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Alf Parish Memorial Darts Match - March 29th



OWFC retained the Alf Parish memorial trophy on Friday. The win means they have won three years on the bounce.

A full report from Mike Pike will follow next week, but below is a brief roundup from Al Forbes:

Well done to the OWFC team who retained the Alf Parish memorial darts last Friday at Crystal Palace . The team made up of Matt Rand (the postman - always delivers), Ian (Chunk) Wellman, Doug & Alex Forbes plus 2 of Chunks colleagues took on another 24 competitors including OWCC and beat all before them, having all four semi finalists & raising £108 for the club.

A great night well run as usual by Mike Pike with over 60 people attending. Well done everyone







George Croucher End of Season Dinner - April 27th

SAVE THE DATE!!!

The 2018/19 OWFC End of Season Dinner will take place on Saturday April 27th.
This year will see awards for the Vets and SuperVets for the first time.

Full details, including how to book your place, will follow.

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 - 29th March				
Old Garchonians	0	1	**1st XI**	SAL
Giles, B.				
Nottsborough	5	1	**2nd XI**	SAL
Jeevan, G.				
Polytechnic 5s	7	0	**3rd XI**	SAL
4th XI	1	1	Ibis Eagles	SAL
Watson, C.				
Merton	0	4	**5th XI**	SAL
Mander, J. (2), Small, J., Breen, J.				
Civil Service	0	2	**6th XI**	SAL
Saunders, B., Cooper, B.				
7th XI	1	3	Old Blues 3s	SAL
Benwell, A.				
8th XI	0	6	Bank of England 5s	SAL
9th XI	2	5	Sinjuns Old Grammarians	Spring Cup
Allchin, D., Worrel, G.				
SuperVets	5	1	Wallington Green	FRIENDLY
Pope, M., Billing, C., Quinton, J. (2), Mace, M.				

Fixtures - 6th April		
1st XI	-	No Game
2nd XI	14:00	Alleyn Old Boys
SAL - Hayes		
3rd XI	-	No Game
4th XI	-	No Game
Polytechnic 6s	14:00	**5th XI**
SAL - Away		
7th XI	14:00	**6th XI**
SAL - Hayes		
8th XI	-	No Game
9th XI	-	No Game



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Stats

Top Goalscorer	
Watson, Ce	22
Benwell, S	15
Sherlock, Stan	13
Williams, M	12
Kennedy, C	11
Wright, M	
OG	10
Rand, R	
Karamath, J	8
Newman-Sanders, B	
Seddon, O	
Fairhurst, S	7
Gunnell, W	
Relf, H	
Allchin, D	6
Benwell, A	
Breen, J	
Carruthers, B	
Dixon, T	
Douthwaite, T	
Forbes, S	
Lineker, D	

Clean Sheets	
Dolby, J	5
Ballard, M	3
Healy, E	
Sherlock, T	2
Gigi	
Rutter, K	1
Steel, C	
Robbins, D	
Bradley, L	
Renee-Carter, H	
Forbes, D	
Shelton, J	

Team	Played	RS	RSL	NR	Points	Points Dropped	Response %
6th XI	23	23	0	0	69	0	100
2nd XI	24	22	1	1	67	5	96
7th XI	24	19	4	1	61	11	96
1st XI	21	19	2	0	59	4	100
4th XI	22	18	3	1	57	9	95
5th XI	19	15	2	2	47	10	89
9th XI	19	15	2	2	47	10	89
3rd XI	21	13	4	4	43	20	81
8th XI	18	12	5	1	41	13	94

1st XI Match Report (1-0 vs. Old Garchonians)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	West Wickham	16	11	3	2	39	17	22	36
2	Polytechnic	15	10	2	3	44	20	24	32
3	Nottsborough	16	9	3	4	31	24	7	30
4	Old Owens	18	8	4	6	35	32	3	28
5	Alleyn Old Boys	17	7	5	5	30	23	7	26
6	Old Wilsonians	18	6	5	7	29	34	-5	23
7	Winchmore Hill	16	7	2	7	18	24	-6	23
8	Old Garchonians	16	3	5	8	21	31	-10	14
9	Old Parkonians	15	4	2	9	18	29	-11	14
10	Actonians Association	13	3	2	8	18	30	-12	11
11	Civil Service	18	2	5	11	15	34	-19	11

A long away day in north London. The sun was shining and there was a good chance of 3 points coming home to sunny south.

Dick of the day goes to bonju, resulting in us playing in the under 10s home strip.

The first half was a tight affair with the home team probably edging it on chances. However the back 4 kept them mostly at bay with some good stops from Ed when they did break through. After about 25 minutes we started to play our way into the game and Ben G looked very dangerous with balls in behind. The two centre half's didn't know where to run.

With the game in the balance Wilson's nicked a goal near the end of the half. Some slack play at the back from the home team and Mallins nicked in to steal it off them and was in 1 on 1. Rather than stick it top bins he slid it in to Ben G to take the glory, what a guy.

In the second half the home team started to dominate possession. But the wilsons back 4 continued to let nothing through, top performances from Niall, Rich, Kara and debutant Tommy. Ed kept the hearts pulsing with some punches from corners, but the big man continued to be solid in goal.

As the game wore on Wilson's started to create more chances and nearly had another through Kieran, but he just couldn't quite get there.

The game finished 1-0 and Wilson's deserved the clean sheet. A great win and team performance all round

2nd XI Match Report (1-5 vs. Nottsborough)

No report submitted

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Nottsborough Res	15	11	3	1	39	11	28	36
2	West Wickham Res	15	7	6	2	29	16	13	27
3	NUFC Oilers Res	12	7	5	0	33	14	19	26
4	Winchmore Hill Res	15	7	4	4	36	23	13	25
5	Alleyn Old Boys Res	14	6	5	3	33	19	14	23
6	Actonians Association Res	16	5	1	10	26	41	-15	16
7	Polytechnic Res	15	4	1	10	25	44	-19	13
8	Bank of England Res	14	2	2	10	21	49	-28	8
9	Old Wilsonians Res	14	2	1	11	13	38	-25	7

3rd XI Match Report (0-7 vs. Polytechnic 5s)

No report submitted

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Civil Service 4th	16	14	0	2	53	24	29	42
2	Polytechnic 5th	15	10	2	3	49	30	19	32
3	Kew Association Res	15	7	3	5	40	43	-3	24
4	Old Salesians	14	7	2	5	48	27	21	23
5	Actonians Association 6th	12	5	2	5	26	35	-9	17
6	Actonians Association 5th	14	4	3	7	22	27	-5	15
7	HSBC 3rd	16	4	3	9	35	54	-19	15
8	Merton 3rd	15	3	1	11	29	45	-16	10
9	Old Wilsonians 3rd	15	2	4	9	29	46	-17	10

4th XI Match Report (1-1 vs Ibis Eagles)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	West Wickham 5th	18	13	2	3	43	27	16	41
2	Corinthian-Casuals U21	18	11	1	6	62	46	16	34
3	Old Wilsonians 4th	18	9	6	3	50	31	19	33
4	Weirside Rangers 3rd	18	6	6	6	33	34	-1	24
5	South Bank Cuaco 4th	18	7	2	9	34	45	-11	23
6	Bank of England 4th	16	6	4	6	22	25	-3	22
7	Alleyn Old Boys 6th	15	6	2	7	40	43	-3	20
8	HSBC 4th	15	5	1	9	30	38	-8	16
9	Civil Service 5th	15	4	1	10	32	43	-11	13
10	Ibis Eagles 3rd	15	3	1	11	29	43	-14	10

The 4s arrived into this week's game knowing that despite the shit-show of last week, promotion was still very much a possibility. Thankfully then, we all quickly decided that rather than finish second and play at a higher level next year, we'd rather walk the league next year and finish with some silverware by dropping one of the most lacklustre performances of the season.

The first half was a game of low energy levels and missed chances for the 4s, barely getting out of first gear. Ibis, who were reduced to ten through much of the half, posed little threat, but the 4s failed to create many chances, and when the chances came, failed to take them. Lowlights from the first half included a heaped mess of an Ibis forward after a collision with Davies-Winifred and a Gunnell laces shot that went out for a throw, as he was in fact laceless.

A rousing speech was needed for what was perhaps the most important team talk of the season, but instead captain for the day Ironside had a family catch up over the birth of his new niece. Perhaps a valid excuse.

The second half began much as the first ended, but now with 11 on the field again, Ibis looked the livelier team and won a free kick in a dangerous position. President Ballard set about building one of his famous walls, which perhaps leaned a little too far to the left (silly Democrats). The free kick was duly dispatched around/through the wall, with handbags between President Ballard and VP Tiffin soon to follow.

The Ibis goal did however slightly wake the 4s up, who began to dominate once again, yet still could not convert. However, goal machine WATSON popped up with a header in the dying minutes to level the score to 1-1, once again showing the never say die attitude of this great team.

The game finished one apiece, ensuring our third place finish. As it turned out, a win would've seen us promoted, but it wasn't to be. All in all a great year for the team following a turbulent start to the season. Many thanks to the captain and every team member who played. We go again next year.

Team: Ballard; Tiffin, Davies-Winifred, Ironside; Page, Magnus, Jacques, Gunnell, Dixon; Watson, Adams

5th XI Match Report (4-0 vs. Merton 5s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Polytechnic 6th	18	14	3	1	71	25	46	45
2	Polytechnic 7th	16	11	1	4	47	30	17	34
3	West Wickham 6th	21	9	1	11	38	52	-14	28
4	Actonians Association 7th	15	7	1	7	33	34	-1	22
5	Merton 4th	18	5	6	7	42	49	-7	21
6	Ibis Eagles 4th	15	6	2	7	31	32	-1	20
7	Old Wilsonians 5th	15	6	2	7	35	38	-3	20
8	Merton 5th	20	1	4	15	28	65	-37	7

The 5s went into this game having slipped to second bottom in the table having not played for a few weeks but with the way the league has planned out, bizarrely, a third place finish is very much within our grasp still.

A glorious day in Merton combined with a strong squad available meant spirits were high and this never felt like a game we were going to lose. Within 10 minutes BREEN had put MANDER through who raced clear and provided a great finish into the far corner. The outstanding ROBBINS then produced a terrific save to keep us in the lead before SMALL smashed in a volley from 10 yards after good work again from BREEN. We went into the half 3-0 up and cruising after SMALL once again combined with BREEN who finished well from a tight angle.

The second half was a bit of a non event as we held Merton pretty comfortably but had definitely taken our foot of the gas. However as Merton pushed forward we got a fourth when CHARMAN played MANDER through who finished calmly again. The game really rather petered out after this and as usual, we kept a clean sheet without George Young in goal.

Somehow we still have 6 games to go, so plenty to play for still!

D Robbins, J Moniz, C Charman, T Shelton, E Adams, T O'Callaghan, N Foulkes, J Small, L Ffrench, J Breen, J Mander, G Bywaters

Motm: Jordan Mander

6th XI Match Report (2-0 vs. Civil Service 6s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	South Bank Cuaco 5th	18	12	3	3	56	33	23	39
2	Old Wilsonians 6th	15	11	2	2	36	13	23	35
3	Old Blues 3rd	18	9	1	8	38	27	11	28
4	Polytechnic 8th	16	7	3	6	47	44	3	24
5	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	17	7	2	8	46	55	-9	23
6	Old Wilsonians 7th	19	7	2	10	43	57	-14	23
7	HSBC 5th	14	6	3	5	38	28	10	21
8	Civil Service 7th	15	5	4	6	38	42	-4	19
9	South Bank Cuaco 6th	18	4	6	8	32	39	-7	18
10	Actonians Association 8th	17	3	6	8	25	44	-19	15
11	Civil Service 6th	17	4	2	11	29	46	-17	14

After a disappointing cup final result last week, Old Wilsonians 6's we're back in league action this week with a trip to Civil Service 6's. Wilson's started on the front foot, with us pressing the Civil Service defence really well, and also keeping the ball well when we had it. Our first big chance fell to Syd Sherlock, who hit a great left footed volley from the edge of the box, which brought a quality save out of the Civil Service 'keeper. We didn't get anything from the resulting corner, but with the Civil Service keeper having a poor kick they struggled to get out of their half. The only times Civil Service looked any sort of threat was long balls up to their big striker, but he was quickly stopped by the boys at the back. Midway through the first half, the breakthrough came for Old Wils when a low shot from Owen from the edge of the box was saved by the Civil Service keeper, only for Ben Saunders to follow up and put the ball into the back of the net, bagging his first goal of the season. Wilson's kept the pressure on and after a ball into the box from Dan Shave, Ben Saunders put the ball in the back of the net again, but he was judged too have pushed a Civil Service defender, when jumping to head the ball. Meaning we went into the half time break at just 1-0, but we were in firm control of the game and knew gaps would start to appear, on a big pitch.

Civil Service started the second half a little better, but despite some nice passing moves, they were still not able to create any clear cut chances. It didn't take too long for Wilson's to double their lead, and after a corner in from the right, Ben cooper was there in the box to head home past the Civil Service 'keeper, who had no chance. Wilson's kept going and seemed to gain more confidence on the ball as the game went on, especially at the back. This brought more chances for us, with Ben Cooper having a couple of great opportunities to double his goals for the day, but after a close range shot from inside the box, he was able to beat the keeper, but a Civil Service defender pulled off a diving block to keep him out. Another chance fell to Ben when he hit a half volley from a similar range to his last effort, however he was only able to rattle the crossbar this time. Another great chance fell to Stan not long after, but he was unable to find the target from close range. The last ten minutes of the game was all Wilsonians still, as we kept on shooting at every opportunity, but the Civil Service defence stayed solid, and the game finished with us coming out comfortable 2-0 winners, and us gaining another vital 3 points as well as our 4th consecutive clean sheet in the league, putting us in a great position to finish the season strongly and with the league title.

7th XI Match Report (1-3 vs. Old Blues 3s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	South Bank Cuaco 5th	18	12	3	3	56	33	23	39
2	Old Wilsonians 6th	15	11	2	2	36	13	23	35
3	Old Blues 3rd	18	9	1	8	38	27	11	28
4	Polytechnic 8th	16	7	3	6	47	44	3	24
5	Alleyn Old Boys 7th	17	7	2	8	46	55	-9	23
6	Old Wilsonians 7th	19	7	2	10	43	57	-14	23
7	HSBC 5th	14	6	3	5	38	28	10	21
8	Civil Service 7th	15	5	4	6	38	42	-4	19
9	South Bank Cuaco 6th	18	4	6	8	32	39	-7	18
10	Actonians Association 8th	17	3	6	8	25	44	-19	15
11	Civil Service 6th	17	4	2	11	29	46	-17	14

James, James, Ash, Ash, Steve, Steve and a few others, a big squad and a good one at that...however the first half was a strange affair. Despite the big pitch neither the 7s or the oppo managed to invoke any material chances. There were times when both teams had control but control doesn't lead to goals.. Phakey at the back did a stellar job at containing the oppositions big German forward and didn't allow him to play the ball to their oncoming midfield most of the time.

The second half started and it was a tasty affair. A few changes for both sides disrupted the flow of the game and early into the second half the opposition broke down the right and after some haphazard attempts to clear the ball. The game settled into a rhythm as we tried to get a goal however clear cut chances were at a premium and our set pieces were wasteful. The last ten then turned into a scrappy affair where we conceded twice from our own doing, once again clearing the ball.. A.BENWELL managed to get a consolation at the back post leaping like Ronaldo from a beautiful cross by Strong.

Anyway one game left.

Team: Rutter, Patel, Sparrow, Phakey, Chappell, Gilbert, Martin, Dhariwal, Rand, S.Benwell, Fowler, Harvey, Strong, A.Benwell

MoM: Phakey

8th XI Match Report (0-6 vs. Bank of England 5s)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	HSBC 6th	14	11	3	0	73	22	51	36
2	South Bank Cuaco 7th	14	9	2	3	46	37	9	29
3	Bank of England 5th	14	7	3	4	34	33	1	24
4	City of London 3rd	16	6	5	5	51	32	19	23
5	Old Salesians Res	13	6	2	5	40	23	17	20
6	Merton 6th	14	4	5	5	36	45	-9	17
7	Old Wilsonians 8th	15	4	4	7	31	45	-14	16
8	Civil Service 8th	14	3	3	8	24	33	-9	12
9	Old Wilsonians 9th	16	0	3	13	20	85	-65	3

The less said about this game the better. Having lost narrowly – and unjustly – by 2 goals to 1 at their place, and with a strong line-up, we fancied our chances against Bank. We started strongly, with a goal harshly judged to be offside. On the bare 11, disaster struck when Mirresh Pankhania dislocated his shoulder (get better soon Mirresh!) Luckily Roddy Trompiz, who was watching ahead of the 9s game, was able to step in – hero! (And author of this report). But we just weren't at the races, and their second goal, which was clearly offside, really deflated us. Second half went from bad to worse and we were shipping goals for fun. One more game left this season to salvage some pride!

Doug Forbes, Sam Forbes, Josh Mole, Wes Doh, Luke Connew, Aaron Steel, Mirresh Pankhania, Mervin Nicholas, Shalin Patel, Saj Phakey, Roddy Trompiz

9th XI Match Report (2-5 vs. Sinjuns Old Grammarians)

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	HSBC 6th	14	11	3	0	73	22	51	36
2	South Bank Cuaco 7th	14	9	2	3	46	37	9	29
3	Bank of England 5th	14	7	3	4	34	33	1	24
4	City of London 3rd	16	6	5	5	51	32	19	23
5	Old Salesians Res	13	6	2	5	40	23	17	20
6	Merton 6th	14	4	5	5	36	45	-9	17
7	Old Wilsonians 8th	15	4	4	7	31	45	-14	16
8	Civil Service 8th	14	3	3	8	24	33	-9	12
9	Old Wilsonians 9th	16	0	3	13	20	85	-65	3

MEN VS. BOYS – PART 20
The build-up before the match consisted of some last-minute drop-outs and desperately trying to find a ref; step up Nick Mole, who volunteered to officiate, and a massive thanks goes out to him.

Now onto the game itself. A sunny, warm and pleasant afternoon was ideal conditions for the 9s to get a second win of the season. The opposition looked older and less fit, and in the first 10 minutes we dominated with some neat and crisp passing moves. As seems the way this season though, Sinjuns scored with their first opportunity, the left winger brushing off three defenders to rifle it in at the near post. The 9s continued to press on, and were rewarded with a goal 5 minutes later from DAN ALLCHIN.

Going into the half-time break, my reckoning was that we should have been at least four goals ahead given the number of chances we had. I was feeling optimistic – going uphill would allow the ball to hold up. What I didn't factor into this is our inability to defend Route One balls, and this cost us dear in the second half. With Sinjuns also winning pretty much everything in the air (another all too-familiar pattern) and physically outmuscling at least half of the 9s players, the final scoreline was somewhat inevitable. However, we did pull back a consolation goal from GEORGE WORRALL.

The end of the season cannot come soon enough, and we need to find a way of becoming more competitive for the next one.

Team: Amankwah, Omar, Mottram, Ayres, Leggett, Worrell, Keeper, Byrne, Allchin, Cheung, Riley J, Callum H
Man of the Match: N/A
Kek Amankwah

SuperVets Match Report (5-1 vs. Wallington Green)

We played Wallington Green side resurrected after nearly 20 years by Jon Mole. Wallington Green was a Sunday football team made up mostly of Old Wilsonians and at least 5 still play for us, & the odd one (in this case Andy Smith coming out of retirement).

A good game played in a great spirit. Old Wilsonians moved the ball quicker & were fitter as you would expect from a team who still play football. We took an early lead wIth Mark Pope nodding in a Chris Billing cross in the first minute, we extended our lead before half with goals from Chris Billing & Jon Quinton. The back 4 of Chris & Nick billing, Neil Kendrick & Boom Boom spreading the play around & keeping the Green down to a speculative Andy Smith 30 yarder. We re-jigged in the second half with Neil kendrick replacing Kek in goal. Kek is an interesting centre-back and twice popped up as a right winger in the first 5 minutes! Jonny Quinton lashed a fourth from the edge of the area & Macey bundled one in from 3 yards. Wallington Green then got a penalty with Kek scything down their forward who was running away from goal, to a great cheer from all. Their penalty was converted by Doug Smart to make the final score 5-1. Well done to all involved especially Aaron Langley, and Mark Pope who dominated the midfield. Also to oppo made of Doug Forbes, Doug Smart, Jon & Nick Mole, Bruce Stringer, Andy Smith, Si Ward, supporters Bev Smith, Dave Parkinson, Andy Hall, Julian Rosario. It was great to see see so many old friends & hopefully see you next season. Also thanks to Jim Matthews for reffing

Team: K.Amankwah, C.Billing, N.Billing, N.Kendrick, G.Nelson, J.Hart, M.Pope, A.Langley, C.Dyki, J.Quinton, M.Mace

All Our Yesterdays – 25 years ago

A MUCH BETTER PERFORMANCE……. IF NOT RESULT Old Dorkingians 2 4th XI 1

On an afternoon when the skipper turned up late and then drove off without checking to see if all of the team were present, we set off for Dorking, driving through several hail storms on the way

We strated the game at a steady pace, keeping the marking tight and playing some good football in the process. After about 15 minutes, and against the run of play, we conceded a goal, although a large appeal for off-side by all four defenders was ignored by the referee and Andy Kirchin was left with no chance as the ball was pushed past him

We kept our composure from the re-start and continued to play exceptional football, which resulted in a goal from **ANDY SMITH** which came from a move down the left involving four or five players. We continued to apply pressure for the rest of the half but none of our many attempts at goal ended up in the back of the net!

The second half started the way we had finished the first, with us winning the ball in the air and on the floor and using it effectively when in possession. With 15 minutes left one-twos, again down the left, saw Andy Smith deliver a shot on goal which hit the bar, then the post and then fall into the 'keeper's hands

Dorkingians started to get back into the game after this as we began to push forward for the winner. Damon Riley and Doug Weaver both had to make decisive tackles to protect the goal and Andy Kirchin made a save which can only be described as 'inspired' from a shot that came straight out of Italian football

Unfortunately we conceded a silly goal with ten minutes left and put pressure on ourselves but, with five minutes to go, Dave Valder missed a header on goal which could have saved us a point and even 'Wolfie' had a shot at goal – I won't say in was ***on goal! -*** towards the end!

This game can only be described as one of the best performances I've seen this season from an OW team. It was played in a good spirit, sleet, snow, hail, rain and sunshine; all within 90 minutes

Everybody played well and we deserved to win. And it was nice to hear, after the game, the skipper of their 3rd XI pick four of their side to return to a higher team next week! Doug Weaver

Kirchin Riley Weaver.D Milledge Adams.T Valder Stewart Mole.J Haines Smith.A Parkinson

Classified Resuts, April 2nd 1994				
Old Dorkingians	2	4th XI	1	Smith.A
John Fisher Old Boys	1	6th XI	5	Nelmes 2, Mark, Wright, Trout
6th XI	3	John Fisher Old Boys	0	Trout, Joliffe, Smith.G

All Our Yesterdays – 50 years ago

The final score of 2-3 gives you an idea of the closeness of the game. The 1st XII could have won at any time but the final whistle sounded to terminate the on-coming onslaught which was no doubt brewing from the 1sts. Brian Wells had a good game in goal Anon

The 2nd XI drew 1-1 and Owens must have considered themselves very lucky to come away with a point. At last the 2nds seemed to be playing as a team and all played with much more confidence and skill and this, of course, resulted in good football

It would be wrong to single out anyone as the star of the game but mention must be made of 'Yogi' Taylor and Ian Rayworth. We had 90% of the play and really should have scored more. The wood was hit twice and many shots sailed inches wide

Owens scored within five minutes of the change over from a cross which split our defence wide open. Our goal came about 20 minutes later when **ALAN CARPENTER** hit the ball on the volley into the top corner of the net. Ron Ashdown

This was the 3rds best win of the season and well deserved, too. At half-time, thanks to a goal by **PETER PORTMAN,** we were one up. We created enough chances to treble this score but, as has become normal in our games this season, the forwards frittered them away!

Five minutes after the break we were two up and seemingly coasting to another indifferent win. Mayfield got a lucky own goal when the 3rd XI had a mad five minutes when everyone kicked the ball everywhere and our visitors were allowed to get back into the game and, for a time, our defence was under pressure. However, thanks to some indifferent finishing our goal-keeper was not tested with a direct shot

It was now that **JOHN BRITTAIN** scored the goal of the match – if not the season. Collecting the ball on the left-hand corner of Mayfield's penalty area he dribbled past no less than four of the opposition, including the goal-keeper, to slot the ball home and put us 3-1 up. From this moment it was all one-way traffic and another four goals were scored in the last 20 minutes

Everyone had a good game but I thought Bob Chapman, who played centre-half, Ray Howell and Bob Favell had particularly good games. (Tony Golborn had his best game of the season but is too modest to have this fact publicised!)

If the 3rds had only played the way they did in the second half in every game this season, they could have walked away with the title

Brian Reynolds

Although the 4th XI's final score of 0-6 is rather crushing, Gordon Manning, in goal, had a great game, not once putting a foot wrong. Mike Scudamore, Bill Long and Bob Bevan were all injured and, with only eight men to beat, Witan should have won by many more goals

A mention for Cliff Norris and Chris Horler in defence, Terry Fanning and, of course, Gordon Manning

Bob Bevan

The 5th XI soon found themselves two goals down. Tony Brighton, playing his first game in goal, was not doing too well but as the game went on his handling got safer and it was not his fault that Centymca added a third before half-time

Another two were added in the second half but the team kept fighting and worried the opposition's defence with some fine shots from Trevor Warboys and John Drabwell. Dick Steggle was heard to remark after the match that he had gone through the whole game without beating his full-back, but Dick must be used to spending his Saturday afternoons in somebody else's pocket. Mike Pike

Classified Results, March 29th 1969				
Old Finchleians	3	1st XI	2	Scorers not reported
2nd XI	1	Old Owens	1	Carpenter
3rd XI	7	Mayfield Athletic	1	Portman, Brittain + 5
Witan	6	4th XI	0	
Centymca	5	5th XI	0	
Carlisle	1	Palace	2	OG, Lazarus

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