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TRAINING STARTS TUESDAYS POWERLEAGUE NXT TO SCHOOL 7PM – 8PM



We are sad to report that our Life President, Mike Harris, died peacefully at home Tuesday 20th April 2021.
This is huge loss and our thoughts go out to his family of whom he was extremely proud.
It is difficult to put into words what "The Mexican" meant to Old Wilsonians, he simply bled old gold and black and was never happier than when he was at Hayes.
He was immensely proud of the club and the fact that is provided a platform for Old Wilsonians of all abilities to share fun times on the pitch and in the bar.
During his lengthy association with the club, he has done everything! He has been a player, a referee and held every committee position going, some for a large number of years. Without him, we wouldn't still exist. Mike is also the sole reason that you all know how many games you have played for the club and how many goals you have scored. He was one of a kind and not someone that will ever be replaced. Over the years he has spent of fortune feeding and watering our referees and other visitors and ensuring that all players and opposition treated our facilities with respect.
I have lots of fond memories of Mike. He has been hugely supportive of me and others during my time on the committee and always had a piece of advice or a way to help. I remember him walking onto the first team pitch and demanding the referee disallowing a goal that Jon Howe had scored with his hand, annoying at time, but testament to his Corinthian spirit. Programme editors for cup finals will not miss his 15-page submissions detailing the clubs progress on a day-to-day basis, AGM's will be significantly shorter and you haven't played at Old Wilsonians without having been shouted at for playing in the goal mouth or taking your bag in the bar!
Over recent years he got huge joy of what the 1st XI achieved. I have never seen him happier than he was when holding the AFA Senior Cup in 2014 and 2015. He was also over the moon when we were asked to host the final in 2016. However, what made him Mr Old Wilsonians was he was equally content when we managed to put out a 10th XI or have a side with a large number of school boys in it.
A true legend of amateur football and one that will leave a huge hole at Hayes. We have lost a number of legends in recent years and let's hope they will be having a drink in the bar every Sat shouting their "constructive“ criticism.

Rest easy mate, Ariba

Jamie Parkinson on behalf of the OWFC Committee and all at Old Wilsonians

Men of the Hill

https://www.facebook.com/groups/200448241218240

A number of Old Boys and Club members have set up a Facebook group during these difficult times, please click on the link or cut n paste above.

Its good to talk. Its ok not to be ok.

Talking about how we feel is something we all find hard to do whether you are a Man or a Woman.

Last Sunday we discussed ways of expressing how we feel, as well as how anxiety can affect us.

We spoke about the positive effects our Sports Club has had on us and what our plans are to Remove the Mental from Mental Health.

About

This group has been set up to help anyone connected to the Wilsonians Sports club, whether they be friends of friends or family members.

We are here to keep each other company.

We will share events across different platforms such as WhatsApp and help people get through the 12 or so weeks we have to face under Covid-19.

Private

Only members can see who's in the group and what they post.

Visibility

Anyone can find this group.

MOTH

MEN OF THE HILL

Provisional Fixtures – 24th April 2021 – Home Games at HD

SAL Cup	1s v Alleyn OB 230pm KO
Results	Scorers

SAL Cup	2nd XI v Awaits
Results	Scorers
SAL Cup	3rd XI v South Bank 1230pm KO
Results	Scorers

SAL Cup	4th XI v Awaits
Results	Scorers
SAL Cup	5th XI vs Alleyn OB 230pm KO
Results	Scorers
SAL CUP	6th XI vs 7s 1230pm KO
Results	Scorers
SAL Cup	7th XI v 6s 1230pm KO
Results	Scorers
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SAL Cup	8th X1 v South Bank Away
Results	Scorers

SAL Cup	9th X1 Awaits
Results	Scorers

Vets	Vets vs Alleyn OB Cup Sunday 25th April 10am KO Hawes Dwn
Results	Scorers



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Results – 17th April 2021

Friendly	1s v School X1
Results	Scorers
3 - 0	Niall Sheridan Ollie Sitch Ben Malins

SAL Cup	2nd XI v Alleyn OB
Results	Scorers
4 - 2	Karamath, Dixon Free, Gilson

SAL Cup	3rd XI v Hampstead Heathens
Results	Scorers
3 - 0	Walkover

SAL Cup	4th XI v Carshalton Res
Results	Scorers
1 - 5	Not reported

SAL	5th XI vs Carshalton 3s
Results	Scorers
3 - 3	Lock, O'Callaghan, Kennedy

SAL Cup	6th XI vs Actonians Away
Results	Scorers
1 - 1	Steve Benwell

SAL Cup	7th XI v South Bank 6s Home
Results	Scorers
3 - 2	Jony Quinton, Sam Forbes, Baxendine

SAL Cup	8th X1 v Merton 6s Home
Results	Scorers
5 - 2	Small, Wells, Amoah Igboayaka, Carpenter

SAL Cup	9th X1 Awaits
Results	Scorers

Friendly Hayes	Super Vets vs Ash Dyer X1 Sunday 11th April. 10 AM
Results	Scorers
3 - 4	

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members
when they eat at the restaurant

For Kirk. Super Vets 5 SE Arts Network 2







What a lovely day .

A 23 man team to play the SE Arts Network playing for the Kirk Benjamin Trophy to raise awareness for mental health issues . Kirk took his life a couple of years back and it came as a shock to us all , especially those who had attended his wedding the previous year , a wonderful & happy occasion . Out of this heart ache have come a number of initiatives including this match, Men on the Hill (Glen Wheeler, Jasper & Doug) . A reminder that Doug is raising money at this moment for mental health in his 5km run/walk .

So we were there to celebrate Kirk & were joined by Sophie (his wife) , his 2 little girls , his mum, his brother & his family . We had Pikey hovering in the background with the trophy & taking copious notes, probably of my brilliant management & rotation of the 23 man squad . Micky Pilgrim was the man in the middle & I think had a pretty easy day We were joined by a number of supporters 12 old boys and a few we haven't seen for a while so hello Peckover, Hickey , Barnes , Andy Smith & Pete Horner . So Covid central !

We had a few poignant words from Stu Paton pre the match to remind us all why we were there . Popey then pulled 11 names out of the hat to start with and off we went & quite quickly 0-2 down with there number 9 & 10 causing us all kinds of trouble . After 20 minutes we rang the changes sent on 5 fresh legs & drew level before half time with Nick Billing heading in a goal from a corner (good to see he had learnt from last week which end to nod it into) & nick the trainer (that's as good as it gets Doug knows him & he lives local to the club) stole the ball off the oppo and prodded it in to the net . A further 5 changes at half time , and the other 2 throughout the second half got all the players on . The 2nd half saw Dan Harris trying from range a number of times pre curling in a 40 yarder , Doug Smart nodding in the 4th & Greg Middleton slotted in our 5th as the Arts network ran out of legs . Pikey was pretty close to blubbering about my astute management of the game , I could see it in his eyes (either that or hate !)

Great game , well played by both teams . Pikey said a few words , Sophie thanked us, Stu handed Sophie & Kirks mums some flowers (thanks Stu for sorting out) . Lots of photos lots of laughing , Kirk would have loved it , I know I did. Alex Forbes

Team – Roast , Pavitt D, Billing N, Forbes D, Lovelock , Middleton G, Holmes, Pope M (Capt.), Mace, Murray I, Smart M, Smart D, Spencer N, Nick the trainer , Philmore, Davies W, Doyle, Paton S , Graham B , Dyki , Harris D, Quinton, Carruth G

Pikey's Progress: The Club re opens, the cricket season starts and remembering Kirk (written before the sad news of Mike Harris' passing)

The Prime Minister was pretty clear – Step 2 in the process in the roadmap out of lockdown allowed outdoor hospitality to reopen, along with indoor leisure and gyms, hairdressers and beauticians, and non essential retail shops, whilst domestic overnight stays for one household were allowed as from April 12th

The great day arrived so Mr Johnson went and had a haircut, although nobody noticed and, as far as overnight stays are concerned, no-one ever knows where 'Bojo' will be sleeping, least of all his ex wives and current fiancé

As far as Old Wilsonians were concerned the reopening of outdoor hospitality was the news they had all been waiting to hear, and seats were booked as people eagerly sought to enjoy some of the hospitality that only the OWs can provide

The question, 'Should I leave the car at home in order to enjoy a social drink for the first time in months' was virtually rhetorical, a no brainer as participants were eager to partake of the amber liquid and obey the law at the same time as members gathered to celebrate their new found freedom

The talk was of …….. well, irrelevant, really, the very fact that this was possible was all that mattered and, as the evening progressed, most people were talking gibberish anyway and everyone went home happy after seeing old friends and making a few new ones

The following morning the gardening club met again for the first time in a couple of months and head gardener Bill Hartley, who had also been there the night before, informed us that he had recruited a new gardener during the evening's festivities, namely Derek Seston, an announcement that has been subsequently confirmed to prove that it was not just the drink talking – welcome, Derek

By the end of the week £1,700 had been taken over the Bar and it looked as if things were returning to some sort of normality

Saturday saw the first day of the OW cricket season - organised sports had been allowed as from March 29th with the OWFC back in action on that day – and a visit to Catford Wanderers saw the OWCC playing for the first time this year

On arrival the ground appeared to be a fortress as I could not find a gate that was open. Eventually I approached a man who appeared to be one of authority and he asked me where I was from

"Old Wilsonians, " I confessed

"I'm sorry, but we are not allowing any supporters today because of the restrictions; crowds are not allowed", he explained

"But I'm the OWs new opening bowler and have been known to bowl at over 100 mph"

He looked at me in a way that implied he did not believe my claim, so I had to confess that I had come to score, and on hearing this news he not only let me in but ushered me to a table and said "The lady there is also scoring, " and she turned out to be Jane Abbett

"I'm scoring for Catford Wanderers " Jane confided

Shortly after the game started several tennis players had finished their games and were somewhat intrigued by the cricket taking place in front of them

"I understand that games can go on for five days" inquired one

"Only Test matches", corrected another, who seemed more au fait with the game

"Is this a Test match," asked the inquirer

"No; they are international games; Catford Wanderers v Old Wilsonians is not classified as an International"

To read a full report of the game you will have to see the cricket newsletter - go on; you know you want to - but save to say we lost an entertaining game by just one wicket in a contest which enabled everyone to get a good work out, and we did have some supporters, although they had to claim they were either coaches or umpire assessors in order to gain access

Sunday saw the second instalment of 'The Kirk Benjamin Memorial Trophy' as Old Wilsonians Super Vets took on Arts Network, not just to remember the much missed Kirk, but also to raise funds for the charity which helps those with severe and enduring mental health needs and, of course, to remind everyone of the work needed to combat this cruel illness and the need to support those who suffer in this way

Kirk used to play in these games and after his tragic death it only seemed right and proper that the game should be played in his memory, so a trophy was purchased and was first played for last October, resulting in a 4-2 victory for the Super Vets, who were determined to retain this Cup; well, they are not likely to win any other!

It was a perfect Spring morning and the game attracted a large crowd - think that is legal and they did abide by the rules and regulations – and we were so pleased to see Kirk's Mum, Pauline, wife Sophie and one of their daughters in attendance

For the first 20 minutes or so the Arts Network game plan worked perfectly to such an extent that they took a well-deserved two goal lead, but as the half wore on the OWs started to get back into the game and **NICK BILLING** reduced the arrears with a well placed header whilst guest **'NICK'** equalised just before half-time and our eldest team then went on to score three more in the second half, a sublime chip from **DAN HARRIS,** a tap-in from **MARK MACE** - the OW President always scores in this game - and a header from **DOUG SMART** that will not be a 'goal of the season' contender

After the game Sophie and Pauline presented the trophy to Mark Pope, the OW skipper, and Sophie said a few moving words of how much the family appreciated the way in which the Club continues to preserve Kirk's memory

It so happened that the weekend marked the 25th anniversary of a 6th XI game Kirk played in against Old Meadonians, the report of which contained the following:

"We fought on and an excellent run down the right and cross from John Mole was met by **KIRK BENJAMIN** rising like a salmon at the far post"

There you go, Doug; that's how it's done; you're not supposed to stand in the six yard box and just hope the ball hits you on the head, you're supposed to make some sort of an effort

This was an excellent game, played in an excellent spirit in the true ethos of Super Vets and Old Wilsonian football and raised £300 for Arts Network - every player, on both sides, donated his match fee, whilst there were also additional contributions - with another £300 promised via Doug Forbes's sponsored runs – if you have not already done so then please sponsor Doug - which is also helping, 'Mind', 'The Samaritans' and a local Council project and, most important of all, making people aware of mental health issues in the process

The OWS have always been concerned about the mental health of its members – and mental health per se – and this game illustrated the fact perfectly

Thanks to everyone who played and turned up to support, to Mick Pilgrim for refereeing and to Jasper for doing the catering as the two teams mingled after a hard fought and enjoyable fixture to conclude the truncated 20/21 senior football season at Hayes

Arts Network only play two games a year and it is always against our Super Vets, and we look forward to seeing them again in October for their first encounter of the 21/22 season

A new era dawns over Mollison Drive, light at the end of a rainbow?
School X1 0 vs 1st X1 3

The 1's had an early 10 o'clock KO for a friendly against Wilson's school boys on Saturday. "Bottle boy" Jon Howe took over managerial duties with the message being for a clean sheet and the right attitude from the off.

The 1's got off to a slow start with the school boys number 9 showing some nice footwork before having his shot half blocked from 20 yards out. After that, Wilsonians began to apply their physical dominance on the game and took over the midfield.

The pitch was hard and uneven making it difficult to play so the breakthrough came from a corner which Niall scrambled in from two yards out. Five minutes later Old Boys doubled their lead after a pin point through ball from Powley found Mallins in one on one. He bounced his finish over the goalkeeper right before half time to send the 1's in 2-0 up.

The second half began with some more confidence from the 1's in trying to play around the ball given their lead. There were a few sloppy moments that lead to half chances for the school but the defense recovered well to deny even any shots at goal.

The final goal of the game came midway through the second half with Ollie Sitch finishing a penalty one by Ben Giles.

The rest of the game was mainly in the 1s control with plenty of opportunities. The most notable saw Kara through on goal down the left but his strike could only find the post.

Team - Powley, Highwood, Sheridan, Rose, Karamath, Eves, Malins, Steadford, Conduah, Sitch, Giles, Carruthers

MOM: Sitch



SAL Trophy 2s 4 Alleyn OB 2

The 2s started the game boosted by the appearance of Jon Howe 5 minutes before kick off, announcing his boots were in the car and promising an appearance off the bench if anyone got tired. Impact Sub.
The first 5 minutes were slow, Craig Elliot stumbled around in midfield, worse for wear after a big night in with his mother on Friday night. Despite the carpet of a surface the game was sloppy for the first half with Alleyn's breaking 3 on 1 and slotting under Powley in net to go ahead 25 minutes in. At this point Gunnell and Elliot called it a day, withdrawing from the pitch for a pint in the balcony. A real shame. OW were awakened by the goal and a corner straight from the training ground led to Tom Dixon whipping a ball into Tyler to slot home at the back stick. Alleyn's scored again. 1-2 at half time.
At half time Howe channeled his inner Pep and rung the changes, bringing himself on. Out and out left back James Kyne returned to the pitch and with that OW's fortunes changed. Minutes into the second half Kara got on the end of a Nathan Cooper pass and slotted past the England's over 60s keeper to make it 2-2.
As Wilson's popped the ball around, Andy got on the end of a Kara pass and with the slight help of a deflection found the bottom right corner. We were ahead. As Old Wilsonians went 3-2 up the Alleyn's number 12 said he didn't fancy it and claimed to be injured. With Alleyn's reduced to 10 the pitch opened up and Wilsons were free to play football how football is meant to be played. Pass, move, pass, move. Positions became meaningless and Old Wilsonians embodied total football. It wasn't long before the greatest goal Old Wilsonians have ever scored was converted. 06 Barcelona esque a fine passing move put us ahead. Kyne - Howe - Dixon - Goal. It was poetry on a football pitch.
For the final 5 minutes OW toyed with Alleyn's, with Dan Harris moving into midfield and adding "a bit of quality with not much pace" and the back 4 of Josh Mackley, Aaron George, James Kyne and Wilson's answer to Bobby Moore, Ned Foulkes, held strong. A good days work, it ended a comfortable 4-2.
Team - Powley, George, Foulkes, Harris, Kyne, Mackley, Elliott, Jeevan G, Free, Gilson, Karamath, Dixon, Howe, Cooper, Gunnell
Mom - Ned Foulkes



Carshalton 3rd X1 3 5's 3

Our games against Carshalton are normally feisty affairs but this one was played in a surprisingly good spirits.

The game had been switched to the hallowed turf of Hayes from Carshalton and a noon KO due to a lack of available pitches this late in the year and the promise of the bar being open for the first time in FOREVER seemed to spur both teams on.

We started really poorly – warm ups are not our forte - and found ourselves quickly 3-0 behind within half an hour as we couldn't handle their pace on the counter attack and some poor defending saw them score almost carbon copy goals on three occasions.

We had offered very little going forward and it looked like a heavy defeat could be on the cards but our heads never dropped. A minute before half time we got ourselves back in the game when O'Callaghan made a trade mark crunching tackle in midfield (I can still hear the nose of the poor fella hitting the concrete like pitch) and the ball broke for KENNEDY who ran through and finished well at the near post.

At half time we switched to 3 at the back and addressed some obvious tactical shortcomings and came out a different team. We quickly got another goal back when Moniz carried the ball out of defence and supplied Curran on the right who bought a peach of a ball in for O'CALLAGHAN to have a tap in at the back post. Game on. We kept pouring forwards and got a deserved equalizer with 10 minutes left when LOCK rose like a salmon to head in a terrific Curran delivery from a corner. With 2 minutes to go there was still time for us to chuck it away as Moniz dawdled on the ball and ended up hacking down their striker in the box for a clear penalty which was duly awarded. George Young heroically saved low down to his left and gathered the ball and we saw out the remaining minutes for a well deserved draw.

Both teams stayed for the rest of the afternoon enjoying beers and watching the later KOs in what was a thoroughly satisfactory Saturday.

MOM Tyler O'Callaghan

G Young, J Moniz, T Shelton, B Lock, L Curran, T O'Callaghan, J Jones, S Suliman, C Kennedy, R Pillai, G Bonsels, R Adams

6s 1 vs 1 Old Salesians Res

Trophy, Cup, League?

Started off with a few rundos for the warm up as we had to wait for the opposition who thought it was a 2pm kick off.

Into the game and we settled in well, soaking up pressure at the start but quickly finding a passing rhythm. We spread the ball out well from the back and made some tenacious challenges every time we lost the ball. The first half in the heat had little to talk about except some solid football from both sides. There were no huge chances as the clock ticked towards half time.

The second half started positively with some fine play down the wings. Rand was able to tease the full back a few times and drive some passes and shots into the box. One cross led to an **S.BENWELL** goal given us the advantage. After that goal, we started to sit back a bit, absorbing and containing pressure. Mistakes started to creep in and playing out from the back didn't seen to work as pressure continued. As we looked to attack two long balls forward caught us off guard and their striker managed to loop a ball into the net making it level.

As the game started to come to an end, neither team was able to carve out a clear cut chance. At the final whistle there was confusion of if extra time was required but if need be a replay was the agreement...

Team: Robbins, Patel, Chappell, Nicholas, Barber, Martin, A.Benwell, Fevzi, Rand, Mace, S.Benwell, Fairhurst, Croninx

Another 7s Banker down South…… South Bank 2 7s 3

7’s show Bouncebackability - after a heavy 5-2 defeat the previous week in the SAL Cup, the 7th XI next tie in the competition saw them entertain Southbank CUACO on the width restricted pitch at Hawes Down.

A team missing 5 players from the previous match, including its leader Dan Lineker, kicked up hill in the first half and started the match brightly with the wide men of Dyki and Sam Forbes supporting Jonny Q in a 3 man frontline dropping in to support Fraser, Plattsy and ..... in midfield when we lost possession which meant we won the ball back quickly. 10 minutes in Plattsy offloaded to Fraser on the left side of centre, midway in the oppositions half, he took a stride or 2 forward before unleashing an unstoppable shot into the far top corner - a wonder strike if ever you saw one from fully 35 yards and a great start for the 7’s.

Minutes later Sam fed Plattsy in with a slide rule pass down the inside left channel and his fine first time left foot cross was met with perfect timing by that goal machine Jonny Q at full stretch to fire home 2-0 to the 7’s. Next , the comedy moment of the game when Dyki called for the ball in acres of space wide on the right. The perfect pass to him was well controlled only for Dyki to find himself waiting for the pass 10 yards off the pitch - No wonder he was in so much space !! The defence of Joe, Smartie, Sag, and Dan were managing to stand firm and Doug Forbes in goal wasn’t troubled too often.

Southbank were probing but we defended well as a team repelling all advances including a tremendous clearing punch from Doug from a dangerous long throw. Plattsy once again turned provider when he passed out wide left to Sam Forbes who cut inside his man and struck powerful right foot shot inside the keepers near post, 3-0 up and dreamland for the 7’s after a poor performance the week before. To their credit Southbank didn’t drop their heads and were rewarded with a goal just before half time. A good turn and cross by their right winger just eluded the stretching Smartie to leave a simple tap in for their striker. 3-1 at halftime, a score line the 7’s would have bitten their arms off for at kick off !

A very positive half time team talk saw the 7’s stride confidently back out for the 2nd half with Chunk replacing blister ridden Dan for the second half at centre back alongside Smartie. An early long throw from our left side was met cleanly by their centre back and before we knew it we our lead was cut to 3-2 with 40 mins left to play. Without further subs Fraser played on manfully with an ankle issue but we were effectively down a man. A long ball over the top evaded Smartie and Chunk putting their striker in on goal- Doug raced out to narrow the angle and pulled off a tremendous save to deny Southbank the equaliser.

Southbank smelt blood and pushed men forward. Dyki made a tactical switch moving chunk up front as a target man and brought Sam Forbes legs into the back four alongside Smartie. The 7’s were holding firm and thought they’d scored the clincher when a long throw was flicked on goal bound by Plattsy and back heeled home on the goal line by a euphoric captain Dyki who was subsequently ruled offside and the “goal” denied. This slice of fortune inspired Southbank into one last push for the equaliser.

Some sustained pressure with about 5 to go saw a Southbank player turn sharply on the penalty spot a fire a right foot shot destined for the bottom corner, keeper Forbes rooted with no chance - when out of nowhere left back Joe had been racing back and somehow cleared off the line - a match saving effort ! The 7’s cleared the resulting corner and saw out what little time was left for a fine win. A performance full of character in what was a highly competitive fixture played in fine Old Boys spirit with both teams honesty shining through when referee Hoffman needed a little help from the players. This kind of match is what Old Boys Football is all about - not to mention the sunshine beers afterwards..... the perfect afternoon



Please replace “Dan” with “John” and add Will Davies to the midfield. Team Forbes D (GK) John Craven, Smart R, Saj, Joe Walker, Phil Platts, Will Davies, Fraser, Dyki, Jonny Q, Sam Forbes , Wellman - MOM Phil Platts (hat trick of assists) goal scorers Fraser, Jonny Q, Sam Forbes

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ALL OUR YESTERDAY'S – 10 YEARS AGO

BRAVE EFFORT FROM THE 3rd Xl Norsemen 9 3rd Xl 2

After a less than helpful fixture scheduling by the league, a makeshift 3rd Xl travelled to Edmonton for a 5-45 kick-off, with three regular 3s players and a collection of other legendary Old Boys faces and some new blood – 'rugby player' Courtney and 'first game in six years' Gray.

The journey started well, with Victoria underground being closed due to a fire and a 20 minute walk to Green Park – apparently someone is getting married soon – which saw a longer than usual trek around Buckingham Palace. Anyway, we arrived at 5-40 and were still only ten as Playford arrived lastminute.com, even though he resides five minutes up the road!

I had a chat with the referee and asked if we could start 15 minutes late to allow us to warm up and was told we were starting "in two minutes," so, after two jogs, a stretch and a couple of passes, the game was underway.

This was a game of two halves – 6-1 and 3-1 to Norsemen. We were 4-0 down after 15 minutes and had chances to score three or four in the first half, but a mixture of saves and misses saw us get battered

Our goal-scorers were **WILLIAMS and COURTNEY,** and our 'man of the match' was Holland, who made several top drawer saves. Everybody had a go and, with an equal balance of decisions from the referee, we may have been closer. For example, at least three of their goals were offside, one was a foul on Holland and it seemed like anything they appealed for was given

With the last kick of the game Norsemen scored their ninth and, despite their centre forward admitting he was miles offside in front of the referee, the goal was still given

As captain I respectfully pointed out to the referee that we had come a long way to get no decisions and he replied: "Well, if you had played like a team then you would not have lost." At least four of our boys heard this and, to be honest, I was disgusted, particularly as he then walked off laughing and joking with the Norseman players

Norseman were a good team and, considering the makeshift nature of our side, the north London journey, the referee's opinion and the score-line, we battled and showed a lot of spirit, so a big 'thank you' to all those who played and prevented points deductions for this season and the next

Neil Ashworth

Holland Westbury Graham Loftus Playford Bance Lehman Ashworth Gray Courtney Williams.M

Classified Results, April 12th/16th 2011				
Salesians	3	7th Xl	7	Riman, Beatson 2, Childs 2, Howe Collins
Norsemen	9	3rd Xl	2	Williams.M, Courtney
Leicester City	1	Palace	1	Scannel
All above, April 12th		April 16th below		
1st Xl	2	East Barnet Old Grammarians	1	Howe, Akkaya.O
2nd Xl	6	Old Salesians	0	Williams.N 5, Smart.D
3rd Xl	2	Civil Service	4	Williams.M + one
Alleyn Old Boys	0	4th Xl	4	Scorers not reported
Lloyds TSB Bank	2	9th Xl	4	Doh 3, Mole.J
Palace	1	Scunthorpe	2	Scannel

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - 25 YEARS AGO

ANOTHER POINT NEARER TO SAFETY 6th Xl 1 Old Meadonians 1

We knew going into this match that a win would ensure that we retained our Division Six status. The pitch at Sparrows Den was like concrete, and not conducive to our passing game
We had the better of the early exchanges but without taking any of our chances. Whenever Meadonians broke we contained them and our defence never really looked in trouble and so we turned round at 0-0
The pattern of the second half was similar to the first but we went behind midway through the half to an unlucky bobbling, bouncing scuffed shot that just evaded Si' Ledger in goal
We fought on and an excellent run down the right and cross from John Mole was met by **KIRK BENJAMIN** rising like a salmon at the far post. A late penalty appeal was then turned down and the game finished 1-1
This result took us out of the bottom two places in the division by a single goal difference and if we avoid defeat by more than one goal in our final game next week – against Suttonians – then we will be safe Duncan Lewis Ledger Barty Forbes.D Hoffman Lewis Parsons Mole.J Joliffe Quinton Perry Benjamin
So did the 6s do enough against Suttonians to avoid relegation? See next week's 'All Our Yesterdays' to find out - Pikey

Classified Results , April 20th 1996				
6th Xl	1	Old Meadonians	1	Benjamin

The Dulwich Horse and Motor Show - August 25th and 26th

This event takes place on the Sunday and Monday of the August Bank holiday weekend in Dulwich Park and we need a minimum of 30 volunteers to raise money for the football club
You will be required on Sunday from 9-00 a.m. until 6-00 p.m. and/or Monday from 7-00 a.m. until 7-00 p.m.
Duties will include: *Building a showjumping course and then re-building the course after the fences have been knocked down!*
You should be: Male. Over 16, under 50, fit and healthy

The London Women's Run - Surrey Quays, Sunday September 8th

Another popular event, with the Club looking for 100 volunteers from 7-00 a.m. until 1-00 p.m.
Duties include: *Water distribution at the finish and on the course, and medal and t-shirt distribution at the finish*
You should be over 16 and be male ot female, which should account for most of you! Sponsors clothing will be provided
Every volunteer will make about £20 for the Football Club, which will go towards our annual Ways and Means target and you will not need reminding that, without events like this, your annual subscriptions could be increased by as much as £30 per member

A form is included with this newsletter for those wishing to partipate in either of the above events, so why not fill in ***BOTH*** and do your bit for the OWFC

Club Shop



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Price: £26.28



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OW Helsinki Jacket

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OW Academy Bag

Price: £20.72

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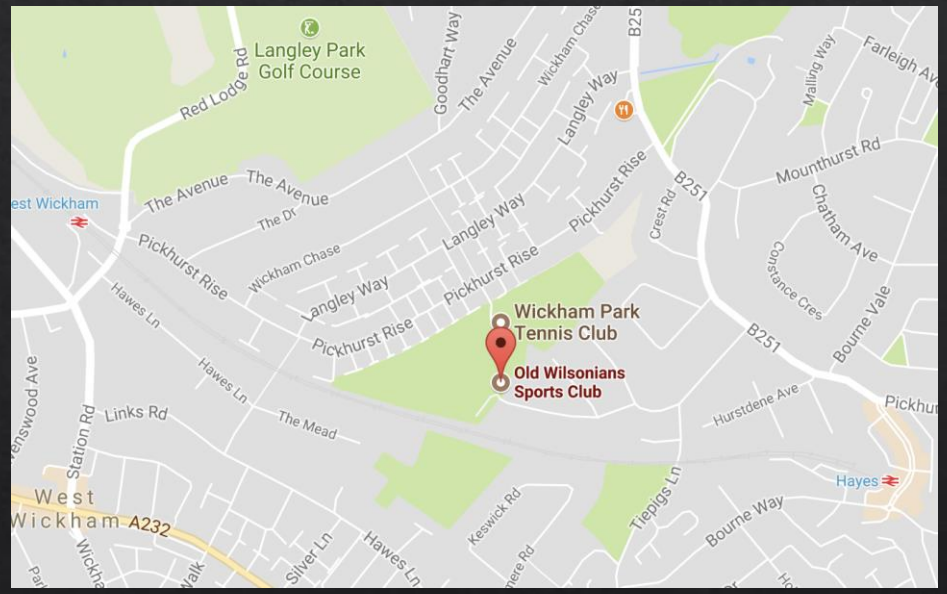
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