

OH FOOTBALL REPORT NO 12

OH footballers,

Please note that ANNUAL SUBS (£25) are now due. Please can those outstanding be paid as soon as possible.

Results for Saturday 6th December:

First Team:

Home v Parkfield (League) 6-1 win (Unknown)

No report received.

Team: Unknown

Top Scorers: Harrison 7

Second Team:

Away v Old Tiffinians (League) 3-2 defeat (Linacre, Sainsbury)

After a very poor first half where the OH lost its skipper again early on and we struggled to come to terms with the sticky pitch and very low sun, we turned it round in the second half and almost reversed the 3 goal deficit with some superb attacking play exhibiting pace and control. We only managed to get the two goals back in the second part. We were desperately unlucky, having a definite penalty turned away and missing a couple of decent chances. All in all, the skipper is proud of the boys and expects us to drive on from here.

Top scorers: A Dunn-Baker 8, M Sexton 6

Team: Andy Evans, Stan, Paul D-B (Mark Threlfall) Neil Sainsbury, Dave Kavoussi, Phelps, Dan Sims, Nabby, Greeno (Holty), Alan D-B, Dan Linacre

Third Team:

Away vs. Economicals (League) 1-5 Defeat (Barron)

The 3s set out to be solid against the 2nd placed side, on a perfect pitch at the LSE, and, for an hour were well in the game.

In a scrappy opening period, the 3s got lucky early on as the referee inexplicably gave the opposition a free-kick outside the box when Wheeldon had feathered his forward at least 4 yards inside!

However, with Wilson scrapping hard in the middle of midfield and Shearing looking very sound as part of the back four, the 3s were holding their own against an increasingly frustrated Economicals.

On the half-hour mark they got their rewards as Wood flicked on Shearing's throw-in and Barron, steadying himself on the penalty spot, finished clinically with his left foot. 1-0.

Unfortunately, just when it looked as if the 3s would take a precious lead into half time, a decent finish from the edge of the box levelled the scores at the break.

The talk at half-time was about belief in what we were doing and the need for a vast improvement in possession.

The 3s started quite brightly without finding any great quality but were then struck down by this season's curse – the school boy individual defensive mistake – on the hour. Economicals slotted into the empty net and scored a third minutes later as the 3s heads went down.

The remainder of the match was about how many Economicals would score and they managed two when they might have had six.

At the moment, the senior leagues are all too much for a 3s side lacking pace and composure in possession.

This week's Cup game is an opportunity to find some confidence for the run-in.

Team: Dix, Shearing, Wheeldon (Flynn), Patel, Bauk, Lopez, Sekhon, Wilson (Hatton), Hinton, Barron, Wood

Top Scorers: Barron: 6, Wood: 5

Fourth Team:

Fixture postponed due to unplayable pitch

Team:

Top Scorers: Horne 15

Vets Team

No report received.