









EDITOR'S CORNER Barking V Little Oakley

Good afternoon everyone, and welcome to Lawtech Stadium for this Essex Senior League tie against Little Oakley!

We return to league action after a midweek interlude in the Essex Senior Cup, where it took penalties to separate us and White Ensign after an exciting 3-3 draw as we won 5-3 on penalties. Our goals came from Steven Wade, Sam Shaban and Deivi Kreka. A full report can be found on page 4. A report for last Saturday's victory against Benfleet can also be found on page 6.



We would also like to wish all fans and players of Little Oakley as well as the officials and any neutrals a safe journey home from Lawtech Stadium today.

Come on you Blues!

Penned by programme editor Trevor Gilbert

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FA Cup - Second Round Proper	1978/79, 1979/80, 1981/82, 1983/84
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FA Trophy best - Second Round	1979/80
FA Vase Best - Fifth Round (Last 16)	1996/97
London Senior Cup - Winners	1911/12, 1920/21, 1926/27, 1978/79
Essex Senior Cup – Winners	1893/94, 1895/96, 1919/20, 1945/46, 1962/63,
•	1969/70, 1989/90
East Anglian Cup - Winners	1937/38, 1953/54 (Shared)
Essex Thameside Trophy – Winners	1952/53 (Shared), 1956/57, 1958/59, 1996/97
Gordon Brasted Trophy - Winners	2014/15
Errington Challenge Cup – Winners	2022/23
Dylon Shield Winners	1979/80
Essex Senior League Reserve	
Division - Champions	2011/12

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Essex Elizabethan Trophy, Essex Intermediate Cup, East Anglian Cup, South Essex League, Leyton & District League, London Charity Cup/ Eastern Floodlight Cup, Essex Floodlight Cup, Mithras Cup and the Premier Midweek league.



WHITE ENSIGN 3-3 BARKING FC

Essex Senior Cup First Round - Wednesday 2 October 2024 - Report by Terry Gilbert

On a wet evening at Burroughs Park, Barking managed to squeeze into the second round of the Essex Senior Cup after a thrilling 5-3 win on penalties against White Ensign.

Despite never leading during the game, Barking's resilience paid off in the shootout, with Max Spence saving the decisive spot-kick, backed up by his colleagues who scored all five spot kicks.

Barking, fielding a stronger lineup than in their Errington Challenge Cup defeat to West Essex, were still caught off guard in the opening moments, and it



was no surprise after six minutes Ensign's Taylor Jacobi lobbed Spence punishing Barking's continual failure to clear the ball properly, putting the hosts ahead. Despite the early setback, Barking slowly found their footing. Two quick corners in the tenth minute brought some momentum, with Ryan Cosson heading over from the second. Barking's best chance of the first half came on 19 minutes, as Sam Shaban found Juwon Akintunde, whose shot smacked the post but stayed out. White Ensign continued to look dangerous on the counter, but Barking levelled in the 39th minute thanks to a freak goal. **Steven Wade's** shot-cross flew over White Ensign's keeper, Brad Davidson, and nestled into the net.

Just before halftime, Ensign thought they had retaken the lead following another quick counter through Chinedu Duru, but the goal was ruled out for offside, leaving the score 1-1 at the break. The second half began with Barking trying to find a breakthrough, with Jalen Johnson's good work setting up Akintunde for a chance, but the angle was too tight, and his shot found the side netting. Barking then surrendered possession in midfield, allowing an unchecked run into the box and Duru this time onside restored the home side's lead in the 55th minute. Just two minutes later, Spence kept Barking in the game with a point-blank save with his legs to prevent a third and in the scheme of things proved to be a crucial moment. This was emphasised in the 60th minute when Kyron Cooper's quick break led to a cross which missed Akintunde but was returned low by Nelly Martins. Akintunde's close range shot was blocked, but **Sam Shaban** bundled home the rebound for his second goal in as many games, levelling the score at 2-2.

The game entered a lull as the wet conditions took their toll, but there was a sense that more goals were coming. On 82 minutes from our own corner Ensign broke away and when Kyron Cooper despite his best efforts loses a tackle and Robbie Allen is away and bearing down on our goal and he calmly slotted past the woefully exposed Spence to make it 3-2. A very poor goal to concede from a defensive standpoint. Thankfully, Barking wasn't done yet. Four minutes later, a Sam Edwards corner was played to Martins and he crossed to the head of **Deivi Kreka** to score his first goal for the club, to make it 3-3.

The final minutes of normal time unsurprisingly passed without incident and the Referee's final whistle meant a penalty shoot-out.

Barking took the first penalty, with Teddy Stacey converting to make it 1-0. Juwon Akintunde, Kyron Cooper both scored, with Trevor Harding and Austin Smart replying for White Ensign. The crucial moment came when the sixth penalty from Robbie Allen was saved by Spence. Advantage Barking. Sam Shaban then made it 4-2, and despite Callum Ferris making it 4-3, Danny Taylor sealed the victory for Barking with a well-taken penalty to win the shootout 5-3.



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BARKING 5-2 BENFLEET

Saturday 28 September 2024 - Essex Senior League - Report by Trevor Gilbert

Barking got back to winning ways with an emphatic 5-2 victory over Benfleet at the Lawtech Stadium. Barking didn't have it all their own way and went goal down early on but quickly recovered to be leading 4-1 at half time, before a goal for each side in the second half. Barking started in the ascendancy but were pegged back as a striker on a driving run was brought down in the Barking box with Benfleet awarded a penalty. Taylor Lawrence stepped up and dispatched the



penalty with ease, sending Max Spence the wrong way.

Barking kept up their pressure and their efforts were rewarded with a slice of luck after 19 minutes: Steven Wade's corner was flicked on by Teddy Stacey at the near post and hit the chest the **Marcel McDonald** on the edge of the six-yard box with the ball ending up high in the roof of the net.

Barking kept going forward as Juwon Akintunde saw his powerful effort from a narrow angle go just wide of the post immediately after the restart. It didn't matter moments later as McDonald cut the Benfleet defence open, leaving **Juwon Akintunde** through on goal and he slotted the ball under Florent Gislette in the Benfleet goal and into the net to continue his impressive run of form in front of goal.

The Barking onslaught continued and they had their third goal in five minutes as McDonald was again the provider, this time to **Izzy Bademosi** on the right wing who cut inside before shooting low back across Gislette who was wrong footed and could only watch as the shot hit the net. Bademosi went close to a second after 34 minutes but Gislette was equal to it this time, just about tipping his effort over the bar. **Andre Anderson** was dangerous on the left wing and went close after 40 minutes as his stooping header from Teddy Stacey's cross went just wide of the goal, he had his moment shortly after as some good interchange between Akintunde and McDonald led to Bademosi being fed down the wing, his cross to the far post was perfect for Anderson who headed back across Gislette into the bottom corner of the net, meaning the half time score was Barking 4 Benfleet 1.

Anderson nearly made it five and doubled his tally just after half time as he again met a cross at the far post, this time a low cross, but his side footed effort smacked against the crossbar and bounced away from the goal line. Akintunde went close with a header at the hour mark from another Bademosi cross but it was wide of the target. Benfleet however found a way back into the game on 62 after the award of a free kick on the edge of the box that could be defined as soft, Sonny Hartwell didn't care however and he expertly curved the free kick around the wall and into the net with Spence able to only stand and watch.

Ryan Cosson went close to restoring Barking's three goal cushion five minutes later as Barking's danger from corners continued but his header was well saved by Gislette. Benfleet continued to push forward but Barking regained their composure and Max Spence was not forced to make any save of note, Barking threatened themselves and had their reward late on to round off a good day as Hassan Nalbant and McDonald combined with McDonald's scuffed shot falling to **Sam Shaban** in the box who gratefully prodded the ball home for his first goal since returning to Barking.

MATCH CENTRE

DATE	OPPONENTS	COMP	SCORE	ATT	GOAL SCORERS
27 Jul 24	FC Clacton	ESL	3-0	146	Akintunde (pen), M. McDonald, John
30 Jul 24	Stanway Rovers	ESL	1-1	102	Bademosi
03 Aug 24	Tring Athletic	FACEPR	1-1	196	Edwards
06 Aug 24		FACEPR R	1-0	108	Own Goal
10 Aug 24	Takeley	ESL	1-3	82	M. McDonald
17 Aug 24	Redbridge	FAC PR	1-0	133	Akintunde
24 Aug 24	FC Baresi	FAV1QR	4-0	73	B. McDonald (x2), Akintunde (x2)
31 Aug 24	St Neots Town	FAC 1Q	2-2	338	Akintunde, Own Goal
3 Sept 24	St Neots Town	FAC 1Q R	3-2 (AET)	93	Bademosi, Stacey, Johnson
6 Sep 24	West Essex	ESL	1-0	83	Edwards
14 Sept 24	Gorleston	FAC 2Q	2-2	148	M. McDonald, Akintunde
17 Sept 24	Gorleston	FAC 2Q R	0-1	132	
21 Sept 24	Takeley	FAV 2Q	0-3	73	
24 Sept 24	West Essex	ECC PR	1-2	53	Byrne-Hewitt
28 Sep 24	Benfleet	ESL	5-2	49	M. McDonald, Akintunde, Bademosi, Anderson, Shaban
02 Oct 24	White Ensign	ESC 1R	3-3 (5-3 pens)		Wade, Shaban, Kreka
05 Oct 24	Little Oakley	ESL			
08 Oct 24	Buckhurst Hill	ESC 2R			
12 Oct 24	Halstead Town	ESL			
19 Oct 24	FC Clacton	PBMT 1R			
22 Oct 24	Ilford	ESL			
26 Oct 24	Buckhurst Hill	ESL			
02 Nov 24	Stansted	ESL			
05 Nov 24	Frenford	ESL			
09 Nov 24	White Ensign	ESL			
16 Nov 24	Great Wakering Rovers	ESL			
20 Nov 24	Ilford	ESL			
23 Nov 24	Sawbridgeworth Town	ESL			
26 Nov 24	Saffron Walden Town	ESL			
30 Nov 24	Hullbridge Sports	ESL			
3 Dec 24	Frenford	ESL			
14 Dec 24	Benfleet	ESL			
21 Dec 24	Woodford Town	ESL			
26 Dec 24	Romford	ESL			
04 Jan 25	White Ensign	ESL			
11 Jan 25	Takeley	ESL			
18 Jan 25	Athletic Newham	ESL			
25 Jan 25	Little Oakley	ESL			
01 Feb 25	Halstead Town	ESL			
08 Feb 25	Saffron Walden Town	ESL			
15 Feb 25	Buckhurst Hill	ESL			
22 Feb 25	Stanway Rovers	ESL			
01 Mar 25	Hullbridge Sports	ESL			
08 Mar 25	FC Clacton	ESL			
	Sawbridgeworth Town	ESL			
22 Mar 25	West Essex	ESL			
29 Mar 25	Athletic Newham	ESL			
05 Apr 25	Stansted	ESL			
12 Apr 25	Romford	ESL			
	Great Wakering Rovers				
26 Apr 25	Woodford Town	ESL			
	Haringey Borough	LSC 2R			

LITTLE OAKLEY

There is evidence of a football club at Little Oakley just before and after the First World War when an informal team played friendlies on a field behind the village school. However, the current club was formed at the Memorial Club as Little Oakley War Memorial FC in 1947, the main instigators being Nat Seaborn, Ted Messenger, Bill Wright, the AA Man, and Arthur Rush, the Club's secretary. In those early days the teams changed in the local Bank manager's barn behind Foulton Hall, accessing the pitch via a gate at the top left-hand corner of the field.

The club joined the Harwich & District Junior League in 1949/50 and entered a reserve team in the B section of the league a year later.. After 2 seasons in the Tendring Hundred League from 1953, the club was elected into Division One of the Colchester & East Essex League when the First team's place in the THL was taken by the reserves. After topping the Colchester table in 56/57 season, the first team was promoted to the Premier Division and although they dropped back to Division One in 1960, they finished third two seasons later.

On the strength of this and the standard of their facilities at the War Memorial Ground, they were accepted into the Border League Division One on 1963-64 season lifting the Divisional Knock Out Cup that very season. The season was completed when they took the Harwich Junior Charity Cup.

The club moved around various league until returning to the Border League 1973/74 and enjoyed success throughout the following 20 years which culminated in winning the Essex Intermediate Cup in 1989/90 which followed league winning seasons in 1987/88. A few disappointing seasons followed but we returned to league winning ways in 2002/03 winning the Border League Premier division for the fifth time.

The club has moved quickly following a hugely successful Border League double winning season in 2015/2016 under the management of Sean Tynan and Paul Sadler. This led to a successful application to join the Eastern Counties League with the club investing over £300k in improved facilities at the Memorial Gound, including floodlights, fencing plus a new standing covered area and 50-seater stand. In addition, the investment in a 5v5 3G facility has reaped major rewards with the youth football section now having home for their coaching sessions.

As part of the FA National League restructuring at step 6, we were moved across to the Thurlow Nunn First Division South on 2018/19. The pandemic led to 2 shortened but successful seasons and on the back of that, the club were promoted to the Step 5 Essex Senior League for the 2020/21 season.

The club is now at the forefront of the local community with over 20 youth football teams and 3 thriving Walking football teams with players representing England at the Over 70 age group

Now playing at the highest level it has ever competed at and playing in the FA Cup, the club continues to grow.





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PHOTO REVIEW: WHITE ENSIGN 3-3 BARKING FC

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HAVEN'T WE MET BEFORE?

Our last meetings with Little Oakley compiled by Terry Gilbert

December 16th 2023 - Essex Senior League Barking 1 (Sam Shaban) Little Oakley 1

September 9th 2023 - Essex Senior League Little Oakley 2 Barking 1 (Martin Tuohy Penalty)

January 21st 2023 – Essex Senior League Barking 2 (Sam Shaban 2 (1 Penalty)) Little Oakley 2

August 13th 2022 - Essex Senior League Little Oakley 0 Barking 0

ON THIS DAY

A selection of Barking games from this day in the past by Terry Gilbert

October 5th 2021 - Isthmian League North Division Maldon & Tiptree 2
Barking 1 (George Purcell)

October 5th 2019 - Isthmian League South Central Division Barking 2 (Junior Dadson 2)
Westfield 0

October 5th 2013 - Essex Senior League Greenhouse London 1 Barking 2 (James Barlow, Lamar Reynolds)

October 5th 2002 - Isthmian League Division 2
Corinthian-Casuals 4
Barking & EHU 3 (Jamie Dormer, Billy Read, Rene Regis)

October 5th 1999 - FA Trophy Preliminary Round Molesey 0 Barking 3 (Jon Buffong, Paul Rogan, Lele Bajada)

October 5th 1985 - Isthmian League Premier Division Bishops Stortford 2
Barking 1 (Jon Bolle)

October 5th 1974 - Isthmian League Walton & Hersham 0
Barking 2 (Charlie Williams, Mal Crissell)

October 5th 1968 - Isthmian League Barking 2 (Neville Fox 2) Sutton United 1

October 5th 1960 - East Anglian Cup Barking 1 (Vic Harrison) Bedford 1





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Max Spence	1.	Michael Bett
Teddy Stacey	2.	Rory Harman
Jay Bacon	3.	Adrian Cant
Sam Edwards	4.	Daniel Smith
Ryan Cosson	5.	Reece Keating
Chris John	6.	Jack Ladbrook
Andy Greenslade	7.	Jordi Papple
Jerrold Cobblah	8.	Mohammad Amir
Izzy Bademosi	9.	Darren Mills
Marcel McDonald	10.	Liam Riley
Juwon Akintunde	11.	Bobby Rea
Teddy Bowden	12.	Bobby Badham
Steven Wade	14.	Lewis Wood
Michael Mignot	15.	Nathan Rowe
Charlie Thomson	16.	Luke Hipkin
Presley Evans	17.	George Davis
Jonny Fowell (Joint-Mana	ger)	James Good (Manager)
Darren Gosnell (Assistant Ma	anager)	Paul Phelan (Coach)
Lawrence Ashworth (1st Team	n Coach)	Craig Clarke (Coach)
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