

Sunday 8th October 2023

Barnet Sunday League Division Five Match at Highlands School (3G Pitch)

Kick-Off: 1.53 pm. (Was supposed to be 1.30 pm, but previous match on the pitch finished late)

Result: COLNEY HATCH ATHLETIC..... 2 EDMONTON ROVERS 3 **Half-Time:** 2-1

SHIRT NUMBER	TEAM (3-4-1-2)			GOAL TIMES
1	GK	Josh WAKEFORD		
18	RCB	Tobi CHARLES		
2	SW	Chris JORDANOU		
19	LCB	Daniel SCHWARTZ-GEE	OFF HT	
11	RWB	Harry DORWARD	OFF (Inj.) 90	
15	CM	Sam PRITCHETT		
17	ACM	Oliver HEARN-LEER	OFF HT	
3	CM	Charlie SAVAGE (Captain)		
7	LWB	Christian ELLIS		5, 64 Mins.
16	CF	Harvey ANTONIOU	OFF 37	
9	CF/RWB 90	Myreon KEANE	OFF 54/BACK ON 90	
SUBSTITUTES				
8	CF	Kieran ELLIS	ON 37	88 Mins.
12	LCB	Michael MENZIES	ON HT	
10	ACM	Rashawn BENNETT-DYER	ON HT	
14	CF	Tairique HARRISON	ON 54	

OWN GOALS Scored For Us:

PLAYER-MANAGER: Josh Wakeford

CLUB LINESMEN: Roderick Bennett

ATTENDANCE: 38

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: Laurence Hughes, Stuart Dorward, Trevor Hughes (First Half only), Gianni Dipo, Sarah Dorward, Lorna Bennett, Sarah Bartlett, Sylvia Bennett, Mike Jordanou, John Murray, Tim & Verity Wakeford, Keith Savage

REFEREE: Sam Rose

BOOKINGS: Hatim Hussein (C.H.A.) (Foul...84 Mins.) **SENDING-OFFS:** None

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Very Warm & Sunny. No Wind. **STATE OF PITCH:** 3G

UNAVAILABILITY: (6 Players): Fergus Murray, Natan Pawlaczyk, Josh Gilmore (All Other Commitments), Gianni Dipo (Injured), Dapo Alaoye (University), Tre Maxwell (Working)

OPPONENTS' LINE-UP (4-3-3): 1. Muhammed Faiz (GK); 14. Constantinos Economou (RB), 20. Dekoye Coker (RCB), 97.

Abdallah Abdallah (LCB), 95. Aaron Hagos (LB); 13. Mohamed Abid Ali (RCM), 33. Amir Ali (DCM), 22. Ahmed Abid Ali (LCM); 7. Avi Kabrielian (RW...Captain), 77. Amir Mohsenifar (CF), 8. Ayodeji Kuti (LW)

Subs. 63. Josh Akeredolu, 22. Ahmed Khamis, 30. Hatim Hussein, 88. George Fraser, 6. Nima Dekhordy (All Used)

OPPONENTS' GOALSCORERS: Kabrielian (37, 41 Mins.)

MATCH REPORT

With this being an afternoon kick-off, we were actually able to name a stronger squad than we had in our other competitive matches so far this season with Sam Pritchett, Oliver Hearn-Leer, Tairique Harrison and new signing Kieran Ellis all available for this one, although we were a bit short in defensive areas with Fergus Murray, Natan Pawlaczyk & Josh Gilmore all missing. In our five previous meetings with Colney Hatch Athletic over the past two seasons, four of them had been extremely close games, and as we had managed to beat them for the first time towards the end of last season, we were very confident of gaining another victory even though C.H.A. had strengthened their squad themselves and had won their last two matches and only lost their previous one due to a sending-off. With us fielding more-or-less the same team that demolished Camden Lock's First Team 4-0 in Pre-Season though, we were on the front foot right from the start and we took the lead after just five minutes when Christian Ellis brilliantly controlled a high ball from a sliced defensive clearance by Colney Hatch defender Aaron Hagos and then cut inside to hit a screamer into the top corner from just outside the area. We then missed several chances to increase our lead with Myreon Keane, Daniel Schwartz-Gee and Harry Dorward all going close before Colney Hatch hit us on the break to equalise in the 37th minute with skipper Avi Kabrielian squirming a low shot into the bottom corner under pressure from Charlie Savage. We then somehow found ourselves 2-1 down just four minutes later when Colney Hatch brought on substitute Hatim Hussein...a new signing and the sort of skilful 'cage baller'-type player that we had faced the week before when we were well beaten by Real Menza, with Hussein dancing his way through challenges straight away to set up Kabrielian for a fierce long-range dipping shot that gave Josh Wakeford no chance in goal. We didn't let our heads go down though and we started the Second Half by getting on top again, earning a penalty in the 49th minute which Half-Time substitute Rashawn Bennett-Dyer drilled low and hard towards the bottom corner, but Colney Hatch keeper Muhammed Faiz made a brilliant save low down to his right to tip it away. Another substitute Tairique Harrison then had a goal disallowed for offside before Christian Ellis scored a deserved equaliser for us in the 64th minute with another one of his Alexander Isak impersonations as he dribbled his way past several defenders before hitting an excellent low shot into the bottom corner to make it 2-2, but we had a large stroke of luck with what turned out to be our winner with just two minutes remaining as Colney Hatch keeper Faiz blotted his copybook after that penalty save by fumbling a long free-kick from Chris Jordanou straight at the feet of our new signing Kieran Ellis for a simple tap-in to clinch the three points for us.