

## **AFC Report 09/10/10**

This weekend may have seen a diminished fixture list in the AFC Premier League, with cup commitments leaving only three games to take place, but there was certainly no diminishing the drama, with 15 goals scored in the top flight.

The majority of these came at the home of bottom side Old Belgravians, who hosted high-flying HAC. The home side started brightly and could have been ahead through Tim Hall but his lob landed just past the post.

HAC then took control, scoring three goals in a matter of minutes, all after good play down the wings. First, Tom Ovington converted a Stuart Holt cross, before Holt himself finished after work from Sam Gibson on the right. Holt was again involved for the third, his cross converted for Ovington's second.

The hosts pulled one back before half time, Alex Morgan scoring from a corner to put them back in with a shout. But, it didn't take long after the break before the visitors began to run riot, some wayward defending allowing them chance after chance. Goals flowed, Olie Whyman the chief beneficiary, and to add insult to injury, it was a Belgravians defender who turned in the goal that made it 6-1 with 10 minutes to go, putting the result firmly beyond doubt.

Goals from Hall and James Thomas, who converted a penalty, put a slightly more positive shine on the scoreboard for Belgravians, but, in a remarkable game, it finished Old Belgravians 3-6 Honorable Artillery Company.

Top of the table Albanians were also in action, as they beat rivals Old Meadonians. In a close match, it took a moment of brilliance from the Albanian winger to break the deadlock, cutting inside and unleashing an unstoppable shot from 25 yards just before the interval.

Midway through the second half the home side doubled their lead, a low cross turned in at the near post to put Albanians in control. It was this that gave Old Meadonians the wake up call they needed, and they began to apply some pressure in the final 20 minutes, forcing an own goal from a corner to give themselves a chance.

However, the champions held on, and a 2-1 win sees them open up a 3 point gap over their opponents and HAC.

Elsewhere, Parkfield moved up the table with a 2-1 home win, their first of the campaign, at home to Old Suttonians, who slip down to eighth in the table after back to back defeats.