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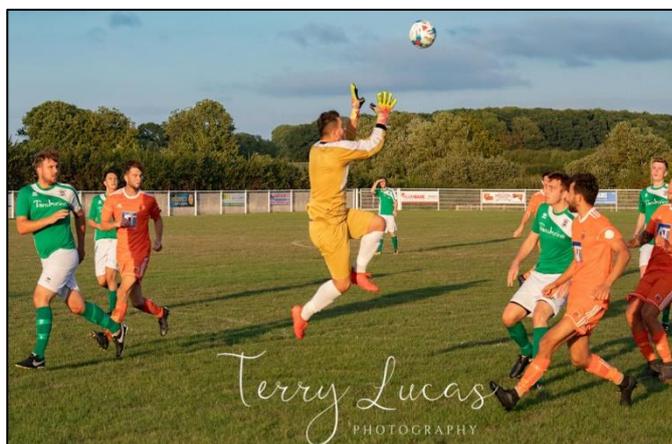
Match Reports

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"GILL LOSE POINTS IN INJURY TIME AGAIN"

GILLINGHAM TOWN 1 SHERBORNE TOWN RES 1



The local derby proved a battling contest on a poor Woodwater Lane pitch where football could hardly be played. Both sides gave it their all and a share of the points was the fairest outcome, although the hosts will be kicking themselves for seeing a lead squandered for the 2nd game running by conceding an injury time equaliser. Gillingham took the lead from the penalty spot after their player was fouled, all be a bit of a soft award to many in attendance by Matt Morley. Up stepped the fouled player Elliot Bevis to put the hosts in front on 43 min., HT 1-0. Sherborne were slow to start the second half and lost Marc Caines early on going into the sin bin for something

he said. Gillingham probed and asked the Zebras defence questions, however Sherborne held on with some great defensive work and that rallied them on to keep believing and pushing for the equaliser which they duly got in the 94th min via an own goal, to register their 1st point of the season. Gillingham are still unbeaten in 2 games played but to many they should be at a 100% but for their injury time woes.

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"REC LEAVE IT LATE TO BEAT THE ROYALS"

HAMWORTHY REC 2 BLANDFORD UTD 1

This was a far from convincing performance by Rec, but a goal ten minutes from time by George Webb secured a successive win. Blandford were worthy opponents and were constantly snapping at Rec's heels, never allowing them to get into their normal rhythm. In fact, the Royals would have been gutted to have got nothing, their performance deserved, from the game. Blandford missed a great chance in the first minute when a corner was headed over and then they had a good shout for a penalty turned down. Rec were struggling to settle but came close when a George Webb free-kick rattled the Royal's post. Blandford had a speculative attempt pushed away for a corner by Aaron Robertson, in the home goal, before George Webb's second free-kick flew just over the bar, HT 0-0. The second half started in the same fashion as the first, with Rec again struggling to create chances, but on 56 minutes Richie Sands threaded a perfect through-ball to Dave Wrixton to drill his low shot into the corner of the net for 1-0, much to the delight of the home players and supporters. With Rec now looking to tie up the game Chris Long, for the 2nd successive game, had a fine "goal" ruled out for a dubious offside, which was to prove crucial as on 67 minutes sloppiness in the home defence allowed the Royals to level at 1-1 when Paul Ford converted. Back came the hosts and Wrixton headed over from a corner, whilst George Webb's curling shot went just wide, following good work by his brother John, and Ash Boyt. But on 81 minutes Rec grabbed the points when Sam Carter's attempt was touched in by Webb to make it 2-1. Blandford pushed forward in the closing minutes in search of the equaliser, and the hosts were grateful to Josh Pratt for a vital block of a Royal's goal bound shot to deny the visitors a point. FT 2-1.

“MERLEY CASTLE CORFE TO MAINTAIN 100% START”

MERLEY CS 5 CORFE CASTLE 1

After a fairly even opening 15 minutes, the hosts finally broke the deadlock with a well taken goal on 18 minutes through MCS broke the deadlock with a goal on 18 mins. Corfe pressed and had a forced 3 corners, but nothing came of them. On 28 mins MCS scored again to double their advantage. Corfe then had their best spell of the game and scored through Courtney Johnstone to reduce the arrears. However, the hosts continued to press and got their 3rd on the stroke of half time, HT 3-1. Into the second half and Merley took full control of the game and added their 4th in the 48th minute and again in the 77th minute to seal their 2nd successive win, whilst condemning the visitors to their 2nd straight loss.

“WESTLANDS MAKE HARD WORK OF THE CHERRIES”

WESTLAND SPORTS 2 STURMINSTER NEWTON 0

This match was a bit of a struggle for Westlands against a lively Sturminster side. Not a classic by any means but the visitors probably had the best opportunities to open the scoring in in the first half but failed to hit the target with 3 decent chances. Westlands toiled in the evening sun but couldn't penetrate a solid Sturminster rearguard who were getting lots of men behind the ball, HT 0-0. With a couple of half time substitutions and a reshape of the team the home side came out looking much sharper in the second half and soon took the lead. A bit of a goalmouth scramble ended with Josh Payne thumping a shot off the crossbar and into the net off Sam Carney's head. Westlands were in full control now and Sturminster keeper Matthew Robson made three great saves to keep the score at 1-0. Finally, with only a few minutes left, Jamie Irwin sealed the points for Westlands with a low drive from 20 yards which took a slight deflection and finished in the corner of the net to maintain their perfect start to the season.

“PARLEY WIN AS THE BULLS TALK THEMSELVES INTO FINISHING WITH 7 ”

PARLEY SPORTS 3 HOLT UNITED 1

The hosts picked up their 1st win of the season to remain unbeaten as they took full advantage of Holts indiscipline as the Bulls finished the game with 7 players on the field !!! The visitors in fact took the lead in the 5th minute, when a long kick down field from Holt keeper Andy Knights was allowed to bounce by the Parley defence and Mike Haskell headed over the advancing Taylor Hibbs in the Parley goal to put the visitors ahead. Parley create several chances to level, but Knights saved well from Harry White, Jack Voisey and Dom Falco. Back came the visitors and Parley were indebted to their woodwork as Ali Garards effort cannoned back off the post, HT 0-1. Into the second half, and Holt's keeper continued to keep Parley at bay, whilst Holt also create decent chances which also came to nothing. However, the introduction of Matt Newbery and Dan Sharp gave Parley fresh impetus. On 63 minutes, Newbery and Sharp combined down the right and Sharp squares the ball to the onrushing Falco, who is felled in the box by a despairing lunge from a Holt Defender. Newbery stepped up and calmly slotted the resultant penalty to draw the sides level. Now the hosts had their tails up, on 72 minutes, Falco surged into the visitor's box and as he was trying to work a shooting position, the ball fell to Johnny Cook, who hammered the loose ball into the top corner to put the hosts ahead. With the game entering the final 5 minutes, Holt won a free kick just outside the Parley box. Following the decision, Holt's Adam Louka complained too much about the lack of a card and was sent to the sin bin. Ben Sullivan took the free kick and clipped the top of the bar. Parley went straight down the other end and further increased their lead when Ben Bosley netted. Still Holt battled and on 90 minutes were awarded another free kick, again they complained that the Parley man should have been shown a card and it all then descended into chaos. First Holt's Ben Sullivan is shown a straight red for something he said to the Referee, then the Holt skipper Luke Homer is sent to the sin bin for further dissent. As the complaining continued, Holts, Ryan Ashford was also shown a straight red for something he also said to the Referee, the added 5 minutes of injury time were played out with Holt down to 7 men !!!

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“RIDGEWAY BRAGGING RIGHTS AS DORCH BEAT BALTI”

DORCHESTER SPORTS 3 BALTI SPORTS 0

Dorchester Sports ran riot over Balti Sports, winning 3-0 at the Avenue Stadium in their first league game on the new 3G surface in the Dorset Premier League. Dorchester handed a full starting debut to new signing Lloyd Beal's and they did not take long to take the lead when on three minutes Gareth Will's cross found Joel Hewitt at the back post to head past Balti goalkeeper Andy Nott. Sports then had a corner midway through the first half and Jamie Samways' cross found Beal's at the back post and he smashed his shot in to the corner for 2-0. Dorchester were not finished there as just before the break another Samways cross found Richard Beasley at the back post who scored from close range to send the hosts into dreamland at the interval. The second half had few chances, but Balti had more of the ball, yet despite that could not break through. Not break down the home team's solid back line, Balti's Ross Walker was shown a straight red card for a late tackle, but the game fizzled out. and Dorchester took the three points in the derby. Dorchester Sports' manager Ashley James said: "It was a fantastic result, it was a fantastic performance. It was everything that we wanted the team to do. They did it for us and we are delighted." "It was a tough decision to change a winning side from last Saturday, but we made some changes to battle their strengths and it worked in the end." Meanwhile, Balti Sports' boss Marco Nott, said: "It was a disaster to be honest. "We were nowhere near good enough, we were not at the races at all especially in the first half. "Dorchester deserved the win fair and square really."

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“BLUES PICK OFF THE BEES TO GET 1ST WIN”

PORTLAND UTD RES 1 BRIDPORT RES 0

Portland United Reserves have got their season 'up and running' according to manager Justin Faulkner after their narrow 1-0 win against Bridport at the Weyline Stadium. The only goal of the game came on 37 minutes as Ross Boatswain's controlled shot found the back of the net beyond Bridport keeper Billy Fleet. Faulkner said: "Before the game we talked in the changing room about being strong at the Weyline, our home form will be very important being a new team in this league. "I asked the players to forget Saturday and start our season tonight, and they responded. We've seen some glimpses of the type of football we want to play but they were too few and far between for my liking. "But we defended superbly, we looked like we really wanted it and dug in, we had something to hold on to!" Faulkner added: "The most important thing was to get some points on the board, the longer it goes you tend to question certain things but we've got that monkey off our back. "We know we let ourselves down against Westlands and we wanted a response which we got, the table looks a lot healthier now."

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“PURBECK DERBY ENDS IN A POINT A PIECE”

SWANAGE TOWN & H 1 WAREHAM RANGERS 1

The Swans and Wareham fought out an entertaining 2-2 derby draw at Day's Park in The Dorset Premier League. Both sides created chances early in the half with Dan Godwin hitting the post for the Swans. Richie Best put The Swans ahead on 40 minutes following good work from Cody Rose-Moore, however Wareham hit back with the equaliser following a good save from keeper Jack Watson, with Lee Phibbs followed up his own shot to fire home, HT 1-1. Swanage made the perfect start to the second half when Skipper Paul Best headed in at the far post following a corner from Aaron Atkinson. Mo Kanyi then had a great chance to put his side further ahead but miss controlled at the vital time. The home side were left to rue that spurned opportunity, and were punished just 4 minutes later when, ex Swan, Matt Beard headed home for the visitors to deservedly equaliser. Both sides had the chances to win the points and local bragging rights, however a share of the spoils was probably a fair result.