted off them slightly. That is until HSBC have the ball in the Wilsonian's box and after being told to 'stand his man' BULL dived in like prime Tom Daley and got no where near the ball. A challenge Roy Keane would be proud of. After arguing to the ref that it wasn't a foul (it was) and trying to convince him that it wasn't inside the box (it was) the ref sticks with his original decision and awards HSBC a penalty. The HSBC man steps up… Penalty saved! Rebound scored. 4-3. Squeaky bum time once again for the 4's. The pressure mounted from HSBC and eventually they broke through to make it 4-4 with a nice finish into the bottom corner from their Central Midfielder. Still 20 minutes to go and the game was only going HSBC's way. Attack after Attack but they couldn't find the goal to put them ahead due to some resolute defending from Old Wilsonians who were determined to not let a game they were 3-0 up in slip away from them. WHETTON has the ball in the HSBC box and is bought down; the 4's are screaming for a penalty. The ref puts the whistle to his mouth but let's play continue for another 10 seconds and 1 ball over the top sees HSBC through on goal, which is the moment the ref decides to go back and award the 4's with a penalty. A long wait before ORCHARD could take the penalty due to the HSBC protests but he stepped up calmly to place it in the bottom right corner. 5- 4 To Old Wilsonian's 4's and an ORCHARD hat trick. Wilson's had 15 minutes to defend their 1 goal lead and done so excellently despite the ref doing everything in his power to help HSBC try and get an equaliser. He eventually blows up for full-time and Old Wilsonians 4's run out triumphant as 5 - 4 winners. 2 wins on the bounce for the 4th XI and they will be heading into league action at Carshalton full of confidence that they can get a good result there as well. Full Time: Old Wilsonians 4's 5 - 4 HSBC 3's Scorers: ORCHARD x3 Byrne Playfoot MOM: Lucas Orchard D

Southbank 8s 1 ow 7s 0

Old Wils 7s had their 1st away match it what seems like forever (last 3 games at home!)
Rain had been torrential all morning which made for a slick playing surface come early K.O 1.30pm.
Old Wils had 12 players, so luxury of just the 1 sub this week.
The game started with no real clear cut chances, Old Wils looking solid at back & Michael & Ryan causing trouble on both the wing & attacking midfield respectively. Bruce playing defensive midfielder was doing all the dog work, tidying up any loose balls, with Andy hassling whenever the opposition had ball in midfield. Joe starting at LB went off tired after 10 minutes, replaced by Al Forbes.
Halfway through the 1st half, the ball was crossed in by opposition, Jazza headed the ball clear to edge of box, where the opposition midfielder had plenty of time to set himself & place the ball in the top right hand corner. 1-0 to the opposition.
Old Wils had several half chances in the 1st half from set pieces; corner from left hand side, keeper tried to catch it, fumbled & led to a goal mouth scramble but Old Wils could not convert, corner from right hand side & Al Forbes made good contact but having to go away from goal, just headed over.
1-0 to the opposition at HT.

2nd half started & the opposition were mainly playing on the counter, while Old Wils tried to put some pressure on & claw a goal back. Again in the 2nd half, biggest threat coming from Old Wils was set pieces. Ian being the target man; went front post to take everyone marking away from him, corner comes in from the left & lands on Jazza's head unmarked but he puts it wide. Corner again, this time from right hand side & on Jazza's weaker foot, volleyed with his right towards goal but was cleared off the line.
Old Wils went 3-5-2 halfway through 2nd half. Solid build up play, led to half chances for Mandeep, who shot straight at keeper, and couple of pot shots from Ryan on edge of box.
As the pressure was building, Old Wils had another set piece, this time a long throw came in from the left hand side but as soon as it was half cleared by the defence, cries from Al Forbes of "Ref he pushed me", referee waved play on. No further chances came for Old Wils & the game finished 1-0 to the opposition.

MOTM - Bruce
Team: Doug, Ricky, Jazza, Nick, Joe, Bruce, Michael A, Andy, Ryan, Mandeep, Ian, Al Forbes

OWFC Vets v Balham

The Vets took to Hayes to take on Balham, as they looked to bounce back from last week's defeat at the hands of Junction. Kick off was delayed as the ref, who actually had a decent game, got himself lost from Uxbridge and had to be rescued by sub Moniz.
Light drizzle provided a greasy surface and Wilsons started fast, culminating in an early goal when Kennedy's pace was too much for the away defence who brought him down. Andy Fox confidently dispatched the spot kick. A quiet first half saw only one more clear opening, this time for the away side when a ball found its way to the back post and the shot rattled the cross bar off Parkinson's shoulder in goal, who knew little about it. The second half was a more lively affair and Balham quickly turned things around with penalty of their own when Paton barged into their front player. Quickly they took the lead with a soft header from a corner kick.
At that point Wilsons could have shirked the challenge and faded but to their credit they didn't and began to cause problems. Kennedy capitalised on a defensive error to round the keeper and finish smartly. Either team could have won it as the game became very stretched but Fox scored his second and the winner despite rounding two of their players in seemingly slow motion before hitting a cross/shot? across the keeper to send Wilsons into exhausted ecstasy. Balham had one final chance to equalise when their midfielder broke forward and shot from a narrow angle close to goal. However, Parkinson was equal to it, tipping it over as Wilsons claimed a valuable 3 points.

OW SuperVets 3 vs Art Network 2

On a wet and windy Sunday morning, caused mainly by the Guiness the night before, I awoke and readied myself for the first match of the Super Vets season. What more poignant way for the start of another season than having many fond memories of Kirk Benjamin, who I had the honour skippering for many years. A long-standing member of the Old Boys, a man full of life, a man who many of us toured on multiple occasions, a man who some of us went to France to enjoy his wedding to Sophie and meet his beautiful family. A man we all miss and a man who took his own life due to mental health issues…

This is the true meaning of the matches we have with the Arts Network and of many other teams under the Clubs' Mental Health banner of Men of the Hill. One of celebration and remembrance, but one of focus on men's mental health "Removing the Mental from Men's Health" and the difficulties and tragedy it can bring.
Back to the match, which was started with a minute of clapping in memory of one of Arts Network's former players, whose son was playing in this match in honour of his father and the passing of one of the great Old Boys, Ian Rayworth, who many of us older gentlemen will have grown up playing with.

We started strong with the first 20 minutes with our new keeper Richard Doye looking more commanding than both Doug Forbes and Doug Smart combined. Chris Billing, Ben Thomas, 'Baby Rhino' Merv and Graham Nicholls at the back, passing the ball majestically across and looking very sturdy against our adventurous opponents. The midfield starting 4 were Andy Pullen, returning for a full season this year, Mark Pope, Si Elliott and Chris Dyki were combative and linking well to out forward line of Rich Pettingel and Chunk, who showed you don't need pace to play up top. Our pressure told, early in the first half when we scored the opener through RICHARD PETTINGEL with a well taken goal.

After every 20 minutes, we brought on a new team of midfield and forward line allowing the world to see the silky midfield skills of Dave McLeish, Dan Harris and Matt Healy, with Stevie Benwell and Jermaine Benson, as the "false number 9" literally. Dave McLeish instantly clashes with their boisterous midfield player and they spent the afternoon kicking each other. We gained a free kick on the edge of the area after some more silky passing throughout the remainder of the first half and JERMAINE BENSON, in his false 9 shirt, stepped up to slot it home, leaving their keeper struggling. Soon after we made it 3 with a Stevie Benwell goal to take us into half time with a 3-0 lead.

OWFC SuperVets continued..

The second half was well contested and the remaining waifs and strays came on to the pitch to continue a great team performance, including some of the greats from the recent past in Greg Middleton, Adam Benwell and Doug Forbes for his first on field appearance since COVID. The Arts Network fought hard and got a couple of goals back through the drive and persistence of their younger players. They should have equalised, but the resilience of Richard Doye in goal and some decent defending allowed the game to finish 3-2 to the OW SuperVets.

A great match to start the season, some new faces to the SuperVet's fold and a new and much needed goalkeeper. Great performances from a lot of players but the final two came down to the brutality of Chris Billings and silver wand of a left foot of Si Elliott… they could not be split and sit on 5 a piece as we wait for one deciding vote.

On the day we donated £580 to the Arts Network, which was donated by Wilson's School from the Association Dinner that many of us attended. We look forward to the return match at the close of the season.

Please keep an eye open for Men's Mental Health and remember "It's okay to not be okay" and get in touch if you feel you need to: https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.linkedin.com%2Fcompany%2Fmen-of-the-hill&data=05%7C02%7C%7C5477a3f20e454d09837608dcf26408c1%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638651758683650161%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=StptaYDjLJ%2Bd3IR3unVasLd67hqE%2BlY1A%2FS7JZrSN6w%3D&reserved=0

Squad (20) from Sunday...
Richard Doye, Doug Forbes, Andy Pullen, Chris Billing, Nick Billing, Graham Nicholls, Richard Pettingel, Chris Dyki, Simon Elliott, Steve Benwell, Benji Thomas, Merv Rhino, Jermain Benson, Dan Harris, David McLeish, Chunk, Matt Healy, Mark Pope, Greg Middleton, Adam Benwell

Fixtures

A look at all the upcoming fixtures for the weekend of 26h October throughout the club.

	Vs	Competition	Location
OWFC 1Xi	Bromleians	AFA	Away
OWFC 2Xi	Civil Service	SAL	Home
OWFC 3Xi	West Wickham	AFA Cup	Home
OWFC 4Xi	Carshalton	SAL	Away
OWFC 5Xi	Carshalton	SAL	Away
OWFC 6Xi	Meadonians	SAL	Home
OWFC 7Xi	Carshalton	SAL	Home
OWFC Vets	No Game		
OWFC SuperVets	Temple Bar	Friendly	Home (Noon, Sunday 27th)

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

Classified Resuts , October 16th 1999				
1st XI	1	Old Buckwellians	0	Smart. R
4th XI	2	Clapham Old Xvarians	2	Branston, (Andrew) Smith
5th XI	3	John Fisher Old Boys	1	Riley 2, Targett
6th XI	4	Clapham Old Xvarians	3	Hayward. Sherwin 2, Scorer
Old Suttonians	0	7th XI	3	Chinnery 2, du Casse
East Barnet Old Grammarians	7	8th XI	0	
Birmingham	2	Palace	0	



VICTORY COMES AFTER INITIAL CHAOS 6th XI 4 Clapham Old Xvarians 3

We started with nine men and one on the bench. No goal-keeper and Simon Wilson as a stand-in referee – a normal Saturday for the 6th XI. We went 1-0 down – an own goal from Dave Scorer – then very nearly went 2-0 down; panic set in.

Nick Tran got pulled off the bench to make his re-appearance after three long years away. A couple of members of the 2nd XI turned up to watch the game and we equalised with a **DUNCAN HAYWARD** goal after good work from Dave Scorer and Nick Tarn. They scored again past David Warboys, who played well in goal; certainly better than his old man, and we were 1-2 down at half-time.

We kept a cool head and scored three in the first 20 minutes of the second half, two from **PAUL SHERWIN,** who had decided he would play rather than watch, the other from **DAVE SCORER,** which was a 'roofer.' We then got hit with a late goal on the break and then nearly let them back into the game.

Thanks to Simon Wilsom for refereeing at short notice. Good games from the majority of the players, especially Alex Pugh at right-back.

Alex Forbes

Warboys.D Pugh.A Forbes.A Bier Bryan Hayward Kidd Barry Scorer Tarn Sherwin

7TH XI ACHIEVE PERFECTION Old Suttonians 0 7th XI 3

A fairly strong 7th XI took to the field in this Old Boys Cup game hoping to build on the positive performance of the previous week. Our optimism was well-founded as, straight from the whistle, we dominated the game and played some excellent passing football.

We took the lead from a corner when Stuart McBride's goal-bound volley was deflecetd into the goal by **STEVE CHINNERY,** then a Danny Blake corner five minutes later saw **STEVE CHINNERY** rise magnificently to head powerfully home a goal which was way too good for the 7th XI.

In the second half Suttonians brought on their substitutes, who have obviously played at a higher level, but such was our dominance they had little effect. Defensively we were superb and well worth our clean sheet and when debutant **PAT du CASSE** finished off a nice passing move, a 3-0 victory was no more than we deserved.

Excellent performances by all 13 players – we could not have done any better Neville Spencer

Spencer.N Skelton Lloyd McBride.S McGrath (Attrill) Dry Stewart Chinnery Holloway Blake Dutton (du Casse)

CUP DREAMS SHATTERED East Barnet Old Grammarians 7 8th XI 0

Oh calamity! Not a lot to say about this game. We tried hard but once EBOGS took the lead it was one-way traffic. Charlie Cocks pulled off a number of good saves but, to be honest, we were out-classed and 7-0 did not flatter our opponents.

Tony Higgins , Cocks Ptzedonewek Davis.P Rayworth Higgins Shale James Norton Jerome.C Pope.A Popat

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 50 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

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Witan	0	1st XI	2	Reaseley 2
Palmers Green	2	2nd XI	2	(Jim) Matthews, Hand
Old Owens	3	3rd XI	1	Tipple
4th XI	3	Brittanic House	2	Kendrick.M. 2, Page
5th XI	0	Old Esthamians	4	
Mill Hill Village	7	6th XI	4	Wood 2, Wellman, Rayworth.L
7th XI	3	Old Colfeians	6	Gasson 2, Higgins.P
Palace	1	Walsall	0	Whittle



ENCOURAGING START TO THE SEASON 1st XI 2 Witan 0

Without producing the style and flair of last week's Cup win over Inland Revenue, the 1st gained a confident but unspectacular win over a Witan side much changed from two seasons ago when we last played them.

After a brisk start we held the initiative and nearly opened the scoring when Gerry Reaseley headed against the bar from Chris Cowell's corner-kick. Heartened by this we kept up the pressure and went close to scoring on several occasions with shots and headers, only to be defied by some desperate defence and an element of bad luck.

We were not to be denied, however, and opened our account when John Matthews cleverly worked an opening, when marked tightly on the side-line, and crossed hard and low for **GERRY REASELEY** to slot the ball home.

Right on half-time an errant back pass from Dave Barlett put their No.9 clean through, but the situation was saved by a brave and early challenge from 'keeper Rod Hall, so our first half supremacy left us just one goal up and we knew we still had a lot to do and we should have sewn the game up in the first 45 minutes.

In the second half we became far less cohesive and could only put our game together in fits and starts. However, the game was ended as a contest after 15 minutes when Chris Cowell latched on to a precise through ball from Bill Morley and quickly played it square. Their 'keeper failed to gather and **GERRY REASELEY,** following up, shot the ball home between two defenders desperately trying to block his shot.

Soon after former OW player, Alan Marks, took over in goal for Witan after their 'keeper had suffered a knock in a goal-mouth melee and stood motionless as Bill Morley's header thumped his bar and Dave Barlett's low drive twanged his post. These efforts apart, we rather ran out of ideas in midfield and up front and failed to close the game up as Witan's ten men fought hard.

Still, two successive away league wins is a very encouraging and positive start to the season and it is the positive theme that predominates the team's thinking, a most encouraging sign. Very solid games from 'keeper Rod Hall and sweeper Pete Sayer deserve a mention. Terry Adams

Hall Adams.T Robinson Pilgrim.M Sayer Morley (John)Matthews Bartlett.D Cowell.C. Reaseley Maunder

NB: Congratulations to Terry Adams and Gerry Reaseley who played for the League side against London Universities at Motspur Park during the week, Gerry getting a goal from the penalty spot.

2nd XI: Wells Pilgrim.B Carpenter Hanifan Burt Jenkins Simner Carrington Hand (Jim)Matthews Johnson
3rd XI: Pook Rayworth.I McAlister R.E Horscroft Smith.S Howell (Malcolm)Taylor Tipple Alford Barry
4th XI: (Martin)Taylor Kendrick.M Davis.P Fielder.A Hands Jones Favell Brady Gibbons.E Page Portman
5th XI: Tyson Stopes Murphy Everness Houghton Drabwell McAlister.I Miles Brittain Newman
6th XI: Pragnell Kidd McCarthy Wood Fanning Cudd Foreman Rayworth.L Davis.A Wellman Fielder.W
7th XI: Higgins.P King Gibbons.J McLeod Bayliss Ede Gasson Jaffe Sanger Walsh A.N.Other

TEAM WORK PROVES TO BE THE WINNER 4th XI 3 5th XI 4

The 5th XI can be reasonably content after this performance against what should have been a strong 4th XI.

The 5ths looked the better team for the early part of the first half but slackened after taking the lead, somewhat like last week. The 4ths capitalised on this and caused the 5ths some problems before equalising. Thereafter it became a question of the team work of the 5th XI coping with the mainly individual efforts of the 4th XI and the score went goal for goal with the 5ths getting the winner ten minutes from time.

I think it should be said that the 5ths played very much for each other and that certain players in the 4th XI should feel ashamed of their attitude towards the game. They seemed to give up and moan about others in the side instead of getting stuck in and putting effort into the game.

John Houghton

4th XI: Clarke Fielder.A McAlister.R.R Hands Stopes Davis.P Medlock Murphy Portman Favell Barry

5th XI: Taylor(Martin) Dicks Kidd James Houghton Drabwell Gibbons Newman Davis.A Brittain Tyson

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