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SUNDAY 29th OCTOBER 2000

MERCURY WALTHAM SUNDAY LEAGUE (INTERMEDIATE CUP, SECOND ROUND) MATCH AWAY TO

KICK OFF 10.25 AM.!

THE WHEAT SHEAF AT WORMLEY PLAYING FIELDS

SCORE: **THE WHEAT SHEAF 3** **EDMONTON ROVERS** 0

HALF-TIME: 2-0

Team	MARKS OUT OF 10	SCORERS
1. GK Paul REBAIRO	6	
2. RB Tony SPELLER	6½	
3. LB Steve BEASLEY (CAPTAIN)	6½	
4. RM/CM Stuart DORWARD	6½	
5. SW Dave DIETMAN	6	
6. CH³ Robin PRYKE	7	
7. CM⁶ Russell BEEDEN	* (66 mins) 6½	
8. CM¹⁷ Marco ELLERKER	7	
9. CF/RM⁹ Derek DORWARD	* (90 mins) 6½	
10. CF² Paul ELLERKER	6½	
11. LM¹¹ John BEASLEY	7	
12. CF⁷ Leston HARRISON	* (66 mins) 6	
14. CF¹⁶ Gary ODELL	* (90 mins) 6	
15. —¹² Lee OSBORN	—	
16. —¹⁴ Daniel McINTYRE	—	
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OPPONENTS GOALTIMES: - DANNY FORD (12 mins), BARRY WHITEN (42 mins), COLIN BEVAN (87 mins)

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: - L. HUGHES, T. HUGHES, K. YOUNG (EARLY), A. SPEAKMAN

CROWD: - 23

CLUB LINESMAN: - LEE OSBORN (FIRST HALF) / TIM BEEDEN (2ND HALF) REFERENCE: - KEVIN HUGHES

BOOKINGS: WAYNE DANIELS (THE WHEAT SHEAF) (29 mins) - FAUL ON DEL

PENDING OFF: -

WEATHER CONDITIONS: - SUNNY AND DRY, BUT STRONG BLUSTERY COLD WIND ACROSS PITCH FROM CORNER TO CORNER

STATE OF PITCH: - VERY SOFT AND MUDDY WITH LONG GRASS (AGAINST US IN 2ND HALF)

Report: We came into this match determined to get back to winning ways after our unlucky defeat the week before, especially as we were wearing our new kit for the first time (sponsored by the 'On Broadway' pub), which put everybody in a good mood as the game kicked off. However, the absence of goalkeeper Stavros Elia (in Manchester for the weekend to watch United v. Southampton the day before) and his 'deputy' Dave Bagnall (working) always meant we were likely to be a bit 'dodgy' defensively again, especially with Division 3 side The Wheat sheaf being unbeaten so far this season and obviously fired up for this match judging by the number of supporters they had on the touchline (inadvertently getting in the way of the camera!). Although The Wheat sheaf scored an early goal though, it was very much against the run of play as we dominated possession and created numerous openings with some excellent control and passing only to come up against an inspired goalkeeper for the second week running as The Wheat sheaf's Martin MacNeill came back to 'haunt' us just as he had done in the early/mid-90's when he was a prolific scoring forward for one of our 'jinx' teams, the now-defunct A.F.C. Astra!

Unfortunately, our keeper Paul Rebaïro made a costly error from a direct free-kick to help The Wheat sheaf score their second goal just before half-time, but it was only in the last 10 or 15 minutes of the match that we 'fell apart' a bit as we pushed players forward in desperation and this allowed The Wheat sheaf to hit us on the break and kill the game off (thanks to a Rebaïro 'air-shot'/mis-kick from a Dave Dietman back-pass!).