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## Match Reports

**20th & 22nd April 2019**

### **20th April**

#### **“HAMWORTHY RECREATION FC - CHAMPIONS”**

#### **HAMWORTHY REC 4 SHERBORNE TOWN RES 0**

We are the champions! Two goals in each half earned the win which clinched Rec's second successive league title, with a game to spare. On a baking hot day at Magna Road the first half-hour was a carbon copy of the previous week's match, with Rec missing a host of chances. But a Dave Wrixton goal settled the nerves and after that the result was never in doubt. Rec showed their intentions from the first minute when Jordan Basing's shot was tipped over the bar. The same player then had a header hit the bar, before Sam Carter was denied by the keeper. The breakthrough came on 34 minutes when Dave Wrixton ran onto a pass and his lob hit a post, bounced up and fell nicely for him to head home the rebound for 1-0. Rec were now well on top and four minutes from the interval the industrious Callum Charlton was upended in the box and Sam Carter fired in his 27th goal of the season, from the spot, HT 2-0. Richie Sands' low shot flashed across the face of goal and Charlton saw his attempt pushed onto the bar by the keeper, before Sands' free-kick, on the hour, was perfect for Jordan Basing to run onto, control well and fire in for 3-0. Just four minutes later it was four when Basing supplied the through-ball for Brad Hill to run on and chip a delightful effort over the keeper and into the net. Chris Long saw his angled shot tipped over by the busy Sherborne custodian, before having another attempt deflected away for a corner, as Rec looked to add more. Congratulations to Kirk Grice, his management team and the players for another great season and well done also to Sherborne, who showed their class in lining up and applauding Rec off the pitch, at the end - a nice touch.

*Trophy Presentation will be held on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April @ Magna Road following Ham Rec's last home game v Parley Sports*

#### **“WESTLANDS LEAVE IT LATE TO BEAT BALTI”**

#### **WESTLAND SPORTS 1 BALTI SPORTS 0**

Westlands Easter weekend programme started on Saturday with a 1-0 win over 4th placed Balti Sports at Alvington. In the hot sun the visitors dominated the first half but neither team could create a good enough chance to open the scoring although Balti hit the woodwork three times, HT 0-0. In the second half it was Westlands who dominated the match, Balti perhaps suffering from their first half exertions. Josh Payne, out on the right, was providing some good balls into the box for Westlands but no-one was managing to cash in on his service. As the game moved into the last few minutes it looked as if we were headed for a stalemate until Westlands struck in the 89th minute. Luca Martin, who had been introduced as a sub with 10 minutes to go, finally got on the end of a Josh Payne cross and hooked the ball into the net with the aid of a deflection. Westlands continued to press for the remaining few minutes but could not add to their score. A fine win for the Yeovil side but unfortunately the news came through after the game that Hamworthy Recreation had clinched the league title again, so only the runners-up spot to play for now for Westlands as well as defending the League Cup in this season's final.

#### **“SWANAGE CLAIM PURBECK BRAGGING RIGHTS”**

#### **CORFE CASTLE 0 SWANAGE TOWN & H 2**

“Saturday saw a wonderful sunny day greet Corfe Castle FC. They welcomed their close neighbours Swanage FC, this fixture attracted a bumper crowd of close to 70 including John Stancombe, a blind groundhopper

who was visiting Corfe as his 1714th non-league club. Some achievement! Thanks goes to Richard Gibbons from Corfe Castle FC who collected John from the train station and commentated the game to John. The match started very quickly and it was Corfe who were keeping the ball well, however Swanage were also looking good in possession. Part way through the first half Swanage hit a good diagonal ball which the left winger chased, the player was eased off the ball by Corfe's full back, in the penalty box which to everyone's surprise (including Swanage's technical area and the linesman) the referee blew for a penalty kick. Swanage's Joe Clark went straight down the middle with a slightly dodgy connection. Nevertheless, it found the net and put the Swans 1 up. Swanage soon doubled their lead when a well-placed cross field ball found Cameron Barnes on the edge of the box. He controlled it with his chest and placed it neatly over the home custodian after a good second touch, HT 0-2. The second half started similarly, and Corfe were throwing a lot at Swanage to try and get back in the game. However, it was to no avail as Swanage remained solid at the back and saw the game out to claim the points and Local pride.

### **"DORCHESTER SUBS SEAL THE WIN"**

#### **DORCHESTER SPORTS 2 SHAFTESBURY RES 1**

The inclusion Of Joel Hewitt, Gary Harvey and Jamie Quinton late on for sports won this game vs Shaftesbury with very little between the teams before their inclusions. Goals were expected in this game with the teams playing out a 4-4 draw recently at Cochrams, but the first half had very little chances with both teams defending a lot stronger than the previous week, Jason Read had sports best chance with a header from a Lewis Amor corner but he failed to hit the target, The away side had a couple of penalty shouts waived away as the half ended goalless, HT 0-0. The second half started the same as the first with both teams having equal possession without really threatening either goal until the hosts made changes from the bench, Hewitt, Harvey and Quinton were brought on with 25 minutes left and Sports were rewarded, Firstly 17 year old Jack Steele's inch perfect cross found Hewitt at the back post to bullet his header past the away keeper then the youngsters combined again when Steele slotted in Hewitt for his brace on 80 minutes, Hewitt nearly had his hat trick late on but his shot hit the post, Shaftesbury did pull one back from the penalty spot when Read brought down Tom Carter in the box and Carter picked himself up to slot past Frost in the Dorchester goal, as the game ended in a victory for Sports on a warm afternoon at the Clayson Stadium.

### **"WAREHAM SEAL VITAL WIN"**

#### **PARLEY SPORTS 0 WAREHAM RANGERS 1**

Wareham picked up a vital 3 points in their bid to not finish bottom of the League as they won a poor game at Parley. Their all-important goal came in the 55<sup>th</sup> minute as Nick Bennet found himself unmarked at the far post to head home following a right-wing cross

### **"MERLEY SQUASH THE CHERRIES TO THE TUNE OF 7"**

#### **MERLEY CS 7 STURMINSTER NEWTON 2**

Merley continued with their free scoring exploits as they thrashed Sturminster Newton, Asa Phillips got the ball rolling in the 26<sup>th</sup> minute, with Lee Wilkins doubling the lead 6 minutes later, Matt Groves made it 3 in the 35<sup>th</sup> minute as Merley completely dominated proceedings, Sturminster then pulled 1 back through Jamie Danoris just before the break, HT 3-1. The visitors came out for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half and looked to take the game to the hosts and on 48 minutes they reduced the arrears further when Cameron Vining pounced. However, any thoughts of a comeback were extinguished on the hour mark as Matt Groves got the hosts 4<sup>th</sup>, the same player hit the 5<sup>th</sup> on 72 minutes to complete a hat trick with Matt Phillips also completing his hat trick with 2 quick fire goals in the 76<sup>th</sup> & 77<sup>th</sup> minutes.

**“TANGERINES ROYALLY BEATEN”**

**GILLINGHAM TOWN 1 BLANDFORD UNITED 2**

Blandford picked up another useful away win as goals from Craig Knowles and Mark Ford in the 1<sup>st</sup> half ultimately accounted for the hosts.

**“BULLS STAMP ALL OVER THE BEES”**

**BRIDPORT RES 1 HOLT UNITED 3**

The men from Petersham Lane made the long trip to St Marys field to play hosts Bridport Res and they returned with all 3 points as 2 Shane Jackson goals and a strike from Ryan Davies accounted for the hosts whose consolation came courtesy of Josh Hunter.

**22nd April**

**“BANK HOLIDAY STROLL FOR WESTLANDS”**

**PARLEY SPORTS 1 WESTLAND SPORTS 4**

For their second game in three days Westlands had to make the long trip away to Parley Sports, not ideal on a sunny bank holiday. After a journey of over two hours and a quick warm-up Sports took the field and found themselves 1-0 down after 5 minutes when Parley's Ben Bosley player turned the ball in at the near post. For the first 20 minutes or so it was the home team who were pressing but as the Westlands players got warmed up, they began to turn the tide and put Parley on the back foot. In the 42nd minute Sports equalised when Alex Murphy headed in a Phil Wells cross and two minutes later it was Murphy who gave Westlands a half time lead when he drilled in an Ant Herrin free kick, HT 1-2 In the second half Westlands looked fairly comfortable when Jamie Green powered in a header in the 67th minute to make it 3-1. Finally, in the 75th minute Alex Murphy completed his hat-trick with a nice header from a perfect Nick Voss delivery. A good 4-1 win for Westlands as they chase, the runners-up spot in the league.

**“BRIDPORTS 2<sup>ND</sup> HALF SHOWING DOWNS CORFE”**

**BRIDPORT RES 3 CORFE CASTLE 2**

Corfe left St Marys field after throwing away a 2-goal half time lead as a much improved 2<sup>nd</sup> half showing from the hosts saw them secure the win. Corfe's scorers were Courtney Johnston and John Lovell whilst replying for the hosts were Ryan Hall, Josh Hull & Alfie Ward.

