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This week's games , November 5th

Team	Opponents	Ground	Contest	K.O.
1st XI	Old Ignatians	Hayes	AFA Cup	1-45
2nd XI	Old Parkonians	Hayes	League	2-15
3rd XI	Carshalton 3rd XI	Away	League	2-15
4th XI	Old Parmiterians 4th XI	Hawes Down	Old Boys Cup	1-45
5th XI	Old Saledians 3rd XI	Hawes Down	Old Boys Cup	1-45
6th XI	Old Thorntonians 6th XI	Away	AFA Cup	1-45
7th XI	Old Wokingians	Away	AFA Cup	1-45
8th XI	Bank of England 5th XI	Away	League	2-15
9th XI	Old Wokingians 8th XI	Away	AFA Cup	1-45
10th XI				
Vets				
Super Vets				

ALWAYS PACK A WHITE SHIRT WITH YOUR KIT

Classified Results, October 29th

Home	Score			Away	Scorers
Old Owens	4	V	1	1st XI (League)	Sellman
Civil Service Reserves	4	V	1	2nd XI (League)	Kennedy
3rd XI	1	V	2	Old Minchendenians (Old Boys Cup)	Newman-Sanders.B
Actonians Association 5th XI	1	V	4	4th XI (League)	James 3, Falconer- Roberts
HSBC 5th XI	0	V	3	5th XI (AFA Cup)	Scorers not reported
Old Salesians Reserves	4	V	1	6th XI (League)	Pathmonathan
8th XI	1	V	2	Old Parkonians 9th XI (Old Boys Cup)	Stride
9th XI	1	V	3	Old Bealonains 7th XI (Old Boys Cup	Krauss
Palace	2	V	4	Liverpool	McArthur 2

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Newsletter Contributions

All contributions to the newsletter should **reach me by 6-00 pm on a Sunday evening** – the earlier the better, preferably as a word attachment, and sent to 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 to me

Fixtures**: **Fixtures are correct at time of publication but are subject to change and alteration

Football training takes place EVERY WEDNESDAY night at Wallington Powerleague, 7-00



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This week's men of the match

1st XI: Selman/Childs 2nd XI: Deadman 3rd XI: Not reported 4th XI: Sam James 5th XI: Not reported
6th XI: Not reported 8th XI: E. Adams 9th XI: Josh Godfrey

Leading goal-scorers

8 – Sellman 6- James 5 - Adams. W, Bratterman, Buckle, Williams.M 4 –Carruthers, Fox, Page, Wrenn (McArthur) 3 – Cosstick.T, Demola (Ola) Fashoro, Howe, Otejunde, Falconer-Roberts, Stride, Watson, (Benteke) (Dann)

Classified Results, November 2nd 1991				
1st XI	3	Hassocks	8	Murray.I 2, Townson
4th XI	2	East Barnet OGs	0	Mace, Stringer
Mincendenians	2	5th XI	0	
Edmontonians	6	6th XI	2	Taylor 2
7th XI	1	Minchendenians	3	Tarn
Liverpool	1	Palace	2	Gabbiadini, Thomas

CLEAN SHEETS AND 100% RECORD MAINTAINED 4th XI 2 East Barnet Old Grammarians 0

A blustery day, an argument over which pitch we would be playing on and an EBOG's who won the Old Boys Cup last year, suggested a test for the 4th XI. They came at us hard and fast to start with and we were slower in the challenge.

However, we quickly woke up when Andy Kirchin dropped a high ball lofted into the area which he, fortunately, recovered to clear. He then made a low save five minutes later and we realised that we had to progress more positively, and we began to stamp our authority on the game and saw the light when a simple series of passes split the EBOG's defence for Mark Mace to go close.

Half-time saw a 0-0 score-line and we knew that the simple ball, with sensible running and calling, would unlock the committed visiting team.

The second half was a very different affair and an excellent display of controlled football ensued. Chances fell to Malcolm Boxall and Mark Mace, who was denied by a superb save from the opposing goal-keeper. Solid defence was again the key and, after a scare from a corner, which Andy Kirchin managed to punch out from under the bar, EBOGs came back at us with a vengeance but, and as usual, the defence coped admirably.

It looked as if extra time was beckoning, despite all of our superior play and chances but, with four minutes left, some more excellent simple passing left **MARK MACE** through and he finished well past the advancing 'keeper. More 4th XI pressure followed and **BRUCE STRINGER** thumped a loose ball home to wrap up another spirited performance from the 4th XI.

Excellent individual performances from Andy Weaver and Mark Mace, who are both destined for higher sides, with Malcolm Boxall and Dave Valder looking very strong in midfield. Despite a difficult two weeks, two superb results must worry the returning Barbados footballers, and I extend my thanks and admiration to all of the players who have turned out for me in our hour of need and I suggest that, from what I have seen, this is not the year to take a week off as there are too many good players around looking to take your place! Andy Kirchin

Kirchin Hoffman Adams Robinson Quarrington Boxall Barry Valder Weaver.A Mace Stringer

7th XI: Warboys Banks Johnson.A Rayworth Brindle Tarn Wing.K Spencer Rice Sullivan Hayes

With deep regret

It is with deep regret that we report the deaths of John Penn and Herbert Staughton.

John was captain of the School in 1926, when he also skippered the School 1st XI, was secretary of the Old Wilsonians' Association from 1932 until 1947 and President from 1969 until 1971.

Herbert, his contemporary at School in the 1930s, kept goal for the 3rd/4th XIs

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS - GOING EVEN FURTHER BACK

The newsletter is proud to introduce a new feature. Not content with going back (a mere) 25 years we now give you news, reviews and reports of the OWFC ***fifty years ago!***

Classified Results, October 29th 1966				
1st XI	5	Old Carthusians	2	Reaseley 3, Adams.T , George
Leicester University	5	2nd XI	2	OG (2)
3rd XI	5	Old Libertians	2	Brittain 3, Lawson 2
4th XI	3	Westminster Citizens	2	Piper, Marks, Freeland
Parkonians	5	5th XI	0	
Ibis	5	6th XI	4	Swinson 2, Matthews.R, OG

All who watched agreed that this was one of the 1st XI's finest performances. Many thought it was the best game they had seen at Hayes and although Carthusians are not the strength they were, it could have been a lot more than five. All this was gained without John Burstow, who was ill but should be back this week. Eddie Masters was also unable to play on Saturday, having been injured the week before in a Sunday match.

Next week the 1st XI face Old Latymerians in the Old Boys Cup at Hayes. Mike Kendrick will be unavailable, so the 1st XI should win. Sorry, Mike, and what an unkind thing to say.

A young player had been doing some recruiting at this time, and his work was reported as follows: "Thanks to Terry Fanning, who secured two players from the School to make up the side – the 6th XI. These two were Roger Matthews , who seems to have scored on his debut, and Dave Piesse, both of whom would now like to be considered for selection each week."

And, indeed, they did just that, both players making numerous appearances. Roger was a tall, gangly centre-forward who, because of his physical appearance, gained the nickname 'Stick.' One year he went on holiday with a group of fellow OWs who, one morning, decided to go swimming. "Coming for a dip, Stick", they enquired.

Dave was a winger, often fleet of foot but sometimes forgetting to take the ball with him. However, he acquired quite a following and his supporters could often be heard chanting, "All we are saying, is give Piesse (sic) a chance."

This issue also contained a spotlight on Bob Keen, as follows:

One of the veterans of the Club, Bob has played for the OWs for years and years and years and years…….. but says he is 25 (I think that is the size of his boots!) Since the turn of the century Bob has been playing centre-half for the 4th XI every week. He keeps hoping for promotion to the 5th XI but Nick Carter is playing so well that this seems unlikely, but Bob is only a youngster and his turn will come when he matures a bit.

Seriously, Bob does a great deal for the Club, a lot of which goes unnoticed by you because of the quiet, modest way Bob goes about things, and we hope he will be with us for many more years.

Next week's ramble down the 50 year road contains a spotlight on Mike Kendrick, which, effectively, is more like a bound volume, but dare I reprint it – you'll have to wait until next week to find out but I'm sure you can make an educated guess.

Amongst other things it makes reference to what is called his "rarely-used nickname." And how come he would be "unavailable" for the game against Latymerians" – see earlier. Mike claims he never missed a game!

League Tables - Correct to October 29th

Senior Division One - bottom 5 of 11	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
OLD WISLONIANS	**6**	**2**	**1**	**3**	**8**	**11**	**7**
Winchmore Hill	7	1	3	3	8	14	6
NUFC Oilers	7	1	2	4	10	15	5
Old Parkonians	5	1	0	4	7	9	3
Crouch End Vampires	6	0	1	5	7	17	1
Intermediate Division One - bottom 3 of 11							
OLD WILSONIANS RESERVES	**4**	**1**	**1**	**2**	**7**	**9**	**4**
Alleyn Old Boys Reserves	5	0	1	4	6	11	1
Old Owens Reserves	3	0	0	3	7	18	0
Junior Division Two - bottom 3 of 10							
Old Owens 3rd XI	3	1	0	2	4	11	3
OLD WILSONIANS 3rd XI	**2**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**3**	**5**	**0**
Merton 3rd XI	4	0	0	4	6	14	0
Minor Division One South –bottom 4 of 9							
OLD WILSONIANS 4th XI	**4**	**2**	**0**	**2**	**9**	**10**	**6**
HSBC 4th XI	4	1	2	1	11	13	5
Old Actonians Association 5th XI	5	1	1	3	7	17	4
HSBC 5th XI	5	0	0	5	6	15	0
Minor Division Two South - bottom 3 10							
OLD WILSONIANS 5th XI	**6**	**2**	**0**	**4**	**10**	**24**	**6**
Merton 4th XI	5	1	0	4	10	16	3
Lloyds Warren 3rd XI	6	0	0	5	3	40	0
Minor Division Three South – bottom 4 of 9							
OLD WILSONIANS 6th XI	**5**	**1**	**0**	**4**	**7**	**19**	**3**
HSBC 6th XI	5	1	0	4	5	25	3
Alleyn Old Boys 6th XI	2	0	1	1	2	5	1
West Wickham 6th XI	5	0	1	4	7	16	1
Minor Division Four South - Top 4 of 10							
Kew Association 3rd XI	6	6	0	0	22	11	18
Polytechnic 9th XI	5	5	0	0	17	1	15
Merton 5th XI	6	5	0	1	9	5	15
OLD WILSONIANS 7th XI	**7**	**3**	**1**	**3**	**13**	**13**	**10**
Minor Division Five South - Bottom 3 of 11							
OLD WILSONIANS 9th XI	**1**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**1**	**5**	**0**
Bank of England 5th XI	2	0	0	2	0	5	0
OLD WILSONIANS 8th XI	**2**	**0**	**0**	**2**	**1**	**7**	**0**

COMEDY NIGHT

FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER - 7.30pm for 8.00pm

Laura Lexx is a uniquely gleeful performer who indulges her audience in an unrelenting childish attention. She has a quirky, Somerset spin on the world and is happy to relax with the audience and build up a quick rapport. She delighted everyone as the compere of two of our earlier comedy shows.
BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Jonny Pelham began his stand up career at University and whilst there finished runner-up in both the prestigious So You Think You're Funny? competition as well as The Chortle Student Comedy Awards. Since leaving University he has continued to impress and was recently a finalist and Judges' Choice in the BBC Radio New Comedy Awards, as well as being nominated for Chortle Best Newcomer in 2014.

Sol Bernstein has performed at The London Palladium, New York's Carnegie Hall, The Paris Olympia, Caesars Palace Las Vegas, The Scunthorpe Baths, but it's at night clubs where Sol really comes to life. His charisma, his walking stick, his catch phrase "why don't you put on a tie" his chutzpah, put it all together and you see the magic that is Sol Bernstein.
"One part Alf Garnett, two parts Mel Brooks and three part like nothing else you have heard. Bernstein is a great new comic creation in the making" - The Guardian

Tickets £20 each, including a hot supper
Vegetarian option available if notified in advance
Tickets MUST be purchased in advance from
Nigel Jordan nigel@nigeljordan.com and 020 8776 2360

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 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

Soul/Jazz band at the Club **THIS WEEK**

We have a number of tickets still available for our live soul/jazz band 'The Mosos' at the club ***this Saturday 29th October*** and all are most welcome. The £20 cost per head includes a glass of bubbly and 'Indian supper' by our sponsors the Blue Bengal. All details are on the poster included in this newsletter
Stuart & Jane Paton, Old Wilsonians Football and Netball Clubs

ALL OUR TODAYS

THE SIDE NEED TO DO BETTER IN BOTH BOXES Old Owens 4 1st XI 1

The 1st XI travelled to Potters Bar minus the usual number of players missing and were beaten by the league leaders.

CAPTAIN SELLMAN continued his good goal scoring run by opening the scoring with a half volley for Wilsonians, but Owens were soon level after scoring from a direct free kick and they soon grabbed the lead with a tap in from six yards.

The 1's continued to look a threat going forward, but without Wilson and Gravesande at the back, Owens caused constant problems. The 1st XI then went on to self-destruct and, with a minute

remaining in the first half it was the 1's putting Owens under pressure from a series of corners, but naivety meant the home side took advantage and made it 3-1 on the stroke of half time.

The game ended as a contest 10 minutes into the second half with, again, the 1's switching off from a throw and a lob from the outside of the box made it 4-1.

To their credit the 1st XI kept going and played some decent stuff and created chances, but with them giving poor goals away Owens, with two excellent front men, were well worth their win.

The side need to be better in both boxes if they are to start climbing the league but with players missing, and two players dropping out in the morning of the game, getting a consistent squad seems to be the main challenge. Chris Wells

Eglon; Middleton; Chen; J Parkinson; Karamath; Akkaya; Simmons; Childs; Fashoro; Sellman; Williams; Giles

PRAV HAD NEVER WON AT ACTON.....HE HAS NOW!! Actonians Association 5th XI 1 4th XI 4

An away trip to Acton...when you know you won't be changing in anywhere nice (usually by the pitch) and the pitches will be rubbish, as they are in a local park, and the weather will be dire.

So we arrived....and we changed in a large school hall, we walked 10 minutes to the pitch and it was awful, I but the weather held off. The 4th XI did not have a good record here and, as per Alleyns away, were keen to put things right. Before the game Prav confirmed that, in eight years of Old Boys football, he had never won at Acton. That was it - team talk done and 4-3-3 it was.

Bheenick slotted back in at centre-back in a makeshift third choice back 4...the front 3 of James, JFR and Adams oozed quality, whilst the middle three of Henderson, Panicker and Wateridge just oozed.

We kicked off and were on the front foot straight away. The front three closed Acton down from the off and they had no idea what to do. Fifteen minutes in and a loose back pass from Acton was latched onto by the impressive **SAM JAMES** and he calmly slotted home. Ten minutes later some excellent work from Bheenick and Watson released **SAM JAMES**, who, after some nifty footwork, curled one in and we were in control.

Acton decided to pull their finger out and put us under pressure with a number of set pieces, but 'Chunk' claimed everything. A penalty shout was dismissed by the referee, with Bheenick getting a good block in. Full backs Watson and M.Knight were having solid games and it was ***too easy!*** Half-Time, 2-0, more of the same please.

No surprise, but Acton came out firing in the second half but we kept them at bay, Henderson marshalling the troops superbly in the middle in his discount pro direct blue adidas gloro boots. Wateridge was having a mare, with a pass completion rate of 17%, but, after weathering the storm , we earned a free kick. Wateridge whipped one in and there was Thierry Henry, **CEO JOSH FALCONER ROBERTS,** to nod in to make it 3-0; Dream land.

The game became wide open and Acton tried all their playacting , with their left winger going down like he had been shot. Embarrassing and he knew it. We continued, kept our shape and did not let them settle. Watson was having a stormer at left back, whilst Jon Knight was contemplating dinner at Benihana with his Mrs after the game.

Seventy minutes in Jon Knight became a Rhino.....he stormed through taking on man after man and pulling out a nortee (sic) drag back....then he laid it off to **SAM JAMES**, who netted with aplomb to claim the match ball. It was now all about keeping a clean sheet, and we defended with our lives.

A routine corner with ten minutes to go and the ever impressive 'Chunk' dropped the ball for their striker to bundle home. The defence were gutted, clean sheet bonus gone. Irrespective of this we saw the game out and left Acton as winners. Standard 4th XI camaraderie ensued, with beers and KFC. Some lads tore up Bridge Bar whilst Panicker and Bheenick organised the menus for the end of season dinner. Up the 4s!! Yuved Bheenick

Squad: I Wellman(GK), M.Knight, Bheenick(C), J.Knight, Watson, Henderson, Panicker, Wateridge, James, Roberts, Adams, Matthews

A GOOD PERFORMANCE DEDSPITE DEFEAT Old Salesians Reserves 4 6th XI 0

The 6th XI came into the weekend with great confidence, following their 'second first win' and strong performance the previous week. Captain Charman, defender Doug Forbes and centre-mid-fielder

Cotter were all welcomed back into the fray, which further added to the optimism on a mild October day in New Malden.

The pre-game optimism was somewhat tainted, however, when Old Salesians early pressure resulted in a goal. Slick midfield play unlocked the defence, and 'keeper George Young was left with no chance as he was beaten by a drilled shot into the far post.

Our opponents had scored 12 goals in their previous two fixtures and the team talk minutes before had emphasised the importance of showing resilience if we did go a goal down and, encouragingly, the team responded well and controlled much of the half. A number of chances came from wide positions, Jordan and Piralash seeing joy down both flanks.

The equalising goal remained elusive, though, despite a handful of good chances. We were made to pay for our near misses when, against the run of play, Old Salesians scrappily converted a corner as half time approached, the ball finding its way between the post and our man on the line - 0-2 at the break.

The second half started much as the first ended, with Old Wilsonians in control. Our hard work was rewarded when a mazy run and long range **PIRALASH PATHMONATHAN** shot defied their 'keeper. One goal in it and the game was on…

As the clock ran down the game became much more open, with Old Wilsonians chasing the equaliser. Despite some superb saves by keeper George young, Old Salesians took full advantage of Old Wilsonians' gung ho approach and scored two goals on the counter to put the game beyond all doubt.

All in all a disappointing defeat, but a good performance that did not quite justify the final score. On another day a point or three could have been for the taking and there are many positives we will carry forward to our upcoming cup games against Old Thorntonians in the next two weeks.

Ash Phakey

Young Lawrence Forbes.D Phakey Moniz Cotter Mander Morley.N Scott Pathmonathan Fowler Charman

WE HAVE GOT TO TAKE OUR CHANCES 9th XI 1 Old Bealonians 7th XI 3

With the luxury of two substitutes (count 'em, two!), and off the back of a couple of fine performances, the nines were confident going into this Old Boys cup game, confidence that appeared well founded when a fine cross from Josh Godfrey was headed across the box by Jonty Craven then headed past the 'keeper by **OLIVER KRAUSS** – two goals in two games for the German Shepherd.

A deserved lead, and we nearly made it to half time without conceding, but our failure to close down quickly enough led to Bealonians equalising with nearly the last kick of the first half. Injuries meant a reshuffle of positions in the second half, but our performance levels did not drop, and we carved out more than enough chances to win the game, with Oliver Krauss and Mandeep Dhariwal in particular coming close.

But they took their chances, including a very soft one from a free kick, and we just could not find the back of the net. However, it was a very good performance in a cup we usually struggle in!

Roddy Trompiz

Team: Alex Forbes, Matt Hallett, Ron van der Zanden, Roddy Trompiz, MandeepDhariwal, Jonty Craven,Craig Threadgold, Oliver Krauss, Mike Serre, Josh Godfrey, Steve Chinnery, Michael Hoffmann

LACK OF AVAILABILITY MAKES LIFE DIFFICULT FOR 2ND XI Civil Service 4 2nd XI 1

For the third week in a row the 2nd XI struggled, along with the rest of the club, for players. Playing on the massive Civil Service home pitch, setting up 4-4-2 was not ideal but, seemingly, our only option with the personnel at hand.

The home side started slowly, and with 'Brats' and 'Kenners' looking lively up top we were on top but could not capitalise on the ball in some good positions to score. After 30 minutes Civil brought on the infamous 'Giggsy' and, playing between the lines, they managed to put a few passes together after the 2nds failed to clear and a good cross along the 6-yard box was tapped home.

It was 1-0 to the home team at half time and we moved the team around to give us three in midfield. We started the second half well but this was short lived. Again the ball was not cleared well and the second goal was a carbon copy of the first for our opponents.

The next 30 minutes was hard work for Wilson's and we conceded two more goals, with Civil Service gliding through us. However, in the last 10 minutes we showed a bit of heart and a ball over the top from Craig Elliot saw a good touch and hit from **CHRIS KENNEDY,** who had worked tirelessly throughout the game, to give us a consolation goal.

This game will be quickly forgotten and we hope for some better availability over the coming weeks to get ourselves back on track. Jon Howe

Deadman, Tanner, Dunk, Shelton, Woollams-Djan, Aofolaju, Elliot, Akpakwu, Howe, Braterman, Kennedy, Harwood J

ALMOST THERE BUT STILL FAR AWAY 8th XI 1 Old Parkonians 9th XI 2

The 8th XI had a visit from a team they played against a few years ago in an exciting semi-final Cup match, a game that had plenty of goals and, the way this match started, you would have anticipated a similar game. A tough match report to write, but it may be best served up with a few statistics first, namely:

1... The number of goals we scored
2... The number of goals the opposition scored
3... The number of goal line clearances by Crombie
4... The number of times the opposition hit the frame of our goal
5... The number of magnificent saves by E.Adams

From the above it looks like a tough game, and it was. We were run around in the first half and created very little by way of passing, rarely reaching the opposition's box. We lost out to a powerful header from a corner, and were lucky to keep it at only 1-0.

The second half was different. We all put in 50% more effort and we were threatening, and that's not to say the opposition did not do the same thing! Defending was better as a unit and everyone chased down every ball. A mistake at the back, however, led to a second goal conceded.

Our best chances came from quick breaks, and our goal came from that, as our midfield spread the ball to Cheshire, who crossed it to **STRIDE** to bring us close to an equaliser. Unfortunately it was not our day and, despite a few one on one opportunities, we could not garner that equaliser that would take us to extra time, and so it is to the league with a depleted squad for the next few weeks!

Himish Patel

Team:E.Adams, Crombie, Cosstick, Wicks, Patel, Amankwah, Page, O'Malley, Jones, Stride, Cheshire, Mitchener DoD: E.Adams

LAST CUP RUN COMES TO AN END FOR 3RD XI 3rd XI 1 Old Minchendenians 2

On a cold autumn morning the 3rd XI lined up against Old Minchendenians for their last potential cup run of the season. Having yet to register a win so far, we were keen to start fast and not allow our final cup run to be cut short. The unavailability of a number of players saw the call up of a few extra school boys for the fixture.

Right from the off we looked extremely positive, controlling the tempo of the game. Young 'Callum', in the midfield, looked particularly bright and there was a clear intention to get on the score-sheet early. A couple of opportunities went a miss, with 'Dan' being denied by the 'keeper after a positive run down the left and a little later 'Callum', having a shot from outside the box narrowly miss the post. We were then denied a stonewall penalty, with the 'keeper assaulting' Matty' in the box.

A corner awarded, we again nearly scored. Despite the setbacks the link up play across the midfield still seemed tidy, but an unfortunate break from Old Minchendenians, and a clever piece of footwork from their striker, drew a foul on the edge of the OWFC 18 yard box. There seemed to be some confusion about the wall or goal-keeper positioning, and we found ourselves a goal down to a seemingly average free kick.

Spirits still high, the 3's started again with the same high tempo that we had begun with, although the overall dominance of the match seemed to level out. Before we knew it , Old Minchendenians had somehow managed to break through the defence again via the big striker, and a deflected shot wrong footed the' keeper - 2-0 down.

An all too similar feeling seemed to start to take hold, and we stopped for half-time finding ourselves somehow losing in a fixture where the opposition were clearly the inferior side.

The second half started and we once again looked to control the tempo of the game, all being aware that if we did not score the next goal, and quickly, this would become a frustrating loss. The front men looked bright early on, and Josh Mackley, at right back, seemed to have put an array of diagonal balls on a plate for the front man, although nothing quite seemed to stick.

Time went on, and a number of chances were going amiss. It was one of those days, where a little more accuracy upfront could have left us on the winning side of 5 or 6-2 battering, but, unfortunately, it did not look like it was going to fall for us. Shots continued to fly wide, and Matt striking the woodwork, after a clever pass, only seemed to add to the frustration.

Then another shot pushed behind by the Old Minchendenians 'keeper lead to a corner. A sweet delivery and mix up, leading to a classic Sunday league goal line scramble, being buried by the ever loyal **BEN NEDWMAN-SANDERS** , gave us hope coming into the final 15 minutes - 2-1.
Following this, the assault on the Old Minchendenians goal only became more intense. All out attack took hold, and shots continued to fly at the opposition's goalie, with substitute' Christian' also being denied twice.

Inevitably the desperation to get forward left us exposed to the counter atack a number of times, but rugged defenders stood strong and ensured we did not concede again.

In the very final moments of the game another smart piece of footwork, and a tussle with the opposition central midfielder by 'Dan', saw us win a free-kick on the edge of the area, an identical position to the free-kick that saw us undeservedly go a goal down in the first half. Captain Ricky stepped up, and, as the entire team seemed to hold their breath, he was unfortunately unable to convert it.

The whistle blew, and we were somehow out of the final cup competition after what was unquestionably a fine performance, but, unfortunately, not quite fine enough. Ricky Martin

CPD / Charter Standard In-Service Event - Thursday 17th November 2016

The AFA is delighted to announce a CPD / Charter Standard In-Service event for coaches and clubs that will look at Goalkeeping and how to incorporate the GK into coaching sessions, whilst offering advice on creating 1v1 sessions.
The event will include theory and observational practical workshops and bring to life elements of the England DNA and help coaches to create effective practices.
This workshop is FREE and will be delivered by Emma Byrne, Arsenal Ladies and Ireland Goalkeeper and will count towards 2 hours of CPD for FA Licensed Coaches Club Level 1 and 2 coaches.

Session Details

When: Thursday 17th November 2016
Where: Winchmore Hill FC, The Paulin Ground, Fords Grove, Winchmore Hill, London N21 3ER
Time: 7pm-9.15pm
To book a place on the workshop, please use the following link -https://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/arrangement.aspx?id=180089#regform
Please pass this email onto any of your club members or coaches who you think will be interested in attending.
If you have any questions or for more information, please email Samantha.brown@amateur-fa.com
Samantha Brown | Football Development Team Amateur Football Alliance
Book on a course now https://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/participant/s.aspx?eventlen=55
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New Referees Training Courses

We have set up two new Basic Referee Training Courses to run during the current season.

The first course starts in January and is being run at a club in Kidbrooke Park in South East London (SE3). Here is a link to the web page containing the full course details from where places can be booked:

http://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/LongLane0117

The second course starts in February and will take place at a school in Enfield, North London. The link for this course is:

http://eventspace.thefa.com/amateur-fa/Highlands0217

Further details of the course structure and content are available on our website. To go to the page please click ***Here***.

Future Courses

We will be setting up further courses this season including at least one in West London. I will let you know as soon as these become available to be booked.

I should be very grateful if you would circulate this email to your club members and anyone else you know who may be interested in doing the referees training course. If they have any questions please ask them to contact me.

John Monk. Football Administrator

Reports Table

Team	P	RS	RSL	NR	NP	Pts	Dropped	% response
1st XI	15	15	0	0	6	37	8	100
8th XI	10	10	0	0		30	0	100
2nd XI	12	9	1	2	4	24	12	83
9th XI	8	7	1	0	1	21	3	100
3rd XI	8	5	1	2	5	11	13	75
4th XI	8	4	1	3	4	9	15	62
6th XI	7	3	0	4	2	7	14	42
7th XI	9	2	1	6	1	6	21	33
5th XI	10	2	0	8	2	4	26	20

P = Played RS = Reports submitted RSL = Reports submitted late NR = No Report NP = No phone