

## **Amateur Football Combination Report – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2008**

All Premier Division clubs were involved in the first round of the London Old Boys Senior Cup. Old Hamptonians faced Lancing Old Boys, and late in the first half opened the scoring as Phil Quarter's free kick evaded everyone to sneak in at the far post. The second half saw Hamps dominate moving the ball around well, and midway through extended their lead as Richard Sexton crossed for Matt Harrison to head home. As time ran down, Ian Yates fed Alan Dunbaker down the left who crossed for Matt Syms to tuck home and seal an emphatic 3-0 win.

Old Aloysians travelled to Glyn Old Boys and on a good surface created a number of good chances before opening the scoring as Tom Wyatt headed home Mick Jones' cross. After seventy minutes Glyn almost pulled level, stand-in keeper Andrew Speed saving well low to his right from John Russell-Smith, only to see the ball crossed in by Paul Stephens again and headed by Peter Williams against the bar. Five minutes later Aloysians extended their lead, substitute Charlie Taylor feinting with his right, and turning onto his left to fire home. With the game looking safe Aloysians switched off, and Glyn pulled a goal back through Matthew Wheeler from Ryan Irvine's cross, but it was too late, Aloysians hanging on for a 2-1 win.

Bealonians hosted Centymca and ran out narrow winners. Beals opened the scoring after twenty minutes, Carl Taylor capitalising on defensive hesitance to poke home, but Centymca quickly hit back through Dave Sparks. The second half was nip and tuck until halfway through when Gary Bryson beat his man on the edge of the box, and saw his shot handled on the line, Simon Paul converting. The final fifteen minutes saw Simon Paul miss a hatful of chances, leaving Beals on tenterhooks as they ran out narrow 2-1 winners.

Old Meadonians won 4-1 against Old Danes in a one-sided game, Peter Eguae opening the scoring with a 25 yard screamer, and quickly extending their lead through Alex Jones and Luke Graham. The second half saw Jones add his second, and whilst Danes pulled one back as Lee Harper set up Gary Hawkins, it was never more than a consolation.

UCL Academicals won comfortably against Old Uffingtonians, opening the scoring through Neil Gillard and quickly extending it as good work by Simon Carrasco set up Rick Hirst to slot home. Soon after Accies should've killed it, Adam Stainsby winning a penalty only for Hirst to spurn it. Uffingtonians stepped up in the second half, pressing hard, but Rupert Neal and the Accies defence held firm, and in the final quarter of an hour Carrasco added a brace as Accies ran out emphatic 4-0 winners.

Old Paulines hosted Shene Old Grammarians. The only goals came in the first half, Paulines opening the scoring as Steve Vaikner broke down the right and crossed for Ed Owles to convert, and then sealing the game via a short corner, Joe Garood jinking to the edge of the area and firing home via a deflection. The second half was uneventful, Paulines running out 2-0 winners.