

Sunday 19th February 2017

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

Kick-Off: 10.30.a.m.

Result: **EDMONTON ROVERS.....3** **ROVING REPORTERS RESERVES 1** *Half-Time: 1-1*

SHIRT NUMBER	TEAM (4-2-3-1)			GOAL TIMES
1	GK	Stephen ROUSSEY		
2	RB	Lexton HARRISON		
15	CB	Ivan BASS		
14	CB	Harold OFORI		
3	LB	Aiden KAVANAGH		
12	CM Holding	Curtis BAALAM	OFF 81	
5	CM Holding	Tyronne PETRIE		
11	RM/LM 59	Daniel DALEY	OFF 71	2 Mins.
19	ACM	Connor KAVANAGH		
8	LM	Leon McKENZIE-McKAY (Captain)	OFF 59	
9	CF/RM 59	Ayo MATTHEWS		
SUBSTITUTES				
17	CF/LM 71/CF 81	Johan AHIPEAUD	ON 59	89 Mins.
16	CF/ CM Holding 81	John SCOLLER	ON 71 / OFF (Inj.) 87	
4	LM	Jack BANGS	ON 81	90 Mins.
10	CM Holding	Andreas KRITICOS	ON 87	
1	Not Used	Grant BAKER (GK)		

OWN GOALS Scored For Us:

MANAGER: Tony McKay

CLUB LINESMAN: Not Required

ATTENDANCE: 24

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: L.Hughes, R.Bennett, B.Cleary (First Half), K.McKenzie, C.Kriticos, H.Ozkan, A.Ikramullah

REFEREE: Gary Lawrence

BOOKINGS: None

SENDING-OFFS: None

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Cloudy. Slight breeze down pitch.

STATE OF PITCH: Soft & Muddy, but flat.

UNAVAILABILITY: (One Player) Daniel Cascoe (Hamstring Injury)

Sunday Morning Drop-Outs: None

OPPONENTS' LINE-UP (4-4-1-1): 1. Troy Cornwall (GK); 2. Tom Hobbs (RB), 7. Remi Morgan (CB), 15. Alvin Sterling (CB), 14. Mario Gisca (LB); 16. Charlie Drury (RM), 8. Tristan Burch (CM), 12. Dean McQueen (CM...Captain), 4. Adam Calrow (LM); 11. Tom Pang (ACM), 10. Bright Iwueke (CF)

Sub Used: 17. Ricardo Pereira (On for Pang - 55 Mins.)

OPPONENTS' GOALSCORER: McQueen (22 Mins.)

MATCH REPORT

As our opponents Roving Reporters Reserves had no First Team (Premier Division) game arranged for this date, we knew that we would be facing a much tougher proposition than when we beat them 3-0 three weeks earlier, as the League rules do allow two First Team regulars to play, plus anybody else who has not played in more than two of the last four First Team matches. That actually worked out for them that they were able to field six players in their starting line-up who had played in more First Team than Reserve Team matches so far this season, but we were fielding a really strong squad ourselves with only the injured Daniel Cascoe unavailable, and 'Premier Division First Team' or not, we still managed to take the lead after just 85 seconds when Daniel Daley got in front of his 'marker' to volley in Aiden Kavanagh's free-kick from close range. However, that was all we managed to do from set-pieces for the rest of the match as we disappointedly wasted 14 corner-kicks, 15 long throw-ins and half a dozen other free-kicks from good positions as we continually bombarded the Roving Reporters goal while rarely threatening keeper Troy Cornwall in getting in a decent shot or header on target from those chances. We were then made to pay for that in the 22nd minute when Reporters skipper Dean McQueen showed us how to do it by storming in to attack the ball from one of their own (rare) corners to put his side level, but we then had a number of good chances from open play after that for us to be able to take a lead into the Half-Time break, only for a reluctance from our right-footed players to use their left foot in front of goal hindering us badly, with skipper Leon McKenzie-McKay being the biggest culprit. Unfortunately the pattern then continued for most of the Second Half, and despite us creating twice as many chances as in the First Half, we just couldn't score at all and it looked like being one of those days where our luck was going to run out and that we would have to settle for just a point. That was summed up in the 63rd minute when substitute Johan Ahipeaud scuffed a penalty kick wide after Connor Kavanagh had been tripped in the area, but we didn't let our heads go down after that and we still continued to show the necessary effort and commitment. Once again though, as in a number of our other matches so far this season, it was having a really strong subs bench that made the difference, as Ahipeaud made up for his earlier mistake by putting us 2-1 up in the 89th minute with a really good finish into the bottom corner after central defender Harold Ofori had joined the attack and played him in, then Ahipeaud's fellow substitute Jack Bangs topped it all off with a spectacular third goal just a minute later as he drilled a long-range shot over keeper Cornwall from 30 yards. We fully deserved the 3-1 win on the balance of play and really should have had more, although Roving Reporters Reserves did have some chances as well, and it was interesting for us to view the quality of their First Team players when we have a Cup Quarter-Final coming up against one of two Premier Division teams in a couple of weeks time.