OLD WILSONIANS FOOTBALL CLUB

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News

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

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

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

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

OLD WILSONIANS' ASSOCIATION SPORTS CLUB

Terms & Conditions for hire of facilities

To all Sports Club Hirers:

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

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

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

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

Club Shop



OW Home Short

Price: £12.60



OW Praia Jacket

Price: £26.28



OW Kobe Jacket

Price: £41.60



OW Nixi Top

Price: £31.48



OW Desna Pant

Price: £22.62



OW Home Sock

Price: £4.92



OW Rigel Top

Price: £16.21



OW Tarim Top

Price: £24.36



OW Helsinki Jacket

Price: £46.85



OW Academy Bag

Price: £20.72

To The Club Shop

OWFC Eliminator 2.0

With just 10 people left in the first round of the Eliminator at the time of writing we are rolling out the second round, which starts 22nd November. So get signed up and the £5 entry fee paid in to the club.

Fixtures are on the right, your selections have refreshed so feel free to pick any side you want. Games come thick and fast over the Christmas period so make sure you keep an eye on what is going on!

Make sure you post your selections on the WhatsApp group (Eliminator 2.0) or submit to Jon Howe before Friday nights game between Arsenal and Liverpool.

Friday 22 December 2017

Arsenal	19:45	Liverpool	Emirates Stadium, London

Saturday 23 December 2017

Everton	12:30	Chelsea	Goodison Park, Liverpool
Brighton	15:00	Watford	Amex Stadium, Falmer
Man City	15:00	Bournemouth	Etihad Stadium, Manchester
Southampton	15:00	Huddersfield	St. Mary's Stadium, Southampton
Stoke	15:00	West Brom	bet365 Stadium, Stoke
Swansea	15:00	Crystal Palace	Liberty Stadium, Swansea
West Ham	15:00	Newcastle	London Stadium, London
Burnley	17:30	Spurs	Turf Moor, Burnley
Leicester	19:45	Man Utd	King Power Stadium, Leicester

Social Media

Neil Kendrick
@KendoCricket

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very proud and honoured to be voted in as President of @oldwilsonians Association, looking forward to next 2years developing our great club

6:06 AM - 13 Dec 2017 from Croydon, London

2 Retweets **11** Likes

Old Wilsonians
@oldwilsonians

Following

Outrageous idea. Is it on roulette is much more fun

> **Alexandra Park FC** @AlexandraParkFC
> Home Games are on. We would have said otherwise.

Southern Amateur Lge
@TheSAL1907

#SD1 16 December 2017



Fixtures and Results

Classified Results - 16th December				
1st XI	6	2	Parkonians	SAL
Goals: Fashoro, O., Williams, N. (2), Chen, J., Gravesande, J., Robinson, J. MoM: Williams, N.				
2nd XI	2	1	EBOGs	SAL
Goals: Parkinson, J., Stanley, W.. MoM: Parkinson, J.				
3rd XI	2	2	South Bank Cuaco	SAL
Goals: Williams, M., Gilson, T. MoM: Kirby, J				
Bank of England	P	P	**4th XI**	SAL
5th XI	P	P	HSBC 5s	SAL
6th XI	2	1	Civil Service 7s	SAL
Goals: Dixon, T., Quinton, J. MoM: Davies-Winifred, S.				
Merton 7s	P	P	**7th XI**	AFA
Old Blues 3s	2	2	**8th XI**	SAL
Goals: Breen, J., Steel, A. MoM: Connew, L				

Football takes a break for Christmas and New Year, fixtures restart on 6th January. So far the following are scheduled:

Old Salesians 2s	13-30	**4th XI**
OBC - Away		
Actonians Association	13-30	**5th XI**
AFA - Away		
Merton 7s	13-30	**7th XI**
AFA - Away		



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Match Reports

Match Reports Table:

Team	Played	RS	RSL	NR	Points	Points Dropped	Response %
5th XI	14	13	1	0	40	2	100
2nd XI	16	16	0	0	48	0	100
6th XI	15	15	0	0	45	0	100
7th XI	14	14	0	0	42	0	100
4th XI	13	13	0	0	39	0	100
8th XI	13	13	0	0	39	0	100
3rd XI	17	16	1	0	49	2	100
1st XI	19	17	1	1	52	5	95

John Brittain Memorial Top Goal Scorer:

Scorer	Goals
Williams, M	18
Watson, C Carruthers, J	10
Small, J. OG Williams, N	9
Gilson, T Fashoro, O	7
Stride, J Bonsels, G Dyki, C Dhariwal, M	5
Giles, B Carruthers, B Breen, J Parkinson, J Stanley, W	4
Wrenn-Smith, C. Wicks, S Wellman, I Sellman, D Rand, R Pathmonathan, P Karamath, J Jeevan, G Howe, J Hill, J Barber, S	3

Match Reports – 1st XI

OWFC 1st XI 6 – 2 PARKONIANS

After a welcome week off, the 1's fielded a strong side including some returning uni lads against Old Parkonians. Suffering cruel defeat in the away leg, the boys were keen to put things right. The lethal counter-attacking strike force of the Wilsonians proved too much for the comical defending of a team that seemed to enjoy passing the ball more than scoring seeing out a comfortable 6-2 victory.

Early on, Left-Back Sheridan nicked the ball in front of their winger before driving forward into unchartered territory, beating the Right-Back before squaring to Williams who slotted cooly past the onrushing keeper. The lead was doubled a short while later when Williams showed his aerial dominance to flick on to Robinson who made a difficult chance look easy hooking the ball over the keeper into the top left corner. Robinson continued causing problems so much so the Parkonian Left-Back decided to avoid him altogether and elected to play up on the wing. This left plenty of space for Robinson to roam in and Wilsonians exploited this well leading to a free-kick wide right. Oz stepped up and curled a swinging ball in to the far post seemingly bamboozling the defence as they knocked it down to the feet of Gravesande to tap into an open net. 3-0 and deservedly so. Parkonians began to claw their way into the game and started to dominate possession looking to unlock the Wilsonian defence but to no avail. A clearance off the line from Sheridan from a poorly defended corner was the only chance of note for the opposition. The wall that was the Wilsonian defence seemed impenetrable, comfortably dealing with anything and everything the opposition had to offer. Just before half-time, however, the wall was breached and the Parkonian striker was slipped through into the box where he just got a toe to the ball before Parkinson allowing the ball to pea roll across the line. 3-1 at the break.

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Senior Division 1

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alleyn Old Boys	9	7	1	1	20	6	14	22
2	Nottsborough	10	6	2	2	27	12	15	20
3	Polytechnic	8	5	2	1	21	7	14	17
4	Old Parkonians	9	4	3	2	18	18	0	15
5	West Wickham	10	4	3	3	17	17	0	15
6	Old Wilsonians	7	2	3	2	12	9	3	9
7	Old Owens	8	2	2	4	18	16	2	8
8	East Barnet Old Grammarians	8	2	2	4	13	20	-7	8
9	Bank of England	10	2	1	7	11	30	-19	7
10	Old Garchonians	8	1	2	5	8	23	-15	5
11	Winchmore Hill	7	0	3	4	7	14	-7	3

Match Reports – 1st XI

OWFC 1st XI 6 – 2 PARKONIANS

The second half started much like the first with the ever-absent Parkonian defence allowing the ball to reach the newly introduced Sellman who whipped an inviting ball across the face of the box to a waiting Williams who smashed it into the corner. A fifth goal followed shortly with an excellent link up between the Fashoro brothers. Ope beat his man with ease before finding Ola at the far post who delicately lifted it over the keeper to make it 5-1. The crowd [Osborn] went wild, almost dropping his festive Corona and whom at this point appeared to have taken it upon himself to have a pint for each goal scored in the game. The Wilson's attacking onslaught continued with Left-Back Sheridinho finding himself up the field once more, megging the Centre-Back before trying to run the ball into the net but ultimately running it into the keepers waiting gloves. Again Parkonians began to create chances and eventually a corner was met by the skipper who managed to head the ball into the ground taking it over Parkinson in net to make the score line 5-2. The opposition grabbed the ball as if to mount a late comeback but the Wilsonian rout was completed by substitute Chen. A backpass to the Parkonian keeper proved disastrous as he was added to the list of victims of the slippery conditions allowing Chen to pass into an open net.

A strong performance all round has given a massive boost in confidence to the boys going into Christmas and with several of the regulars to make comebacks in the new year there's a lot to be excited for.

MOM: Nick Williams
Goals (Assists): Williams (Sheridan), Robinson (Williams), Gravesande, Williams (Sellman), Fashoro (Fashoro), Chen
Squad: Andy Parkinson, Andy Parkinson, Jon Chen, Jalen Gravesande, Sam Wilson, Niall Sheridan, Oz Akkaya, Kieran Steadford, Joshua John, Dan Sellman, Ope Fashoro, Nick Williams, Josh Robinson, Ola Fashoro

Report by Niall Sheridan

Match Reports – 2nd XI

Intermediate Division 1

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	West Wickham Res	9	7	1	1	30	11	19	22
2	Polytechnic Res	10	6	3	1	28	11	17	21
3	Actonians Association Res	11	5	1	5	22	21	1	16
4	Civil Service Res	9	3	3	3	17	24	-7	12
5	Old Wilsonians Res	6	3	1	2	11	12	-1	10
6	NUFC Oilers Res	5	2	3	0	12	7	5	9
7	Winchmore Hill Res	7	3	0	4	17	15	2	9
8	Alleyn Old Boys Res	5	2	1	2	9	5	4	7
9	Nottsborough Res	8	2	1	5	17	20	-3	7
10	Old Garchonians Res	8	2	1	5	20	26	-6	7
11	East Barnet Old Grammarians Res	8	0	1	7	6	37	-31	1

OWFC 2nd XI 2 – 1 EAST BARNET OLD GRAMMARIANS

Coming off the back of a few tough results, the 2s welcomed back some of the uni boys and fielded a strong side against bottom of the table EBOGS albeit minus Rich Rose who didn't think the sensible thing to do the day before football was to check the team sheet.

Kyne's inaugural warm up duty meant that the Boys started in first gear against a side that turned up with 10 players and had shipped 35 goals in 7 games before coming to Fortress Hayes. Poor passing, lack of movement and some hesistant moments at the back meant the Boys were fortunate to come in 1 up at half time after Jamie Parkinson won his 38th corner of the day to put it past the EBOGS keeper.

Tactical mastermind Dunk then brought our good sub Farmer on who made an instant impact by setting up Stanley for a tap in after a good break down the left, and who then got booked after the EBOGS keeper booted him over. Farmer sensibly followed this up by doing his best flying Ashley Young impression right in front of the referee.

Deadman made a point blank save from the guy that said he would knock out Farmer then he blasted the rebound over from half a yard. EBOGS scored a scrappy goal to make it 2-1 after Wilsons decided they didn't really need to defend the two goal cushion and then Wilsons missed a few chances to put the game to bed, finishing the game against nine men after the EBOGS keeper put in a tackle on Farmer that Ted himself would have been proud of and got sent for an early shower, which everyone was quite jealous of.

Not one for the casual viewer but three points on the board despite one of the worst performances of the season. On a positive note, Kyne managed to go home with all of his possessions, Carol gave the Boys an early Christmas present by washing the kit and everyone went home happy after listening to Deadman chatting his usual rubbish in the bar.

MOM Jamie Parkinson
Squad: Deadman Tanner Harris Shelton Kyne Parkinson Elliot Wright Stanley Farmer Braterman James Dunk

Match Reports – 3rd XI

Junior Division 1 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	South Bank Cuaco 3rd	11	5	4	2	23	18	5	19
2	Polytechnic 4th	6	5	1	0	17	4	13	16
3	Old Wilsonians 3rd	8	3	3	2	21	13	8	12
4	City of London	8	3	3	2	17	13	4	12
5	Carshalton 3rd	8	4	0	4	19	20	-1	12
6	Nottsborough 4th	7	3	1	3	14	14	0	10
7	Alleyn Old Boys 4th	5	3	0	2	12	12	0	9
8	HSBC 3rd	7	2	2	3	11	12	-1	8
9	Actonians Association 4th	6	2	1	3	11	11	0	7
10	Kew Association Res	9	2	0	7	16	31	-15	6
11	Merton 3rd	7	1	1	5	11	24	-13	4

OWFC 3rd XI 2 – 2 SOUTH BANK CAUCO 3RD XI - FESTIVE FORTUNE FAILS US AGAIN

On the last game before Xmas, as many of the 3s squad ventured up towards Hayes from lands afar, the question on everyone's lips was simply "is anyone at the club to confirm this game on?". Fortunately, for those that had hauled themselves in on a post Xmas do hangover, it was!

Having only played the opposition a few weeks ago we were well prepared and knew what the task was ahead. We started with great gusto, Joe Kirby sliding the ball between centre and full back for Matt Williams to run onto and clinically finish beyond the onrushing keeper in just the 3rd minute to take an early lead. We built on this to gain momentum and went in search of another goal to cement the good start, winning a multitude of corners, of which we were causing mayhem in the box with and had it not been for a several desperate but successful goal line clearances we could have been 3 up in the opening 10mins. This was probably an indication of how our luck would play out! On the half hour mark, an error in the middle allowed their striker (a poor man's Kenny Miller, according Mr Kirby) to steal possession and run at our goal, albeit with plenty of work to do. Having then beaten our defender the chance was buried at the near post. Still the 3s looked the better side, hitting the bar from one long range effort and going narrowly wide after a culmination of several volleyed passes and headers from our box to theirs found Tyler on the penalty spot. 1-1 at HT.

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Match Reports – 3rd XI

OWFC 3rd XI 2 – 2 SOUTH BANK CAUCO 3RD XI - FESTIVE FORTUNE FAILS US AGAIN
Half time team talk was delivered and message was clear, apply pressure and we'll definitely break them again... Oh and something about how Deaders kicking was going to get us behind their full backs, but only if he hit it with his side foot.

A quick start to the second 45 saw us pin the oppo in but we couldn't quite put our chances away, coming close a number of times before eventually finding the back of the net after Gilson rose highest to head/shoulder/back a Kirby free kick. The rest of the half ebbed and flowed but we were controlling the game comfortably despite the urgency of the oppo to try and salvage a point. That was until the last minute, when a free kick was awarded on the half way line. Delivered in it appeared to have been dealt with but the clearing header ricocheted back onto the box and then a hopeful swing of the boot saw the ball take a couple of wicked deflections and end up in our goal.

So lady luck hasn't been kind in the past 10mins of the last 2 games. Ultimately 5pts dropped but we still reach the Xmas break 3rd in the league with plenty of games to go. Hopefully 2018 will bring us a bit more ruthlessness in front of goal and if we convert these draws to wins we'll be in the hunt for the title come May.

Squad: Deadman, Mackley, Highwood, Tyler, Elliott, Martin, Kirby, Taylor, Williams, Newman-Sanders, Gilson, Akpakwu, Rand
MoM - Kirby

Match Reports – 4th XI

BANK OF ENGLAND P – P OWFC 4th XI

Junior Division 3 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Carshalton 5th	9	7	1	1	28	15	13	22
2	Actonians Association 6th	10	6	2	2	22	18	4	20
3	Old Wilsonians 4th	7	4	1	2	13	13	0	13
4	Ibis Eagles 4th	7	4	0	3	19	10	9	12
5	HSBC 4th	9	4	0	5	22	25	-3	12
6	City of London Res	10	3	1	6	21	24	-3	10
7	Polytechnic 6th	8	2	4	2	19	23	-4	10
8	West Wickham 5th	7	3	0	4	13	18	-5	9
9	Alleyn Old Boys 6th	8	1	3	4	15	18	-3	6
10	Bank of England 4th	9	1	2	6	13	21	-8	5

Match Reports – 5th XI

OWFC 5th XI P – P HSBC 5th XI

Junior Division 5 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Actonians Association 8th	10	7	1	2	36	18	18	22
2	Merton 6th	10	6	2	2	37	20	17	20
3	HSBC 5th	10	5	1	4	30	24	6	16
4	Old Wilsonians 5th	9	5	1	3	20	25	-5	16
5	Old Wilsonians 6th	9	4	2	3	18	17	1	14
6	Civil Service 7th	8	3	0	5	13	14	-1	9
7	South Bank Cuaco 5th	8	2	2	4	11	18	-7	8
8	Merton 5th	9	2	2	5	15	23	-8	8
9	City of London 3rd	11	0	5	6	13	34	-21	5

Match Reports – 6th XI

Junior Division 5 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Actonians Association 8th	10	7	1	2	36	18	18	22
2	Merton 6th	10	6	2	2	37	20	17	20
3	HSBC 5th	10	5	1	4	30	24	6	16
4	Old Wilsonians 5th	9	5	1	3	20	25	-5	16
5	Old Wilsonians 6th	9	4	2	3	18	17	1	14
6	Civil Service 7th	8	3	0	5	13	14	-1	9
7	South Bank Cuaco 5th	8	2	2	4	11	18	-7	8
8	Merton 5th	9	2	2	5	15	23	-8	8
9	City of London 3rd	11	0	5	6	13	34	-21	5

OWFC 6TH XI 2 – 1 CIVIL SERVICE 7TH XI

After a long stretch of away games, the 6s returned to the familiar surroundings of Hawes Down, confident of ending our winless streak against a Civil Service team just below us in the league.

However shortly into the game, this confidence was quickly knocked when James Eglon miss-judged a through ball, with the bounce/skid beating him. A little more hair on his head may have stopped the ball, instead the opposition striker was through on goal and calmly slotted the ball into the bottom corner of an empty net. After this both teams were cancelling each other out, with Wilson's pressing but Civil remaining dangerous on the break. It looked like we would be heading into halftime down 1-0 and it could have been more if it weren't for a couple of good saves by Eglon, one from six-yards out where the striker should have done better. Then, just on the stroke of halftime, some neat build up play in the opposition's third led to the ball being played to **TOM DIXON** just outside the box and he gave the keeper no chance with a beautiful strike into the top corner.

We started the second half brightly and were eventually able to take the lead. Ed Adams' attempted clearance turned into a Beckham-esque 60 yard cross field pass, finding fellow full-back Jake Lawrence, who had pushed on and received the ball high up the pitch. Jake was able to beat his man and make his way into the box where his cross was met with a **JONNY QUINTON** diving header. Now we just needed to hold onto the lead. Thankfully the centre back partnership of Seb and Toby were excellent in dealing with the opposition attack and the team soaked up wave after wave of Civil attacks. It was a nervy final few minutes where we were camped in our own box, but we managed to hold on for the victory.

MoM: Seb Davies-Winifred
Team: Eglon, J., Lawrence, J., Davies-Winifred, S., Shelton, T., Adams, E., Dyki, C., Dixon, T., Stanmore, J., Page, N., Quinton, J., Wrenn-Smith, C., Doyle, J., Page, K.
Report by Tom Dixon / James Eglon

Match Reports – 7th XI

MERTON 7TH XI P – P OWFC 7th XI

Junior Division 6 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	6	6	0	0	36	7	29	18
2	Civil Service 8th	9	5	1	3	27	19	8	16
3	Bank of England 5th	7	5	0	2	23	12	11	15
4	South Bank Cuaco Seventh	8	3	2	3	30	24	6	11
5	South Bank Cuaco 6th	7	3	2	2	22	17	5	11
6	Old Blues 3rd	8	3	2	3	20	25	-5	11
7	Merton 7th	8	3	0	5	32	32	0	9
8	Old Salesians 3rd	7	3	0	4	18	18	0	9
9	Old Wilsonians 7th	9	3	0	6	19	40	-21	9
10	Old Wilsonians 8th	7	2	2	3	15	37	-22	8
11	HSBC 6th	8	1	1	6	14	25	-11	4

Match Reports – 8th XI

Junior Division 6 South

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	6	6	0	0	36	7	29	18
2	Civil Service 8th	9	5	1	3	27	19	8	16
3	Bank of England 5th	7	5	0	2	23	12	11	15
4	South Bank Cuaco Seventh	8	3	2	3	30	24	6	11
5	South Bank Cuaco 6th	7	3	2	2	22	17	5	11
6	Old Blues 3rd	8	3	2	3	20	25	-5	11
7	Merton 7th	8	3	0	5	32	32	0	9
8	Old Salesians 3rd	7	3	0	4	18	18	0	9
9	Old Wilsonians 7th	9	3	0	6	19	40	-21	9
10	Old Wilsonians 8th	7	2	2	3	15	37	-22	8
11	HSBC 6th	8	1	1	6	14	25	-11	4

OLD BLUES 3RD XI 2 – 2 OWFC 8th XI

After two wins on the bounce, the 8s were in unchartered territory. Could we make it three? Al Forbes did his best to scupper these plans by turning up at Civil Service's ground. This meant we had to play the first 15 minutes with 10 men, but we held our own. However when Al and Merv Nicholas arrived, we discovered there were no more shirts! Only a random red and white one. Not sure who's to blame for that one. Luckily the ref and oppos allowed Merv to wear the red one and we were up to 11 men finally. However, we conceded soon after, when a free kick was gently floated in, and everyone missed it except their striker. It was soon 1-1 however, after a powerful defensive header from Chris Billing was flicked on by Jamie Moniz into the path of Jay Breen, who beat two players and finished powerfully past the keeper. 1-1 at half time with us in the ascendancy. However we started the second half poorly, and we just couldn't hang onto the ball. We were finally undone by another simple cross wasn't cleared. But we didn't let our heads drop and we stuck at it – and we got our reward when a corner was flicked on by Aaron Steel and (intentionally I'm sure) ended up in the far top corner. We withheld a late barrage to hang on for the draw. That's 4 points off Old Blues and 8 for the season. Merry Christmas!

MoM: Luke Connew
DoD: Al Forbes

Team: Nev Spencer, Roddy Trompiz, Seb Ayers, Alex Forbes, Chris Billing, Jay Breen, Matt Gundry-White, Luke Connew, Nick Mole, Jamie Moniz, Aaron Steel, Mervin Nicholas

All Our Yesterdays - 25 years ago

Classified Results, December 19th 1992				
Old Owens	4	1st XI	0	
Old Dorkingians	4	3rd XI	4	Quarrington, Valder 2, (Ashley) Simpson
Enfield Old Grammarians	6	5th XI	2	OG, Beckley
Old Sedcopians	6	7th XI	5	Smart,D, Ayling 3, Letts

ATTITUDE AND SPIRIT MAKES IT ALL WORTHWHILE Old Sedcopians 6 7th XI 5

After the usual chaotic Saturday morning of getting 11 players to the correct venue, I had one of the most enjoyable games I've played for the Club. Unfortunately I was unable to contact Freddie Brindle and advise him of the change of venue and, sadly, he missed the game, but Sean O'Brien thankfully turned up on the off-chance, so we were able to field 11 players

The game began well and we created several chances before **DOUG SMART** scored the opener. The shot took a deflection but Doug assures me that it was going in from the moment it left his boot! Elated from taking the lead I tried to calm the team down so as not to lose concentration but no-one took any notice and they equalised immediately!

At half-time we believed we had a real chance of winning but, shortly after the re-start, had a dreadful spell in which they scored three goals. We managed to pull one back from a left-foot shot by yours truly from about 20 yards but Sedcopians came back at us strongly and scored again

At 5-2 we rallied and hit back well with two goals, the first by **MIKE AYLING** following a goal-mouth scramble and the second from **SIMON LETTS** with a great shot from the left of the field

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All Our Yesterdays - 25 years ago

Sadly Sedcopians then scored a debatable sixth after Clive Peckover had been flattened by one of their forwards, leaving the ball to run to another of their players to slot home

But we still battled on and **MIKE AYLING** managed to secure his hat-trick with a rocket shot into the top of the net and then, with a few minutes to go, we almost equalised with several chances, the best coming from Aaron Peck

The final score settled at 6-5, but we in no way disgraced ourselves and every player, without exception, played with great spirit and determination

I look forward to the New Year and, possibly, obtaining our first points in the league. Playing in the 7th XI and never winning is still an enjoyable experience purely because of the spirit and great attitude of the players. To those in my team – and the Club as a whole – I wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year Mike Ayling

Peckover Thurley Rayworth Lewis James O'Brien Lewis Peck Ayling Smart.D Spencer

3rd XI: Blandford Galvin.D Forbes.A Hoffman Smith.G Pullen Quarrington Stone (Ashley)Simpson Tran Valder

All Our Yesterdays – 50 years ago

Classified Results, December 16th 1967				
City of London College	0	1st XI	0	
2nd XI	1	Penguins	2	(John) Matthews
3rd XI	0	Old Owens	3	
City of London College	9	5th XI	1	Scorer not reported
Palace	1	Rotherham	0	White

The 1st XI played with ten men for 80 minutes of this game against the City and thus did very well to earn a draw. Unfortunately Doug Clasper broke his leg and I'm sure all members of the Club will join me in wishing him a speedy recovery

Doug will not play again this season and he did tell me that he is now giving up football for good. In our present position I think the Club is going to miss him

Penguins only played with ten men but still managed to beat our 2nd XI, **JOHN MATTHEWS** being our scorer

The 3rds should have done better and the 5ths would have done better if the City had not fielded their ***3rd XI……*** This is a fact and I think very upsetting

Selhurst Park's smallest crowd of the season - 13,541 - witnessed Crystal Palace's embarrassing scramble for their first victory since October 23rd over a Rotherham side which is beginning to reveal Tommy Docherty's influence

WHITE headed the winner on 74 minutes following a Lazarus corner and it appeared to make the Palace followers forget all about the cold and lack of good football

PS: I have just heard from **BILL MARTIN** in Switzerland and he sends his regards to all members of the Club and wishes you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year

Bill has started playing football again but unfortunately was carried off after half an hour in his first match

All Our Yesterdays - 125 years ago

Classified Results, December 17th 1967				
Eltham House	1	1st XI	1	Scorer not known

The 2nd XI played Tottenham College away but the result is not known

The Club had a number of games over Christmas, with the 1st XI being away to Vampires on December 24th whilst the 2nd XI entertained Surbitan Hill reserves on the same day

On December 26th – yes, Boxing Day – the 1st XI went to West Hearts, in Watford, to play the embryonic Watford Football Club whilst the 2nds were at home to Manorians

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