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.

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Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match – Friday 2nd March

Unfortunately the Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match, like the OWFC matches, was hit by "The Beast from the East / Storm Emma" so will be rescheduled. Mike Pike's report from the revised evening can be found below.

PALACE FORCED TO SELL ZAHA Football Club 1 Cricket Club 3

It has been the week of 'The Beast from the East' - does this refer to 'Chunk', see later, a Communist plot or, as we used to refer to it when I was young, Winter?

All of this week's OWFC games were called off as a consequence of this arctic blast, whilst another possible victim was the 'Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match', promoted in both this newsletter, it's cricket equivalent and Alex's weekly round-up
Alf Parish was the General Secretary of the NGA (National Graphical Association) one of the Print Unions, and I got to know him through our mutual desire to protect and enhance workers' rights. (I bet the editor deletes that bit!)

Alf lived in Bromley, where he was active in the local Labour Party, and after his death in 2011 his constituency party organised a darts evening in his honour, which was held at the HG Wells Centre, adjacent to Bromley South station. Sadly the organiser of the event died himself a couple of years ago, and the Labour Party could not find some-one to take it on and were unsure if the building would be available, so I volunteered to organise the evening and approached Steve Parish, Alf's son, and Chairman of Crystal Palace Football Club, about the possibility of holding the event at Selhurst Park. He readily agreed and it was held there for the first-time last year

It so happened that the Football Club were having their own darts competition the following week as part of their fund-raising activities, so they entered a team and won the competition – they also borrowed the Palace dartboards for their own extravaganza at the oche the following week.

Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match – Friday 2nd March

The original idea of the function was to honour Alf and raise money for the local Labour Party, which was close to Alf's heart, so all of the members of the OWFC side involved pledged their allegiance to the Labour Party from that day on!!! The team also pledged to defend their title this year whilst the Cricket Club also got wind of the event, particularly the fact that it made over £170 for the Football Club last season – "our best fund-raiser of the season " – claimed Stuart Paton, and also entered a team.

But then came the bad weather and, despite all the odds, six OWs, namely Howard Abbett, Mathew Abbett, Chris Billing, Doug Forbes, Matt Rand and Ian 'Chunk' Wellman, and Chunk's mate, Tony made it to Selhurst Park last Friday along with eight members of the Labour Party, one of whom, Roger Hough, is an Old Wilsonian. Phil Gilmore was also due to attend but, sadly, his mum had fallen on the ice and broken her arm and her dutiful son was looking after her – hope you're ok Mrs G
Incidentally, one of the highlights of the 'Richard McAlister Memorial Day' last week must have been 'Giilie's' performance in goal for the 8th XI in the El Clasico, particularly in the first half, where he defied everything thrown at him until shortly before the interval when even he was unable to prevent the 7's from taking the lead; and he initially turned up to referee!!!

Anyway, back to the darts. I had agreed to meet the dangerously lovely Amanda, who works in the Palace events department and with whom I had been liaising, between 5-00 and 5-30 and, because of the weather, allowed extra travelling time. When I arrived at the ground the helpful man on security said he thought she had just popped out and a few minutes later Amanda returned with a bunch of flowers in her hand.
"Hello Mike," she said, in her usual cheery manner
"Are those for me?", I inquired
"Of course not; we agreed to put them round Alf's picture, remember? "
I did, indeed, remember and we went to the Vice Presidents' lounge to make the final adjustments. Not that there was much to do as Amanda had done virtually all that was necessary and proceeded to take the stems from the flowers. "That looks like dead heading," I observed, in an attempt to sound intelligent and to justify my position on the periphery of the Old Wilsonians' Gardening Club.

Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match – Friday 2nd March

By around 7-00, when the darts competition was due to start, it became obvious that some people were not going to make it, which was totally understandable, so, and after some swift brain storming, it was agreed to postpone the tournament in its original format and that the two Labour Party teams would combine, the two OW sides would combine and they would play against each other in a pairs game, and my thanks here to Matt Rand, last year's winner, who worked out the draw and, to cut a long story short, the pairs that reached the final were Chris Billing and Matt Rand (OWFC) and Howard and Matt Abbett OWCC). All of the games had been the best of five legs and there was probably an extra edge to the final because of the participants.

All four players performed well and a close encounter ensued, but both often found the winning double elusive at times. At one point Chris missed the board completely and his dart ended up in the wall, and Palace later issued a statement saying they would have to sell Wilfred Zaha in order to repair the damage and, eventually, Howard and Matthew defeated Chris and Matt by three games to one. Meanwhile Doug and 'Chunk' defeated the Labour Party in the battle of the defeated semi-finalist on the adjacent board.

A local Trade Union Branch had donated £250 towards the evening and the participating players had their entrance fee reduced to £5, making a total income of £325. A raffle was held, which raised £130 and each of the participating sides were given £75 prize money, leaving a balance of £155, which will now go to the 'proper' competition, to be held later in the year
My sincere thanks to all of the participants who braved the appalling weather and did so well to get there, and a reminder to all other members of the Football Club that you are encouraged to support the rescheduled evening.

Remember, at the moment the OWFC are £75 better off - thanks to the Labour and Trade Union movement (I bet that gets cut , too)- and there is a lot more to come, which will increase in proportion to the number of supporters we get.

Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match – Friday 2nd March









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

Fixtures and Results

Results - 3rd March		
East Barnet Old Grammarians	P - P	**1st XI**
SAL - Away		
NUFC Oilers 2nd XI	P - P	**2nd XI**
SAL - Away		
3rd XI	P - P	Alleyn Old Boys 4th XI
SAL - Home		
Alleyn Old Boys 6th XI	P - P	**4th XI**
SAL - Away		
5th XI	P - P	City of London 3rd XI
SAL - Home		
Civil Service 7th XI	P - P	**6th XI**
SAL - Away		
7th XI	P - P	South Bank Cuaco 6th XI
SAL – Home		
HSBC 6th XI	P - P	**8th XI**
SAL – Away		

Fixtures - 5h March		
Worcester Park FC	19-45	**1st XI**
SPC – Away		

Fixtures - 10th March		
Actonians Association	15-00	**1st XI**
AFA Semi-Final – Bank of England		
2nd XI	14-00	Polytechnic
SAL - Hayes		
3rd XI	14-00	City of London
SAL - Hayes		
South Bank Cuaco	14-00	**5th XI**
SAL - Away		
7th XI	14-00	Alleyns 7th XI
SAL – Hawes Down		
8th XI	14-00	HSBC 6th XI
SAL – Hawes Down		



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Stats

Match Reports Table:

Team	Played	RS	RSL	NR	Points	Points Dropped	Response %
2nd XI	22	22	0	0	66	0	100
6th XI	20	20	0	0	60	0	100
7th XI	22	22	0	0	66	0	100
8th XI	19	19	0	0	57	0	100
1st XI	27	25	1	1	76	5	96
3rd XI	24	22	1	1	67	5	96
4th XI	20	18	1	1	55	5	95
5th XI	19	17	1	1	52	5	95

John Brittain Memorial Top Goal Scorer:

Scorer	Goals
Williams, M	21
Watson, C Small, J OG	11
Carruthers, J Williams, N	10
Fashoro, O	8
Gilson, T Stride, J	7
Benwell, S Breen, J Dyki, C Dhariwal, M Jeevan, G Karamath, J Stanley, W	6
Adams, A Sellman, D Bonsels, G Falconer-Roberts, J	5

All Our Yesterdays - 25 years ago

Classified Results, March 6th 1993				
Old Tiffinians	4	1st XI	1	Paton
2nd XI	2	Old Meadonians	0	Mole.N, Daniels
Old Meadonians	3	2nd XI	1	Wood
3rd XI	1	Old Sedcopians	6	(Ashley) Simpson
4th XI	2	Old Reigatians	1	Sullivan.N, Eccles
Old Reigatians	3	4th XI	2	Stewart, Burgess.J
John Fisher OBs	0	5th XI	0	
5th XI	3	John Fisher Old Boys	1	Mir, (Paul) Johnson, Barry
6th XI	1	John Fisher Old Boys	0	Leach
John Fisher OBs	1	6th XI	1	Riley
Old Reigatians	1	7th XI	3	Smart. D. 2, Dutton
Clydesdale Bank	5	8th XI	0	

A GAME OF TWO……GAMES 2nd XI 2 (1) Old Meadonians 0 (3)

Due to drop-outs through injury and unavailability, the 2s had a much changed side against the 3rd XI's Cup semi-final opponents and form side in the league. We started positively and dictated the opening exchanges and took the lead when a Chris Cowell cross was superbly volleyed in via the far post by **NICK MOLE.**

We continued to dominate, with the defence outstanding, and everyone working for each other and the half-time whistle went with us well in control and playing some good passing football.

The second period saw us continuing to dominate and we restricted Meadonians to long range free-kicks and sealed the win midway through the half when **PAUL DANIELS** beat the offside trap and coolly slotted the ball past the advancing 'keeper.
So we finished the first game of this double-header well in control and looking a good bet for a double win.

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All Our Yesterdays - 25 years ago

What a difference ten minutes makes. From being a hard-working competitive side we decided to sit back and let Meadonians dictate the pace, playing the football we had stopped them doing in the first game and they took the lead after about ten minutes when Essex Man's long throw was headed into the far corner by their fat, moustachioed midfielder. This setback still did not spur us into action and we went two goals behind when we allowed their best player to waltz through and make it 2-0.
The second half saw us competing slightly more and we did manage to create some chances. However, Meads went further ahead midway through the half with a breakaway goal.

This finally spurred us into action and, at last, we played the football we are capable of and reduced the arrears with about ten minutes left after a good Chris Cowell corner was headed home by **DAVE WOOD.** Despite our valiant attempts to score again we were unable to do so and I think that the whistle came as a relief to Meadonians.

In summary I feel that if we play the rest of the season as we did in the first game, then we should finish comfortably in mid-table. However, if we sit back, as we did in the second game and let teams attack us, then we will be scrapping against relegation. Personally I favour clean sheets and a comfortable mid-table!

Good games from the defence and special thanks to Chris Cowell, for playing at short notice and showing true class in both games – he was probably the best player on the pitch.
Reeves Udale Pullen Prince Wood Hoffman Mole.N Smith.G McGeever Daniels Cowell.C

4th XI: Kirchin Nelson Robinson Milledge Pack Smith.A Parsons Stewart Eccles Burgess.J Sullivan.K
6th XI: Warboys Higgins Kendrick.M Johnson.S Horn Letts Johnson.A James.M Wright Leach Riley
7th XI: Peckover Chambers Rayworth Adams Brindle Dutton Lewis Hughes.M Creamore Smart.D Berks
8th XI: Cunningham Raw Cocks Sullivan.C Dunn McCoustra Dykes Phillips.A Phillips.D Knight Smith.J

All Our Yesterdays - 50 years ago

Classified Results, March 2nd 1968				
1st XI	2	Old Finchleians	2	Scorers not reported
2nd XI	2	Old Plaistovians	5	Scorers not reported
Palace	3	Blackpool	1	White, Kember, Lazarus

The only results I have so far are the 1st XI, who drew 2-2 with Old Finchleians after being 2-0 down with ten minutes to go, and the 2nd XI, who lost to Old Plaistovians 5-2. Sorry about the short newsletter this week - Ron (Ashdown)

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Newsletter Contributions
All contributions to the newsletter should **reach James Eglon by 6-00 pm on a Sunday evening** – the earlier the better. Please send any articles/ match reports/images to eggyowfc@gmail.com or via Whatsapp on 07986 405374