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Annual Subs

It is now time to pay your annual subs, and with pay day just around the corner now's the time to get it done.

There has been a price freeze this year, so you still benefit from the low prices of:

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The SUPER DRAW & PRIZE DRAW are part of the OWA Lotteries. All payments to Old Wilsonians' Association fund raising lotteries will be used to improve facilities at the club and grounds for the benefit of all members.

OWFC Tour to Riga- Friday 3rd to Monday 6th May

This seasons tour takes in the wonderful city of Riga (provided someone books the flights), for what will no doubt be a fun weekend with questionable quality of football. There are still a few places available, so get in touch with those listed below if you are interested in joining.

OWFC TOUR RIGA LATVIA

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FRIDAY 3RD MAY -
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Fixtures and Results

Results - 5th / 6th January

1st XI	3	1	Civil Service	SAL
Karamath, A., Carruthers, B., Robinson, J.				
Economicals	0	3	**2nd XI**	SKAFA
Cliffe, K., Jeevan, G., Cooper, N.				
3rd XI			No Game	
4th XI	5	3	East Barnet Old Grammarians	OBC
Adams, A., Watson, C., Cotter, J., Khan, R., Roberts, E.				
5th XI	3	2	Merton 5s	SAL
Page, K., Kennedy, C. (2)				
Alleyn Old Boys	1	4	**6th XI**	SAL
Quinton, J. (2), Relf, H., Douthwaite, T.				
7th XI	1	4	South Bank Cuaco	SAL
Benwell, S.				
8th XI	2	2	**9th XI**	SAL
8s: Davies, W., OG. 9s: Bryne, N., Rinson, J.				
OWFC SuperVets	0	4	Cudham SuperVets	FRI

Fixtures - 12th / 13th January

1st XI		No Game
2nd XI	14:00	NUFC Oilers
SAL- Hayes		
3rd XI	14:00	Kew Association
SAL- Hayes		
Ibis Eagles 3s	14:00	**4th XI**
SAL - Away		
5th XI	14:00	Merton 4s
SAL - Hawes Down		
Old Suttonians	13:30	**6th XI**
OBC - Away		
7th XI	14:00	Alleyn Old Boys
SAL - Hawes Down		
8th XI		No Game
9th XI	14:00	Civil Service 8s
SAL - Away		
Vets	13:00	Old Meadonians
LOBC - Hayes - Sunday 13th		



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Stats

Top Goalscorer	Goals
Watson, Cejay	13
Sherlock, Stan	12
Wright, M	10
Williams, M	8
Benwell, S	7
Seddon, O	
Kennedy, C	6
Rand, R	
Cotter, J	5
Gunnell, W	
Karamath, J	
Mallins, B	
OG	
Quinton, J	
Stride, J	
Afoluja, D	4
Breen, J	
Carrathers, B	
Dixon, T	
Forbes, S	
Jeevan, G	
Lineker, D	
Relf, H	
Sellman, D	
Sherlock, Syd	
Williams, N	
Wright, S	

Clean Sheets	
Sherlock, T	2
Gigi	
Dalby, J	1
Steel, C	
Bradley, L	
Healy, E	
Renee-Carter, H	
Ballard, M	
Shelton, J	

Team	Played	RS	RSL	NR	Points	Points Dropped	Response %
1st XI	15	14	1	0	43	2	100
2nd XI	14	13	1	0	40	2	100
6th XI	13	13	0	0	39	0	100
5th XI	12	10	1	1	31	5	92
3rd XI	13	9	1	3	28	11	77
9th XI	10	9	0	1	27	3	90
7th XI	12	8	3	1	27	9	92
4th XI	12	8	3	1	27	9	92
8th XI	12	6	5	1	23	13	92

1st XI Match Report (3-1 vs Civil Service)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Polytechnic	12	7	2	3	32	18	14	23
2	Nottsborough	12	7	2	3	26	18	8	23
3	Old Owens	10	6	1	3	24	18	6	19
4	West Wickham	9	5	2	2	20	13	7	17
5	Old Wilsonians	12	4	3	5	21	26	-5	15
6	Alleyn Old Boys	8	3	3	2	12	9	3	12
7	Old Garchonians	11	3	3	5	16	19	-3	12
8	Winchmore Hill	8	4	0	4	8	12	-4	12
9	Actonians Association	11	3	1	7	15	24	-9	10
10	Civil Service	10	2	2	6	12	21	-9	8
11	Old Parkonians	9	2	1	6	11	19	-8	7

It's a rare occasion for the 1's skipper to have a selection headache due to too many people being available for a game. In fact, Wilson's turned up with not eleven... not twelve... not even thirteen... but fourteen fit players keen to get 2019 off to a flying start.

A sluggish start to the match saw the opposition take an early lead after a lofted ball over the back line was latched onto by the Civil number ten who managed to lift the ball over the onrushing Healy. This early setback gave Wilson's the kickstart they needed and were soon controlling the game with most of the possession in the Civil half and Giles being set free in behind on more than one occasion.

It was a fine team goal that levelled things up though. Some neat passing play in the midfield saw Kara unleashed down the left flank and who, seeing no support in the middle, elected to blast the ball near post into the roof of the net.

The Wilsonian onslaught continued with Kara terrorising the Civil defence, beating men at will. Wilson's took a well deserved lead just before half-time as a delicate ball over the top, Kara now turning provider put Carruthers in on goal and a deft flick over the keeper saw the ball bounce into an open net.

A fine one-on-one save from Healy right on the half-time whistle was all that stopped the teams going in level.

The half time team talk centred on the need to put the game to bed as the opposition front two were both tricky customers. As it were, Civil took one of them off during the break, much to the bewilderment of the Wilson's defence.

The game continued much the same as it ended in the first half with Wilson's enjoying the better of possession and chances. Some good work from Williams saw a ball floated into the box at head height for the unmarked Robinson. Not wanting to ruin his hair, Robinson went for the far more impressive and acrobatic flykick which sent the crowd wild.

A couple of near misses for Civil followed the doubling of the lead. A ball off the crossbar was closely followed by a goal line block from the omnipresent Kara.

The final whistle blew shortly after. A 3-1 victory for the 1's was as good a start to the new year as could be expected and the spirits are high for the next fixture.
Match Report: Niall Sheridan

2nd XI Match Report (3-0 vs Economicals)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	West Wickham Res	10	6	4	0	20	5	15	22
2	Nottsborough Res	9	6	2	1	20	7	13	20
3	Alleyn Old Boys Res	8	4	3	1	20	13	7	15
4	Winchmore Hill Res	9	4	2	3	25	17	8	14
5	NUFC Oilers Res	5	3	2	0	16	4	12	11
6	Actonians Association Res	9	3	0	6	14	21	-7	9
7	Old Wilsonians Res	7	2	0	5	11	17	-6	6
8	Bank of England Res	9	2	0	7	15	37	-22	6
9	Polytechnic Res	8	0	1	7	11	31	-20	1

AFA cup time for the reserves, away at Economical. A strong team and 14 players. What a luxury.

Within 20 seconds of the start Aaron confidently boasts “we've got this”. Within another 60 seconds they'd hit the post.

But that was to be an anomaly; truth be told Aaron was spot on. Within 15 mins the midfield trio stamped their dominance; Gowtham, Andy Free and Conrad pulling the strings. The unlikely deadlock breaker turned out to be Kevin from a Teddy long throw, which fell to him just outside the 6 yard box and he drilled top bins hard and true.

I don't think we looked back. Luke had a couple of sniffs to repel but no full on chances. It did take till the second half to add to our tally, this time directly from a corner; Gowtham looping it over the keeper onto the back post and in. Dream goal. And with their heads well and truly down, #3 was bagged via another great delivery form Louie, another cracking cup game diving head from Nathan (2 in 2). Conrad MOM, promising future ahead.

Job done. An uneventful one truth be told. Clean sheet. Great grub. Onto the next round.

3rd XI Match Report (No Game)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Civil Service 4th	9	8	0	1	30	13	17	24
2	Kew Association Res	12	7	3	2	36	26	10	24
3	Polytechnic 5th	10	7	1	2	29	23	6	22
4	Actonians Association 6th	10	5	1	4	22	25	-3	16
5	Actonians Association 5th	10	4	2	4	18	15	3	14
6	Old Salesians	9	4	1	4	33	19	14	13
7	HSBC 3rd	9	3	1	5	29	33	-4	10
8	Merton 3rd	12	3	0	9	21	35	-14	9
9	Old Wilsonians 3rd	8	2	1	5	16	18	-2	7
10	Carshalton 4th	9	1	0	8	10	37	-27	3

4th XI Match Report (5-3 vs East Barnet OG's)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	West Wickham 5th	9	7	0	2	24	15	9	21
2	Corinthian-Casuals U21	10	6	1	3	35	25	10	19
3	Old Wilsonians 4th	9	4	3	2	23	15	8	15
4	South Bank Cuaco 4th	10	4	2	4	19	24	-5	14
5	Alleyn Old Boys 6th	8	4	1	3	24	22	2	13
6	Weirside Rangers 3rd	10	2	5	3	14	23	-9	11
7	HSBC 4th	9	3	1	5	17	20	-3	10
8	Bank of England 4th	7	2	2	3	7	9	-2	8
9	Civil Service 5th	9	2	1	6	16	25	-9	7
10	Ibis Eagles 3rd	7	2	0	5	19	20	-1	6

The 4th XI returned from the Christmas break for the eagerly anticipated old boys cup which looked promising from the outset with a stacked team of university returners. However that promise quickly faded away. The pre match match warm up ended as Gunnell sauntered onto the pitch - denim jacket still on his back - and following some wise words from Tiffin and swearing from Ballard the game was underway. What followed was 20 minutes of diabolical football. Godwin, fresh back from uni, put in the worst footballing performance in old boys history, frequently looking at the bench as he realised he should stay in goal after completing 2/25 passes - stats even Ironside manages to beat. Some sloppy passing in the middle lead to an early breakaway goal for East Barnet but keeping Godwin away from the ball enabled the 4s to get a grip on the game and it seemed like they were up for the challenge. Sadly Gunnell decided a one goal deficit wasn't enough of a challenge and gave the ball away in the defensive third 2-0, we can only presume he was thinking about how his other 16 brothers were faring in their games. Half time.

Prior to the game the strength of the bench was mentioned and Roberts, Kirby And Khan were up for the challenge as the second half begun. (As anticipated Godwin was replaced and had already got changed following his dismal display). Spurred on by the sight of Godwin in a tracksuit the 4s dominated the second half. Roberts - having played a game in the morning cramped up 2 minutes after coming up but the smell of goals and constant stretching kept him going. A lovely ball over the top from Elliot (Fàbregas) Tiffin for Roberts to finish in the far corner 2-1. East Barnet then added another after some more suspect midfield play 3-1. The 4s refused to give in and after having 2 goals disallowed Cejay finally bundled the ball over the line from a Kirby free kick 3-2. With minutes remaining (and Ironside playing some wonderful passes) a last minute corner was awarded. Off the head of Khan and in off an East Barnet defender 3-3. Definitely an own goal.

The first half of extra time passed by without much happening as penalties seemed to be on everyone's mind. Ant Adams had other ideas as he beat goalkeeper and defender to the ball and nodded home a Gunnell cross. With seconds remaining the 4s cleared a corner leaving Cotter to run through unopposed and tap home on the stroke of full time. 5-3 and a great 2nd half performance from the 4s kept the cup run going.
WE FUCKING LOVE SATURDAYS

MOM: Nick Page
Scorers: Ant Adams, Cejay Watson, Josh Cotter, Ryan Khan, Elliot Roberts

5th XI Match Report (3-2 vs Merton 5s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Polytechnic 6th	10	8	2	0	44	11	33	26
2	West Wickham 6th	12	7	1	4	29	30	-1	22
3	Polytechnic 7th	8	5	1	2	28	17	11	16
4	Actonians Association 7th	8	4	0	4	15	18	-3	12
5	Old Wilsonians 5th	8	3	2	3	20	20	0	11
6	Merton 4th	10	2	4	4	23	32	-9	10
7	Ibis Eagles 4th	6	1	1	4	10	16	-6	4
8	Merton 5th	12	1	1	10	11	36	-25	4

After a slow start to the season the 5s have picked up a bit of recent form and had dragged ourselves into mid table with a decent opportunity to pick up more points against bottom of the table Merton.

We made a few changes to the team and this showed as we started slowly with the game really scrappy on a bobbly Hawes Down pitch. We conceded a goal against the run of play when a Merton player peeled off the back post and smashed a first time volley from a corner which looked to be heading out for a throw in until it hit Kris Page in the face and dropped in the net. After falling behind we actually started to play a bit of football and we equalised when Kris Page scored at the right end this time when he flicked on a long throw which looped into the far corner. We then took the lead when David Gunnell was hacked down in the box. The keeper saved Chris Kennedy's penalty but the rebound fell straight back to him and he slotted into the empty net.

The second half Merton rallied and really pinned in us our own half. We defended well and it wasn't until we had a corner of our own that we were caught on the break and they equalised with a good counter attacking goal. We took the lead again when we won another clear penalty, this time Kennedy made no mistake in putting it away. We held on for the rest of the game relatively comfortably and probably should have scored a couple more goals as the game got stretched. A good start to 2019!

MOM: Ned Foulkes

6th XI Match Report (4-1 vs Alleyn Old Boys)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	South Bank Cuaco 5th	10	7	2	1	35	17	18	23
2	Old Wilsonians 6th	8	5	1	2	21	9	12	16
3	Old Blues 3rd	9	5	0	4	23	13	10	15
4	HSBC 5th	8	4	2	2	26	18	8	14
5	Polytechnic 8th	9	4	2	3	27	23	4	14
6	Civil Service 6th	9	3	2	4	18	23	-5	11
7	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	9	3	1	5	23	34	-11	10
8	South Bank Cuaco 6th	9	2	3	4	19	21	-2	9
9	Civil Service 7th	6	2	1	3	12	15	-3	7
10	Actonians Association 8th	7	1	3	3	11	22	-11	6
11	Old Wilsonians 7th	8	1	1	6	12	32	-20	4

After a disappointing end to 2018, the 6's were looking to bounce back and carry on their great form in the league, facing an away trip to Alleyn 7's.

Wilson's started well, dominating the possession early on with free kicks from Dan Shave and Harry Relf forcing the Alleyn's keeper into action. Wilson's kept the pressure on with good linkups between Mitch and Sam down the left, providing Jonny Q with several golden opportunities. Another smart move followed, this time coming from the centre of midfield from Dan Shave passing the ball into Stan Sherlock, who laid it off to Harry Relf, whose volleyed effort brought a wonder save out of the Alleyns keeper. A small spell of Alleyns possession saw their centre forward clean through on goal, but Joe Dolby matched him, bravely saving the low shot. Despite this, Wilson's continued to dominate and finally capitalised, when the ball fell to Jonny Q in the box, his goal scoring instincts kicked in, and he smashed the ball into the back of the net, giving Wilson's a deserved 1-0 lead. After a fairly well tempered first half, just before the break, a penalty was awarded to Wilson's but then taken away, after Dan Shave was fouled just inside the box, leading to words being exchanged between the two teams as the whistle was blown for half time.

The beginning of the second half was a slightly different story, with Alleyns now dominating possession and Wilson's being the ones struggling to get out of their own half. However, with our pace on the counter attack we knew we could cause the Alleyns back 4 some problems. This was the case when a break from Wilson's lead to a corner, where Mitch played in a wonder ball and Jonny Q came in at the far post to finish into an empty net, grabbing his second of the day. Straight from the Alleyns kick off, Wilson's were desperate not to be pinned back again and forced the Alleyns players into mistakes with a superb high press. The high press paid dividends when the ball fell kindly to Harry Relf, once again on the volley, yet this time he was able to beat the Alleyns keeper with an unstoppable strike from just inside the box. Being 3-0 up and cruising, Wilson's seemed to take their foot off the gas slightly and after a cross in from the left, the Alleyns striker found himself with an open goal from 2 yards out, which he put away, with Joe Dolby in goal having no chance. Alleyns gained confidence from this goal, and the game continued to become more and more fiery, with some strong challenges being put in by both sides. Despite this, Wilson's were able to see out this spell of possession, special mention going to Doug Forbes and Syd Sherlock who remained solid throughout. The game was finally put to bed after a through ball from Harry Relf in midfield found Tobias who run through on goal and calmly dinked the ball over the keeper. Shortly after, the ref blew for full time, with Wilson's coming out with a comfortable 4-1 win and a vital 3 points, it was well deserved and hopefully we can pick up a run of form from this fantastic result.

Report by Dan Shave

7th XI Match Report (1-4 vs South Bank Cuaco 5s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	South Bank Cuaco 5th	10	7	2	1	35	17	18	23
2	Old Wilsonians 6th	8	5	1	2	21	9	12	16
3	Old Blues 3rd	9	5	0	4	23	13	10	15
4	HSBC 5th	8	4	2	2	26	18	8	14
5	Polytechnic 8th	9	4	2	3	27	23	4	14
6	Civil Service 6th	9	3	2	4	18	23	-5	11
7	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	9	3	1	5	23	34	-11	10
8	South Bank Cuaco 6th	9	2	3	4	19	21	-2	9
9	Civil Service 7th	6	2	1	3	12	15	-3	7
10	Actonians Association 8th	7	1	3	3	11	22	-11	6
11	Old Wilsonians 7th	8	1	1	6	12	32	-20	4

7s lose unbeaten 2019 record

The 7s approached their clash with top of the table South Bank with a real sense of optimism; Captain James Sparrow had assigned himself to a pure managerial role to focus solely on the tactical battle, we had a full squad and the fans had turned out to Hawes Down in droves marking a record attendance - the signs were all positive.

The team started with vigour following the new manager's inspirational team talk, passing the ball around nicely and creating some excellent chances, Stride stopped by the outstretched hand of the keeper more than once. However South Bank quickly grew into the game and were soon on top - Josh Holland's alert reactions in goal got the team out of jail (most notably keeping out a bullet of a shot from Chen, who was just checking the keeper was awake...) and kept the scores level. When the 7s had a corner minutes later South Bank really paid the price, as Rand's in-swinging corner hit the bar, only for STEVE BENWELL to follow up with a header into the back of the net. 1-0 to OWFC.

With minutes to go until halftime it seemed the team's resolute defending might just get them through. However they suffered a blow as South Bank equalised from a header of their own, in a dubious off-side decision that further added to the debate of VAR in grassroots football... HT 1-1 and overall a good perfomance.

As the second half kicked off South Bank continued their ascendancy, with more chances spurned by the (safe) hands of the keeper. The question of which team ate all the (mince) pies was soon answered, as the 7s' fitness levels quickly fell off and performance levels dropped leading to a number of individual mistakes. South Bank had soon capitalised, adding three more goals in a half in which the 7s created little of note.

The players looked to the touchline for guidance only to see the manager had been replaced by a stack of tea cups, and had gone to the clubhouse to re-stock - leading to media speculation that the injured Ash Chappell will soon be taking over the reigns, with his man-management skills (mainly shouting insults at Drew) cited as a major factor.

4-1 at FT. The post-match inquisition went late into the night and although it was a one-sided final score, there are only a couple of fundamental things the team collectively need to improve on. With important home league and cup games in the next few weeks the 7s have the perfect opportunity to turn things around.

MoM - Josh Holland - with some very good one on one saves he kept the scoreline at bay in an otherwise dismal day.

Attendance: 6

Team: Holland, Patel, Phakey, Hallett, Chen, Gilbert, Strong, Benwell A, Rand, Stride, Benwell S, Fairhurst, Harvey, Martin

8th XI Match Report (2-2 vs OWFC 9s)

No Match Report Submitted

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	HSBC 6th	8	7	1	0	51	13	38	22
2	South Bank Cuaco 7th	9	6	2	1	33	26	7	20
3	City of London 3rd	8	3	4	1	30	15	15	13
4	Bank of England 5th	8	3	3	2	15	17	-2	12
5	Old Salesians Res	5	3	0	2	14	8	6	9
6	Merton 6th	8	2	3	3	17	22	-5	9
7	Old Wilsonians 8th	9	1	3	5	20	31	-11	6
8	Civil Service 8th	7	1	1	5	9	18	-9	4
9	Old Wilsonians Ninth	10	0	3	7	13	52	-39	3

9th XI Match Report (2-2 vs OWFC 8s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	HSBC 6th	8	7	1	0	51	13	38	22
2	South Bank Cuaco 7th	9	6	2	1	33	26	7	20
3	City of London 3rd	8	3	4	1	30	15	15	13
4	Bank of England 5th	8	3	3	2	15	17	-2	12
5	Old Salesians Res	5	3	0	2	14	8	6	9
6	Merton 6th	8	2	3	3	17	22	-5	9
7	Old Wilsonians 8th	9	1	3	5	20	31	-11	6
8	Civil Service 8th	7	1	1	5	9	18	-9	4
9	Old Wilsonians Ninth	10	0	3	7	13	52	-39	3

It was Clasico time on Hayes again, with a hangover-busting 11:30 kick off. With a squad featuring only one non-schoolboy (the young at heart Roddy), youth and pace were definitely on our side. With no Al Forbes to score own goals, we fancied our chances, and duly took the lead when Niall Byrne finished after being sent clean through. The 8s equalised against the run of play, and it was 1-1 at half time. We definitely felt we had the beating of them, if we could just play to our strengths. We retook the lead early in the second half, another through ball cutting open the 8s defence and Joe Rinson finished impressively. The 8s probably had the better of the second half and missed some good chances, but failed to convert until a speculative effort was punched into his own net by keeper Christian. 2-2 it finished, a fair result on the balance of play, although we had more clear cut chances. An impressive performance that will give us confidence for next week's bottom of the table clash!

Christian Klass, Roddy Trompiz, Mohamed Omar, Kieran Tam, Adam Phillips, Vignesh Radhakrishnan, Viral Patel, Sam Belgrove, Niall Byrne, Joe Rinson, Humphrey Keeper, Andrew Leggett, Vishu Ketheesawaran

SuperVets Match Report (0-4 vs Cudham SV's)

Going into this game the supervets were the only unbeaten team in the club, this was always going to be a tough game, especially when Cudham on their social media declared that they looking for "Payback after an unjust defeat" - following the previous game, when we nicked the win.So, the first fixture of 2019 and we managed to churn out the finest old and infirm. A solid start and with some good passing let us settle into out stride. An even tempered and good natured game until Jonno Hart, brought out of a 25 year retirement, made an attacking run down the right wing - from his right back position to fell the oppo's left back near his corner flag. The subsequent OOOooo's from both sides indicated how late the tackle was... Gilly brandish the name Chopper about and Mikey Pilgrim stating "steady - its not that type of game!" In my defence, mentally - I made the tackle .. physically is another matter !

The game continued, skipper came on for Hart ant the game changed dynamics. Just after the 30 minute mark, Chris Billings back header to Chunk in goal was fumbled which led to the opener for them. This was against the run of play. Cudhams 2nd before 1/2 time was a 30 yard shot which hit the top right corner. The half time talk was full of passion and how we would spend Dougie Smarts Superdraw winnings in the bar. With a somewhat static midfield, we had trouble getting the ball up the Macey up front. Nelmsey struggled to make hi old killer runs - but this was primarily due to the windbreakers he was wearing for shorts, cut down Culottes we think. Chunk pulled off some amazing saves, tipping many over the bar from long range. We lost a couple more goals in quick succession making it 4 down. There was a dodgy penalty awarded against us after more pushing and shoving by then , but the ref saw only one and blew up . Up stepped their keeper to take … Chunk psyched him out and dually saved the shot. With the luxury of having 13 players, the rolling subs were used effectively and Hart returned to the pitch with fresh'ish legs with 20 mins to play to settle the squad. The score remained the same until the whistle, which meant that Jonno H was the only player on the team not to witness a goal whilst on the pitch..(winkey emoji). Special mention to some solid defending from Boom Boom .. but Man of the Match - Chunk / Ian Wellman.

Jonno Hart

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