Old Wilsonians Newsletter

Full recap of the weekend's events



In this newsletter?

Results from the weekend of Saturday 16th March 2024.

Dates for the Diary

- Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match: Friday 22nd March 2024, Selhurst Park, further details on page 3.
- Meal at the school, Mollisons Drive, 6th September 2024
- OWFC end of season dinner / presentations, Saturday 27th April 2024

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
- Team of the Week : Aaron Clarke (4s), Jack Shelton(4s), S Davis- Winifred (3s), C Eliot (4s), S Peares (3s), H Riman (1s), C Watson (3s), Doyle (5s)





The annual Alf Parish Memorial Darts tournament will take place on:

Friday March 22nd at Selhurst Park 7-00 until 11-30

Each team should consist of five players and the entrance fee is £10 and just £5 for supporters

Crystal Palace Football Club will be providing all of the raffle prizes and a free buffet and all of the money raised will be split equally between the participating teams, which will help reach our fund-raising targets as far l as the OWS are concerned

Prizes include:

A signed shirt or football by the Palace squad
Two tickets for a game of your choice subject to availability
Three bottles of Palace wine
A tour of the ground and stadium

Free tea and coffee will also be available to all upon arrival, whilst there will be a bar in operation - last year Steve Parish, the Palace Chairman, subsidised the drinks for a part of the evening and hopes to be in attendance this year

Mark Bright has already confirmed his attendance

Contestants should arrive by 6-00 p.m in order to complete the draw whilst supporters are welcome at any time during the evening but must arrive by 8-30 if they wish to partake in the buffet
More details are available from Mike Pike - 0208 659 6443 or owmikepike@yahoo.co.uk

Help OWFC 1st XI Harry Ingamells (who is planning on swimming the English channel in July) raise money to support The Happy Baby Community

Look at this post on Facebook
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Swimming the English Channel for Happy Baby Community

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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.

Weekend of 16th March 2024	Vs	Score	Scorers
OWFC 1Xi	Notts	2-5	S Wright, H Riman
OWFC 2Xi	No Game		
OWFC 3Xi	Actonians	3-1	K Wright, S Benwell, T wells
OC 4Xi	Salesians	2-4	Aaron Clarke, Jamie Moniz
OWFC 5Xi	Wimbledonians	1-5	Doyle
OWFC 6Xi	Merton		
OWFC Vets	No Game		

Old Parmiterians (09/03/24) (3-1 W)

The 1's hosted Parmiterians in the league as we now enter the business end of the season. With Sam Wright on a work trip changing light bulbs in the US, it was the veteran Beatson taking over the armband. With a rousing pre-game team talk of cutting out any ill discipline and needless bookings, the lads were revved up to avenge a 3-0 defeat from the opening day of the season. Having started the brighter of both teams, OWs created chances down both flanks and quickly took the lead thanks to some nice play down the left hand-side from Montelle Henry-McDonald and Passley, with Quashie converting at the back post.

Plenty of the game was played in the middle third where there were some nice interchanges between the midfield 3 and led to a couple of half chances. The second goal quickly followed after a looping header from Sam James beat the Parms keeper, which has brought his headed goals tally up to 2 for the season. After a disagreement between the referee and Beatson over how substitutions work, the skipper was put in the bin for back chat. We now wish Harry Smart and Beatson well on their SAL Senior Division 3 Disciplinary Workshop, where we hope that they can learn to respect officiating staff and manage microaggressions.

Having ridden out the 10 minute period minus a man with aplomb, OWs took a commanding 2-0 lead into halftime. The second 45 started slowly, turning more into a battle than the silky play OW's pieced together previously. Having stated in the dressing room that he felt he had a goal in him, Kirby duly deflected a Parms shot that would have been easily saved by his best pal in goal, to cut the deficit in half.

Having picked up several points in the new year, the boys in yellow were not going to let this one slip. After being inexplicably booked by the ref for wearing an earring, Ingamells pulled off a fine save to deny Parms from distance. Harry Smart duly put the game beyond reach in the dying stages by rounding the keeper to make those beers in the presidents lounge taste even sweeter. We would like to finally wish Monty Henry a speedy recovery from needlessly headbutting his own players elbows and hope it doesn't interfere with his busy extracurricular schedule.

MoM: M Henry

Squad: H Ingamells, P Kirby, S James, C Elliot, N Cooper, N Eves, O Beatson, N Passley, G Jeevan, H Smart, M Henry, J Paton, M Quashie

Nottsborough (16/03/24) (5-2 L)

The 1s faced the first match of a season ending double against title chasing Nottsborough. Racing out of the traps, some harrying down the left hand side followed by two quick passes in the midfield found EVES behind the opposition line. His square ball was behind WRIGHT but the skipper's improvised flick found the bottom corner for a dream start.

Unfortunately the lead didn't last long. A half cleared throw-in fell to the opposition captain on the edge of the box and he produced an impressive left footed finish to level things up. Shortly after, a series of questionable refereeing decisions led to a Nottsborough corner, the home team rising highest to take the lead.

Despite these setbacks, in open play the 1s were more than matching Notts as well as showcasing the full range of the Delap-Boyle throw-in spectrum. Unable to turn promising openings into clear cut chances, Notts took advantage to capitalise from their own throw-in, their striker out-muscling the defence before slotting home.
3-1 HT

Undeterred, the 1s set about pressurising an unconvincing home defence once more. They were soon rewarded, winning the ball high up WRIGHT played in RIMAN who slotted home. A heartwarming return goal for Harley after more than a year out. Unfortunately, much like the first half, the 1s couldn't make the momentum pay.
Almost immediately a curled effort from the edge of the box left Ingamells with no chance and the two goal lead was restored. General play continued to be even, the 1s coping with the neat touches of the self-proclaimed mixed-raced Ben White but unable to turn numerous corners into goals. We were then punished for some injudicious dribbling in our own box to make it 5-2 and end any realistic chance of a comeback. At this point there was a short hold up to the play as the referee announced the oncoming opposition sub was under 18. Fortunately Sam James announced that some of our players were over 30 and play could continue. Craig then decided to back up his centre back partner and emphasise this point by pulling a hammy. A tired end to a 5-2 defeat that exaggerated the difference between the sides.

Spirits were lifted post-match, as the boys discussed what poetry meant to them, by the news of a South Bank defeat, meaning a return win in the final game of the season will secure a top half finish. Nothing from today left the boys in any doubt they could get the job done at Fortress Hayes. Online speculation that Fortress Hayes is also Monty's alter ego could not be independently verified.

MoM: Craig Elliott

Squad: H Ingamells, A Linton, S James, C Elliot, N Cooper, G Jeevan, H Smart, K Steadford, J Eves, S Wright, M Henry, O Beatson, H Riman

Fixtures

A look at all the upcoming fixtures for the week ahead through out the club.

Weekend of 23rd March	Vs	Competition	Location
OWFC 1Xi	No Game	SAL	
OWFC 2Xi	No Game	SAL	
OWFC 3Xi	Civil Service	SAL	H
OWFC 4Xi	Civil Service	SAL	A
OWFC 5Xi	South Bank	SAL	A
OWFC 6Xi	City of London	SAL	H
Vets/ SuperVets	No Game		

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

Classified Results , March 13th 1999
Old Isleworthians 1 1st Xl 4 Trout, Smart.R, Commansingh 2
2nd Xl 2 Old Tenisonians 0 Karamath 2
Old Tenisonians 0 2nd Xl 1 Karamath
Old Suttonians 0 3rd Xl 1 Pilgrim.M
4th Xl 1 Old Sedcopians 3 Jerome.S
5th Xl 2 Old Sinjuns 3 (Jim) Matthews, Higgins
Old Sinjuns 2 5th Xl 1 (Jim) Matthews
6th Xl 3 Old Suttonians 3 Evans 2, Horn
7th Xl 8 Old Wokingians 2 Jones 4. Smith.A 2, Kerr, Kirkham
She Old
Grammarians 10 8th Xl 0
8th Xl 0 Shene Old Grammarians 4
Portsmouth 1 Palace 1 Bradbury



SERIOUS INJURY PUTS THE GAMES IN PERSPECTIVE 5th XI (1) 2 Old Sinjuns (2) 3

Two disappointing results, especially after last week's fine performance. We started slowly and fell behind to a well-taken goal. We continued in this vein for the the first 20 minutes but gradually got into the match and created some good half chances until, finally, JIM MATTHEWS turned in a free-kick from Chris Cowell just before half-time.

The game was quite tense early in the second half and then came the incident that changed the whole afternoon when, in clearing a ball in the penalty area, Phil Gilmore sustained a serious ankle injury which resulted in a lengthy hold up and Phil being taken to hospital, although it later transpired that he had broken his leg.

Not surprisingly we were rather downcast after this and Sinjuns' superior movement finally paid dividends when they broke quickly to grab the winner.

The second game began like the first, Sinjuns being first to the ball and scoring an early goal but, and just before the interval, a free-kick was headed home by TONY HIGGINS and we took the lead early in the second period when good work from Kit Hollis led to an easy chance for JIM MATTHEWS.

We then defended deeply and paid the price when Sinjuns scored two late goals, both well-struck shots from outside the area. We tried hard but could not quite match Sinjuns' powerful runs and movement.

As per usual Sinjuns were full of little nudges and nasty, niggly fouls but, and for the first time in any game I have played against them for quite a number of years, they did nit have a man sent off!

Well, actually, the referee did send one of their players off – for a a slap five minutes from the end – but, because of poor communication, he did not go off and no-one seemed to notice, all of which summed up our day.

Finally we wish Phil Gilmore a speedy recovery and hope that his injury is not as serious as we feared. To their credit Sinjuns showed concern for Phil and asked to be kept informed. Tony Higgins

1st game: Gilmore (Hollis) Bryan Higgins Lloyd Adams.T Matthews.D Stewart Barry Dry (Jim)Matthews Cowell.C

2nd game: Matthews.D Bryan Jansen Lloyd Adams.T Hollis Stewart Barry Dry(Higgins) (Jim) Matthews Cowell. C

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 50 YEARS AGO

Classified Results

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS – 50 YEARS AGO
Classified Results, March 16th 1974

1st 2 Centymca 1 Matthews (John), Maunder
Libertians P 2nd Xl P
3rd Xl 1 Monovians 5 Favell
5th Xl 2 Grammarians 4 Scorers not reported
Brent 3 6th Xl 3 Fielder,A, Wellman, Easden
Carlisle 1 Palace 0



LACK OF STRENGTH IN DEPTH EXPOSED 3rd Xl 1 Old Monovians 5

A shadow of the real 3rd Xl took on a Monovians' side pressing for promotion at Sparrows Den. No fewer than seven regular 3rd Xl players were not on the pitch, mainly the result of players in the higher sides dropping out; ironically the 2nd Xl's game was postponed on Friday and so these players were not needed!
In a brave but futile attempt the 3rds lost their unbeaten home record in the league and suffered their heaviest defeat of the season. In the first half it looked as though we might pull off a surprising win. The defence suffered a few early escapes and, up front, John Houghton and Bob Favell linked well to crerate numerous scoring opportunities, from one of which BOB FAVELL did well to control the ball in the area, round the 'keeper and slot the ball home for his 18th goal of the season.
The second half was a catastrophe and, within a minute of the re-start, we were 1-2 down. A poor shot, which was deflected twice, led to their first goal and this was followed by a scrambled second, with Martin Taylor claiming furiously that he had been pushed in the back. Three other goals followed at regular intervals, and this young and inexperienced side folded up and lost hope and were relieved to hear the final whistle.
This result clearly illustrates what this Club lacks at the moment, namely the quality of strength in depth. As soon as players drop out in the higher sides, the chances of teams like the 3rd and 4th Xls become virtually non-existent. Malcolm Taylor

Here is the News

John Drabwell, nice to hear from you John, how are things (?), became the Football Club's first streaker this week when he did his thing in beautiful down-town Catford. Gliding across Catford Bridge like one of the nubile maidens in a shampoo advert, John proceeded to delight the patrons of Catford shopping centre, flitting round Tesco's, W.H.Smith's and then stopping briefly in the import record shop, where he bought a copy of 'Running Bear' by 'The New Streakers.' John finally came to rest in Catford Police station where, over tea and sandwiches, he renewed old acquaintances of two years ago and left quietly.

Thought for the week

Where have all the reports gone?

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