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

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Half decent set of results on Saturday with all four home sides getting points.
The 1s played out a 0 – 0 draw with Alleyns, who like Parkonians the previous week, were there for the taking. We dominated the second half but couldn’t find the net. Good to see Ollie Beatson and Alex Bratterman back in the Squad.
The 2s folded last year and a rebuild is in progress with the majority of the 4s under the Chunkster stepping up. They have remained in Junior Div One South so have a real chance for League and Cup success this season. They have been placed in the AFA Minor Cup and beat Chattan one of the few 1st X1’s in the competition on Saturday. They now play Old Sutts 5th X1, yes Fifth X1 in the next round on October 22nd at Northey Avenue and must look to a long cup run.
The 3s gave Nottsborough a real game in Kingston and were unlucky to come away with a 1 0 defeat.
The 5s have started strongly, like a pre match huddle and will look to keep early season form going under the Hoffmeister.
The 6s have had a more difficult start and will look to pick up a first win this Saturday at home.
The 7s played out a 1 1 draw with South Bank, playing better up the HD slope with Bruce Graham dominating the midfield before a nasty clash of heads saw him head for a few stitches. We wish him well for a quick recovery, a true club legend and South Bank also sent a kind message asking after him.
The Vets and Super Vets have got a fullish season ahead playing on Sundays, mostly at Hayes. Last Sunday saw a reverse at HSBC with Chairman elect Dan Harris scoring.

Please note that annual subs are due.
Full - £100
Super 70 Club members - £50
Unemployed- £25
Students in full time education - Free

A shortened newsletter this week, please ensure that all match reports, with teams and scorers preferably on Word to Stupowfc@gmail.com by 6pm on a Monday please.

Good luck Saturday. Non Sibi Sed Omnibus

Fixtures – 1st Oct – Home Games at Hayes / HD

SAL	1s v Nottsborough Home
Results	Scorers

SAL	2nd XI v Carshalton Home
Results	Scorers

SAL	3rd XI v West Wickham Away
Results	Scorers

SAL	4th XI v South Bank Away
Results	Scorers

SAL	5th XI vs Merton Away
Results	Scorers

SAL	6th XI vs South Bank 7's Home
Results	Scorers

SAL	7th XI v Old Blues 3s Home
Results	Scorers

Super Vets	Sunday 2nd Oct Met Police (Temple Bar) 10am Home
Results	Scorers



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Results – 24th Sept – Home Games at Hayes / HD

SAL	1s v Alleyn Old Boys Home
Results	Scorers
0 - 0	

SAL Cup	2nd XI v Chattan Home SAL Cup
Results	Scorers
3 - 0	Montelle Henry, Taslim Drame, George Gill

SAL	3rd XI v Nottsborough 4s Away
Results	Scorers
0 - 1	

SAL	4th XI v Actonian's 5s Away
Results	Scorers
	No game

SAL	5th XI vs Old Meadonians Home
Results	Scorers
5 - 0	Chris Kennedy 2, Steve Benwell, Kieran Wright, Christopher Biggins

SAL	6th XI vs HSBC 4s Away
Results	Scorers
2 - 6	Davies, Gilbert

SAL	7th XI v South Bank 9's Home
Results	Scorers
1 – 1	Luca Stringer

Vets	Sunday 25th Sept AWAY HSBC Vets
Results	Scorers
1 - 4	Dan Harris Squad: Frosty, Lee Reid, Doug Smart, Mark Pope, Jamie Parkinson, Guy Hannah (mom), Gary Bonsels, Pete Taylor, Dan Harris, Pat DuCasse, Jon Howe, Dave Pavitt, Kit Hollis.



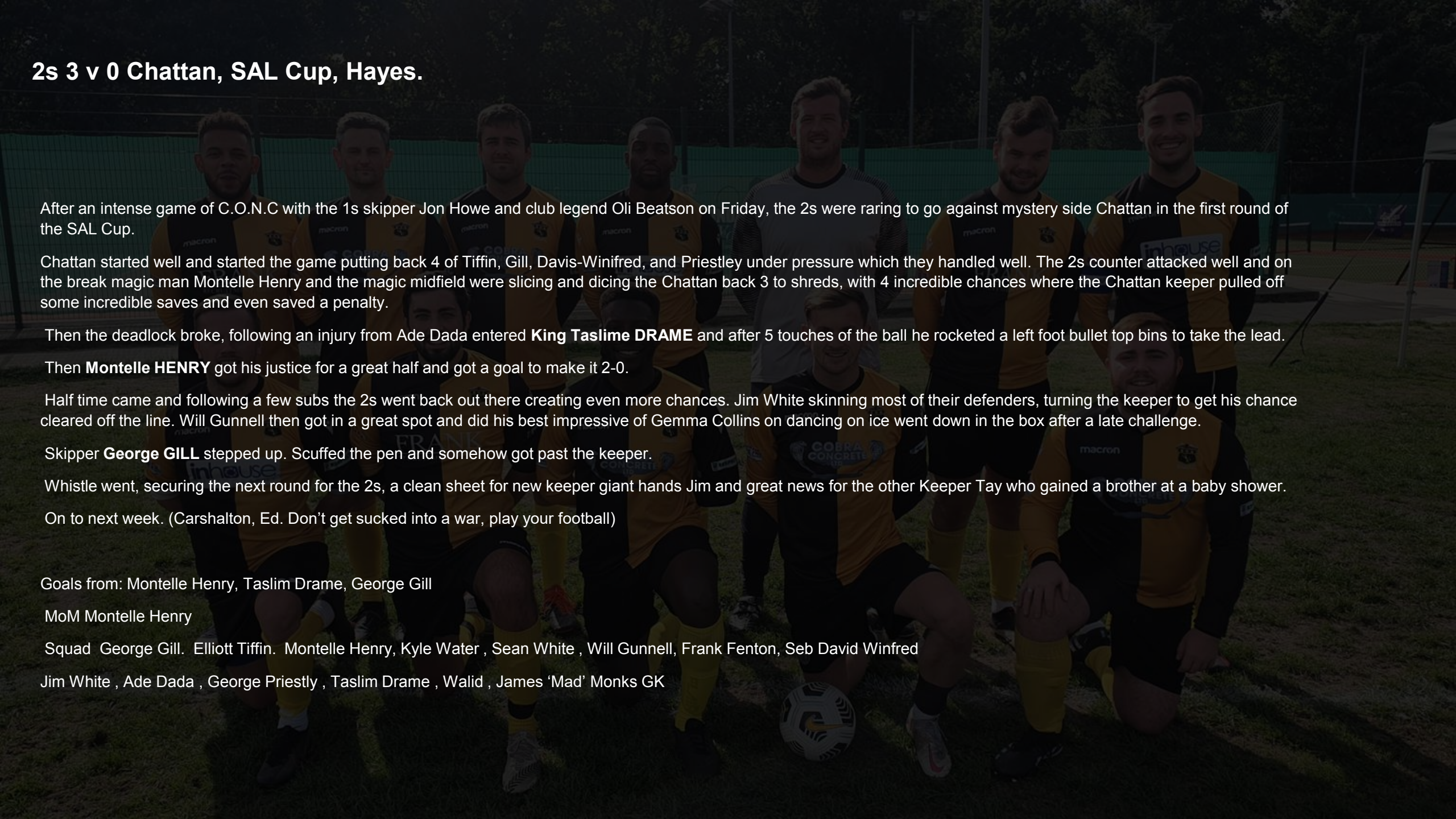
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1's 0 v 0 Alleyn Old Boys

Sal League, Home

2s 3 v 0 Chattan, SAL Cup, Hayes.



After an intense game of C.O.N.C with the 1s skipper Jon Howe and club legend Oli Beatson on Friday, the 2s were raring to go against mystery side Chattan in the first round of the SAL Cup.

Chattan started well and started the game putting back 4 of Tiffin, Gill, Davis-Winifred, and Priestley under pressure which they handled well. The 2s counter attacked well and on the break magic man Montelle Henry and the magic midfield were slicing and dicing the Chattan back 3 to shreds, with 4 incredible chances where the Chattan keeper pulled off some incredible saves and even saved a penalty.

Then the deadlock broke, following an injury from Ade Dada entered **King Taslime DRAME** and after 5 touches of the ball he rocketed a left foot bullet top bins to take the lead.

Then **Montelle HENRY** got his justice for a great half and got a goal to make it 2-0.

Half time came and following a few subs the 2s went back out there creating even more chances. Jim White skinning most of their defenders, turning the keeper to get his chance cleared off the line. Will Gunnell then got in a great spot and did his best impressive of Gemma Collins on dancing on ice went down in the box after a late challenge.

Skipper **George GILL** stepped up. Scuffed the pen and somehow got past the keeper.

Whistle went, securing the next round for the 2s, a clean sheet for new keeper giant hands Jim and great news for the other Keeper Tay who gained a brother at a baby shower.

On to next week. (Carshalton, Ed. Don’t get sucked into a war, play your football)

Goals from: Montelle Henry, Taslim Drame, George Gill

MoM Montelle Henry

Squad George Gill. Elliott Tiffin. Montelle Henry, Kyle Water , Sean White , Will Gunnell, Frank Fenton, Seb David Winfred

Jim White , Ade Dada , George Priestly , Taslim Drame , Walid , James ‘Mad’ Monks GK

Nottsborough 1 v 0 3's SAL League, Away



The 3s travelled to Nottsborough with a strong squad looking to leave with 3 points.

Despite early domination and the creation of multiple chances the 3s found themselves one nil down after a lapse in concentration.

The trend of domination continued throughout the second half however the 3s failed to score the goals they deserved.

Huge performances by the midfield three of Kris Page, Tyler Gilson and Andy Free were not quite enough.

Despite the result lots of positives to take from this game. Onto the next

7s 1 v 1 South Bank 9's , SAL League, Home.

With a new look team and formation, we assembled (late for some) at Hayes ready to kick start the season.

With a pre-match proposed formation of 3-3-3-1 (or a more radical 3-1-2-3-1..), we were clearly looking to play the (Euro) numbers game.

With three Stringers, two Omar's and two Bruce's it took some time to get everyone's name right. Unfortunately, many were delayed (sorry skipper!) and it brought the response from the Oppo's Manager ' We might not be very good, but you starting with eight is taking the mickey'.

We need to make sure we turn up on time and warm up. The game started brightly, with the 7's playing a nice passing style, with even some talking, which was good to see. Playing up the hill we looked to stay compact and either hit them on the break or work an opening. With various chances narrowly missing the target, it took some great footwork from **Luca Stringer** who beat his man and slotted the ball far left, leaving their keeper no chance.

With chances either end, one long ball from their goalie was cleared by Bruce Stringer using his trademark 'scorpion' kick to clear his lines (I won't do it again Skipper!). With less than 8 minutes remaining of the first half South Bank worked an opening just outside the box and their striker hit it early, leaving Doug no chance as it hit the net. Half time was a good moment to gather our thoughts and impress that playing down the hill we needed to play more diagonal balls.

The second half continued with great discipline from the team and the message of keeping possession was working and the experimental back three kept their attackers at bay with fearless tackling from Dante and Aaron. Special mention Doug - quality as ever in goal.

As we mounted one attack, Bruce G rose at the far post with glory beckoning, but clashed heads with their right back and was bandaged up and sent to hospital (we wish him the best!). As Bruce had been controlling the midfield all game, it came to Joe and Andrew to take over and they did a great job. The rolling subs worked well and with Luca coming off injured we adapted and kept in the game. With little between the teams it finished a draw, which was probably slightly unfair on the 7's who had worked hard and kept going to the end. There is much promise for the rest of the season.

Notable League debuts for Aaron Clarke, Dante Stringer and Frankie Rodway, all played magnificently.

MoM – Aaron Clarke. Goal – Luca Stringer.

Notable mentions – Bruce G (absolutely controlled the game), Dante (think their forward is still feeling that crunching tackle!) and Frankie (great work with Aaron down the left).

Team : Doug Forbes (GK), Bruce Stringer, Aaron Clarke, Dante Stringer, Bruce Graham, Matthew GW, Joe Kajdi, Andrew Callam, Milosz Manista, Frankie Rodway, Kavi Lakhani, Mo Omar, Abdi Omar

Report Bruce Stringer (Thanks Bruce, excellent report with squad names, gold star this week, Ed)

5’s 5 v 0 Old Meadonians. SAL League, Hayes
“Up the Fives”



The 5’s return to their newly crowned fortress; Hawes Down pitch 1, looking to continue the season with another big 3 points.

The early league leaders started strong, restricting Old Meads to hopeful balls and misplaced short passes. The midfield being dominated by N. AMOAH, C. AKPAKU and T. WELLS. Some good play leading to a ball delivered from wide only for S. BENWELL to make too good of a contact and fire wide.

The pressure was building and another good ball was whipped in, S. BENWELL meeting it like a salmon, heading down to **K. WRIGHT** to smash home from close range. A few minutes later and a foul on T. WELLS in the box was awarded with a penalty. S. BENWELL calmly stepping up only to smash it against the post. This saw the introduction of C. KENNEDY. Immediately into the action and stretching the Meads defence. Another penalty is awarded for a handball and this time **C. KENNEDY** steps up and slots it home. 2-0 to the 5’s.

Half time and a few rotations are made by our Assistant Gaffer Andy Hoffers, to keep the team fresh. A. BENWELL’s introduction led to a fantastic headed through ball from a S. PEARES’ goal kick, for **C. KENNEDY** to round the keeper and slot home to make it 3-0. The continued pressure from the 5’s earned a corner on the right and J. DOYLE delivers a beautiful ball to the back post for **C. BILLINGS** to head home. 4-0 and the bench is singing his name.

After some good work down the right A. BENWELL cuts a delicious ball back, only for R. BENSON to connect with fresh air and set up C. KENNEDY, who unfortunately hit the post and was unable to claim his hat-trick. S. BENWELL is reintroduced and is straight back in the action, with T. WELLS slotting an outside of the boot pass through the heart of defence, **S. BENWELL** ran onto it and cooly slotted it with his left boot into the far corner. 5-0 to the 5’s.

The whistle going to the sound of T. FROST complaining he was getting cold from the lack of action.

A totally dominating performance all round. UP THE FIVES!

MoM: C. BILLINGS

DoD: R. BENSON

MATCH REPORT: R. BENSON

Chairman's Report to AGM. August 2022

This was our first full season in a number of years due to Covid . There was a drop off in playing numbers as club members made up for a couple of years.

This happened across the league. We reduced our Saturday sides from 9 to 7 late September.

This had repercussions across the club and selection was troublesome across the season.

Thanks go out to all the skippers and Cejay Watson for sorting out the top 3 sides & and giving us a much needed base for the second half of the season.

We have decided to alter the selection policy with free movement in the top 3 sides and the 4-7s to play as squads of 15 which will be agreed pre the season.

Also that annual subs will be paid pre the start of the season as collecting this was troublesome. This should allow the skippers to select regular & committed players who will play both home and away.

There were lots of positives from the season:-

- 1s competed well across the season and had a close-knit squad under Jon Howe.
- Both 4s & 5s got promoted.
- We have new changing rooms which look great thanks to the Brittain money (Ed note, OW John and Janet Brittain gifted a significant legacy in their wills).
- 31 members toured to Malta and became champions of Europe – thanks to chunk, Dou Forbes, Stu Paton & Jim Lloyd for making this a success.
- The Football club dinner returned with over 90 attendees, thanks to Steve Kember for doing a Q & A with Richard Smart.
- We started to integrate the junior section into the club & thanks to the junior sections coaches, our club captain Dan Harris for instigating this and again to Cejay and the captains for making these players at home.
- We provided chilli con carne instead of our usual quality pies and beans. This was given the thumbs up by both home and away teams.
- The weekly raffle returned and was completed every week.
- OWFC was named as English AFA affiliated club of the month during the year.
- We are looking to integrate more juniors in this season, plus bringing back the school game in early August. So hopefully recruitment will ease. We will be looking to bring in an app to collect weekly subs as cash becomes a thing of the past & also allows us to monitor poor payers.
- We will be looking to increase events this season as there is an appetite from our members & we look to integrate all the teams so we have a closer club feel.
- We must also start making plans for Women's football as there are 3 girls teams coming through the junior section and we will need to make plans so we are ready as a club.

Peter Phillimore passed away last week from Cancer. Peter was a big supporter of the Old Wilsonians and will be greatly missed. His funeral and wake was held at the club during the summer.

Lastly I'm stepping down as Chair as I'm going travelling with Debbie throughout 2023, so we are looking for a new chair. (Dan Harris has stepped up – thank you)

Alex Forbes

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 Wilsonians 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.

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

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2nd XI – Intermediate Div 1

3's

http://www.southernamateurleague.co.uk/junior-division-5b-south.html

4th XI – Junior South Div 2

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6th XI 7th XI– Junior South Div 4

8th XI – Junior South Div 5



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Treasurer:	**Stu Dunk**
President:	Jamie Parkinson
Chairman:	Alex Forbes
Hon. Secretary:	Jamie Parkinson
Club Captain:	**Dan Harris**



Team	Name	Email Address
1st XI	Jon HOWE	
2nd XI	Ian WELLMAN	
3rd XI	Jack SHELTON	
4th XI	Jamie MONIZ	
5th XI	Mike HOFFMAN	
6th XI	Nick Mole Ben Mole	
7th XI	Matt GUNDRY-WHITE	
Vets	Jamie Parkinson	
Super Vets	Doug Forbes	
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