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Vamps latest!!



- **LAST CHANCE**...to get your Annual Subs discount, remember after this week it will be an extra tenner~~Pete Ephgrave is the man to see!...BE WARNED, “no pay, no play!”

....and finally! **Selection issues = PAUL AYERS ON 07508 060586 (new number)**. CAPTAINS AND MANAGERS results to Paul Mourton on 07932 712701. Team Selections & Match reports to riding@supanet.com by Monday noon and ensure the raffle gets done when it is your turn!!!

All Committee Members please note, next meeting is THURSDAY 8th OCTOBER at 7.00 pm!!

Teams for Saturday 3rd October 2009.

Captains will be informed by J.Winchester, (07974 193291) if there are any changes. If your team isn't shown it means they have no match! Remember to check if you need to change shirts and speak to John Roberts, (07984 825405) if you foresee a problem!

PLEASE AIM TO KEEP TO MEET TIMES---LEAGUE FINES FOR BEING LATE!!!

1st XI v Old Stationers; **AWAY**; Mays Lane, Barnet, EN5 2AG; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 1.00 pm; MIDDX CUP: Ref; tba

Manager - Ina Singh - 020-8361-6870 ;

D.Vaz, J.Hindi, S.James, J.Lawrence, J.Ephgrave, L.Gregory, D.Hagan, P.Ayers, D.O'Neill, J.Riley, R.Pidegon, D.Dawson, A.Gyves, Frazier

2nd XI v Old Wilsonians; **HOME** ; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 1.00 am; AFA CUP: Ref; tba

Captain – Laurie Allan -- 07966 787302

Mullinger; Shields; Buli; S.Dawson; Buzac; Manoli; Mackey; M.Harvey; Christou; S.Ephgrave; Charles; Haritakis

3rd XI v Alleyn Old Boys; **AWAY** ; Burbage Road, Dulwich, SE24 9HD; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 12.15 pm; SAL : Ref; tba

Manager – Tim Coulman ...07960 727446 **~~NO TEAM SENT IN~~**

4th XI v Nottsborough; **HOME** ; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 1.30 pm; SAL CUP; Ref. John Alexander?? (may be a League appointment)

Captain – Jason DeMel -- 07841 016083

G.Donaghey, C.Osinaike, F.Chambers, P.Faherty, D. Harvey, P.Graham, J. Demel, S. Wynne, T. Green, B. Walls, L. Bailey, L.Green

5th XI v Weirside Rangers 4th; **AWAY** ; Met Police FC, Imber Court, Ember Lane, East Molesley, KT8 0BT; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 12.15 pm; SAL CUP ; Ref. tba

Manager – Mick Corrigan – 07919 695247

B.Clark, M.Behan, A.Copeland, R.Lucian, M.Haley, J.Collins, M.Corrigan, M.Hitch, J.Sargent. P.Wicker, G.Surry

6th XI v Old Finchleians 4th; **AWAY** ; Woodside Park, N12 7JE; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 1.00 pm; SAL; Ref. tba

Captain – Dan O'Connell 07958 529489

D.OConnell, A.Dawkins, J.Smith, J.Warwick, I.Dobson, T.Saull, T.Legge, S.Rudd,R.Wilson, D.Thomas, J.Mosse, T. Reynolds

7th XI v Civil Service 7th ; **HOME** ; ; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 1.15 pm; SAL CUP; Ref. John Bean?? (may be a League appointment) **~~DO THE RAFFLE!!~~**

J.Sexton, R.Huckle, C.Boyle, B.Cork, T.Smith, B.Roberts, P.Giles, J.Martindale, A.Dawson, D.Daniels, C.Rodgers, D.Deeny.

Captain – Ricky Huckle 07712 224330

8th XI v Old Westminster Citizens 6th ; **AWAY** ; Westminster City School Sports Ground, 245a Tamworth Lane, Mitcham, CR4 1DA; KO 3.00 pm; Meet 12.00 pm; SAL CUP; Ref. tba.

Captain – Dan Lauszkin 07867 756812

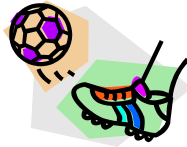
-----**NO TEAM SELECTED; ALL PLAYERS WILL BE CONTACTED DIRECT!**-----

PLEASE NOTE! Old Wests have had problems with N.London sides arriving late and have politely reminded us to be aware of the journey! Winnie advises the train can take the strain!! (very senior Vamps will remember those days of meeting at London Bridge!!)

CROCK'S CORNER & SUSPENSIONS!!

There may be a couple of suspects lurking!!..am awaiting news from Jim!





Results & Match Reports

Looks like its Ina's boys bagging the honours for "Team of the Week" again and how good is it for the Club to be lead from the front, reminiscent of when The Gaffer and Steve Langley et al were playing!! Watch out for the 2's who continue to impress and should be worth a viewing in the Cup on Saturday at The Nou Camp! 3's and 4's seem to be going about their business in style and the rest will be battling for victory as well I'm sure~~Keep the faith boys!!

"Oh, it's a grand old team to play for!!..."

1st XI v Kew; Won 4-1; Scorers; O'Neill (2), Hagan, Gregory

A week off last week and the Gaffer showing the boys how to play golf. The boys seemed up for the game with good banter going on. We come up against a strong and well organised Kew side who never gave us time on the ball. We did not create a lot in the first half with players taking to many touches we kept getting caught on the ball to many times, the commitment was there which saw us go in 0-0. Second half saw us start playing some great football and moving the ball well not trying to do too much. Skipper O'Neil opened the scoring in his new free role which he seems to be enjoying. Then Captain Marvel popped up again to drive the ball home 2-0.

We continued to play good football moving the ball well. Than Hagan hit a screamer from the edge off the box well done Dan worked your socks off and can u give the opponent his shirt back. Then Road Runner Gregory popped up with a good solo run to make it 4-0, what loyalty he showed in playing this game even though he had other commitments well done mate. It's nice to see the boys enjoying there football so much. Well done to Daryl Vaz who made a great save at a crucial time and Jason Riley who switched to left back and was terrific!!

2nd XI v Old Hamptonians; Won 3-2; Scorers; Knight(2?..OG?), Manoli,

Schlepping to the outer edges of the AFA universe has never been a recipe for good pre-match preparation, and this was no different, with manager, skipper and three others arriving a full 10 minutes before k/o. It showed - although we clearly had the better individuals, scant preparation and any number of changes to the line-up left us looking disjointed and out of sorts for most of the first half. Nevertheless, we still had most of the attacking play, so it was a surprise when with more or less their first chance Hamptonians took a fortunate lead. 0-1. At least that served to galvanise us, and shortly after a fairly innocuous looking cross from Knight was royally messed up by their keeper and ended up bouncing off their centre-half and into the net. H-T 1-1.

We started the second half far better, moving the ball with purpose and creating several presentable chances, all of which we spurned until good work by Charles down the right resulted in a tap-in for MANOLI. 2-1. We spurned further chances, our new keeper Mullinger showed fantastic reflexes more than once, and Hamptonians got just reward for their positive response to going behind. 2-2 . But once again we pressed, Knight unlucky to see a shot cannoning off the post . Just as extra-time looked available, we managed to get the ball into their box, and in nipped KNIGHT to clinch the winner, fair reward for another hard-working performance. All in all, we found our rhythm only sporadically, but once again came away with the right result, inspired by an immense second half performance by BULI, whose forays out from the back were impeccably timed and caused utter chaos in the Hamptonians defence. Man of the match by a country mile....

3rd XI v City of London; Won 3-2; Scorers; ??

~~NO REPORT SENT IN!~~

4th XI v Alexandra Park 5th XI; Won 3-1; Scorers; Bailey, Walls, T Green

From the off the Vamps were straight onto AP playing some good attacking football putting their rearguard on the back-foot for nearly all of the first half. AP were constantly under pressure, but despite our formidable display we were unable to convert any of the numerous chances we had, so we went off at half-time with the scores being 0-0. Second-half was a different matter and I can only put this down to the juicy oranges we had during the break?! About 5 minutes into the half, G.Donaghey took a fantastic goal-kick, launching the ball right into the opposition's box. It took one bounce over their back four and was met in the air by a flying kick from Bruce Leroy Bailey, who managed to flick it over AP's keeper to score his 3rd of the season.

AP's heads dropped and soon after we scored our 2nd when B.Walls latched onto another super kick by G. Donaghey, and placed it calmly past their keeper. AP's heads dropped even more and our third came when L.Bailey's shot rebounded straight into the path of T.Green who had a simple tap-in to put us 3-0 up. With such a comfortable lead in such a short amount of time, the obvious was bound to happen, and in typical fashion we started to switch-off or even worse, tried taking on the opposition's entire team. Inevitably, we got punished after a forceful run by the AP striker resulted in a clever ball being played to one of their midfielders who beat our off-side trap to go one-on-one and score past G.Donaghey.

The goal picked up them and with our tired legs, the tables suddenly turned with us being put under pressure from AP. Their efforts soon paid off when one of AP's midfielders was brought down 5 yards outside the box, winning a free kick in a dangerous area. All I can say is thank god we don't have cameras and goal line technology as what happened next will go down in goal-keeping history. AP took a great free kick which was cleared off the line by the head of the P.Faherty. The ball went up into the air about three foot above the cross bar and then fell back down into the path of G.Donaghey who jumped up to tip the ball over, but instead flapped the ball into the back of his own net!! Both teams were bemused, and couldn't quite work out whether the ball actually went in, or did it fall through from the back of the net just behind the cross-bar.

Being a true honest, professional G.Donaghey showed great sportsmanship by looking the confused referee straight into the eyes and telling him, matter-of-factly, that ball DID NOT go in but instead fell in from behind the cross-bar!!! God only knows how we got away with it, but thank god we did as we made the remainder of the second-half hard work for ourselves! Anyway, another solid team performance (well, for 70 mins of the game!) Final score 3-1. Phew!

5th XI ; NO MATCH

6th XI v Alleyns 4th XI; Lost 1-5; Scorer; ?

Our third game, and our third keeper and center back pairing. With all the prematch talk about commitment and team work, the game started just as the previous two. Vamps looked 'ok' on the ball, but when defending/chasing it all went to pot. With the game open the Vamps needed to get stuck in, which never happened. The only way we are going to win games is to work hard and take the chances we create.

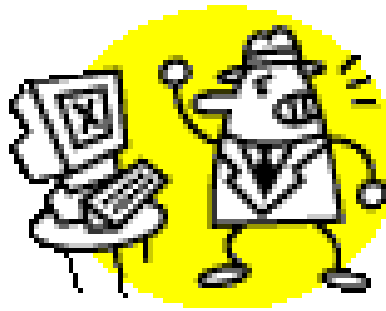
ANYONE HELP ME OUT WITH A KEEPER??!??

7th XI v Old Fincs 6th XI; Lost 3-6; Scorers;??

~~NO REPORT SENT IN!~~

8th XI v EBOG's 6th XI;

~~match cancelled; unable to field a team~~



Apologies!!

Computer problems and waiting for reports that never came means this edition is not up to the usual high standards~~hopefully normal service will be resumed next week~~along with ALL match reports and teams!!