



The EBOG Weekly



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Results for the weekend of: Saturday 6 th February 2010					P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 st XI	2-0	Crouch End Vampires	SAL	Berry 2	12	5	5	2	33	25	8	20
2 nd XI	1-3	Old Owens	SAL	Perez	11	3	0	7	17	28	-11	9
3 rd XI	5-5	Old Stationers	OBC	Barker 2; Dixon 2; Sterry	7	3	1	3	17	13	4	10
4 th XI	4-2	Norsemen	SAL	Bradshaw 2; Kucinovic 2	11	8	1	2	37	23	14	25
5 th XI	2-1	Old Finchleians	SAL	Allen; Turner M	11	6	1	4	29	24	5	19
6 th XI	3-7	Old Suttonians	OBC	Field, Bell, Hodgson	8	2	0	6	16	36	-20	6
7 th XI	PP	Alexandra Park	SAL		10	4	0	6	28	34	-6	12
8 th XI	4-2	Alexandra Park	SAL	Catlin D 2; Cameron; OG	9	2	0	7	15	49	-34	6
Ladies		Northwood	L		7	2	1	4	13	18	-5	7

Roy's Weekend Round Up

A must win game for the 1^{sts} facing top of the table Crouch End, and win they did, beating them comfortably despite missing several chances. They seem to raise their game against the better sides and need fear nobody in this division. Another brace for Sam Berry, and a fine game from Rob Laney. Also of note was a magnificent penalty save from stopgap goalie Gary Haycock.

The 2^{nds} continued their poor run with a disappointing loss to mid-table Owens. A debut goal for our new Spanish player David Perez.

'3bog' laid on a sensational game for the spectators on the bottom pitch. An early 2-0 lead looked promising but was pegged back only for Darren Barker to restore a 2 goal margin just before halftime. We then saw a repeat of the 1^{sts} collapse on the same pitch last week and at 3-4 down with a minute to go we looked dead and buried. But step forward captain Lee Sterry, as he has done so many times before, to get his head to a corner and take the match into extra time. By now a large crowd were gripped by the tension and an excellent long range goal from Stationers was matched by another goal from Ed Dixon back to his elegant best following his double leg break two years ago. EBOG could have wrapped it up in extra time had a goal from Kimberley not been disallowed to every onlooker's surprise. It was then to penalties, and tired legs caused the first 3 to go high and unfortunately two were from EBOG. So, despite a tremendous effort, Lee's men were not to get a second Cup Final. The only puzzle is how an excellent Stationer's side (who are also still in the AFA Cup) can be near the bottom of Div 2. A footnote to the game came from their goalkeeper who pulled out in front of a police car on the way to the game and was booked for careless driving. He apologised: "Sorry, I didn't see you because I was on my Mobile" - and immediately got nicked for that as well! Still, he had a good game when he eventually arrived.

The 4ths are another EBOG side in good form and edged up into 2nd place with a hard fought victory against a competitive Norsemen side. Captain Khan pulled the masterstroke of taking himself off and putting Tom Ricketts on to turn around the score from 1-2 down! They now have to set about catching Owens' over-strength 6th XI who are 16 points above their own 5^{ths} and averaging 5 goals a game! The 5^{ths} got back into the groove with a narrow odd goal win against a competitive Finchleians side to move above them and keep in touch with the leaders.

The lower sides of Suttonians have always been too strong for us over recent years. You'd think their 1^{sts} would be running away with the Premier Division based on the form lower down, but they're not even in the Premier!! The 6^{ths} put up a brave fight but were basically outplayed by a better side.

The 8^{ths} came back covered in mud but smiling from Bethune where they notched only their 2nd victory of the season to leave AP's 7^{ths} & 8^{ths} propping up Division 5. A cry of: "Oh shit, we've turned into EBOG 8^{ths}!" summed it up at the end. Credit to Alex Park who are one of the few sides who move their players up and down the sides as we do. They have to suffer the same occasional thrashings from 'squads of mates' that are allowed to form in other Clubs. Apologies to AP for the complete lack of water at Bethune which hasn't been fixed from 2 weeks ago when we last played there. We ought to sue them for Breach of Contract and possibly health and safety as they couldn't even wash their hands! Aloysians were on a neighbouring pitch and had a colour clash. Our 8^{ths} sportingly agreed to swap shirts but, because our Ref was 20 minutes late, Aloysians finished before us and disappeared. Mind you the 8^{ths} are keen to hold on to the green kit as it is obviously lucky. Aloysians lost their game in our kit!! Sid may disagree.

A footnote to the day. Sam Patel turned up to the Club unexpectedly as he was meant to be on a skiing holiday. This was cancelled due to a family illness but not until after he had sold on his season tickets to Arsenal v Chelsea. So he will



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have had to sit at home and miss one of the games of the season whilst others warm his precious (wide-bodied?) seats!

SAL



EBOG 1st XI 2 – 0 Crouch End Vampires XI

Berry 2



This is the fixture we all look out for these days for obvious reasons and we didn't disappoint.

On the worst pitch ever it was going to be hard to play our normal game. Work rate was the key to this game and everyone was up for it and put in a shift. First goal came down the right from Rob Harris who sent Nayee away who delivered a pin point cross for Bezza to head home. (GET IN). We went in at half time with a very comfortable and well deserved 1-0 lead.

Our second goal came just after the break when Laney decided to play on his own and go on a run taking on 5 players and getting off a shot which was blocked and landed in the path of Bezza who stroked it home as usual!!!! That takes Bezza to 21 in 15 games. (Superb).

2-0 up and cruising we gave away a soft penalty which could of brought them back into the game but Haycock pulled off a superb save to keep it at 2-0. MOM to everyone! An outstanding performance all round. It showed how hard we worked as cramp started kicking in to some (roy Nayee).

SCRIBE: Nick Page

Team: Haycock, Carroll, Chandler, Bullet, Langdale, Nayee, Lister, Page, Chambers, Harris, Berry, Laney.

OBC



EBOG 3rd XI 5 – 5 Old Stationers XI



Olly olly olly t**s in the trolley balls in the biscuit team sitting on the grass with your finger up you a*s.....

Well basically it started with Ed Dixon opened the scoring then Darren Barker scoring twice with stationers then pulling their fingers out and then somehow taking the lead how I have no idea.

The 3bogs kept battling with eventually like a true ebogs captain Sterry took advantage of either Eds or Pennys flick on (sorry lads aint gotta clue who it was!) to make it 4 a piece. Extra time started with stationers scoring at the end of the first half.

But once again we responded with another goal with Ed Dixon bagging his second.

Final whistle PENALTIES.

Sorry I forgot to mention a goal by Tom Kimberly that was disallowed which was very embarrassing because he ran off waving his shirt above his head to later finding out he didn't

score and then getting let's say a fair bit of grief from the stationers agro on the side line. Ed was very close to his hatrick hitting the bar with a great header.

Well the only way I can describe the 3bogs penalty taking was like say watching ENGLAND take them!

Pen 1...stationers miss!

Pen 1...Darren ONLY just missed because of the dodgy ebogs turf giving away under his feet!!

Pen 2...stationers score!

Pen 2...very unlucky but George Maybe missed.

Pen 3... stationers the jammy stationers scored again

Pen 3... Ed Dixon scores!

Pen 4... yes you guessed it they scored.

Pen 4... Sterry scores!

And pen 5 with them scoring to win the game did just that and somehow go through to the final. But with good performances all round im sure the 3bogs will go from strength to strength and go on and have a successful seasons with us eventually winning some shitty looking trophy.
3BOGS!!

SCRIBE: Darren Barker

SAL



EBOG 4th XI 4 – 3 Norsemen XI



With all the disruptions due to the weather it was great to finally get a game. The team saw the intro of 2 players dropped from the higher teams in the form of Tom Ricketts and James Bradshaw and the inclusion of our long lost centre half- Alex Willams. I picked up the Dollis Valley crew aka Ebog Utd!... And realised that we has to squeeze 12 players into 2cars and that was a mean feat considering we had Big Boy Trim and Big Up Hasan who amounted to half the area covered in Barnet!! A rushed journey and the prospect of playing at the hallowed turf at Norseman (Hasan reckoned it was one the best pitches he had ever played on).. And I could see why .. As Rhino Hasan loved to waddle in the muddy swamp that awaited us!.. A quick team talk and we started the match with brisk attacks and no results. The pitch was dire and some of Jayz touches were worse!.. Finally good link up play between Trim and Bradshaw and the boys up front (Goran/Jayz) led to our 1st goal from new man/child Bradshaw.. Who did his customary flips for the celebration? We took the deserved lead and held out to half time. The half time discussion was to keep moving the ball and get the ball wide out away from the muddy swamp in the middle, as well as a chat with the front two who needed to get some strikes in without lifting 2 tonnes of mud each time they had a strike.

We started the 2nd half and within 10 mins had conceded two silly goals from 2 set pieces. The first from a corner and the 2nd from a free kick. So.. 2-1 down and a test of character was needed. I looked around the pitch and could see the disappointment in our faces and the hunger to correct this. I then made the best decision of the game and took myself off (i was

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still suffering from some verbal from the oppo...who called me a "funny looking ***t"... i had no idea how to take this as my mum reckons I'm lovely!!) to make way for Tom Ricketts, with the strict instructions to push forward and let Adam Ghani to sit. The switch made immediate impact with Baldy Ricketts winning most headers in the middle and occasional driving runs into their half. With 15 mins left i thought of making another sub and intro Jack Gaul as a winger and push Midget Bradshaw up front. However that plan had to hit the back burner as we equalised from a well taken goal from Immigrant/Passport Hunter/Car Wash bod - Goran. With 15 mins and our tails up I could see we could go on and win this game and encouraged the team to get the ball to Midget Bradshaw and his long lost twin brother Colin Williams who tore the oppo apart with deft attacks where they could jinx in and out and drop a shoulder and leave their players left stranded in the mud. Another goal from Bradshaw saw us take a lead and the oppo started to argue amongst themselves as well as get on the back of the ref with their continual moaning!..We did well to keep the ball and kept the oppo at bay defensively. Great display from S-Club7 wannabe Alex Williams who battled away well and got to all the key tackles and had a composed game. Man of the match performance goes to Man Mountain Hasan (it must be the new pencil moustache)... but.. i put it down to his pre match warm up.. grooving to Loved Up Tunes. Also special mention to Car Wash bod - Goran...worked his socks off in the 2nd half to get two well deserved goals,.

Team points:

- 1) Keeper Tom- had time to pull a book out and have a read.
- 2) S-Club7 wannabe Alex Williams - good solid performance. Needs a little more hair gel.
- 3) Man Mountain Hasan Ghani - had moments where I thought i was watching a fat Adam Ghani steaming through the midfield, won all key headers and took control in any danger. Bad Boy tache too!
- 4) Magic Maj Curtis- magic cos he plays like he doesn't have a ball...and more often than not.. that's the case
- 5) Man Mountain Trim - secret brother of Hasan, share the same kebab shop.
- 6) King Khan- simply "funny looking ***t"...
- 7) Bad Boy Gangsta Ghani - so smooth u can't feel him!.. That's what Maj told me!
- 8) One More time Williams - who just has to take one more player on before he discovers he has run of the pitch.
- 9) Midget with a Widjet Bradshaw - leaves players for dead with his deft pace.
- 10) Lightweight Jayz - skipped about on the mud like he was on the beach on a sunny day..but loves gyming with Maj ..hmm?
- 11) Immigrant/Passport Hunter/Car Wash bod - Goran - only performs if his life depends on it or visa is about to expire
- 12) The Uglier Ricketts- Its not personal but having Harry as a brother must be hard!! ;-).but Tom is the best impact player in the club!
- 13) Mad Dog Jack - always on the leash...but lethal once i let go of him!...

N.B. We have played 6 away games and won all 6!... so.. lets keep this momentum up and win this league!...Next week we

play 2nd placed Norseman 5's...YES their 5s team is better than their 4s team!!...Hmmm???...

SCRIBE: Shane Khan

OBC



EBOG 6th XI 3 – 7 Old Suttonians XI

Field, Bell, Hodgson

Up against a team we lost to 7-1 before xmas this was always going to be a tall order. Again we started with a team that had never played together. It showed. Despite the luxury of an early goal from a returning Dave field and a solid start from both our front men in Jones and field, Suttonians quickly took control with quick simple passing that left us chasing shadows. A few players were guilty of ball watching and not showing for the ball in my opinion. It wasn't that the opposition displayed far greater ability in the end, but the fact that we made some absolute school boy decisions which cost us dear. Playing the ball across ure back line is all well and good when ure hitting the target , but quite simply when you don't hit the target in that situation, then ure always in trouble. We had one warning before suttonians lively forward picked up another poor pass across our back 4 and dispatched it. Further goals followed from silly mistakes. By half time we were 4-1 down. Steve spoke of attitude and wanting to play good football to feet. I totally agree with that. But uve got to earn the right to play good football. He talked about marking our men and that for me is what we lacked. That and work rate. Too many players dived in and lost out to a simple one two.

The second half saw a far greater improvement with players tracking there men and closing down. Suddenly they were struggling to break us down. Richard Ozar came on at centre back and looked like a welcome addition. Hodgson on for jones livened up the attack and we looked like a team again. When Bell played a simple ball out to hodgson a simple one two let bell dispatch a delightful chip into the top corner.4-2. But again the focus switched and we left our men again. There 5,6 and 7th quickly dispatched by there number 11 who to be fair gave seller a torid time. Hodgson got our 3rd after a good through ball from Diaby who had come on for field.

Out of the cup we need to focus on the league. We need to settle the team and play a few games together. We need to understand that we are near bottom of the league and need to scrap, work, tackle and force our way out of it. Next week is a massive game and I for one am sick of late drop outs F(88ing up my Saturday football.If you drop out late next week then enjoy the 7's/8's because you wont be selected for the following week. My MOM was Pete whittaker who displayed exactly the attitude we need to ensure league results.

SCRIBE: Adam Callow

Team: Carrera, Parsonage, Lee/Sam, Sellers, Down, Callow, Whittaker, King, Bell, Field, Jones, Diaby, Ozar, Hodgson.

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Bryan Weightman



We're delighted to hear from Bryan Weightman that he has been given the all clear after suffering from Prostate cancer.

Cheers Bryan!

Unavailability & Dropping Out

All members, please note the following:

If you are N/A on a particular or series of dates please mark it in the Unavailability book.

DO NOT TELL YOUR CAPTAIN ONLY!!

Additionally, if you need to dropout;

DO NOT DROPOUT TO YOUR CAPTAIN, please ring the number on the teamsheet.

If you have marked yourself as n/a, please check the teamsheet to ensure that this has been completed as per your request.

EBOG Roof Fund

Last chance to donate to the Roof fund via the Website because we will be closing the Ebog Roof Just Giving site down soon. Donations have eased to a trickle lately and they are charging us £15/month to maintain the site. It has been well worthwhile so far because we have received over £700 via the site and the Government has added over £200 in Gift Aid. Many thanks.

Thanks again to Lee who made some emergency repairs last week to a part of the roof he hadn't reached yet. We will need him to complete the roof next summer so....

More donations please!

www.Justgiving.com/ebog-roof

Anyone who needs any good roofing work doing:

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Or talk to Lee Sterry.

FA Level 1 Course (Ladies Only)

There is a Level 1 course taking place for Ladies in the Muswell Hill area in April and we have been offered a huge discount, the course is only £25!

If any ladies are interested please could you let Christo know ASAP so that places can be booked before they run out!

Club Floor and Carpet

Some of you may have noticed the improvement in the state of the floors and carpet at the Club. This was the result of an overhaul by Bob Gair distinguished former EBOG player and ex-1st team captain. His firm RR Cleaning Services specialise in this sort of thing. We have had the floors done before but Bob took on the carpet which has over the years seen gallons of spilt beer, food and ground-in chewing gum long since turned black! Bob has removed every stain and restored the carpet to the condition it was in 40 odd years ago! Amazing!

If you've had an EBOG to stay and want the stains removed, contact Bob on 07957 360044.

EBOG Club Tour 2011

We have decided that an EBOG club tour is well overdue. Anyone who is brave enough to attend needs to give Sam Patel £200 by October 2010. The likely month this will be is April. Open to suggestions on where to go. Any more information regarding this please speak to Sam.

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Lock Up:	Roy Bertauche

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The Return of Sid's Big Quiz



Sid returns with another of his successful Quizzes with questions across a broad range of subjects.

Teams up to 4, £1 per person.
Any profits to the roof fund.
27th March starting 8pm.

Leading Goal Scorers

<u>Player</u>	<u>No. of Goals</u>
Berry	21
Allen B; Kucinovic;	13
Laney	12
Sterry;	10
Penny;	9
Hodgson; Lane;	8
Finney T; Lynch D; Nelson; Siddique R; Suant	6
Bradshaw; Chambers; Dixon; Gale; Innes;	5
Bell; Challis; Flannery D; Garrard; Gino; Harris R; Lowe N; Reade; Williams C	4
Barker D; Ghani A; Lewis; Martin; Maher; Owers; Pratt G; Ricketts T; Trim; Turner M; Weldon;	3

Club Dinner

Date for your diary. Club Dinner – Friday 28th May 2010. Bit later than normal but caused by a clash of dates and the backlog of fixtures.

Babies

Only a week or so after Ian Clark brought his new daughter Daisy up to the Club, congratulations are due to Darren Bryant who gained a 7lb 11oz baby boy last week. Apparently he already has thicker legs than his father!

Ball Bags

Please remember to take the balls to the pitch in the ball bag and not leave it in the Changing Rooms. Some Referees are marking us down for apparently not having a First Aid Kit which, of course, is in the Ball Bag.

The Bag is also quite useful for taking any litter away with you.

100 Club Prize Winners

October:		November		December		Rick Smyth	
No.		No.					
1 st	174 Chris Collins	£90	1 st 46 Bob Gair	£30	1 st 54 Andy Sharp	£90	
2 nd	132 Kate Whitebread	£75	2 nd 29 Kevin Hayes	£75	2 nd 20 Mike Brazier	£75	
3 rd	153 Paul Freeman	£45	3 rd 114 Tom Rainbow	£30	3 rd 71 Andy Heath	£15	

You could be a prize winner for as little as £1 a month (£12/year)
February draw will be double prizes: £180 could be won with one gold number.

You can't win it unless you're in it!

Now is the time of year to buy into 2010. Contact Rick on 01442 236742; rick@smyth12.fsnet.co.uk

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