

Sunday 5th March 2017

**Barnet Sunday League Junior Cup Quarter-Final at the New River Sports Centre (Stadium 3G Astro turf)**

**Kick-Off:** 11.45.a.m. (Was supposed to be 11:30 but delayed due to previous match starting late)

**Result:** **BROTHERHOOD** ..... 1 **EDMONTON ROVERS**..... 1 **Half-Time:** 0-0

**Brotherhood won 5-3 on penalties**

SHIRT NUMBER	TEAM (4-2-3-1)		GOAL TIMES	PENALTIES
1	GK	Stephen ROUSSETY		
2	RB	Lexton HARRISON	OFF (Inj.) 71 / BACK ON 85	
15	CB	Ivan BASS		
17	CB	Harold OFORI		
3	LB	Aiden KAVANAGH		
14	CM Holding	Curtis BAALAM		
12	CM Holding	Tyronne PETRIE	OFF (Work) HT	
8	RM/RB71/RM85	Leon McKENZIE-McKAY	57 Mins.	3rd (Scored)
10	ACM/CF17/LMHT	Johan AHIPEAUD	OFF 63	
19	LM/ACM17	Connor KAVANAGH		2nd (Scored)
9	CF/LM17/CFHT	Ayo MATTHEWS		1st (Missed)
<b>SUBSTITUTES</b>				
6	CM Holding	Khaheem McKENZIE	ON HT	4th (Scored)
11	LM	Daniel DALEY	ON 63	
7	RM	Hal OZKAN	ON 71 / OFF 85	
4	Not Used	Jack BANGS		
5	Not Used	Chris KRITICOS		

**OWN GOALS Scored For Us:**

**MANAGER:** Tony McKay

**ATTENDANCE:** 17

**REFEREE:** Trevor Taylor

**BOOKINGS:** Tyronne Petrie (Dissent...32 Mins.), Joe Longworth (Brotherhood) (Foul...74 Mins.)

**SENDING-OFFS:** None

**WEATHER CONDITIONS:** Sun & Showers. Very strong blustery wind down pitch (against us in Second Half)

**STATE OF PITCH:** 3G Astro turf

**UNAVAILABILITY:** (4 Players) Grant Baker (GK), Anees Ikramullah, Chris Lue, John Scouller (All Social Commitments)

Roderick Bennett (Asst. Manager) (Working), Bob Cleary (GK Coach/Club Linesman) (Family Commitments)

**Sunday Morning Drop-Outs:** None

**OPPONENTS' LINE-UP (4-2-3-1):** 1. George Paraskeva (GK); 12. Kyri Michael (RB), 5. Redi Berisha (CB), 16. Nick Orphanides

(CB...Captain), 15. Khan Stott-Cohen (LB); 6. Akhil Sharma (CM Holding), 8. Ricky Green (CM Holding); 14. Stelios

Christodoulou (RM), 2. Chris Ierothiou (ACM), 7. Joe Longworth (LM); 9. Tobi Omoshoto (CF)

**Subs.:** None Used

**OPPONENTS' GOALSCORERS:** Joe Longworth (60 Mins.)

**OPPONENTS' PENALTIES:** Ierothiou (1st...Scored), Stott-Cohen (2nd...Scored), Berisha (3rd...Scored), Omoshoto (4th...Scored),

Green (5th...Scored)

**MATCH REPORT**

This was the first of two League Cup Quarter-Finals in a row for us as we took on fellow Division Two side Brotherhood in the Junior Cup. With our mid-table opponents being the only team to have taken points off us so far this season with a 1-1 draw on the same 3G pitch back in October, we knew it was going to be a tough game, particularly as they were on a seven-match unbeaten run and the weather conditions (a near gale-force blustery wind) were a real leveller. Although we had the wind behind us in the First Half, it was clear straight from the start that any through balls that were not played into feet would just run straight off for a goal kick, but Brotherhood just didn't give our players any time to pick their passes anyway and we just got more and more frustrated. Indeed our only clear-cut chance of the First Half came just before Half-Time when Harold Ofori headed over the bar from an Aiden Kavanagh corner, whereas Brotherhood's lone striker Tobi Omoshoto was a real handful playing into the wind as the ball held up for him to threaten our goal on two or three occasions. It wasn't a surprise to see the First Half end goal-less in those conditions, but playing into the wind helped us in the Second Half and we could already have taken the lead in the 52nd minute when Leon McKenzie-McKay somehow half-volleyed a Curtis Baalam cross over the bar from two yards before he made amends by getting the final touch to a scramble in the goalmouth from a corner to give us the lead after 57 minutes. Curtis then missed a good chance to make it 2-0 just a minute later when he ballooned a shot over the bar, and we were made to pay for that when Joe Longworth equalised with a free header in the 60th minute after we had failed to get back quickly enough to defend a corner. With neither side creating enough clear-cut chances after that to find a winner, the game went to a penalty shoot-out where Ayo Matthews' miss with a shot straight at keeper Paraskeva proved to be costly as Brotherhood confidently converted all five of their spot-kicks to go through to the Semi-Finals. At least we still have another Cup to play for, but this was supposedly the easier one to win.