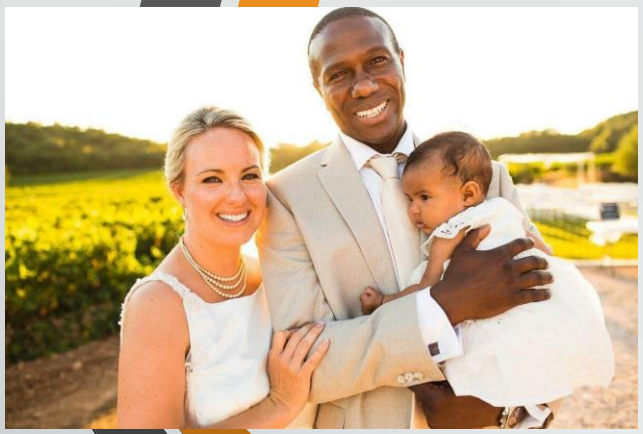
OLD WILSONIANS FOOTBALL CLUB ‘All the news that’s fit to print’

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Dates for your Diary

Sunday 16th April 10 am ko - Kirk Benjamin memorial – Super Vets / Vets v SE London Arts Network,
OWFC Annual Dinner Saturday 22nd April at the Club.
Club Force Weekend at the Club 21st / 22nd 23rd April

Easter weekend saw three sides play and all three won, halleluiah!

The 5s won two tough double headers against title rivals Old Wimbledonians at Hayes. A last minute winner in the first double header was followed by another 1 0 win in the second, just about secured the league title. Mathematicians (and Jon Howe) amongst you will point out a point is still needed with four remaining games as the 5s take on Merton this week.
The OWFC top goal scorer trophy ‘The John Brittain memorial cup’ is also up for grabs within the 5s trio of strikers; Terrel Wells has 17, Steve Benwell 16 and Chris Kennedy 15.
The 3s have had a mixed season, a win against the 2s the highlight. They beat South Bank on Saturday 4 - 2 to ease any relegation fears and will go again in Junior Div. One next season. Onwards and upwards.
The 7s had a fixture arranged late on in the week, again against South Bank and another Win for a Chairman’s jug! James Stride with a hat trick in a 5 – 1 win.

25 years ago the 2s were on a winning streak matching the exploits of the cup winning 1s. A four nil win saw familiar names Steve ‘Hotshot’ Holmes, Greg Smith, James Karamath and Paul Sherwin scoring, the latter winning a crème egg from nine year old James Paton on the touchline for ‘goal of the day’. Dan Harris just missed out on the treat, clipping the crossbar. The dinner that year was £10, this year a reasonable £35, Crystal Palace’s Super John Salako is the speaker, tickets selling fast! A chance to ask him about that 1990 Cup Final vs Man Utd and why he’s known as Jonny Salad!

50 years ago it was all about the 2s as well, as led by Ian Forbes they lifted the AFA Kent Junior Cup famously beating old rivals West Wickham in the final, 2 - 1. Youngsters Paul Hannifan, George Carrington and Ray Jenkins featured that day alongside Geoff Robinson and a great match report by Mike Pike is included in All our Yesterdays I’m sure Ian celebrated with a scotch that night!

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CLUB FORCE WEEKEND

21st 22nd 23rd April 2023

Let's keep our clubhouse, grounds and dressing rooms looking good.

Contact Jamie Parkinson to volunteer a few hours of your time.

Non Sibi Sed Omnibus

Then…..and Now









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 Wilsonian 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.



Fixtures 15th April 2023

SAL	1s v
Results	Scorers
	Awaits

SAL	2nd XI v Alleyn OB Hayes 2pm
Results	Scorers

SAL	3rd XI v
Results	
	Awaits

SAL	4th X1 v HSBC Away 2pm
Results	Scorers

SAL	5th XI vs Merton Hayes 2pm
Results	Scorers

SAL	6th XI vs City of London Away 2pm
Results	Scorers

SAL	7th XI v
Results	Scorers
	Awaits

Friendly Sunday 16th Super VETS V SE London Arts Network	10am Hayes
Result	Scorers



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Results – 6th & 8th April 2023

SPC	1s v Deportivo Galicia Surrey Prem Cup QF Thursday 6th April 730pm at Banstead Athletic FC
Results	Scorers
	PP

SAL	2nd XI v
Results	Scorers
	No game .
SAL	**3rd XI v South Bank Away 2pm**
Results	Scorers
4 - 2	Lucas Orchard, Montelle Henry 2, Ted Farmer.

SAL	4th XI v
Results	Scorers
	No game

SAL	5th XI vs Old Wimbledonians Home Hayes DOUBLE HEADER
Results	Scorers
1 – 0 1 - 0	Terrel Wells Chris Kennedy

SAL	6th XI vs
Results	Scorers
	No game

SAL	7th XI v South Bank
Results	Scorers
5 - 1	James Stride, 3 Joe Kajdi and James Gilbert

Vets Super Vets	V Temple Bar Sunday 9th April 10 am Hayes
Results	Scorers
5 - 2	Mark Mace, Si Elliot, Chris Dyki, Chunkdini, McLeish (assist for OG)



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3s 4 vs 2 South Bank, SAL, Away

The 3s went into the game against Southbank with high hopes. The team on a mission to avoid the drop. We had put out a very strong squad with expectations to overpower their defence.

The first half started strongly with Wilsons putting on pressure and eventually a ball was played through to **Montelle HENRY** who scored our first of the game. After a couple of defensive mishaps and an undeserved goal from the opposition another defence splitting pass fell to **Ted FARMER** who produced another tidy finish for our second.

The second half began with the team focused on attacking and increasing their lead. This philosophy came to fruition when a ball was played over the top by Monte to **Lucas ORCHARD** who had just been pushed up to the right wing and that made it 3-1.

Another lapse in the defence's judgment allowed Southbank to score a second and get back into the game.

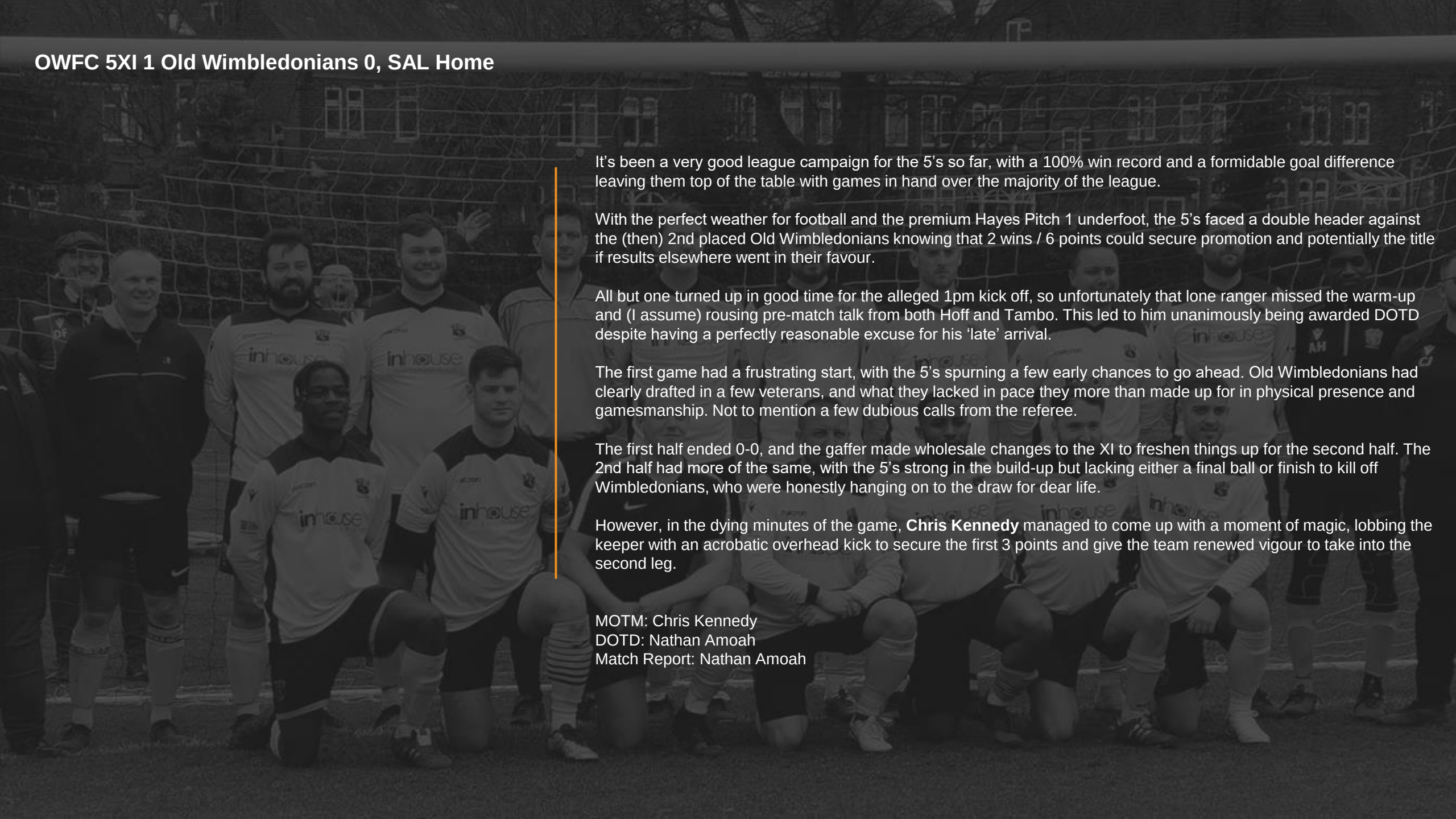
However, after a tough middle of the second half **Montelle HENRY** scores a fourth and in doing so wins the 3s last game of the season hopefully securing their safety in the division.

With only 11 men the 3s had a deserved win to round off the season.

Nathan Eves, Pat Kirby, Kris Page, Josh Eves, Montelle Henry, Jack Garlick, Jack Martins, Lucas Orchard, Nathan Carpenter, Rahul Roy.



OWFC 5XI 1 Old Wimbledonians 0, SAL Home



It’s been a very good league campaign for the 5’s so far, with a 100% win record and a formidable goal difference leaving them top of the table with games in hand over the majority of the league.

With the perfect weather for football and the premium Hayes Pitch 1 underfoot, the 5’s faced a double header against the (then) 2nd placed Old Wimbledonians knowing that 2 wins / 6 points could secure promotion and potentially the title if results elsewhere went in their favour.

All but one turned up in good time for the alleged 1pm kick off, so unfortunately that lone ranger missed the warm-up and (I assume) rousing pre-match talk from both Hoff and Tambo. This led to him unanimously being awarded DOTD despite having a perfectly reasonable excuse for his ‘late’ arrival.

The first game had a frustrating start, with the 5’s spurning a few early chances to go ahead. Old Wimbledonians had clearly drafted in a few veterans, and what they lacked in pace they more than made up for in physical presence and gamesmanship. Not to mention a few dubious calls from the referee.

The first half ended 0-0, and the gaffer made wholesale changes to the XI to freshen things up for the second half. The 2nd half had more of the same, with the 5’s strong in the build-up but lacking either a final ball or finish to kill off Wimbledonians, who were honestly hanging on to the draw for dear life.

However, in the dying minutes of the game, **Chris Kennedy** managed to come up with a moment of magic, lobbing the keeper with an acrobatic overhead kick to secure the first 3 points and give the team renewed vigour to take into the second leg.

MOTM: Chris Kennedy
DOTD: Nathan Amoah
Match Report: Nathan Amoah

OWFC 5XI 1 Old Wimbledonians 0, SAL, Away

Double Header, match two.



After a well fought 1-0 victory in the first game, 5mins later we found ourselves back on the pitch ready to go for the second game.

We kick off and pick back up where we left off, moving the ball well, creating some nice patterns of play which, eventually led to RORY slotting TAMBO down the line, who done well to cut inside, beat his man and slot **TERELL WELLS** in to put the ball into an empty net. **1-0** to the 5s in the first 15 mins of the match.

We continued to create many chances with TERELL feeding ADAM, STEVIE and AMOAH but unfortunately the ball just couldn't find its way into the back of the net.

At the other end of the pitch Wimbledonians had found themselves a new little recruit during the interval of the two games, although he had quick feet and a little pace, the defence were able to hold strong as they always do and keep the score at 1-0 going into half time.

After a much more positive half time talk we was back out again for the 2nd half of the match.

Not much had changed from the first half we was once again the dominant team, however we just couldn't put the ball in the back of the net like "Brighton 21/22" some may say.

Still attacking well TERELL had found himself aggravated with the ref, after not calling a numerous amount of fouls, he had found himself on the wrong side of the ref. Receiving a Yellow Card which turned into a sinbin as the ref was struggling to spell his name, so sent him off instead.

Despite being down to 10 and some late pushes for an equaliser from the oppo the 5s continued to march on and get the W. This now allows the 5s to possibly win the league next weekend however, only if they turn up with the same attitude they've had all season which I have no doubt they will.

MOTM: Steven Peares
DOTD: Terell Wells
Match Report: Terell Wells

Super Vets 5 vs 2 Temple Bar Friendly Hayes, Sunday 9th April

Spring appeared to have finally sprung on Easter Sunday as the Super Vets took to the field with a strong squad of 16. With Doug Forbes disappearing to the changing rooms just before kick off and leaving Macey with instructions to pick a side based on the first eleven names on the page, there was a sense that a tactical masterclass was in the offing and sure enough we started strongly against a well organised opposition and got some real joy in the channels from Abel and Si Elliot early on with Bruce G and Andy M in particular keeping their lively front two quiet.

Macey opened the scoring with a speculative lob which the keeper lost staring into the sun (Doug Smart insisting that he deserved the assist for winning the toss and swapping ends precisely because he had forgotten his cap). **Chunk** belted in a second following a Dyki pirouette and McLeish flick on) and **McLeish then forced an own goal** with a break to the byline and pull back before **Ellliott** added a fourth with a run and strong shot across the keeper. Temple Bar heads had dropped as they realised they were taking a pounding and should have been 6 or 7 down at half time but for the generosity of their linesman who, in his advanced years and his incessant flag waving, could almost have passed for a Frenchman surrendering to the Germans.

The changes were rung before and at half time and the religious poignancy of the day was not lost on Si Ward who early in the second half fell to the floor some distance away from the ball as if he had been chopped down from a cross only to rise again amidst laughter from his own team. He recovered his composure and defended manfully until he hit a back pass which had hints of a large stone being rolled away - unfortunately straight to a centre forward who left Doug Forbes with no chance.

Temple Bar snuck another after a defensive mix up and were pushing for parity - Doug Smart missed from 6 yards but **Chris Dyki** thankfully made the game safe with a burst of pace and near post finish.

A fair reflection on a day of reflection. Amen.

Team **Doug Smart, Doug Forbes, Andy Mason, Chris Dyki, Will, Bruce G, Si Ward, David McLeish, Si Elliott, Aaron, Abel, Graham, Ryan, Chunk, Macey, Dr Richard**

Men of the Match - Dyki and McLeish



ALL OUR YESTERDAY'S - 25 YEARS AGO

WE ARE (NEARLY) THE CHAMPIONS Glyn Old Boys 0 2nd Xl 4

Another clean sheet, another victory; the 2s tremendous run continues. Eight wins and a draw in the last nine games. six clean sheets on the trot. At last the 2s are turning ability into results. Paul Sherwin and Steve Holmes returned with dynamic effect as the 2nds kicked downhill with a gale behind them – 'The Priest Hill Effect!'
A spirited opening saw Dan Harris clipping the crossbar but the gusty conditions often led to the final shot or cross going astray. After 20 minutes a low struck shot come cross from Paul Sherwin saw **JAMES KARAMATH** ghosting in at the far post to slot home his second goal in two games.
The 2s failed to press home their advantage and Glyn congratulated themselves, prematurely, at half-time.
The second half was just a minute old when a lack of pressing the ball led to a speculative long range effort that moved like an arrow towards our goal. Darryl Galvin parried the shot and, just as the advancing centre-forward prepared to put the rebound in, Stu' Paton glided in to clear the ball, a pivotal moment as the 2s won a corner shortly afterwards and Stu' Paton's cross was met majestically by the skipper, **GREG SMITH,** who made it 2-0.
This deflated Glyn and the 2nd Xl went on to score two further goals, a 'LeBouef' special from **STEVE 'Smartshot' HOLMES,** direct from a free-kick, and a **PAUL SHERWIN** cross shot which earned him a crème egg for 'goal of the game' from young James Paton on the touch-line.
So it's Sedcopians away next week to decide the championship. Stu' Paton
Galvin.D Paton.S Forbes.D West (Greg)Smith Pullen Holmes Harris Sherwin Karamath 'Wayne'

EVERY DEPARTMENT CAN DO BETTER Old Josephians 5 6th Xl 2

Apologies to my team mates for this short report. We did not play as well as last week, especially in the second half, when we failed to compete with a strong Josephians' team and every department can do better. We gave away some soft goals at the back and missed some excellent chances up front. Our goals were scored by **STEVE CHINNERY and RISHI PATTANI.** Tony Higgins
Peckover Higgins Hudson Lloyd Lutchman Narayan Chinnery Barty Middleton Blake Pattani

Annual General Meeting - April 28th

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Old Wilsonians' Football Club will be held on ***TUESDAY APRIL 28TH at the Clubhouse. Hayes at 8-00 p.m.***
Annual Dinner - Saturday April 25th

It's not too late to get a ticket for the dinner, priced £10, from Neil Kendrick

Classified Results , April 4th 1998				
1st Xl	0	Old Tiffinians	0	
Glyn Old Boys	0	2nd Xl	4	Karamath, (Greg) Smith , Holmes, Sherwin
3rd Xl	2	Clapham Old Xvarians	0	Corrigall.S, Quinton
Old Josephians	2	4th Xl	0	
Old Meadonians	1	5th Xl	0	
Old Josephians	5	6th Xl	2	Chinnery, Pattani

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS – 50 YEARS AGO

THE 2NDS WIN A CUP AND THE SKIPPER…… DROPS IT 2nd XI 2 West Wickham 1

The 2nd XI are the new, proud, owners of the AFA Kent Junior Cup. Two goals early in the game saw them through, despite being under almost continual pressure throughout the second half.
West Wickham failed to make use of the strong wind in the way that the 2nds had done and, for all their mid-field dominance, Brian Wells only had to pull something extra out on one occasion.
Brian Horscroft and Geoff Robinson were the stars at the back, and it really is good to see two players who have made their way through the lower sides becoming two of the most respected in the Club. It is not that long ago that Brian was struggling to get into the 6th XI, and he capped what has been a fine season for him with this excellent performance. Geoff, of course, has been an established player for some time, but his achievements have been, nonetheless, similarly commendable.
Skipper Ian Forbes backed these two effectively, the only mistake he made that might have had serious consequences being when he dropped the Cup after the presentation, whilst the problems John Clarke encountered were invariably of his own making. But he gave a solid performance and it is good to see that he now watches the own goals go in at the other end!
Behind these four Brian Wells did all that was required of him and also made one very fine save at the foot of a post when all hope seemed lost. He had no chance with West Wickham's goal, which came from the penalty spot after the ball had appeared to strike the unfortunate John Clarke on the elbow.
And how did the midfield play? George Carrington, playing with a heavily strapped thigh, started as if he intended filling all three positions on his own. His dedication and determination to win the ball were an inspiration, but when he began to fade from the game, West Wickham began to take control of this important part of the field.
Ray Jenkins, another player who has had a fine season, did not save his best for the final and was unfortunate enough to have to leave game shortly before the final whistle with what appeared to be an arm injury.
Paul Hannifan, too, was not at his best, although he could not be faulted for effort. The 2nds have obviously a lot to thank these youngsters for on their way to the final and I'm sure they will all give invaluable service to the Club in the years to come.
Of the three front runners, **COLIN HAND** had an out-standing game. Always worrying the West Wickham defence, he was alert enough to snap up the half-chance for the first goal, also laid the ball off well and perceptively and ran intelligently into the open spaces.
Gerry Reaseley did not have one of his better games, only taking the defence on once, but Gerry is never an easy player for a defence to combat and his presence, whilst not causing them as many problems as might have been expected, did not allow them to relax without facing potential danger.
Malcolm Taylor, too, has far more skill than he demonstrated on this particular afternoon, although it was his harassing run that led to the second goal. (In an exclusive interview with 'All the news that's fit to print' last week, Malcolm maintains, 25 years on, that he did, in fact, get the final touch, thereby raising his 'authentic' goal tally for the 2s from 99 to 100; Jug)
Many congratulations to all 11 players and to every member of the Club who has played for the 2nds during their progress to the final. This has not been a memorable season for the OWFC, but the Reserves have done us proud, both in this competition and in the league. Mike Pike

Wells Clarke.J Horscroft Robinson Forbes.I Carrington Jenkins Hannifan Hand Reaseley Taylor (Malcolm)

Classified Results, April 7th 1973				
		AFA Kent Junior Cup Final		
2nd Xl	2	West Wickham	1	Hand, Own goal

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3's

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3rd XI	Jack SHELTON	
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5th XI	Mike HOFFMAN	
6th XI	Nick Mole Ben Mole	
7th XI	Matt GUNDRY-WHITE	
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