# OLD WILSONIANS FOOTBALL CLUB ‘All the news that’s fit to print’

## SEASON 2023/24 NEWSLETTER No. 1,776.






*Here is the first OWFC newsletter of the season and my first, following in the footsteps of OW legends such as Stu Paton, James Eglon and Mike Pike.*

*I have left a few photos in from the last newsletter and hopefully there will be a few team trophies on parade at the end of the season in addition to club ones and there are match reports from the Mumford-Harris matches vs South Bank and also the first round of fixtures from 16th September 2023.*

*Dates for the diary : OWFC v the school games are on 30th September with the first games kicking off at 10am, Vice President’s Day, Saturday 18th November 2023, from Noon and a number of the OWFC family are attending the opening of the Kirk Benjamin well being room at the school on Saturday 14th October at 2pm.*

*Team of the week (16/9/2023) : Seb Saggar (5s), Tambini (3s), Sam Bridges (4s), Steve Peares (3s),George Catton (2s), Monty (3s), Gowtham Jeevan (1s), Craig Elliott (1s), Maverick Gore (4s), John Howe (4s)*

*All Our Yesterdays reports from 25 and 50 years ago and results from 23rd September fixtures will follow in future newsletters.*

*All the best for the season, Mark Pope (aka new Ed).*




## OWFC AWARDS 2022 / 23

**Mike Harris Clubman of the Year – CJ Watson**
**Clarke Quarrington Award – Doug Forbes**
**POTY 1S –Alex Karamath**
**YPOTY – Ellis Jarrod**



## OWFC AWARDS 2022 / 23

**Player of the Year 3rd X1 – on behalf Tyler Gilson**
**Player of the Year 5th X1 – on behalf Terrel Wells**
**Player of the Year 4th X1 – Nathan Carpenter**
**Player of the Year 2nd X1 – on behalf Montelle Henry**

## OWFC AWARDS 2022 / 23

**Super Vets YPOTY**
**Chris DYKI**

**Super Vets POTY**
**Mark Pope**
**(collected by Chris Dyki)**

**Player of the Year**
**7th X1 – Joe Kadji**





# OWFC DINNER - AUCTION IN AID OF KIRK BENJAMIN WELL BEING ROOM AT SCHOOL OVER £1K RAISED THANK YOU ALL



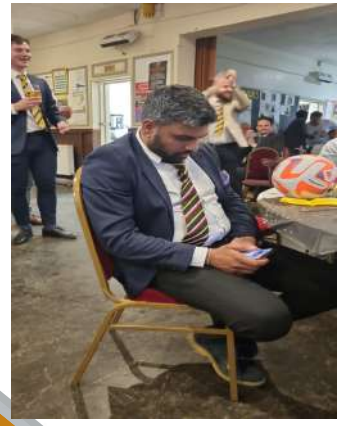




CPFC SIGNED BALL – PAT DU CASSE




CFC SIGNED BALL – JAMES PATON



GOLF WITH SALAKO – YUVED CHECKING BANK ACCOUNT



5th X1 SIGNED MATCH BALL – WON BY THE 5TH X1 MICHAEL HOFFMAN

## Men of the Hill

https://www.facebook.com/groups/200448241218240

A number of Old Boys and Club members have set up a Facebook group during these difficult times, please click on the link or cut n paste above.

**Its good to talk. Its ok not to be ok.**

Talking about how we feel is something we all find hard to do whether you are a Man or a Woman.

Last Sunday we discussed ways of expressing how we feel, as well as how anxiety can affect us.

We spoke about the positive effects our Sports Club has had on us and what our plans are to Remove the Mental from Mental Health.

**About**

This group has been set up to help anyone connected to the Wilsonian Sports club, whether they be friends of friends or family members.

We are here to keep each other company.

We will share events across different platforms such as WhatsApp and help people get through the 12 or so weeks we have to face under Covid-19.

**Private**

Only members can see who's in the group and what they post.

**Visibility**

Anyone can find this group.



# Results 16th September 2023

| SAL | 1s v Old Parmiterians (a) |
|---|---|
| Results | Scorers |
| 0-3 | |

| SAL | 2nd XI v HSBC (a) |
|---|---|
| Results | Scorers |
| 0 -4 | |

| SAL | 3rd XI v South Bank (h) |
|---|---|
| Results | |
| 3-2 | OG, Montelle Henry, Steven Peares |

| SAL | 4th X1 v HSBC (a) |
|---|---|
| Results | Scorers |
| 2-2 | Sam Bridges, Jon Howe |

| SAL | 5th XI vs Meadonians (h) |
|---|---|
| Results | Scorers |
| 1-4 | L Curran |

| SAL | 6th XI vs Wimbledonians (h) |
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| Results | Scorers |
| 0-16 | |

| SAL | |
|---|---|
| Results | Scorers |
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| Friendly<br>Vets v South Bank<br>Cuaco | |
|---|---|
| Result | Scorers |
| 4-2 | Gary Bonsels, Pete Taylor, Dave McLeish, Pat Ducasse |





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# Fixtures – 23rd September 2023

| SPC | 1s v Cambridge Heath (home 2pm) |
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| Results | Scorers |
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| SAL | 2nd XI v Chattan (home 2pm) |
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| SAL | 3rd XI v Civil Service 4s (away) |
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| Results | Scorers |
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| SAL | 4th XI v Old Blues 2s (away) |
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| Results | Scorers |
| | No |

| SAL | 5th XI vs South Bank 7s (away) |
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| Results | Scorers |
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| SAL | 6th XI vs Civil Service 7s (home 2pm) |
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OWFC Vets v South Bank Cuaco (4-2)

The Vets were up early on Saturday morning for their first game of the season in desert like conditions.

South Bank Cuaco started well and dominated the ball but when we won it back we always looked dangerous. Steve Donnelly had to make a great double save before we managed to take the lead. Gary Bonsels closed down the goalkeeper and managed to nick the ball before stroking into an empty net. A lung busting run by Jamie Parkinson almost led to a second but stupidly he decided to pass to Jon Howe. We did however get a second though from an unlikely source. Pete Taylor running the length of the pitch from left back before driving it home from 25 yards (Webby would've been speechless).

At half time each player drank 8 gallons of water is the shade before unfortunately having to head back to the pitch to defend the slope. We were soon 3-0 up with a Dave McLeish penalty and a cricket score looked on the cards. However, a free header from a corner got SBC back in it before a pathetic piece of defending from Doug Smart meant the score was now 3-2. Jon Howe then molested their centre half which made the game a bit more feisty, something that suited us. Dave McLeish managed a miss a penalty before Pat DuCasse sealed the point with a sniffers goal.

Off for a cold shower and a cold beer..... job done.

The squad voted Dave McLeish as mom but incredibly the ref went for The Ox. A good start to the season with more to come later on.

Steve Donnelly, Aaron Langley, Doug Smart, Pete Taylor, Guy Hannah, Ryan Cartwright, Danny Mansfield, Jamie Parkinson, Pat DuCasse, Gary Bonsels, Dave McLeish, Jon Howe, Chris Dyki, Paul Sherwin

The Mumford-Harris Trophy 4th XI: SBC 2-0 OWFC As pre-season games go, this cup game was shaping up to be as tough as they get, with the temperature at 33 degrees and a strong opposition team waiting for us. We weren't particularly well prepared either: our skipper was AWOL in Lithuania, we had a bare XI that hadn't played together before and only 6 of us followed Magnus in his somewhat questionable warm up whilst others, such as Lucas, sensibly preferred to sunbathe. However, a pre-game talk from Club Captain Dan rallied the team and we started solidly. Both sides produced promising attacking play in the early stages of the game, and debutant Matt McDowell gave the SBC was a problem for their defenders, most notably dribbling through half their team and only being denied a goal by an excellent last ditch-slide tackle. On our end, Max Exelby set the tone for a strong team defensive performance, making several crucial interceptions to defuse opposition attacks. Unfortunately, SBC broke the deadlock with a corner kick that slotted straight in, with what some might say was more luck than skill. We responded positively, with youngster Dylan Payne getting some dangerous shots off and coming agonisingly close with a shot that hit the bar, Matt heading a rebound on target from close range and Magnus having a couple of accurate attempts on goal. Unfortunately, the SBC keeper, undoubtedly their MOTM, produced a stunning array of saves to keep us out and continued to do so throughout the game. The middle quarters were a slog for both teams, with an intense, tight contest being played under the merciless midday sun leaving everyone fatigued and parched throughout. Despite calls to finish the quarters early, the ref was running on 'Jamaican time', as he told Magnus. SBC eventually proved to be the more clinical, with a piece of sublime skill in the box by their winger teeing up a tap-in to make it 2-0. The goal was a tough pill to swallow given how many chances we'd had, but to the team's credit, we never gave up, regardless of the heat, and kept the pressure on them. Magnus redeemed his sub-par warm up to produce a standout, box-to-box display throughout, acting as the teams creative maestro and tracking back relentlessly. Indeed, the only other occasion that he's gone to such lengths has been in the post-match showers. A late switch to 3-5-2 brought the best out of Max Taylor and Dylan who were menacing on the wings. The late introduction of fresh midfielders and wingers by SBC led to renewed attacking threats but our defence held strong, anchored by stalwart Dan in midfield and supported by immense shifts from the back three of Max, Ruben, and Fred. With efforts from Matt, super-sub-Sonny, and Magnus being denied from yards out once again, it felt harsh that we couldn't get on the scoresheet. Nevertheless, it was a spirited and promising performance against a well organised, talented team in SBC. A special shout out to Ruben, Lucas and Sonny who all made herculean efforts to play a second game for OWs in the sweltering heat. Despite the loss and the dreadful jokes told by the SBC chairman, we had a right to be proud of ourselves and enjoy the post-game jars. MOTM – Magnus (just don't give him port for his award)

Match Report – Luke Saitch

Ows 5th XI vs South Bank

Having been undergoing a gruelling pre season training regime since the start of June, the Old Wilsonians' 5th XI were looking to finish pre season with a win in the prestigious Mumford-Harris Cup against Southbank 5th XI, a team one division above for the upcoming season.

Wilson's started the game brightly looking comfortable in possession and quickly recovering the ball whenever Southbank attempted to launch a counterattack. Within 15 minutes, the team's patience was rewarded when Mervin 'baby rhino' Nicholas charged through the South Bank defence before beating the keeper to give Wilson's a deserved goal lead.

After the drinks break, the intensity from Wilson's dropped and this allowed South Bank back into the game. Three quick-fire goals from South Bank put them in charge of the fixture but the OWs were still playing some excellent football and knew they could drag themselves back into the game. Some great linkup between Tambini and Wright left Tambini clear through on goal with his composed strike beating the keeper and giving Wilson's the momentum going into half-time. However South Bank did startle the 5s just before the break when some excellent linkup play led to their striker hitting the crossbar with a top quality strike.

In the second half, Wilson's showed their greater fitness and desire in the blistering 31 degree heat and equalised after veteran Doyle's spin on the edge of the box before smashing his shot into the back of the net. 2-2. Needing a winner, Captain Chris Dyki stepped up to the plate and caught the South Bank keeper off guard with a 40 yard rocket that crashed in off the upright.

With the Old Wilsonians on the ascendant the result now seemed virtually a guarantee; however, the effort never dropped and the 5s were rewarded for their endeavour with great finishes from both Wright and Sochi.

Overall, an excellent battling comeback by the 5s against a strong South Bank side positions the 5XI perfectly for the start of their new season.

Report: Luke Curran

Squad:

Frost
McMullen Billing Benson
Dyki Coughlan Nicholas Doyle
Holmes Curran
Quinton

Substitutes:
S. Margetts, B. Margetts, Sweeney, Tambini, Wright, Sochi

OWS 1st XI match report

Old Parmiterians (16/09/23) (3-0 L)
All prayers were answered when the 1s drew an away day to North East London-based Old Parmiterians on the opener for the season - cue a couple of late arrivals and a no-show, and it was far from an ideal start.

Regardless, the boys warmed up quickly and well in the scorching heat, with Ingamells making light work of a 500ml bottle of factor 50 ahead of kick off. Old Parmits in comparison looked the real deal, with a touchline of managers and coaches, alongside a frog box camera set up to film some top quality matchplay.

A new look 1s lined up well, and started to build their way into the game within the first 10 mins. Old Parmits' immediate threat was down the right wing, with a quick and tricky winger looking to pick up the majority of the ball - clearly fancying himself against Kirby. Parmits broke the deadlock at around the 15 minute mark, with some nice play and quick 1-2s on their home 3G pitch, with the move ending in a tap-in at the far post for the left-winger.

Even so, OWS were looking more dangerous as the first half went on. Wright found himself slotted through towards the edge of the box from a good team move, though his finish didn't trouble the keeper too much. The best chance of the half fell to Jeevan as he was clipped through from the RHS, though he too couldn't find the target. At the other end, Rose & Chiana were sticking their bodies on the line, with plenty of last ditch blocks helping Ingamells out, who himself had made some brilliant saves to keep the deficit to just one at half time.

After a rousing word from new skipper Wright, the lads moved into the second half with good intent, having nullified some of the threat from the Parmits right winger and looking more dangerous with Giles starting to find some space to run into. The second half was creeping towards the halfway drinks break when a mixup between Osborn & Ingamells saw the OWS keeper attempting to cruyff his way out of danger. Unfortunately for Ingamells, the Old Parmits number 9 was immune to his 1 star skill moves, and nicked it off him and slotted into an empty net for 2-0.

The remainder of the second half saw a haze of chances at both ends, with Giles slotting past the keeper only for it to be cleared off the line. A Gilo header from the 6 yard box was smartly saved by the keeper, followed by a 50 pence header from Osborn from within 4 yards this time, from Wright's whipped corner. The missed chances ultimately cost the 1s, with tiredness clearly setting in, and a Parmits' sub secured their third near the death, with some fresh legs running through the OWS old guard, and a cool finish from 10 yards gave Ingamells no chance.

HSBC 2s 4-0 OWs 2s

MATCH REPORT

Before going into the game the 2s new we had a tough game facing HSBC as they were in the league above us last season.

Going into the first half with 1 sub and hot conditions we knew we had to conserve our energy. Throughout the first half it was anyone's game with close shots from both sides. The 2s passing from defence to attack was liquid but the hot weather was taking a toll on the team. The first half ended 0-0 with missed opportunities from both sides.

As soon as the second half started the battling commenced with clashes between both sides. However, HSBC broke through and slipped a goal. After this the boys came back with numerous corners where we didn't get the right connection. However a dodgy header from HSBC got them 2-0 just in time for the water break. The heat and lack of subs was getting to the 2s everyone was worn out. Once the water break was over a cross and a back post shot gained another goal for HSBC and then followed by another to be 4.

With bare minimum the 2s didn't get to put on their best show.

Match report: George Gatton

MOM: Peter Millington

5xi vs Old Meadonian 5xi (1-4)

After a solid pre season, a newly formed 5xi were excited to get the season started. Everyone (bar J.Benson) arrived well ahead of time. Bleached hair, strong warm up and a classic Dyki team talk and we were ready to go.

We started strongly, keeping possession and making the opposition work. Then came our break, great pressing from L.Curran led to a N.Spencer break away, a blocked shot fell into the path of of L.Curran who slotted home. 1-0

The oppo grew into the game and piled the pressure on. Poor decision making from skipper Dyki played their striker through and made it 1-1. Shortly after another sloppy pass led to another oppo break away, 2-1 down going into half time.

The second half was much of the same, the oppo had the better of the ball and make us work hard for everything. We kept the ball a lot better second half, playing the football we had been showing all of pre season. However, two more fast breakaways in quick succession from the opposition stretched our defence. 4-1 loss

A wake up call for the 5s, but a long season and plenty of opportunity for a successful season!

MOTM: S.Saggers
DOTD: L.Curran

Chris Dyki

OWFC 6th XI report (0-16 vs HSBC)

The scoreline is not a typo, unfortunately. It honestly doesn't reflect the game, certainly not the first half. After losing Lloyd Rees in the warm-up to a dislocated shoulder (get well soon!) we started brightly and were by far the better team in the first 20 minutes, dominating possession but without troubling their keeper too much, although Ralph Rance hit the crossbar with a fantastic strike. We conceded a couple of sloppy goals from set pieces and by half time, although we were 3-0 down, we felt if we could get a goal back, we'd be right in it. How wrong we were. The second half is hard to explain. Did our heads drop when they scored soon after the restart? Was it a lack of fitness? Wimbledonians grew in confidence with every goal scored, and try as we might, we could not contain the surge. It's important that we take this result on the chin, learn from our mistakes, and never let it happen again.

Team: Sam Waton, Roddy Trompiz, Matt Gundry-White, Joe Kajdi, Andrew Callam, Mandeep Dhariwal, Ralph Rance, Clayton D'Souza, Bruce Graham, Jake Ashton-Holloway, Ash Phakey, Saj Phakey, Vishu Ketheeswaran

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