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All contributions to the newsletter should reach Mike Pike by 6-00 pm on a Sunday evening – the earlier the better, preferably as a word attachment, and sent to [owmikepike@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:owmikepike@yahoo.co.uk), but please phone to confirm that you have done so (0208 659 6443) - you also get an extra point on the reports table if you do so. Alternatively you can “phone through your report and dictate it”.



## CLASSIFIED RESULTS – April 8<sup>th</sup>

	Score	Away Team
Old Parkonians	3   1	1 <sup>st</sup> XI
(League) Scorer: Gravesande. MOM: Not reported		
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	4   4	AFC Oldsmith
(Spring Cup) Scorers: Karamath (3), Rand. MOM: Not reported		
4 <sup>th</sup> XI	2   1	Alleyn Old Boys 5 <sup>th</sup> XI
(League). Scorers: James, Watson..J MOM: Jordan Watson		
Carshalton 5 <sup>th</sup> XI	8   1	6 <sup>th</sup> XI
(League) Scorer: Tiffin MOM: Not reported		
Actonians Association 8 <sup>th</sup> XI	4   2	7 <sup>th</sup> XI
Scorers: Mander, Jeevan MOM: Not reported		
8 <sup>th</sup> XI	6   0	Old Blues 4 <sup>th</sup> XI
(League) Scorers: Page (3), Billing.C, Krauss. Shelton MOM: Kris Page		

## LATEST NEWS

- OWA SPORTS CLUB – TERMS AND CONDITIONS
- DAN SELLMAN TO RUN SIERRA LEONNE MARATHON
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- NETBALL CLUB RECRUITMENT DRIVE
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## OWFC FIXTURES – APRIL 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>

Fixtures correct at time of publication but are subject to change and alteration. For latest news follow [@oldwilsonians](https://twitter.com/oldwilsonians) on Twitter!

Team		Ground
1 <sup>st</sup> XI	Polytechnic	Hayes
League 3-00 p.m.		
2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	West Wickham	Away
League 6-00 p.m. Tuesday 11th		
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	Old Wokingians	Away
Spring Cup 3-00 p.m.		
4 <sup>th</sup> XI	No game	
5 <sup>th</sup> XI	City of London Reserves	Hawes Down
Spring Cup 3-00 p.m.		
6 <sup>th</sup> XI	No game	
7 <sup>th</sup> XI	No game	
8 <sup>th</sup> XI	Old Wilsonians' 9 <sup>th</sup> XI	Hayes
League 3-00 p.m.		
9 <sup>th</sup> XI	Old Wilsonians' 8 <sup>th</sup> XI	Hayes
League 3-00 p.m.		
Vets	No game	
Super Vets	No game	

**ALWAYS PACK A WHITE SHIRT WITH YOUR KIT TRAINING TAKES PLACE AT WALLINGTON POWERLEAGUE, WEDNESDAYS 7PM**

### Leading Goal-scorers:

23	James
14	Williams. M
13	(Benteke)
12	Gravesande
10	Bratterman, Howe, Krauss, Falconer-Roberts Sellman, Stride
9	Martin, Watson .C
8	Adams.W Kennedy, Page
7	Giles, Gilson



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

### 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 you 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@hotmail.com](mailto:antonsnowsill@hotmail.com)

### 1<sup>st</sup> XI CAPTAIN TO RUN SIERRA LEONE MARATHAN

Dan Sellman has decided it is time to tackle his first marathon and for some reason has elected to do it in Sierra Leone where temperatures average 33 degrees. Dan is running for the charity 'Street Child', which aims to create educational opportunities for some of the world's most vulnerable children. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI skipper is undertaking the challenge and [you can sponsor him here](#).

### OLD WILSONIANS GOLF SOCIETY – BOURNER JUG – 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL

The Old Wilsonians Golf Society are holding their annual tournament on 13th April. The Bourner Jug is back at Banstead Downs Golf Club. It's £60 per head which includes a round of golf, a pre round bacon roll & hot drink, a 3 course meal & great company. All welcome. For further information contact Barnes Clanachan via email: [bldc1974@icloud.com](mailto:bldc1974@icloud.com)

### WALKING FOOTBALL - SATURDAY APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>

The new craze of walking football has hit the Old Wilsonians – what do you mean, that's the pace at which most of our sides play? - and if you are interested in participating in this excellent way to keep fit, then come to the Club on *Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 1-00 p.m.* where you will be put through your paces, although 'paces' is probably not the correct work

### GEORGE CROUCHER MEMORIAL DINNER

To be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April.

Tickets are £35 (£15 for school boys) and available from Alex Forbes

Will players of the season, for 2015/16, please return their trophies as soon as possible to Stu Paton.

### THE NETBALL CLUB ARE HAVING A RECRUITMENT DRIVE

The Netball Club has been running for three years now, and has about 25 members.

We are a friendly bunch and welcome all abilities and anyone over 18. You can play every week or just when it suits. It may have been a few years since you played at school or University, or you just want to improve your fitness.

We play for fun at Hayes every Wednesday evening (not school holidays) between 7-30 pm and 8-30pm, under floodlights if required, with socialising afterwards in the bar!

For those who wish to play more competitively, we offer Saturday am league games at local indoor courts as part of the North Kent Netball League.

If you are interested please contact me, Jane Paton, on 07764 939814 or email [janesastar@aol.co.uk](mailto:janesastar@aol.co.uk) or just turn up on a Wednesday night!

We are now also on the Old Wilsonians' website - link here - [www.oldwilsonians.com/netball/](http://www.oldwilsonians.com/netball/)

### CLUB FORCE APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> TO 30<sup>th</sup>

Put these dates in your diary **NOW** and come and support your Club on this important weekend

You are **ALL** expected, indeed, **ORDERED** to participate and not just leave it to the reliable few

This annual Spring clean is essential and gives us an ideal opportunity to put back something into a Club that gives us all so much

*There are no excuses and even if you can only put in a few hours work, you must do so*

### NEWS FROM THE AFA

#### FA Community Awards 2017

We are encouraging people to nominate their local heroes for a 2017 FA Community Award!

Presented by McDonald's, the awards recognise and celebrate grassroots volunteers across the UK who make a real difference to their communities.

Nominations are being welcomed for the following categories:

- The FA Charter Standard Community Club Award
- The FA Charter Standard Development Club Award
- The FA Charter Standard Club Award
- The FA Charter Standard League of the Year Award
- Best Inclusive Project Award
- Coach of the Year
- People's Award - Outstanding Contribution to Community Football
- Young Volunteer of the Year Award

The deadline to make your nominations is Thursday 13 April 2017. Click here for information and to nominate -

<http://www.thefa.com/get-involved/community/fa-community-awards>

**The individuals and clubs who make a nomination will be entered into a draw to win Nike footballs or England tickets to a game at Wembley.**

### FA Goalkeeping Level 1 Coaching Course – April 2017

This course is ideal for coaches who want to improve the performance of their goalkeepers. Learn how to develop and improve your goalkeeper's technique and plan and prepare progressive technical practices. Course details are:

Dates: Monday 24th April 2017 (9am-5pm), Tuesday 25th April 2017 (9am-5pm) and Wednesday 26th April 2017 (9am-5pm)

Venue: Power League Mill Hill, 31 Pursley Road, Mill Hill NW7 2BB

Cost: £125 Tutor: Emma Byrne

To book your place on the GK Level 1, please use the following link - <https://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=192934#reqform>

### FA Safeguarding Children Workshop

Date: Thursday 4th May 2017

Time: 7pm-10pm

Venue: Copthall School, Pursley Road, Mill Hill, London NW7 2EP

Cost: £30

For full information and to book onto the course, please use the following link - <https://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=197787#reqform>

### FA Level 1 Coaching Course

Sat 10th June	9am-5pm	Practical & Theory
Sun 11th June	9am-5pm	Practical & Theory
Thurs 15th June	7pm-9pm	Safeguarding Children
Sat 17th June	9am-5pm	Practical & Theory
Thurs 22nd June	7pm-10pm	Emergency Aid
Sat 24th June	9am-3pm	Practical & Theory

Venue: Copthall School, Pursley Road, Mill Hill, London NW7 2EP

Cost: £175 (this cost applies to anyone 16 and above)

**AFA affiliated Charter Standard Clubs are offered £30 off the full course price. Please use the voucher code**

**afacsclub.**

For full information and to book onto the course, please use the following link - <https://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=197759#reqform>

### Charter Standard Club Training Session

The next In-service training session exclusive first to Charter Standard clubs and their coaches, allowing them to share best practice and ideas on coaching and developing young footballers has been agreed. The next session will be on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April 7pm – 9pm at Market Road Islington with practical by Alpha Football Intelligence under 14's and will be hosted by the London FA.

Please see link to book on here –

<https://eventspace.thefa.com/londonfa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=198229#reqform>

Market Road Islington will be providing the venue for a training session that will be delivered by a UEFA A license FA Regional Mentor.

Kevin Green (FA Regional Lead Mentor) will be leading this event and will be concentrating on '**Attacking practices**' with Alpha Football Intelligence.

Theme – 'Attacking practices'

Venue – Market Road, Islington N7 9PL

<http://www.better.org.uk/leisure-centre/london/islington/marketroad>

Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Please note to access this online application, you will need a FAN (FA Number)

## ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

Classified Results, April 4 <sup>th</sup> 1992				
3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	3	Glynn Old Boys	0	Pullen, Mace 2
4 <sup>th</sup> XI	7	Strand Hollingtonians	3	(Ali) Simpson 2, Stewart 2, Weaver.D. 2, Mole.J
Old Suttonians	6	5 <sup>th</sup> XI	4	Wilson 2, Churchman 2
Old Adeyans	0	6 <sup>th</sup> XI	6	Smith.A, 2, McGeever 2, Murray.I. Law
6 <sup>th</sup> XI	10	Old Adeyans	0	Law 3, Weaver.A. 2, Murray.I. 2, Benjamin, Banks, Gilbertson
Old St Mary	1	7 <sup>th</sup> XI	5	Dutton 3, James, Spencer

Editor's note: There were 45 goals in the six Old Wilsonian games 25 years ago, so, rather than reprint just one report let's concentrate on the games involving players who are still involved with the Club. Sadly there were no 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> XI reports so I cannot give details of the four goals **DAVE STEWART** and **SIMON WILSON** scored between them, but I'm sure they were all top drawer!

Let's start with the 3<sup>rd</sup> XI

Ashley Simpson and Clark Quarrington combined on the right, Ashley played a one/two with Andy Pullen in the box and he crossed for **MARK MACE** to fire home into the top corner. By now Glynn's heads had dropped and a strong challenge by Dave Valder allowed **MARK MACE** to slot home his second.

Report written by Andy Pullen

Wing.K Galvin.D Davis Quarrington Prince Valder Pullen (Ashley) Simpson Stone Chapman Mace

The 6<sup>th</sup> XI scored 16 goals in their double-header against Adeyans but only one of them was reported in full, so no details about the wonder strikes by **ANDY SMITH** and **HUGH McGEEVER**, I'm afraid, but the following words, courtesy of the flowing pen of Tony Higgins, are worthy of repeating

Cameo moments include a really clumsy foul in the penalty area that left Kirk Benjamin flattened, a piece of 'Harry Enfield' skill by Andy Smith, a body check on Graeme Nelson that broke his £150 gold wrist chain and, finally, a bizarre goal which came about in the following manner

Adeyans managed to gain a corner just before the end of the second game. Their winger shinned it to the edge of the area, we cleared and a pass over the half-way line resulted in a sharp blast on the whistle for off-side.

The referee then noticed that one of their players was in their penalty area picking his nose, thereby playing everyone on-side. The ball was finally passed to **DANNY GILBERTSON** who, with gentlemanly manners, let their defender come across the area to challenge him. Danny then went past him, and the goal-keeper, and whacked the ball home - 10- 0.

Westrip Higgins Banks Nelson Gilbertson Benjamin McGeever Law Drawbridge Smith. A Murray.I Weaver.A for Smith in the second game

And so to the 7<sup>th</sup> XI

**DAVE DUTTON** broke away on the left-hand side of the pitch and, out-pacing the St Mary's defence, notched our first goal.

Fortunately for us **DAVE DUTTON** was again put away and knocked home his second goal which settled us down and got us more into the game, and we scored an excellent fourth goal, full of skill but simple in its execution.

Cliff Milledge, working through several tackles on the left side of the pitch, hit a long ball to **NEVILLE SPENCER**, who had made a splendid break down the right and, without breaking stride, looped a header over the goal-keeper, who was stranded off his line.

This really settled the game but it was great to see **DAVE DUTTON** complete his hat-trick from yet another fine run.

Fred Brindle

Blandford Brindle Welfare Warboys Davey Spencer Milledge Dutton Rice Aying James

## ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - GOING EVEN FURTHER BACK

Classified Results, April 8 <sup>th</sup> 1967				
City of London	2	1 <sup>st</sup> XI	2	Reaseley 2
4 <sup>th</sup> XI	5	Centymca	1	Reynolds 2 + others!
Palace	1	Coventry City	1	Kember

The 5<sup>th</sup> XI's game against Old Libertians was postponed, by them, due to the fact that many of their players went down with 'flu – whoever she may be

Two goals up with about 20 minutes to go, the 1<sup>st</sup> XI seemed well set for a win. **GERRY REASELEY** scored two excellent goals and was unlucky when a fine header hit the crossbar. In one attack by the City Mike Kendrick saved off the line, another shot hit one of their own players but, finally, they scored.

This obviously gave them some incentive and, within five minutes, they scored again – Mike Kendrick's comments on that goal are not printable! Bill Morley, who was only asked to play on the Saturday morning - Les Simner had a sore..... - had the best game.

A good win for the 4<sup>th</sup> XI. **REYNOLDS**, apparently, scored two goals and that is all I know of this match.

Palace rightly took the lead in the 53<sup>rd</sup> minute through Kember. Dyson made ground on the left, cur in and pushed the ball forward to **KEMBER** running just ahead of him. The teen-aged inside-right, without halting, slammed a hard ground shot into the far corner. (Bobby Gould got the Coventry goal)

For Sale: 1960 Austin Cambridge in very good condition. The price is a mere £200. For further particulars, contact Ron Ashdown or Gerry Reaseley

# ALL OUR TODAYS

## Reports Table

Team	Played	RS	RSL	NR	NP	Points	Dropped	% Response
8XI	27	27	0	0	0	81	0	100
1XI	33	30	2	1	21	69	30	96
9XI	24	22	2	0	4	64	8	100
2XI	29	21	3	5	16	50	37	82
4XI	27	19	2	6	18	41	40	77
3XI	24	18	2	4	18	38	34	83
6XI	23	6	0	17	5	13	56	26
7XI	22	3	1	18	1	9	57	18
5XI	29	3	1	25	3	7	80	13

## 1<sup>st</sup> XI

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Polytechnic	16	11	4	1	40	16	24	37
2	Alleyn Old Boys	19	10	6	3	33	18	15	36
3	Nottsborough	17	10	2	5	28	22	6	32
4	Old Wilsonians	19	9	2	8	32	34	-2	29
5	Old Owens	18	8	3	7	34	33	1	27
6	Old Garchonians	20	7	3	10	34	37	-3	24
7	West Wickham	18	5	8	5	23	22	1	23
8	Winchmore Hill	19	4	6	9	25	33	-8	18
9	NUFC Oilers	17	4	5	8	20	28	-8	17
10	Old Parkonians	17	5	2	10	21	31	-10	17
11	Crouch End Vampires	16	3	3	10	23	39	-16	12

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

15/04	Polytechnic (h)
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### RECENT RESULTS:

1-3 Old Parkonians
0-3 Alleyn Old Boys
2-1 West Wickham

### MATCH REPORT:

A DISSAPPOINTING AFTERNOON Old Parkonians 1<sup>st</sup> XI 3 1<sup>st</sup> XI 1

This lovely, sunny Saturday afternoon the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 travelled to Fairlop where they met their hosts Old Parkonians. This team were struggling at the foot of the table and were in desperate need of 3 points. Although the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 aware of this, it was the Parkonians who ultimately showed they still had something to play for – survival - and our mentality and work rate just didn't match.

Straight from kick, Parkonians could and should have seen themselves 1-0 up. A low ball in from the left found their striker directly in front of goal. Somehow, the player miskicked his effort which allowed Healy to claw out his first of many fine saves that afternoon. Against the run of play, about 20mins in, Wilsonians took the lead. A ball in from the right by Childs found **GRAVESANDE** on the edge of the opposition box, he cut in on his right and trickled his shot underneath the Parkonians keeper. For the next 10 minutes the goal seemed to ignite some fire in the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 team; 2<sup>nd</sup> balls were being won and play was being held in and around the Parkonians area. Having said that, the final phases of the half saw the hosts playing their way back into the game looking dangerous down the left-hand side. They created a few more openings with dangerous balls into the box but with no composure at the end to punish Wilsonians. Just before half time, Gravesande was found again, just outside the 18-yard box. After scrappily getting through a couple of Parkonians defenders, he managed to poke his shot just onto the outside of the post.

Half time 0-1

Wilsonians lost Parkinson at half time due to his earlier nasty head clash with an opposing midfield player. This seemed too take a lot of energy out of the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 and during the second half, Parkonians outworked us showing more quality with the final ball. The equaliser came when a free kick from the right was headed in. This really did galvanise the opposition who started knocking the ball round more effectively. The second goal for the hosts came from a good move through the middle that found their left sided midfielder. He then placed another

low cross in for their striker who this time made no mistake with an easy tap in. Unfortunately, Wilsonians just couldn't get out of their half with a few misplaced passes all over the field when in potentially good positions. The 3<sup>rd</sup> goal for Parkonians was their best. After a move down the right-hand side, a cut back to the edge of the area met with a crisp side foot connection into the top left hand corner. The only chances Wilsonians managed to really conjure up were from corners when Shaw and J. Parkinson couldn't quite direct the ball on target.

Full time 3-1

Disappointing afternoon but the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 must not dwell and I'm sure will be up for next week's last game of the season against AFA CUP winners and potential league winners Polytechnic. We will want to prove that this team can still compete with the best and end the season on a high note.

## *2<sup>nd</sup> XI*

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	NUFC Oilers Res	15	11	3	1	46	22	24	36
2	West Wickham Res	14	10	4	0	38	22	16	34
3	Polytechnic Res	17	10	0	7	40	27	13	30
4	Civil Service Res	16	6	3	7	23	24	-1	21
5	Actonians Association Res	15	6	1	8	23	22	1	19
6	Old Parkonians Res	17	5	4	8	30	38	-8	19
7	Nottsborough Res	16	5	3	8	24	38	-14	18
8	Old Garchonians Res	16	4	3	9	34	42	-8	15
9	Alleyn Old Boys Res	15	4	3	8	25	35	-10	15
10	Old Wilsonians Res	15	4	2	9	28	41	-13	14

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

11/04	West Wickham (a)
22/04	Polytechnic (h)

### RECENT RESULTS:

Old Garchonians 2-2
Nottsborough 1-3
Economicals 0-2

### MATCH REPORT:

No Saturday game for the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI this week but they visit West Wickham on Tuesday (April 11<sup>th</sup>) evening for a 6-00 p.m. kick-off

## *3<sup>rd</sup> XI*

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alexandra Park 3rd	16	12	0	4	48	27	21	36
2	Old Finchleians 3rd	16	11	1	4	53	42	11	34
3	Carshalton 3rd	16	8	1	7	35	43	-8	25
4	Nottsborough 4th	16	6	4	6	40	32	8	22
5	Old Owens 3rd	16	8	1	7	36	41	-5	22 *
6	Civil Service 4th	16	6	3	7	31	31	0	21
7	Old Parkonians 4th	16	5	3	8	36	45	-9	18
8	Old Wilsonians 3rd	16	4	3	9	38	45	-7	15
9	Merton 3rd	16	4	0	12	30	41	-11	12

\* Adjustment made

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

15/04	Old Wokingians (h)
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### RECENT RESULTS:

4-4 AFC Old Smith
1-0 Carshalton
1-3 Alexandra Park

### MATCH REPORT

GOALS GALORE      3<sup>RD</sup> XI 4      AFC Oldsmith 4

On an unseasonably warm April Saturday, OW 3<sup>rd</sup> XI took on AFC Oldsmiths in their first and penultimate group game of the Spring Cup, after a series of game cancellations. A few selection headaches throughout the week but we assembled for kick off with a strong lineup, albeit with a new system and a shuffle around in personnel.

The game started at a quick tempo with an open feel to it, both teams signaling intent to score goals with the oppo centre forward causing particular problems with his pace against the ow defence. Sure enough, 15mins in and an unfortunate mistake from captain Ricky Martin allowed their striker to get in and create a 1 on 1 situation, lifting the ball over Ballard to make it 1-0. A set back that only put us in arrears for a matter of minutes as **MATT**

**RAND** expertly controlled a ball into the box, Bergkamp style before turning his man and slotting in at the near post to make it 1-1. The next 15mins passed with a series of midfield battles but no real chances until 5mins before half time a pass was intercepted in our own half and the intercepting attacker beat 3 men to get into the box and slot in to go 2-1 up. Rattled, and with the oppo tails up, we got caught pressing too high and a ball over the top saw their striker in on the edge of the box before hammering it across goal and in. 3-1 down at half time.

Much of the half time talk was about calming it down, resetting the play and pushing on as a team so as to give ourselves a chance to build attacks from their half. What ensued in the next 45mins can only be described as a seige! Purposeful, intensive and measured play saw us create chance after chance, Matt Rand, Christian Buckle, Karra, Stu Dunk and OJ all coming excruciatingly close but finding their keeper in inspired form before finally **KARAMATH** converted a cross from the right by Josh Mackley to reduce the deficit to 1. The onslaught continued and we went in search of a well-deserved equaliser - any sign of an attack from the opposition was being nullified by a now confident defence. More chances came and went, Chibu in particular being denied 2 great chances. The breakthrough wasn't far away though and sure enough, after more good work by the impressive OJ down the right, a good ball in saw **KARAMATH** slide home to equalise and not before time. 7 minutes left on the clock and surely only one outcome. If ever a game typified the season we've had, this was it. For all the pressure we'd forced and the chances we'd created, Oldsmiths came forward with purpose for the first time this half (barring a couple of pathetic calls for a penalty) and, despite a well-timed step out from the defence, the referee allowed the striker to run through when offside and he made no mistake to put them back in the lead. Crazy game became a little crazier, as the call came from our skipper to attack their full backs because "they're f\*cking sh! t" sure enough we got beyond them to create a crossing opportunity which again fell to **KARAMATH** who unleashed a volley into the far corner. 4-4! With just about enough time for one more attack, neither team could muster a meaningful chance and the game finished a draw. Had we taken half of our chances, we'd have won this game by 5 or 6 but alas, as with our entire season not enough clinical finishing and silly mistakes cost us the victory.

## *4<sup>th</sup> XI*

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Polytechnic 5th	16	11	2	3	66	21	45	35
2	West Wickham 4th	13	11	2	0	39	10	29	35
3	Weirside Rangers 3rd	14	8	2	4	27	27	0	26
4	Old Wilsonians 4th	16	8	1	7	33	28	5	25
5	Alleyn Old Boys 5th	16	5	3	8	27	29	-2	18
6	Actonians Association 5th	16	5	3	8	27	39	-12	18
7	Ibis Eagles 4th	16	4	3	9	22	34	-12	15
8	HSBC 4th	15	4	2	9	27	58	-31	14
9	HSBC 5th	14	2	2	10	20	42	-22	8

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

No scheduled games

### RECENT RESULTS:

2-1 Alleyn Old Boys
1-3 HSBC
1-3 Polytechnic

### MATCH REPORT:

**FOURS END SEASON ON A HIGH** 4<sup>th</sup> XI 2 Alleyn Old Boys 5<sup>th</sup> XI 1

Glorious sunshine covered Hayes as the 4's season came to a close with a home fixture against Alleyns. After a bit of stinky chat in the bar the boys headed to the changing rooms but, and of course, only after Yuved had taken a great snap of the home of amateur football, you social media guru you!

Ibiza anthems blasting out in the changing rooms the message was to play football and enjoy ourselves. After a scrappy opening 20 minutes Wilson's were awarded a penalty when Falconer-Roberts' goal bound header was handled by an Alleyn's player. Sam James stepped up and smashed the ball against the crossbar and, no surprises, it missed. Falconer Roberts then spared Sam's blushes as he went on a mazy run and laid off to **SAM JAMES**, who thumped the ball home for his 23rd of the season.

After a water break Alleyns managed to grab a goal back, which many of the 4's thought was clearly offside. One a piece at half time and Bheenick made the changes, with Abdou at the forefront of the attack and Watson placed in a marauding central midfield role switching to our favoured, tried and tested 3-5-2.

It stayed tight for the majority of the second half until five minutes from time, when the players' hard work paid off. **JORDAN WATSON** had never scored a goal for the club before yesterday, but boy did he do so in style, smashing home from just inside the box with the outside of his left foot to give the home side the win and top off a cracking season.

We set out to win silverware and give the league a crack and end up with the club's top goal scorer. Mission accomplished. Up the 4's. We love Saturdays and we love football. #morethanjustateam

Yuved Bheenick

Squad: I Wellman(GK), M Knight, Bheenick, J Knight, Bradley, Crouch, Panicker, Wateridge, James, A Adams, JF Roberts, Abdou, Watson Scorers : Sam James , Jordan Watson MOTM : Jordan Watson

LUCKLUSTRE FOURS SLUMP TO DEFEAT IN CHISWICK Polytechnic 5<sup>th</sup> XI 4<sup>th</sup> XI 1 (March 25<sup>th</sup>)

After beating Polytechnic at home the week before, the squad were in good spirits heading across the city to face the same team. With half of the team spending the majority of their morning at Clapham Junction, all but one of the team arrived ready to get going. After confusion with the crèche opening times, Jordan eventually made his way to meet the squad and begin the warm up.

Wilson's came out of the blocks fast, with a couple of half chances flashing just wide. Halfway through the half Mcshane took on a Poly defender and the goalkeeper bought him down for the referee to point to the spot. **SAM JAMES** stepped up and, surprisingly from a spot kick, managed to find the back of the net.

Next up Polytechnic equalised and we went in at half time level. With the wind and pitch making the standard of football considerably worse, we managed to concede two in the second half and lose 3-1, a repeat of the score-line from a week earlier, but different winners this time!

The highlight of the day followed when we bumped in to a Callum Henderson doppelgänger (sic) at Chiswick station and Si Crouch got in the road beers. Speaker on full volume and a carriage party ensued. Good day out, but not the result we all wanted.

Yuved Bheenick

Squad: M Travett(GK), Kirby J, Bheenick, Exford, Watson, Crouch, Henderson, Panicker, James, Abdou, McShane, Jeevan, W Gunnell MOM - Y Bheenick

*5th XI*

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Carshalton 4th	18	17	0	1	83	21	62	51
2	Polytechnic 6th	18	12	1	5	64	30	34	37
3	Actonians Association 6th	16	11	1	4	60	26	34	34
4	Ibis Eagles 5th	16	10	2	4	43	32	11	32
5	West Wickham 5th	18	8	3	7	33	27	6	27
6	Old Wilsonians 5th	18	6	2	10	39	55	-16	20
7	Bank of England 4th	18	6	0	12	34	51	-17	18
8	Civil Service 6th	18	5	2	11	25	57	-32	17
9	Merton 4th	18	4	0	14	35	52	-17	12
10	Lloyds Warren 3rd	18	3	1	14	21	86	-65	10

**UPCOMING FIXTURES:**

15/04	City of London (h)
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**RECENT RESULTS:**

1-3 South Bank Cuaco
2-5 Ibis Eagles
2-5 Dorkinians

**MATCH REPORT**

No 5<sup>th</sup> XI game this week.

*6th XI*

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Carshalton 5th	13	10	1	2	56	20	36	31
2	Old Salesians Res	16	8	5	3	53	34	19	29
3	Actonians Association 7th	16	8	5	3	32	27	5	29
4	Alleyn Old Boys 6th	13	8	2	3	43	17	26	26
5	Polytechnic 7th	15	6	5	4	44	31	13	23
6	West Wickham 6th	16	5	2	9	42	44	-2	17
7	South Bank Cuaco 4th	16	4	2	10	30	48	-18	14
8	Old Wilsonians 6th	16	4	2	10	25	52	-27	14
9	HSBC 6th	15	3	0	12	23	75	-52	9

**UPCOMING FIXTURES:**

No scheduled games

**RECENT RESULTS:**

1-8 Carshalton
1-1 Actonians Association
0-3 Alleym Old Boys

**MATCH REPORT:**

6<sup>th</sup> XI WELL BEATEN Carshalton 5<sup>th</sup> XI 8 6<sup>th</sup> XI 1

On a beautiful spring day, the 6XI made the difficult trip to champions elect Carshalton 5s. With just 5 regular players fit and available the team was supplemented with 5 5XI players and 4 returning uni boys. After a

promising first 5 minutes, the inexperience of playing together as a team led to the inevitable Carshalton onslaught. The game finished 8-1, with little to cheer about other than a late consolation from Elliot Tiffin, who enjoyed a foray into midfield from his usual centre back role. Although the result was disappointing, there can be no faulting the effort under difficult circumstances of the make shift 6XI.

G Young, N Morley, A Phakey, E Tiffin, C Ironside, L D, Costa, J Farrington, J Eves, N Eves, J Small, C Dyki, T Dixon, J Sinclair

## *7<sup>th</sup> XI*

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Polytechnic 9th	17	14	2	1	57	25	32	44
2	Kew Association 3rd	17	11	1	5	59	43	16	31 *
3	Actonians Association 8th	17	9	2	6	37	37	0	29
4	Merton 5th	18	9	2	7	33	38	-5	29
5	Ibis Eagles 6th	16	9	0	7	50	28	22	27
6	Civil Service 7th	18	7	3	8	43	38	5	24
7	South Bank Cuaco 5th	18	5	3	10	34	37	-3	18
8	Old Wilsonians 7th	17	5	2	10	27	42	-15	17
9	Polytechnic 8th	18	3	6	9	27	37	-10	15
10	HSBC 7th	18	4	1	13	28	70	-42	13

\* Adjustment made

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

22/04	Kew Association (h)
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### RECENT RESULTS:

2-4 Actonians Association
0-4 Ibis Eagles
0-1 Merton

### MATCH REPORT:

GOT TO TAKE THOSE CHANCES Actonians Association 8<sup>th</sup> XI 4 7<sup>th</sup> XI 2

Hottest day of the year and the 7's faced a tough challenge against a team fighting for promotion. A slightly makeshift side, with several players contracting travelitis(sic) but, luckily, several players from other teams (including four from the mighty nines) came to the rescue!

Despite the players not being too familiar with each other, we started brightly and caused Acton problems. Halfway through the half, **JORDAN MANDER** was put through and managed to finish well from a tight angle. Not long after, Seb Winifred-Davies hit the bar with a fine header from a free kick.

Our lead did not last too long when a mix up in defence led to a tap in for the opposition. Not long after their striker went down very theatrically in the box but, unfortunately, the referee bought it and they scored from the penalty spot - 2-1 down at half time, which did not reflect the run of play at all.

We started the second half very well and totally controlled play. We hit the bar again, Bereket Jacob coming close this time. We then gave away a soft goal from a corner and somehow we were 3-1 down, despite dominating. Soon after striker Harry Smith was sent clean through and was taken out – the referee pointed to the spot and booked their defender, who then got himself sent off after calling the official a very naughty word!

**GOWTHAM JEEVAN** coolly dispatched the penalty.

Our level seemed to drop after they went down to ten, and somehow they caught us on the break to restore their two goal advantage. Despite Harry Smith drawing a great save out of their 'keeper, we did not look like getting back into the game. With those chances taken, it would have been a different story!

Roddy Trompiz

Team: Dave Pilgrim, Roddy Trompiz, Seb Winifred-Davies, Will Gunnell, Andrew Hoffmann, Jordan Mander, Harry Ingamels, Pat Kirby, Ed Adams, Gowtham Jeevan, Harry Smith, Bereket Jacob, Nick Mole

Editor's footnote: Thanks Roddy, and to all of the other players who were prepared to travel whilst others declined to meet their responsibilities and ignored the CCF maxim

Roddy also took the initiative and wrote the report, only the 7<sup>th</sup> XI's fourth of the season, which takes them off the foot of the table.

## 8<sup>th</sup> XI

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Carshalton 6th	14	13	1	0	93	11	82	40
2	Civil Service 8th	18	12	1	5	68	36	32	37
3	Merton 6th	18	11	1	6	53	43	10	34
4	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	17	8	4	5	48	40	8	28
5	Merton 7th	18	8	2	8	43	59	-16	26
6	Bank of England 5th	17	8	1	8	44	30	14	25
7	Old Wilsonians 8th	17	6	3	8	37	47	-10	21
8	Old Blues 4th	15	6	3	6	31	42	-11	21
9	Old Salesians 3rd	17	7	2	8	39	44	-5	20 *
10	South Bank Cuaco 6th	18	4	2	12	30	55	-25	14
11	Old Wilsonians 9th	17	0	0	17	10	89	-79	0

\* Adjustment made

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

15/04	Old Wilsonians 9th XI
22/04	Merton (h)
25/04	Carshalton (a)

### RECENT RESULTS:

6-0 Old Blues
1-2 Merton
3-0 Salesians

### MATCH REPORT:

A REASON FOR MIKE HARRIS TO SMILE      8<sup>th</sup> XI 6 Old Blues 4<sup>th</sup> XI 0

It is not easy being a captain in the lower reaches of the Old Wilsonians and with a significant number of the usual squad unavailable, it was a makeshift team that took to the 1<sup>st</sup> XI pitch at Hayes on a glorious spring afternoon.

Reverting back to a 4-5-1 formation, we knew that Old Blues would not give us an easy game and starting well would be crucial. In the first 15 minutes we were organised, and soon settled into a rhythm, and the first goal came after 20 minutes, a fine delivery from a corner kick met with emphasis by the head of **CHRIS BILLING**. After that the 8's continued to tick over, with the midfield working nicely and getting up to support our lone striker when needed. We were looking particularly threatening on the wings, and it was from one of these moves that **KRIS PAGE** added the second with a nicely-controlled finish (and I would like to claim the assist for that one!).

The half-time team talk was simple – more of the same please. We went 3-0 up on the hour, a fine move that was finished by **OLIVER KRAUSS** slotting neatly past the 'keeper. The high-quality passing on show (harking back to the earlier days of this season) meant that another goal was inevitable, and it was **KRIS PAGE** who added his second of the game. **KRIS PAGE** then completed his first ever hat-trick for the Old Wilsonians with a superb solo effort after a swift counter-attack. **JACK SHELTON** then rounded off the scoring, rising highest at the far post from a free kick to head it in.

This was truly a team performance, with everyone giving 100%, and there were several contenders for 'Man of the Match' but, in the end, it went to the hat-trick man Kris Page. Next week is the big one – The 'Unclasico' – and there is a lot at stake for both the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> XI in this hotly-anticipated clash.

Kek Amankwah

Team: Seelan, Wheatley, Billing, Shelton, Crombie, Amankwah, Norman, Gartell, Page, Smith, Krauss

MoM: Kris Page. DoD: Kek Amankwah

## 9<sup>th</sup> XI

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Carshalton 6th	14	13	1	0	93	11	82	40
2	Civil Service 8th	18	12	1	5	68	36	32	37
3	Merton 6th	18	11	1	6	53	43	10	34
4	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	17	8	4	5	48	40	8	28
5	Merton 7th	18	8	2	8	43	59	-16	26
6	Bank of England 5th	17	8	1	8	44	30	14	25
7	Old Wilsonians 8th	17	6	3	8	37	47	-10	21
8	Old Blues 4th	15	6	3	6	31	42	-11	21
9	Old Salesians 3rd	17	7	2	8	39	44	-5	20 *
10	South Bank Cuaco 6th	18	4	2	12	30	55	-25	14
11	Old Wilsonians 9th	17	0	0	17	10	89	-79	0

\* Adjustment made

### UPCOMING FIXTURES:

15/04	Old Wilsonians 8 <sup>th</sup> XI (h)
22/04	Old Blues (h)
29/04	Carshalton (h)

### RECENT RESULTS:

1-3 Alleyn Old Boys
0-5 Alleyn Old Boys
0-3 Merton 7s
1-3 Merton 7s

### MATCH REPORT:

No game for the 9<sup>th</sup> XI this week, although rumours that they used the opportunity to spend the time abroad as they prepare for this week's clash with the 8<sup>th</sup> XI may be somewhat exaggerated!