

Sunday 15th October 2017

Barnet Sunday League Division One Match at the Edmonton Sports & Social Club (Pitch Two)

Kick-Off: 10.30.a.m.

Result: EDMONTON ROVERS..... 1 **HORNSEY & HIGHGATE**..... 3 *Half-Time:* 0-0

SHIRT NUMBER	TEAM (4-2-3-1 / 3-5-2 85)			GOAL TIMES
1	GK	Taurean BRYAN		
2	RB/CB 85	Lexton HARRISON		
20	CB	Tyronne PETRIE		
5	CB	Harold OFORI (Captain)		
19	LB	Anees IKRAMULLAH	OFF 84	
17	CM Holding	Curtis BAALAM		
18	CM Holding	Vishal PATEL		
11	RM	Daniel DALEY	OFF 57	
15	ACM	George HOUSE	OFF 70	
4	LM	Miles LEVY		
9	CF	Ayo MATTHEWS	OFF (Inj.) 32	
SUBSTITUTES				
10	CF/ACM 70 /CF 85	Jack BANGS	ON 32	58 Mins.
8	RM	Leon McKENZIE-McKAY	ON 57	
14	CF	Rhys McKAY	ON 70	
16	CM	Daniel CASCOE	ON 84	
-	Not Used	Lucas CASCOE		

OWN GOALS Scored For Us:

MANAGERS: Roderick Bennett / Tyronne Petrie **CLUB LINESMAN:** Not Required By Ref **ATTENDANCE:** 25

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: L.Hughes, I.Bass, A.Kriticos, C.Kriticos, C.Lue

REFEREE: Gary Lawrence

BOOKINGS: Christopher (H&H) (Foul... 40 Mins)

SENDING-OFFS: None

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Cloudy & Cool.

STATE OF PITCH: Hard & Flat. Wet on top after overnight rain.

UNAVAILABILITY: (7 Players) Tony McKay (Manager) (Away), Bob Cleary (Goalkeeping Coach/Club Linesman) (Away),

Grant Baker (GK) (Working), Stephen Roussety (GK) (Injured), Abz El-Habassi (GK) (Injured), Tom Croake (Other Commitments), Aiden Kavanagh (University), Khaheem McKenzie (Working) **Sunday Morning Drop-Outs:** Ivan Bass (Overslept)

OPPONENTS' LINE-UP (4-4-2): 1. Alex Riley (GK); 2. Paul Smith (RB), 5. Joe Higgins (CB), 6. Harry Garratt (CB), 16. Montel Christopher (LB); 7. Kevin Coulter (RM), 15. Sam Fowler (CM), 4. Jesse Hadley (CM...Captain), 14. Nicky Inchenko (LM); 9. Andris Apsa (CF), 12. Sam Keenan (CF)

Subs.: 3. Nkencho Okonta, 17. Jack Granger, 8. Fin Galbraith (Not Used), 23. Richard Wayoe (Not Used)

OPPONENTS' GOALSCORERS: Keenan (57 Mins.), Garratt (63 Mins.), Apsa (83 Mins.)

MATCH REPORT

With Hornsey & Highgate in the bottom half of the table and having lost 10-2 to our Division One title rivals Churchbury recently, a number of our players seemed to think it would be a good idea to overdo things at a party the night before this match and stroll along late for the warm-up, possibly because Manager Tony McKay was away on holiday in Jamaica. We also had all three of our goalkeepers unavailable due to injuries and work commitments, meaning outfield player Taurean Bryan had to go in goal again, but even though we had to experiment a bit with players not playing in their most effective positions, we were still confident of gaining another fairly comfortable win. Hornsey & Highgate were fired up for this match though, as it was their first time on You Tube and they had also had a good win against Kedares Town the week before after signing a number of new players. That resulted in a goal-less First Half where both teams completely cancelled each other out with neither goalkeeper having to make a worthwhile save. We were not helped in that respect when the gamble to start Ayo Matthews backfired when he pulled his hamstring again in the 32nd minute, joining our half-injured skipper Leon McKenzie-McKay, who was already on the bench from the start as a precaution. The start of the Second Half saw us show a bit more effort, but we had already been giving away a number of free-kicks in dangerous positions and we were made to pay for that in the 57th minute when Hornsey & Highgate's gangly forward Sam Keenan outjumped our defenders at the near post from one of them to head his side into the lead. However, we hit back just a minute later when Jack Bangs made it 1-1 with another well-struck shot from outside the area which Hornsey & Highgate's debutant keeper Alex Riley got a hand to but couldn't keep out, but we fell behind again in the 63rd minute to another set-piece as we failed to deal with an inswinging corner and defender Harry Garratt fired in the loose ball from close range to make it 2-1. We certainly had a few chances in the last 15 minutes to nick a point from this match at least, but we just couldn't get a decent contact on the ball to really trouble keeper Riley, and Hornsey & Highgate killed the game off in the 83rd minute with a third goal as forward Andris Apsa dispossessed Vishal Patel to race towards goal and bury a good finish. We had gone 19 months unbeaten in League matches before this game, stretching right back to our last season in the Waltham Sunday League, so it was a great run we had been on which was always going to end sooner or later now that we have stepped up a division.