OLD WILSONIANS FOOTBALL CLUB

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News

TRAINING
training takes place every Wednesday at Power League, Wallington. The session normally starts at 8pm. Keep your eyes peeled on Facebook & Twitter for updates.

OWFC AGM 2017
This years AGM took place on the 4th July with 14 people turning up to have their say on the future of the OWFC. The main issues discussed were the amendments to the constitution. Those present unanimously voted in favour of amending rule 5(a) to include "brothers" in the definition of an Old Boy, while an amendment to rule 5(b), allowing two committee members of the OWFC Junior FC to recommend players to join the OWFC, was passed with a vote of 12-2. It was also agreed (13-1) that subs for 2017 would increase from £120 to £125.

OWFC CLUB SHOP
If you are need of training kit look no further than the OWFC Club Shop. We have an exclusive agreement in place with Macron to supply the kit which can be purchased here.

ANNUAL SUBS NOW OVERDUE
Subs were due on 31st October, if you are haven't paid then you can't play! This year's subs are £125, please make sure these are paid to the club account as soon as possible. Account number is 00685852, Sort Code 20-05-57. Once you have paid please email Alex Forbes (alexforbes46@hotmail.co.uk) to let him know, alternatively you can pay at the bar after your next home game. If you would like to discuss payment plans please talk Alex. Failure to pay means you won't be able to play after October 30th.

OLD WILSONIANS' ASSOCIATION SPORTS CLUB

Terms & Conditions for hire of facilities

To all Sports Club Hirers:

The cost to hire the club facilities	£200.00
We require a breakages/cleaning deposit	£50.00
We require a kitchen use deposit	£50.00
If an extension after midnight is requested	£100.00 per extra hour
Corkage will be charged per bottle	@£8.00

All moneys are to be received by the OWA at least 1 month before event. We politely request there be no decorations on the honours boards. No use of party poppers, spray string, table confetti or similar. If the club-house-bar and/or kitchen are left in need of cleaning, the appropriate deposit will be forfeited.

NB: The Association relies heavily on hiring out the Clubhouse to increase its revenue from which we all benefit. The above outlines our terms and conditions, so please pass on to anyone your think may be interested or, indeed, yourself – many Old Wilsonians have already held functions in our Clubhouse.

For more details, please contact Anton Snowsill: antonsnowsill@hotmai.com

Club Shop



OW Home Short

Price: £12.60



OW Praia Jacket

Price: £26.28



OW Kobe Jacket

Price: £41.60



OW Nixi Top

Price: £31.48



OW Desna Pant

Price: £22.62



OW Home Sock

Price: £4.92



OW Rigel Top

Price: £16.21



OW Tarim Top

Price: £24.36



OW Helsinki Jacket

Price: £46.85



OW Academy Bag

Price: £20.72

To The Club Shop

Social Media

Max Rushden ✓
@maxrushden

Following

First 90 minutes since my ACL. Won't lie. Can't move. (Now, as well as on the pitch)

> **Old Wilsonians** @oldwilsonians
> Sat 20 Jan. @AmateurFA Minor Cup. 4s 1-3 @PolytechnicFC. @antadams10

Ed Welch
@DrWelchUC

Follow

Dan Stratford receives United Soccer Coaches' Staff of the Year award for @UCWV men's national championship achievement.



Old Wilsonians
@oldwilsonians

Following

6XI practice match after @MertonFC1910 6s didn't fancy it



Ballard
@mballard_24

Absolutely gutted after losing our AFA Cup Quarter Final against Polytechnic and some of the @SoccerAM team just pleased that @maxrushden didn't score past me as promised to my team mates during the week 😂

10:43 PM - 20 Jan 2018

Social Media

Old Wilsonians
@oldwilsonians
Following

Sat 20 Jan. @TheSAL1907 Junior Div 1 South. @CarshaltonFC 1-8 3s. Williams x4, @richiem31 x2, @josephkirby3 x2

8:05 AM - 20 Jan 2018

1 Retweet

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Tweet your reply

David Booth @boothy4799 · 18h
Replying to @oldwilsonians @TheSAL1907 and 3 others
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Matt Rand @mattranduk · 16h
I played 4s but even I registered an assist
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David Booth @boothy4799 · 16h
Trying to work out how I missed 7 goals! The game I played in definitely finished 1-1!
1 1

Matt Rand @mattranduk · 16h
I watched a completely different one but still know it ended 8-1.
#3000yardassist

Matt Rand
@mattranduk
Following

Stand up, if you won 8-1



Fixtures and Results

Classified Results - 20th January				
Old Owens	5	3	**1st XI**	SAL
Goals: Braterman, A (2), Akkaya, O. MoM: Chen, J				
2nd XI	P	P	Old Garchonians	SAL
Carshalton 3rd XI	1	1	**3rd XI**	SAL
Goal: Williams, M. MoM: Elliott, S				
4th XI	1	3	Polytechnic 4th XI	AFA
Goal: Adams, A. MoM: Adams, A				
Old Finchleians	P	P	**5th XI**	OBC
Merton 6th XI	P	P	**6th XI**	SAL
7th XI	2	2	Old Salesians 3rd XI	SAL
Goals: Benwell, S. (2) MoM: Benwell, S				
Alleyn Old Boys 7th XI	6	2	**8th XI**	SAL
Goals: D'Rozario, M., Nordbo, J.				

Fixtures - 27th January		
Bank of England	14-00	**1st XI**
SAL - Away		
2nd XI	14-00	Alleyn Old Boys 2nd XI
SAL - Hayes		
Kew Association 2nd XI	14-00	**3rd XI**
SAL - Away		
4th XI	14-00	Alleyn Old Boys 6th XI
SAL - Hayes		
5th XI	14-00	HSBC 5th XI
SAL – Hawes Down		
Civil Service 7th XI	14-00	**6th XI**
SAL - Away		
Crouch End Vampires 6s	13-30	**7th XI**
SALC - Away		
South Bank Cuaco 6th XI	14-00	**8th XI**
SAL - Away		



Proud sponsors of Old Wilsonians FC; 10% discount for all OWFC members when they eat at the restaurant

Match Reports

Match Reports Table:

Team	Played	RS	RSL	NR	Points	Points Dropped	Response %
2nd XI	18	18	0	0	54	0	100
6th XI	17	17	0	0	51	0	100
7th XI	17	17	0	0	51	0	100
8th XI	16	16	0	0	48	0	100
5th XI	15	14	1	0	43	2	100
3rd XI	20	19	1	0	58	2	100
4th XI	16	15	1	0	46	2	100
1st XI	22	20	1	1	61	5	95

John Brittain Memorial Top Goal Scorer:

Scorer	Goals
Williams, M	19
Watson, C	11
Carruthers, J	10
Small, J. OG Williams, N	9
Gilson, T Fashoro, O	7
Benwell, S	6
Stride, J Stanley, W Karamath, J Bonsels, G Dyki, C Dhariwal, M	5
Giles, B Carruthers, B Breen, J Parkinson, J Falconer-Roberts, J Jeevan, G Sellman, D Barber, S Newman-Sanders, B	4
Wrenn-Smith, C. Wicks, S Wellman, I Rand, R Pathmonathan, P Dixon, T Page, N Howe, J Hill, J Quinton, J Adams, A Braterman, A	3

Match Reports – 1st XI

OLD OWENS 5 - 3 OWFC 1st XI

The 1s journeyed to High Barnet, full of confidence after 5 wins on the bounce, but aware that Owens are dangerous at home (and probably more so on 3G). The groundsman, who was treated to a 20min chat with Shawry, also mentioned Owens really wanted the game to go ahead because they had a strong squad.

The game started and within 2 minutes both Shawry and Niall strained their hamstrings. They soldiered on (briefly) and the 1s took the lead - a deep cross from Ope was spilled by the keeper for the returning Braterman to poke over the line. However, Owens responded immediately, when a corner was only half cleared, the ball was whipped in from the right for the Owens midfielder to poke into the far corner. And that was it for Shawry, celebrating turning 30 in style.

1-1 soon became 4-1, as Wilson's failed to adapt to losing two centre halves (both Stanley and Carruthers filling in last minute and playing in unfamiliar positions). The second was a bit freaky, with a near post cross flicked on and looping up over Ed's head into the far corner; the third was a good finish curled into the top corner after the 1s failed to clear their lines; and the fourth was another good header flicked into the far corner from an inswinging cross from the left hand side.

Half time allowed Wilson's time to reorganise, and they started the second half on the front foot, keeping the ball a bit better and being more aggressive in defence. This led to more chances and a quick breakaway down the left hand side was cut back to Braterman on the edge on the box and he drilled the ball home. And then the hope of a comeback was being realised after Akkaya had bent a free kick in off the post into the top right corner to make it 4-3 with half an hour remaining. Alas, it wasn't to be and Owens got the sucker punch goal, an overlap down the Owens left allowed the winger to cut in and chip the ball over Healy.

Wilson's remained fighting and if Ope's screamer had hit the inside of the post and gone the other way it would have been a frantic final few minutes. Shawry was jubilant with the second half performance, and him and Chen enjoyed a few miniatures on the tube home.

PS - Jon Chen has agreed to organise a club football tour!!

Report by Dan Sellman

Senior Division 1

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alleyn Old Boys	11	7	2	2	21	9	12	23
2	Polytechnic	9	6	2	1	25	7	18	20
3	Nottsborough	10	6	2	2	27	12	15	20
4	Old Parkonians	10	5	3	2	21	18	3	18
5	West Wickham	11	4	3	4	17	21	-4	15
6	Old Wilsonians	9	3	3	3	17	14	3	12
7	Old Owens	11	3	3	5	24	22	2	12
8	East Barnet Old Grammarians	9	2	2	5	13	23	-10	8
9	Bank of England	11	2	2	7	13	32	-19	8
10	Winchmore Hill	8	1	3	4	9	14	-5	6
11	Old Garchonians	9	1	3	5	10	25	-15	6

Match Reports – 2nd XI

OWFC 2nd XI P – P OLD GARCHONIANS

Intermediate Division 1

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	
1	Polytechnic Res	11	7	3	1	30	11	19	24	
2	West Wickham Res	9	7	1	1	30	11	19	22	
3	Old Wilsonians Res	7	5	1	1	15	10	5	16	
4	Actonians Association Res	11	5	1	5	22	21	1	16	
5	Civil Service Res	11	3	3	5	20	33	-13	12	
6	Alleyn Old Boys Res	6	3	1	2	16	6	10	10	
7	NUFC Oilers Res	6	2	3	1	13	14	-1	9	
8	Old Garchonians Res	9	2	2	5	21	27	-6	8	
9	Winchmore Hill Res	9	3	1	5	16	17	-1	7	*
10	Nottsborough Res	8	2	1	5	17	20	-3	7	
11	East Barnet Old Grammarians Res	11	1	1	9	12	42	-30	4	

* Adjustment made

Match Reports – 3rd XI

Junior Division 1 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	South Bank Cuaco 3rd	12	6	4	2	27	20	7	22
2	Polytechnic 4th	7	6	1	0	19	4	15	19
3	City of London	11	5	3	3	22	15	7	18
4	Carshalton 3rd	10	5	1	4	22	22	0	16
5	Old Wilsonians 3rd	11	3	4	4	23	18	5	13
6	Nottsborough 4th	8	4	1	3	18	16	2	13
7	Alleyn Old Boys 4th	6	4	0	2	18	13	5	12
8	Actonians Association 4th	7	3	1	3	14	11	3	10
9	HSBC 3rd	9	2	2	5	14	22	-8	8
10	Merton 3rd	10	2	1	7	15	31	-16	7
11	Kew Association Res	11	2	0	9	16	36	-20	6

CARSHALTON 3RD XI 1 – 1 OWFC 3rd XI - A proper Sunday league game
On the 20th Jan 2018 the 3s lined up against bitter local rivals Carshalton on a rainy Saturday afternoon. With a run of poor results, we were desperate to break the trend and grab 3 points. Relatively unchanged 11 - BNS and new recruit Tobi Sanbe joined the starting 11.

The game started scrappy with us of the losing end of a couple of 50:50s. The oppo didn't look particularly good, but did enjoy a few short spells of good passing in the middle courtesy of a dangerous no.7 and an equally dangerous(ly) overweight guy called 'Bouff' (no I'm not making this up).

The ever prolific Matty Williams did almost manage to sneak in behind the back 4 off the back of two flick on headers from captain 'soon to be daddy' Ricky and BNS, but the slippery pitch saw the ball just get away. The game went on and a miscommunication at he back gained Carshalton to a corner, which was whipped in, and a very good run across the near post caught the 3s unawares and the header was converted. 1-0 Carshalton.

Our heads didn't drop however and the fight continued on. We earned a free kick on the edge of the box, and Ricky Martin cannoned it against the underside of the bar.... a second free kick moments later from the same spot was also smashed by Ricky (this time on target) but palmed away by the keeper...10 or so minutes before half time, a deep free kick was swung in by Joe Kirby and led to a corner; again Joe Kirby delivered - this time to the back post - where it was met by Sam Elliott who nodded back into the box were Matty Williams was waiting and converted. 1-1.

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Match Reports – 3rd XI

CARSHALTON 3RD XI 1 – 1 OWFC 3rd XI - A proper Sunday league game

Half time came and we had our heads in good spirits. The second half began much in the same fashion.. both sides fired up with challenges flying in from both sides. There was a crafty run from Dan Searle who got to the byline (not before a mandatory nutmeg) and smashed the ball across the face of goal inches from being converted....

The challenges got worse and so did the decent which lead to 2 (maybe 3) Carshalton players ending up in the book.. but neither side could manage to get the 3rd decisive goal.

The final moments of the game saw Searle released again on the right and skip past a criminal challenge on the edge of the box before dinking the ball across the questionably offside Matt Williams who saw a shot saved.... alas the ref pulled us back to the challenge on the edge of the box. The 3rd freekick in an identical position naturally meant Ricky had to step up. Hitting the bar once and the target next meant surely he would convert.....but unfortunately he still thought he was playing crossbar challenge and smashed it against the bar once again.

The final whistle blew at 1-1, but we left the pitch with our heads held high due to a excellent show of spirit.

MoM- Sam Elliott
DoD - Chibu Akpakwu (again)

Report by Dan Searle

Match Reports – 4th XI

Junior Division 3 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Actonians Association 6th	10	7	2	1	25	19	6	23
2	Ibis Eagles 4th	8	6	0	2	22	8	14	18
3	Old Wilsonians 4th	8	5	1	2	18	13	5	16
4	HSBC 4th	9	4	0	5	22	24	-2	12
5	West Wickham 5th	7	3	0	4	13	12	1	9
6	Polytechnic 6th	8	2	3	3	17	26	-9	9
7	City of London Res	9	2	2	5	14	19	-5	8
8	Alleyn Old Boys 6th	8	1	4	3	16	18	-2	7
9	Bank of England 4th	9	1	2	6	12	20	-8	5

OWFC 4th XI 1 – 3 POLYTECHNIC 4TH XI – Better Game Than The 3s

Normally, Pat likes to start a quarter final by sending his side to the wrong address... but this week he made no mistake in getting us changed and warmed up on Hayes Pitch with time to spare, probably wary that his opposition were fresh from beating the 3s 2-0. It was Poly who delayed kick off this week, leaving us to suffer in the freezing rain. Instead of going inside or extending the warmup, we posed for a few photos and I opted to calm quarter final nerves with a ciggy.

When we finally kicked off, the pre-game antics had clearly given Poly the advantage as they started on the front foot. They quickly opened up a couple of half decent chances around us and you could tell which side was currently top of a superior league. Matt Ballard's new gloves were called into action a few times but weren't properly tested. Ballard did try his best to give his photographer brother behind the goal some great action shots, flying gracefully at a few easy saves. It was only when Soccer AM legend (and underwhelming footballer) Max Rushden praised his side's 10-man performance that we realised they were a man down... It felt like they were playing with 12.

We finally warmed up and started to find our way into the game. Elliot Tiffin and Chris Ironside started to get the better of their opponents at the back, and we created up some chances for ourselves through some decent hold up play by Ant Adams and Sam James. Phil Platts made himself some space on the left and laid inside to Adams, who teed up Matt Rand's magic wand of a left foot... Unfortunately, his shot had more chance of landing in the back of his car than the back of the net. We continued the pressure and Rand found himself in a similar position, but this time it was on his right foot (he does have one, we even have photo evidence). The car park and most of Hayes high street was bracing itself but the shot rifled towards the top corner and required a top save from the Poly keeper.

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Match Reports – 4th XI

OWFC 4th XI 1 – 3 POLYTECHNIC 4TH XI

As half time loomed, most of the 4s must have been thinking about what a great team talk we were in for...Whatever it was we were thinking about, it certainly wasn't the game as Poly found themselves 3 on 1. Unfortunately, even Ballard wasn't wide enough to cover both the 2 unmarked Poly forwards and his near post... 0-1. We came in for the half time pineapples still in decent spirits and felt that we were matching them and could get something out of the game.

We came out of the blocks flying, Elliot Roberts and Will Gunnell making direct runs and accurate passing and movement from Gowtham Jeevan and Platts. About 5 minutes into the half, ANT ADAMS found himself on the edge of the box with his back to goal and channelled his inner ballerina as he pirouetted, twisted, turned and nutmegged his way through the Poly defence and slotted home the equaliser. I've never seen someone so large look so light on their toes, perhaps testament to the power of Dry January. We were well on top for most of the 2nd half, Roberts' pace gave us a dangerous outlet and we peppered attempts at the Poly goal for a long and impressive spell. James made himself a half chance on the turn at close range but was thwarted by a decent save down at the keeper's right.

Any attempts at a Poly reply had been mopped up by solid defending for a long spell, Chris Ironside christened his new boots with some strong tackles and even some accurate passing! However, we exerted a lot of energy without success Poly started to find their way back into the game. We found ourselves over-committing men forward and conceded 2 late goals to unfortunately end our chances of a cup win this season. As we came off, a few Poly players (including Rushden) commented that we gave them a better game than the 3's had given a week before, deserved credit for a monumental effort - 3-1 probably flattered them!

So off to Bali for me for a month, and I must admit that between the drinking, white beaches, snorkelling and temples there will be an empty void left every Saturday from the 4s. League leaders Carshalton were booted out of our league this week and if we win our games in hand we are well in the mix. As long as we play as we did today we will definitely have no issues, I look forward to following the next winning streak from the other side of the world and will miss you all dearly.

Team: Ballard, Matthews, Ironside, Tiffin, Gunnell, Rand, Watson, Jeevan, Platts, James, Adams
Subs: Roberts, Abdou
MOM: Ant Adams

Report by Ceejay Watson

Match Reports – 4th XI

OWFC 4th XI 5 – 0 POLYTECHNIC 6TH XI - Vorsprung, Durch but definitely no (poly)Technik (Played 13th January 2018)

The day got off to a shaky start when MATHEWS decided to enter into the usually one man competition with ABDOU, to see who could arrive the latest. Such are the size of MATHEWS' balls, and determined to re-assert his leadership qualities, he decided to do this even though he had the kit this week. Unfortunately, both were to be blown out of the water this week by the Polytechnic kitman arriving 15minutes after kick off! There was further drama when we were down to a bare 11 before kickoff as RAND decided to "chase his dreams" up front for the 8's.

Anyway, eventually the game got underway with a scruffy Polytechnic wearing their dog walking tops and looking out of sorts. OWFC capitalised on this lack of organisation to completely outplay Polytechnic for the first 15 minutes. With GOWTHAM the central point of most fluid attacking moves, OWFC were looking dangerous, a highlight being ADAMS displaying his Berbatov-esque silky skills by plucking the ball out of thin air with a sublime touch away from their defenders before just missing the target. At this point there was a small water break to allow Poly to get changed when their kitman eventually arrived, knowing he had the dick of the day title firmly in his backpocket. Feeling like a pro team with their fresh kit, Poly regrouped and would have their strongest spell of the game with "Lanky" and "Little" leading their line. Over the next 10 minutes, they would cause our centre backs all kinds of trouble until IRONSIDE made a crunching last ditch tackle on "Lanky" to "let him know he was there" and quell any grand ambitions. This would be a trend for IRONSIDE throughout the game, while he also continued his trend of having the most consistent pass completion rate out of any OWFC player across the teams. OWFC reaffirmed their superiority once more for the remainder of the half, with some fantastic work down the left as the ball made its way to GUNNELL to drive into the box and release the ball for a simple tap in. A goal surely? Well... no. As the ball fell to PLATTS, and he only does worldies.

The second half drew to a close and MATHEWS gave a characteristically depressing halftime teamtalk before WATSON, upbeat from his first half domination of the poundshop version of himself, took things by the scruff of the neck and put some fire in their bellies. Thus began a masterclass of attacking intent, with OWFC looking dangerous on both flanks; ABDOU tirelessly nutmegging his way down the left and FINGERS somehow still the quickest player on the pitch despite only playing on one leg. Heavy pressure would lead to a corner and the start of the influx, with WATSON towering above his opposite number to head the ball in the back of the net. 1-0. Shortly afterwards, FALCONER-ROBERTS would get the goal his hard work deserved with a smart finish after some scrappy defending. With OWFC going two goals to the good, Poly tried desperately to break on the counter and managed to get a dangerous ball into the box. This was BALLARDS chance to make his presence known in the box, and he wasted no time in wiping out ABDOU who was in the process of heroically heading the ball away.

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Match Reports – 4th XI

OWFC 4th XI 5 – 0 POLYTECHNIC 6TH XI - Vorsprung, Durch but definitely no (poly)Technik (Played 13th January 2018)

Over the next 10mins, GOWTHAM did his best Iniesta impression with some delicious passing, while there were some swashbuckling displays from all over the pitch until FALCONER-ROBERTS again capitalised on their defensive frailties with Firminio-like pressing and scored a goal out of nowhere. We were 3-0 up and time to have some fun. Some beautiful link-up play would lead GUNNELL to have another daring effort come off the bar. Clearly he was reserving his lucky pumps for after the game. Nawtyyy.

With 15 minutes to go, OWFC could definitely be accused of letting their foot off the gas. Several clumsy touches all over the park ensued, epitomised by ABDOU pathetically letting the ball run under his foot for a throw on before threatening anybody that could hear with taking his clothes off in a fit of rage. More chaos followed, as BALLARD, apparently unhappy at the prospect of a rare clean sheet ran to the halfway, ball in hand, when the ball was still in play. Bemused and befuddled, the referee and BALLARD proceeded to argue like a pair of 12 year olds before Poly were eventually given a drop ball. OWFC were suddenly in serious danger of throwing all their hard work down the drain. Sensing a potential self-capitulation, MATHEWS seized the initiative to inspire the team with his cool head and defensive solidity. He did all this with the sad look of a man who had lost of all his life savings. He really doesn't like playing centre-back does he? The last straw came as "Lanky" drove into the OWFC box and looked odds on to score, before meeting his match as WATSON whipped his leg around to deny brilliantly, before the ball bobbled to BALLARD who inexplicably took the moment to provide some deft kick ups before smashing up field to begin the best move of the game. After ADAMS screamed at him to wake up from his slumber, FALCONER-ROBERTS burst into life down the right hand side. After a brilliant move, involving several OWFC players, the ball was flicked on to GOWTHAM who chipped majestically over the keeper and into the back of the net. Wow. This was getting embarrassing for Poly now and FINGERS sniffed his chance to impose further misery. Hopping down the right, FINGERS was simply too quick for the lacklustre Poly defence to handle, and after creating a yard of space smashed the ball emphatically into the top corner. 5 nil up, were were desperate for reinforcements to see the victory out in injury time. Up stepped the 4's mascot and knight in shining armour, RAND, who was fresh from leading the line during the 8's 10nil loss. The 8's really could not have done it without him, and neither could the 4's, as he proved with his 3 attempted fouls in 3 minutes. The final whistle blew and the 4's finally understood what grandfather YUVED had always meant about the true meaning of life. WE F*****G LOVE SATURDAYS!

MOM:GOWTHAM
Most Nutmegs: ABDOU

Match Reports – 5th XI

OLD FINCHLEIANS 5TH XI P – P OWFC 4th XI

Junior Division 5 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Merton 6th	12	8	2	2	44	23	21	26
2	Actonians Association 8th	11	8	1	2	42	20	22	25
3	HSBC 5th	12	5	2	5	31	29	2	17
4	Old Wilsonians 5th	9	5	1	3	20	25	-5	16
5	Old Wilsonians 6th	11	4	2	5	21	27	-6	14
6	Merton 5th	10	3	2	5	18	25	-7	11
7	City of London 3rd	13	2	5	6	19	35	-16	11
8	Civil Service 7th	11	3	1	7	17	20	-3	10
9	South Bank Cuaco 5th	9	2	2	5	13	21	-8	8

Match Reports – 6th XI

Junior Division 5 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Merton 6th	12	8	2	2	44	23	21	26
2	Actonians Association 8th	11	8	1	2	42	20	22	25
3	HSBC 5th	12	5	2	5	31	29	2	17
4	Old Wilsonians 5th	9	5	1	3	20	25	-5	16
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7	City of London 3rd	13	2	5	6	19	35	-16	11
8	Civil Service 7th	11	3	1	7	17	20	-3	10
9	South Bank Cuaco 5th	9	2	2	5	13	21	-8	8

MERTON 6TH XI P – P OWFC 6TH XI / TEAM ED 3 – 3 (5 – 4 PENS) TEAM EGGY

The 6s made the journey to Merton knowing they would be in for a tough game against a side sitting top of the league, but we couldn't have predicted what was going to happen next. We made our way out to the pitch and started our warm-up to try and get a grip of the wet conditions, while Jonny Q continued his new role of clearing dog litter from the pitch.

Eventually the opposition showed up and they couldn't have looked less interested in playing football, just standing around in a circle chatting. We were raring to go and all we needed now was a ref. After the opposition stood round for another 30mins while we continued to prepare for the game they decided the ref wasn't going to turn up. They then also turned down our offer to ref the game as they were convinced that the he would have called it off had he showed, despite every other game around us in full flow and approaching half time. With that they left and headed back to the changing rooms.

Baffled by the decision we decided that we weren't coming all this way for nothing, so had a six-a-side training game. The conditions made for an entertaining and end-to-end encounter. Team Ed took an early 2-0 lead with the pick of the goals being a Nick Page chip when one-on-one. Team Eggy fought their way back in to it and levelled the scores, only for Team Ed to quickly re-establish their lead. With time ticking away a deep cross in to the box was met by a Jonny Q diving header, levelling the scores at 3-3.

Neither side were leaving it as a draw so a penalty shoot-out would determine the winner. The ABBA system was used, and made it very difficult to track who was leading, so eventually everyone took a penalty. Team Ed triumphing 5-4.

Everyone agreed that it was much more enjoyable than facing Merton 6s, hopefully we get awarded the points and avoid another trip down the A3.

MoM – Jonny Q – for clearing dog litter the size of a baby's arm from the pitch
DoD – Ref / Merton / Nick Page
Report by James Eglon

Match Reports – 7th XI

Junior Division 6 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	8	8	0	0	44	10	34	24
2	Bank of England 5th	9	6	0	3	31	16	15	18
3	Civil Service 8th	10	5	1	4	28	21	7	16
4	South Bank Cuaco 6th	8	4	2	2	33	19	14	14
5	South Bank Cuaco Seventh	9	4	2	3	34	27	7	14
6	Old Blues 3rd	9	4	2	3	24	27	-3	14
7	Old Salesians 3rd	9	4	1	4	24	21	3	13
8	Old Wilsonians 7th	10	3	1	6	21	42	-21	10
9	Merton 7th	9	3	0	6	34	43	-9	9
10	Old Wilsonians 8th	10	2	2	6	18	52	-34	8
11	HSBC 6th	9	1	1	7	16	29	-13	4

OWFC 7th XI 2 – 2 OLD SALESIANS 3RD XI The Need To Be More Clinical

The 7s served up another entertaining encounter at Hayes, having been moved to the bigger pitch as a result of the 2s' postponement.

Arriving on time and expecting 13 players, that quickly went down to 12, and then 11 due to late dropouts. And then 10 for the first 15 minutes of the game! Being a man down we set up defensively, and when we had our full 11 we were able to push on a bit more. The discipline that the 7s showed in the first half was rewarded with a goal from STEVE BENWELL, and during the half-time break we agreed that keeping up concentration levels was the key to winning the game.

That lasted for all of 10 minutes, with some Route 1 football by Salesians allowing their striker to score the equaliser. This was followed by a second 10 minutes later by the same striker. We continued to knock at the door, with some good opportunities, but still giving the ball away in the middle which allowed the opposition to break quickly. With 10 minutes to go, STEVE BENWELL bundled in the equaliser following some good play on the edge of the box.

A point was the least we deserved out of this match, and we now look forward to an away day in North London next Saturday.

Team: Sparrow, Fairhurst, Amankwah, Hallett, Ojo, A.Benwell, Connew, Mcaweaney, Dhariwal, S.Benwell, Stride
MoM: Steve Benwell

Report by Kek Amankwah

Match Reports – 8th XI

Junior Division 6 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	8	8	0	0	44	10	34	24
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ALLEYN OLD BOYS 7TH XI 6 – 2 OWFC 8th XI

It's starting to become a habit. We had 13 names, 4 didn't turn up, luckily we got one on route. We started against the league leaders with 8 players and a 4-3-0 formation on a wet and boggy pitch. After 20 minutes we went 2-0 down but went up to 9 players and drew level through a lob from Josh Nordbo and a steered header from Matt D'Rosario. We then had a tenth player join us and unfortunately Vincenzo dislocated his shoulder within minutes and we returned back to 9, with no cavalry coming over the hill.

Alleyns retook the lead prior to half time with a well worked goal. Interestingly we were in the game, 9 good men against a team 6 points and a game in hand on top of the league. The second half which turned out to be big of a lottery as the rain came down and various parts of the pitch become bogs. We lost the second half 3-0 with the majority of the game in our half due to superior numbers.

For all those who played well done you were superb. For the 4 who let us down you missed a great match and with another 2 players and the extra pressure we would have got onto Alleyns. I think you cost us 3 points, yes I think we would have won this encounter. If you can't play tell us we can work around this, but please communicate with your skipper!

Well done everyone who played and gave everything I appreciate your efforts

Team Forbes A, Seb Ayers, Aubrey Cruz, Nana, Colin Stevens, Matt D'Rosario, Oliver Krauss, James Drummond, Vincenzo Loprieno

Report by Alex Forbes

All Our Yesterdays - 25 years ago

Classified Results, January 23rd 1993				
1st XI	7	Old Salopians	1	Murray.I. 3, Boxall, Kendrick.N, Pilgrim.M. Townson
Old Thorntonians	4	2nd XI	4	Elliott, Wood, Trout 2
3rd XI	3	Shene Old Grammarians	1	Smith.G, Daniels, Stone
4th XI	5	John Fisher Old Boys	2	Valder 3, Mace 2
Old Sinjuns	5	5th XI	1	Barry
6th XI	4	Old Wokingians	1	Mir 2, Horswood, Leach
7th XI	0	Old Reigatians	3	

OUR BEST DISPLAY OF THE SEASON 6th XI 4 Old Wokingians 1

This was a very good result. Wokingians are not usually one of the strongest teams in our division but they have reorganised their club and it was clear that this team was not going to be a push-over.

In the first 15 minutes the sides were evenly matched but then we moved up a gear and began to win most of the 50/50 balls. We then produced some very good football, playing through our defence and midfield to our eager forwards.

And it was such a move that led to our first goal when a good Matt Leach through ball let in **KARIM MIR,** who chipped the goal-keeper from an acute angle. The second game shortly afterwards when Matt Leach turned well in the box and crossed to an unmarked **KARIM MIR** at the far post to convert easily for his, and our, second goal.

We continued our domination for the majority of the game, **PAUL HORSWOOD** producing a fine shot for the third and persistent play from **MATT LEACH** paid off when he grabbed a fourth.

We gave away a sloppy goal in the closing minutes, which was slightly disappointing but, overall, this was our best display of the season. Good games from all, especially the industrious Charlie Thurley and the very sharp Karim Mir.
Tony Higgins

Britton Higgins Johnson.A Horn Pegg Mole.J Thurley O'Brien Horswood Mir Leach

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All Our Yesterdays - 25 years ago

THE SPIRIT IS WILLING SO WE COULD WIN NEXT WEEK 7th XI 0 Old Reigatians 3

In heavy conditions at Hayes the 7th XI lost to the team just above them in the league and thereby conceded a four point margin at the bottom of the table.

Despite the result it was a fairly close game. Indeed, the 7ths had the better of the first half and hit the bar with a good left-foot strike from Carl James.

No score at half-time but Reigations scored ten minutes into the second half with a good edge of the area strike, and the game was locked at 1-0 for the next 30 minutes, the 7ths having a good number of chances to equalise but not managing to convert. Reigations scored twice in the last few minutes, with the 7ths pushing up.

An excellent game at half-back by Duncan Lewis and good play, in heavy midfield conditions, by Dave Wight. If we had scored before they did then we could have joined them equal bottom of the Old Boys League!

With the current spirit I'm sure that we will achieve at least one victory before the end of the season.
Clive Peckover

Peckover Brindle Rayworth Lewis Pack Ayling Smart.D Riley Creamore Wright James

All Our Yesterdays - 50 years ago

Classified Results, January 20th 1968				
G.W.R	2	1st XI	7	Bartlett 3, Adams. Cohen, Reaseley, OG
2nd XI	2	The School 1st XI	7	Brittain, Carpenter
Old Grammarians	5	3rd XI	5	Jennings, Golborn, Marks, Maunder, Watson
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Old Finchleians	8	5th XI	1	Drabwell
The School 3rd XI	6	6th XI	7	Steggle 4, Piper + 2
Palace	0	Hull City	1	

G.W.R were very lucky to beat our 1st XI at Hayes by the odd goal last October and in last Saturday's game were very lucky to lose by as little as five! Les Simner, I'm told, had an excellent game, and the scorers were **DAVE BARTLETT (3), TERRY ADAMS, DAVE COHEN and GERRY REASELEY,** one each, and there was an own goal.

Weather permitting the 1st XI play their Cup Final next week and, in their last six games, they have scored 20 goals, 14 away from home; so beware Witan.

Well, well, well. **Robertson,** for the school, got four goals and **Godfrey, Canham and Sayer** got one each. **JOHN BRITTAIN and ALAN CARPENTER** scored for us. Les Wilks played on the right wing for us and Dave Vidler on the left-wing for them, and I think Cinderella must have played in goal.

I have not had any reports on the 3rd XI's game but, looking at the league form of both teams, we did well to get a point. **JAMIE JENNINGS, TONY GOLBORN, ALAN MARKS, TONY MAUNDER and BRIAN WATSON** all scored.

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The 4th XI only had ten men but still managed to beat the school, with **JOHN JARMAN and MICK LONGHURST** getting the goals.
The 5th XI had only nine men…..WHY? **JOHN DRABWELL** scored.
I watched the last ten minutes of the 6th XI game and saw six goals, three by the Whites (School) and three by the Yellows, blues, greens, amber and reds.

Everybody seemed to enjoy it and ***Ron Kirby*** scored an own goal. **DICK STEGGLE** got four and **COLIN PIPER** one. Dave Glen played in goal ……. laugh.

Hull City's late and absurdly lucky winner at Selhurst Park completed a dismal day for Crystal Palace, who had three "goals" ruled off-side, Bannister booked, Dawkins concussed and Lazurus put out of next Saturday's F.A. Cup-tie by a pulled ham-string.

The worst and final blow came seven minutes from time. Chilton was so comprehensively off-side to a ball played down the right that referee, Tinkler, waved Palace, who were in possession, to play on. Pressland sent the ball back to his goal-keeper but Jackson, apparently still thinking in terms of a free-kick for offside, casually kicked it out to Chilton, who scored from 30 yards!

All Our Yesterdays - 125 years ago

Classified Results, January 21st 1893				
St Bartholomew's Hospital	9	1st XI	3	H.F Plumpton 2, A.N. Wright

Played at Wormwood Scrubs the ground, after the thaw, was in a shocking condition, parts of it being under water. From the start to the finish Old Wilsonians were all at sea on the slippery ground whilst, on the other hand, the 'Hospital Men" seemed quite at home and fairly out-paced the visitors scoring no less than nine goals against the Old Wilsonians three, these coming from **H.F. PLUMPTON (2) and A.N.WRIGHT.**

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