

Sunday 30th September 2018

Barnet Sunday League Division One Match at Aylands Open Space, Enfield (Pitch Two)

Kick-Off: 10.30.a.m.

Result: **THE BEEHIVE BHP 2nds** 1 **EDMONTON ROVERS** 3 **Half-Time:** 0-1

SHIRT NUMBER	TEAM (4-2-3-1)			GOAL TIMES
1	GK	Ian WHITMORE		
2	RB	Lexton HARRISON (Captain)		
6	CB	Richard HARRIS		
5	CB	Troy BLAKE		
3	LB/RM HT/ CM Holding 51	Aiden KAVANAGH		
17	CM Holding	Nassir ALI		
16	CM Holding	Daniel CASCOE	OFF (Inj.) 51	
7	RM	Rafiel JOHNSON	OFF (Inj.) HT	
10	ACM	Jack BANGS		52, 55 Mins.
12	LM	Tom CROAKE		15 Mins.
9	CF	Ayo MATTHEWS		
SUBSTITUTES				
4	LB	Oshade WATSON	ON HT	
11/19	RM	Daniel DALEY	ON 51	

OWN GOALS Scored For Us:

MANAGER: Tony McKay

CLUB LINESMAN: Bob Cleary/Roderick Bennett

ATTENDANCE: 15

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: L.Hughes, C.Theochari

REFEREE: Bob Salter

BOOKINGS: Oliver Robins (Beehive - Foul - 68 Mins.), Tom Croake (Foul - 80 Mins.)

SENDING-OFFS: None

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Warm & Sunny. No wind. **STATE OF PITCH:** Perfect (except for loose cut grass !)

UNAVAILABILITY: (12 Players) Leon McKenzie-McKay, Eni Bezati, Nathan Allen, Dave Nguyen, Vishal Patel (All Injured), Curtis Baalam, Tyronne Petrie (Both Working), Sam Woolley (Away), Harold Ofori (Away - Working Abroad), Nana Obeng, Jordan Umpire (Other Commitments) **Sunday Morning Drop-Outs:** Ivan Bass (Car Breakdown)

OPPONENTS' LINE-UP (4-2-3-1): 1. James Fletcher (GK); 2. Tom Arnold (RB), 3. Liam Kirk (RCB), 10. Zac Joseph (LCB), 4. Sam Arnold (LB); 11. Oliver Robins (CM Holding...Captain), 15. Jaac Stone (CM Holding); 8. George Beattie (RM), 7. Alex Samiotis (ACM), 14. Bradley Melville (LM); 5. Jack Bedingfield (CF) **Subs.** 6. Ben MacGregor, 12. Yusef Oz (Roll-On, Roll-Off)

OPPONENTS' GOALSCORER: Robins (77 Mins.)

MATCH REPORT

After two bad defeats in a row and a large number of fringe players in our 34-man squad now having lost interest after not getting a look-in since Pre-Season, we were down to just 12 available players the day before this match with regulars Leon McKenzie-McKay, Curtis Baalam, Tyronne Petrie, Sam Woolley & Nana Obeng all missing for various reasons. Thankfully though, Nassir Ali & Daniel Daley both agreed to come along and help out despite suffering from injuries themselves, but with Ivan Bass having problems with his car and failing to make it to the game from his home in Stevenage, that meant Rafiel Johnson had to start despite not being fully fit, while we also had a major scare in the warm-up when keeper Ian Whitmore injured his shoulder and was down on the ground for about 5 minutes. Thankfully though, he recovered just in time as Referee Bob Salter blew his whistle to start the match against our mid-table opponents Beehive BHP Seconds, who looked lively early on, but with us fielding a strong side defensively, we coped well with that early pressure and started creating numerous clear-cut chances thereafter once Tom Croake had put us into the lead after 15 minutes with a simple tap-in after Rafiel Johnson's shot had been half-stopped by keeper James Fletcher. Ayo Matthews, Jack Bangs, Nassir Ali and Croake all should have given us a commanding lead by Half-Time but they either chose the wrong option to pass or shoot or they over-ran the ball with only the keeper to beat, whereas Ian Whitmore only had one save to make in the First Half. That saw a lot of arguing during the break because we were concerned that we could throw the match away if we didn't take our chances, but thankfully Jack Bangs calmed everybody's nerves in the 52nd minute by firing a long-range free-kick into the top corner to put us 2-0 up and he then followed that up with another goal just three minutes later to make it 3-0 with a tap in after a scramble in the area from Lexton Harrison's long throw. At that stage it looked like we could go on and win by a lot more, but with no further substitutes available after Rafiel Johnson and Daniel Cascoe had already left the field of play with pulled muscles and one or two others struggling, The Beehive 2nds came back into the game towards the end and scored a consolation goal in the 77th minute when Jack Bangs switched off from a throw-in and allowed Beehive skipper Oliver Robins to get in front of him to fire low into the bottom corner. We defended really well after that though, while also having the odd chance to extend our lead on the break, and it was a fully-deserved three points for us in the end.