

Sunday 19th December 2004

Mercury Waltham Sunday League Premier Division Match at Hazelwood Sports Ground

EDMONTON ROVERS	1	ENFIELD RANGERS OLD BOYS	5	HT 1-3
<i>Woolston (26 mins.)</i>		<i>Hughes (8, 21 min.), Lock (39 mins.), Stevenson (51, 70 mins.)</i>		

EDMONTON ROVERS LINE-UP (with Marks out of 10): Dave BAGNALL (GK) (8); Colin BESTER (6½), Stuart DORWARD (6½), Paul WOOLSTON (6), Ritchie COPUES (6); Derek DORWARD (6), Tony SPELLER (6), Paul ELLERKER (6½), Kevin DEDMAN (6½); Conor McGOVERN (6), Simon JACKSON (6) **Sub.:** Russell BEEDEN (6½)

ENFIELD RANGERS OLD BOYS' LINE-UP: Ian MITCHELL; Darren POULTER, Dean STUBER, Matt KEOGH, Craig STEVENS; Dave TOWNSEND, Jonathan STEVENSON, Luke SWIFT, Mark FLOOD; Neil HUGHES, James LOCK **Subs.:** Gavin BIGNALL, Mark CRIPPS, Royston FERGUSON

Referee: Michael MACKEY Jnr.	Weather Conditions: Sunny, but very cold	Attendance: 12
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Report (by Laurence Hughes): We had a really encouraging turnout on this date...down On Broadway that is !

All the regulars were down there for our usual 'last Sunday before Christmas All-Day Club Piss-Up' (or 'Leo Sayer' as Conor 'Cockney Rhyming Slang' McGovern prefers to call it !) and a great time was had by all with our excellent team spirit really coming to the fore.

Enough of us managed to get down there early enough to grab the best seats in the house, these being taken by myself, Trevor, Wooly, Kev Dedman, Simon, Conor, Del & Stuart, although Tarby just missed out for the first time in living memory and actually had to stand up for a while !

We were soon joined by our other regular drinkers Speller, Ritchie, Rebaire & Scott and then a number of not-so-regulars. These included Dave Bagnall with his old man, the under-age Colin Bester (for his mudshakes initiation ?), Lee Osborn (after his Xmas shopping trip to Bluewater during the morning), Darryl Johnson (taking some rare time off work especially for the occasion) and even ex-players/'hangers-on' Steve Beasley (all the way from Royston) and Ian Buckley. More 'hangers-on' in the form of Dave Dietman and 'Muzza' then turned up later in the afternoon, along with Paul Ellerker, who had arrived late after celebrating his mother's birthday. Mark Howley, Junior and Stocky were all supposed to be coming down at some stage, but a complicated tax return (Mark) and continuing hangovers from Saturday night (Junior & Stocky) presumably put paid to that.

Of course, as I don't drink, I didn't stay for long, but no doubt Stuart took some funny snaps with his new digital camera which can be downloaded here in due course.

By the way...just in case anybody is interested, we actually played a match in the morning. We lost for the 12th time in a row because we only had 10 men for the first 10 minutes and the last 15 minutes, but who cares ?!

