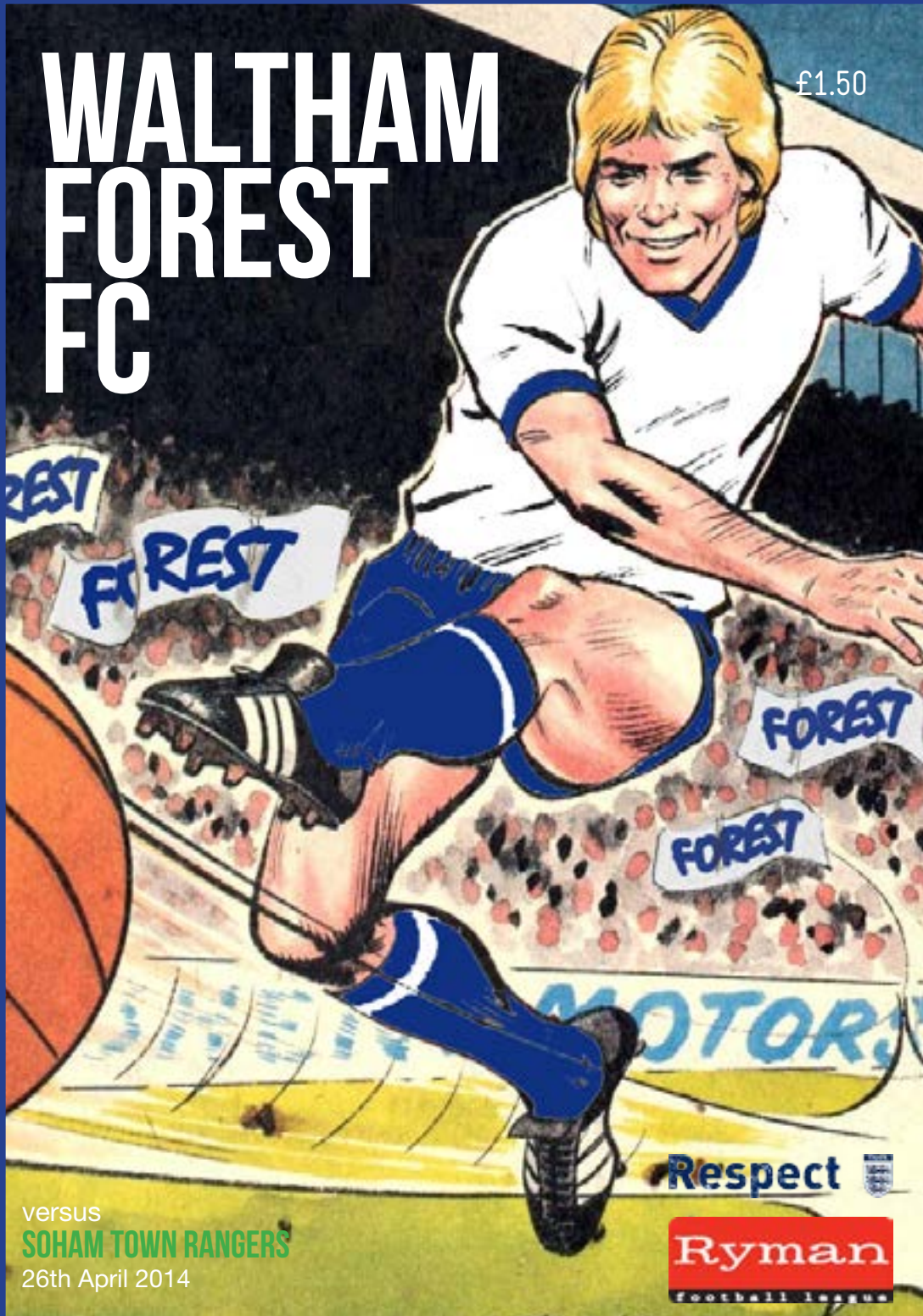



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CLUB HONOURS

Essex Senior Cup: Winners 2005/6

Essex Senior Trophy: Winners 1995/6

Essex & Herts Champion's Cup: Winners 1996/7

Essex & Herts Bordering Combination Cup: Winners 1996/7

Eastern Footlit Cup: Winners 1997/8, 1998/9

London Intermediate Cup: Runners-Up 1977/8, 1981/2, 1996/7

London Challenge Cup: Runners-Up 1995/6, 1996/7

London Senior Cup: Runners-Up 1990/1

Suburban League Regional Division: Winners 2005/6

Conference Youth League: Winners 2005/6

Eastern Junior Alliance Trophy: Winners 2003/4

South-West League Junior Cup: Winners 1968/9

South-West League Intermediate Cup: Winners 1969/70

South-West League Senior Cup: Winners 1970/71

South West League Premier League: Winners 1972/3

London Junior Cup: Winners 1974/5

London Metropolitan League: Winners 1974/5, Runners-Up 1978/9, 1979/80, 1981/2

London Metropolitan League Intermediate Cup: Runners-Up 1977/8, 1978/9

Spartan Reserve League: Winners 1980/1, 1990/1, Runners-Up 1987/8

Spartan Reserve League Cup: Winners 1980/1, 1988/9, 1990/1

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Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen and welcome to Wadham Lodge for today's Ryman League Division 1 North fixture with Soham Town Rangers, our final match of the season. We hope their players, supporters and officials have a pleasant stay with us and a safe journey home. We also extend a warm welcome to today's team of match officials.

Well, suffice to say that this season hasn't quite gone as planned. After the initial euphoria of sealing our move back to the Lodge, we struggled all season long, and have found ourselves relegated, most probably without any chance of a reprieve.

I don't think I can say our relegation isn't undeserved - we've been poor for much of the season,

and the same mistakes have cost us time and time again.

However, at no point through the season did I think the players we had (and there's been a few) haven't been giving it their all in order to get three points.

Out of the six games we've won, I only actually saw the home win against Wroxham. Perhaps if I stayed away more often we might have stayed up!

This season more than ever I would like to thank the committee and fans for their tireless support during what has been one of the most challenging seasons in our history - both on and off the field.

We may be going down, but we're going down smiling.

I think it would be fair to say that we've been

punching above our weight by staying at step 4 for quite some time now. Who knows, a season or two (hopefully not too many more!) in the Essex Senior League might do us a few favours.

There'll be a few new trips, and on the whole, I foresee a far more relaxed and enjoyable approach to football.

I hope you all have an enjoyable summer, and check the website for all the latest news over the coming months.

All the best,

Andrzej

THE TREESURGEON

Today we say goodbye to the Isthmian League after over twenty years as a member, for at least, one season.

Let us hope we can sign off with a win – mind you, we started life with a defeat as a member of the Isthmian League – we lost away at Uxbridge, who had also been elevated from the Athenian League, with us, instead of Athenian league runners up, Edgware Town, who's ground failed to meet the ground grading criteria.

It was not actually a League game, we had to play our fellow new boys, to even up the numbers in the Isthmian League Cup, bizarrely, there was an uneven number of clubs in the Isthmian League and we had to play this preliminary game to get the draw even again.

We now know our fate after the 4-3 defeat at Barkingside a couple of weeks ago in a ninety minutes that summed up our season.

We managed to throw away a winning position at half time (as usual) – allowing the home side to seize the initiative by defending too deep (as usual) and then proceeded to make elementary errors in defence to gift them a few goals (as usual).

For the umpteenth time this season we committed the same basic

errors that we have made from the opening game and in truth, there is little doubt, we deserve to be relegated

Given our limited level of expenses we are able to pay players, the inexperience of the vast majority of the players we signed and the total inexperience. At our level of the Director of Football, it proved to many handicaps to overcome.

Even though we were only mathematically relegated at Barkingside, even the most optimist of supporters would have seen the writing on the wall much earlier in the month, when the gap in points between us and the teams in the safety zone reached double figures.

We have been unable to string two back to back victories together all season, the best we have managed was a win and then a draw, on two occasions.

We have had some good victories,, especially away and in the games against Aveley, away/ Heybridge Swifts, away and Harlow at home, we managed to take a half time lead and hang on to it, if only we could have done that more often we might still be in the isthmian League next season.

If anyone is hoping for a reprieve, as happened about three years ago to us,

because of the difficulties at other clubs, I think we are whistling in the dark.

Our likely final points tally is not likely to put us anywhere near the top of the pecking order for clubs looking at a reprieve.

To be honest, I am not sure if another season in the Isthmian League would do us any favours, given the costs associated with running a non league club these days.

The League fees and administration costs in the ESL, are unlikely to be much less than those this season, but, we will at least be able to look forward to less travelling which will cut down on expenses and those awful midweek journeys to Norfolk and Suffolk and the wilds of far flung Essex

It will hopefully, mean an end to away games where players either turn up late at games, due to travelling difficulties, or not at all.

We cannot afford to run coaches any more and so the shorter distances to away matches should make the car travelling logistic quite a bit easier.

Mind you, we will be visiting some familiar haunts, such as Cricklefields and Waltham Abbey, who are landlords to Eton Manor, so not everything will have changed.

The move back to



Wadham Lodge has, in my opinion, not been successful, certainly in the short term, with quite a high rent, coupled with the rent we also had to pay to Ilford this season form our short notice vacation of Cricklefields.

However, on the plus side, we certainly have much better training facilities and although the immediate impact of increased sponsorship from companies, now we are back in the Borough, did not emerge this season, it has to be a benefit, long term.

In fact I believe there are encouraging signs for additional sponsorship next season.

That has to be the way forward – we almost need to forget what is happening on the pitch for at least the

next twelve months and concentrate on bringing in additional revenue to stabilise the club and make sure we have a solid financial base to build upon.

If we can do that and move forward on the Chairman's aim to run both a youth section and academy, we should start to see the benefits both on the field and off it – with increased access to the young footballing talent in our area and hopefully, additional support to the club as a whole, from those associated with the youth and academy sections.

We can only move forward with purpose if all of the team's sides are made to feel part of Waltham Forest FC and treat us as a place where they play their football and has no relevance to them.

With Soham, almost certainly now out of range of the play offs, In hope both sides can go out today to enjoy themselves and serve up some good football for our Isthmian League swan song (for the time being anyway).

Let us look at next season as a new challenge and new beginnings, rather than the start of a downward spiral into obscurity.

END OF SEASON AWARDS



Sudbury. Another fine and historic town, well worth a day out in its own right (if you visit the church, ask to see the shrunken head of the Archbishop – kept in a cupboard in the Vestry so as not to frighten the children). There's an excellent outdoor market in the bustling town centre, and one outstanding pub – the Brewery Tap in East Street, which features locally-brewed Maldon's ales and guest beers. Basic snacks are on offer at this traditional old-style pub, and you're also welcome to bring your own food in – the pub will even supply plates and cutlery. The only hazard is managing to tear yourself away in time to head for the football ground (a tranquil scenic walk through the river meadows), but there's a

And so another season draws to a close, and once again it's time for the Beer Hunter to announce his annual Awards. These are totally subjective, and are based on a very loose definition of Best Overall Away Day Out - particularly for the beer. The quality and result of the game are not factors in these deliberations, which in some cases is probably just as well.

And so, in time-honoured fashion, here are the results in reverse order. In third place, the Bronze Handpump award goes jointly to.....Maldon & Tiptree and Erith & Belvedere. Delightful, historic Maldon is always a Grand Day Out whatever the season, and a pint or two of home-brewed Farmers Ales

by the fire in the 14th-century Blue Boar makes an ideal start before strolling to the ground via the Queens Head on the riverside, with restored Thames sailing barges moored up nearby. Rather confusingly, Erith & Belvedere don't play at either place but at Welling, and it was here that we found the Door Hinge – a wonderful, tiny micro-pub (25 people would be a full house here) with a friendly welcome and four guest beers served straight from the barrel in tip-top condition. And we won that day!

Second place next, and the Silver Handpump goes to a regular contender, AFC



THE BEER HUNTER: 7



bar, both serving locally-brewed beer including the recently-revived Lacons from Great Yarmouth. A Grand Day Out, apart from the match itself; we lost 10-1 but scoring that goal two minutes from time was a moment to savour over another pint after the final whistle. Congratulations to Dereham Town, both for carrying off the Golden Handpump and for a very successful first season in the Ryman. Good luck to them, and indeed to

everyone else.

As for next season, who knows? Maybe a miracle will see us revisiting some of these places again, or maybe the trapdoor will result in us consulting maps and beer guides to the likes of Sawbridgeworth (with its own brewery), Takeley and Southend Manor – though probably not our old friends at Great Wakering, who look like getting back into the Ryman this year. So from the Beer Hunter and his lady assistant, enjoy the summer, check www.whatpub.com and www.beerintheevening.com for the best pubs to visit on your travels, and see you at Olympia for the Great British Beer Festival (12th-16th August). Cheers!

nice surprise on arrival - the club bar is one of the few in our league to stock real ale. Once again it's local, from Nethergate's Growler Brewery up the road in Clare.

And so to the top spot – cue drum roll, and the coveted Golden Handpump award for this

season goes to.....League newcomers Dereham Town! On paper this looked like a daunting trip, the railway from Wymondham having closed long ago (though now reopened as the beautifully-preserved Mid Norfolk Railway – Heritage Railway of the year 2013), but then we discovered the improbably excellent X1 bus route, running half-hourly from Peterborough to Lowestoft via all points in between (including Kings Lynn Station for easy connections from London) and passing right by the ground. After a stop-off to look around the very agreeable town centre and savour a fine pint of Adnams at the George (sponsors of the Dereham Town first team), we headed for the ground, where we found a warm and friendly welcome and – hurrah! – not one but two handpumps gracing the well-appointed



TONY BRAZIER

So here we are at the last game of the season.

When I wrote programme notes at the end of last season we weren't sure where we would be playing, but thanks to a lot of hard work, both in terms of toil at the stadium and deliberations over the final wording of our lease agreement, we made it in time to return to Wadham Lodge for the start of the season.

Things were extremely hectic as the deadline of the last Thursday in July approached.

Firstly, we needed a floodlight certificate. Everything looked fine; until at the penultimate testing the lights wouldn't come on. In the end a fuse needed replacing, and, in spite of the "cherry picker" getting stuck, everything worked for the final test and the certificate was awarded.

Then, various bits of fencing and gates needed to be installed or repaired. With the ground grading inspection scheduled for 6.30, carpenters and welders were still busy right up to the wire, but fortunately everything was passed OK.

Having secured the return to Waltham Forest we now needed to sort the team out, as many from the previous season had already signed for other clubs.

Several players untried at Ryman League level were brought in, and were immediately shown how big the step up had been when we were beaten 5-0 by VCD Athletic in the opening fixture.

I won't dwell on the playing season which hasn't gone well. Apart from a handful of good results, notably the wins at Aveley and Heybridge Swifts and the defeat of Harlow Town here, it's probably best forgotten.

That's not to say that the players haven't given their all, even when we knew we would finish in the bottom three, and I thank them for their commitment to the Club.

In an attempt to develop the Club we entered the Ryman Under 21 League. Again success on the field remained elusive, but a few players made it through to the first team, so it wasn't a complete waste of time and money.

We also entered the Veterans' Cup, but were drawn against holders Northwood. A battling performance saw us lose 2-4.

We would not have reached the end of the season without the support and input from the small band of Directors. Turgut, June and Graham have come up with the funds to meet the costs of a very expensive year.

As well as paying the

rent here we had to make a payment to Ilford as we had already taken a further year's ground share with them in case the move back here fell through.

Andy and Andrzej have produced the programmes and manned the "gate", while Steve has helped with security and several important tasks on match days, as well as standing in for me when I've had to travel with the Under 21's.

Graham has also raised money through the raffle, while Jeff, Kemal and Mustafa have also made valued contributions

Thanks also to June, Norcan and Mustafa for the food for players and officials.

On the coaching side, as well as Turgut who has had the final say on team selection, Abs, Harry, Kris and Tolga have made valued contributions.

Similarly, thanks to Lucelta who has been physio at nearly every one of the fixtures, including the Under 21's and Veterans. She has been assisted by Mike, and also by Eric, who came to us as his placement in his sports therapy course at Gillingham College.

Not forgetting Erdal who took on the coaching of the Under 21's when Raif accepted a teaching post in Thailand.

Thanks also to the Jason, Lee and the staff of Matchday Centre who have maintained the pitch and stadium throughout the year. Their help on matchdays has been invaluable.

Finally, thanks to the loyal band of supporters who watch us week after week. Without you there would be little point in carrying on, and we hope you will be able to continue to come and watch us next season.

As to next season; it looks like we will be in the Essex Senior League, but there may be a last minute reprieve. We will be continuing to play here, but our midweek home matches will be played on Tuesday evenings. Our pre-season fixtures will start in

July, with Saturday 26th likely to be the first home friendly. Please check the Club's website for details.

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SOHAM TOWN RANGERS

STEVE FALLON (Manager)

A former professional footballer who played over 400 games for Kettering Town and Cambridge United. After retiring from playing, Steve became manager at Cambridge City, before taking over at Histon in 1999 and helped take them from the Eastern Counties League to the Conference play-off semi-finals in ten years. Left the Stutes in January 2010, and replaced Andy Furnell in charge at Soham in March 2012.

IAN HART

Ian has over 20 years of coaching experience. Before being appointed Steve Fallon's assistant in March 2012, Ian was connected with the likes of Arsenal, Leyton

Orient, Southend United and Histon FC, working with both youth and senior players.

MICK DRURY

Mick has been around Soham for more years than he cares to remember! Been associated with the club for over 25 years, firstly as club physio but now in a new role as Manager's Assistant.

NEIL ANDREWS

Part of Steve Fallon's Histon side that climbed from the Ridgeons League to the Conference Play-Offs, including a number as Captain. Following his departure from the Glassworld Stadium joined Bury Town in December 2009, before signing for Soham in March 2012.

JOE ASENSI

A left sided defender or midfielder that joined Soham at the start of the 2012/13 season from Histon, having spent the end of last season at Yaxley.

RYAN AUGER

Re-joined Soham on work experience from Southend United at the start of the 2012/13 season having spent the end of the last campaign at the Lane on a similar deal after just earning a contract with the Sprimpers.

JAMIE BARKER

An experienced midfielder that was part of Steve Fallon's Histon side that rose from the Eastern Counties League to the Conference. Left the



Stutes in December 2009 to join Cambridge City before retiring at the end of that season, but returned to the game after a two year break by signing for Soham in September 2012.

DAN BIRCHAM

Commanding keeper that signed for Soham at the start of the 2010 season from Deeping Rangers, having previously played for Stamford. Voted supporter's and manager's player of the year in his first year at the club.

MARTIN BROMWICH

Martin is now in his eleventh season with Soham having signed from Ely City in 2002, although he missed the entire 2006/07 campaign through injury. During this time at the Lane, he was part of the 2008 title winning side and has twice been voted player of the season, as well as Manager's player of the season last campaign.

Can play anywhere in defence or as a central midfielder but won't get many goals!!

SCOTT DAVIS

Former Under 18s Captain promoted to the 1st Team in November 2011 after three years with the Youth squad. Can play either in defence or midfield.

DOMINIC FOSTER

Centre midfielder that joined Soham at the beginning of the season having left Histon, where he had played for their Youth and Reserve sides.

BUSTER HARRADINE

A player that can operate in a number of positions. Signed for the club at the beginning of the 2012/13 season from Great Shelford, having previously played for Milton, Fulbourn Institute and Cambridge University Press.

ROBBIE MASON

A regular goal scorer that joined Soham for the 2012/13 season from Sawston United, but previously been connected with neighbours Ely City and Cambridge City.

JAMES McCABE

Wide midfielder that joined Soham from Godmanchester Rovers in March 2012 having previously played for Mildenhall Town and Histon.

JAMES MOTLEY

Joined Soham from Over Sports in March 2012. Can play either as a full back or in central defence.

ROSS PATERSON

Can play either in defence or midfield. Joined the Greens from Cambridge University Press in August 2012.

JACK PAXMAN

A quick and tricky attacker that re-joined Soham on work experience from Southend United for the 2012/13 campaign, having finished the previous season with the Greens on a similar deal.

MATT ROBINSON

Returned to the club at the start of the 2011 season from Norwich United having previously spent two years with the club until the summer of 2007. A good eye for goal having also been connected with Ipswich Town Youth, Cambridge United and City, and Mildenhall Town.

JACK SESSIONS

A striker that joined Soham in August 2012 after leaving Histon, where he had played for their Youth and Reserve sides, as well as making one first team appearance.

BEN SEYMOUR-SHOVE

A quick, pacy forward who will cause defenders problems. Returned to Soham from Cambridge City at the start of the 2012 season, having spent a spell with the Greens on work-experience from Peterborough United last year.

MICHAEL SIMPSON

Club Captain - A hard working midfielder who apart from a month's spell with Corby Town in November 2008 has stayed loyal to Soham for over ten years. Originally arrived at the club from Warboys Town in 2001, during which time he has been voted player of the year, including last season, and was part of the 2008 title winning side.

	F-A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Sub 1	Sub 2	Sub 3	Unused
Aug	Sat 10	H VCD Athletic	Hasser	Hassan	Waldron	Alta	Mohammed	Panton	Yinzaz *	Dujan *	Mustapha	Oyewale	Frindator (9)	Antoni (3)	Karta (8)	Mikera/Myers
	Wed 14	A Romford	Panton	Hassan	P-Johnson	Alta *	Mohammad	Makuna	Mustapha *	Frindator *	Majzine	Oyewale	Adeyemi (9)	Yildiz (8)	Karta (5)	Hasser/Blair
	Sat 17	A AFC Subury	Panton	Hassan	P-Johnson	Kartal	Zambelli	Makura *	Mustapha *	Hario	Majzine *	Oyewale	Solomon (7)	Yildiz (8)	Blair (10)	Adeyemi/Hasser
	Wed 21	H Wrotham	Panton	Hassan	Kartal	P-Johnson	Zambelli	Hario *	Mustapha *	Worrell	Majzine *	Oyewale 2	Murphy (8)	Ezal (7)	Mohamed (10)	Alta, Oyasa
	Sat 24	H Redbridge	Panton	Hassan	Kartal	P-Johnson	Zambelli	Hario *	Mustapha *	Worrell *	Majzine *	Oyewale	Mohamed (7)	Murphy (12)	Alta (4)	Ezal, Yildiz
	Mon 26	A Burnham Rables	Panton	Hassan	Kartal	P-Johnson	Zambelli	Hario *	Mustapha *	Worrell *	Majzine *	Oyewale	Mohamed (10)	Blair (7)	Yilmaz (9)	Ezal, Taylor
	Sat 31	A Avely	Panton	Hassan	Waldron	Alta	Murphy *	Hario	Mustapha	P-Johnson *	Mohamed *	Oyewale	Dujan (8)	Majzine (10)	Yildiz (6)	Myers/Taylor
Sep	Sat 7	A Maldon & Tiptree	Panton	Bela	Alta	P-Johnson	Mustapha *	Hario	Shallowood *	Okus	Smith 1	Oyewale	Mohamed (6)	Hassan (8)	Ezal (9)	Myers/Taylor
	Wed 11	A Cheshurt	Panton	Alta	Bela	P-Johnson	Mohammad	Hario	Murphy	Worrell	Mustapha	Oyewale	Smith	Panton	Okus	Ezal/Myers
	Sat 21	A Thurrock	Panton	Bela	Alta *	Kumelo	Mustapha	Hario *	Murphy	Worrell * 2	Menga	Oyewale	Odunmi (7)	Smith (9)	Okus (4)	Hassan/Smallwood
	Tue 24	A Ware	Panton	Bela	Murphy *	Kumelo	P-Johnson	Odunmi *	Zambelli *	Worrell	Menga	Oyewale	Hario (7)	Mustapha (4)	Hassan (6)	Okus/Smallwood
	Wed 14	H Waltham Abbey	Panton	Bela	P-Johnson	Kumelo	Mustapha	Agac	Kofri	Menga	Worrell * 1	Oyewale 1	Taylor (10)	Zambelli (11)		Karta/Hassan/Marsh
Oct	Sat 5	A Fokstone Invicta	Panton	Bela	Kartal	P-Johnson	Mustapha	Agac *	Kofri *	Menga	Worrell *	Oyewale	Zambelli (7)	Taylor (8)	Cock (10)	Med Nelo / Soaman
	Sat 12	A Avely	Laurent	Bela	Hudson	Kumelo	Mustapha	Med Nelo *	Kofri	Worrell *	Menga 1	Oyewale 1	Taylor (10)	Cock (7)	Karta (11)	Majzine
	Wed 19	H Herlow Town	Laurent	Bela	Hudson	Kumelo	Mustapha	Med Nelo *	Kofri	Worrell *	Menga	Oyewale *	Taylor (9)	Cock (7)	Karta/VP-Johnson	Karta/VP-Johnson
	Sat 19	H Barking Side	Laurent	Bela	Hudson	Kumelo	Mustapha	Med Nelo *	Kofri	Taylor	Menga	Oyewale	Bwanga (7)	Sat (4)		Karta/Crowley/Cock
	Sat 26	H Erith & Belvedere	Laurent	Bela	Ikumelo	Hudson *	Mustapha	Bwanga	Kofri	Worrell	Menga	Scott *	Oyewale (4)	Med Nelo (11)		Taylor/Karta/Crowley
	Tue 29	H Maldon & Tiptree														
Nov	Sat 2	A Tilbury	Laurent	Bela	Ikumelo	Tumwasi	Mustapha *	Med Nelo *	Kofri	Menga *	Fisher	Oyewale	Mkenze (7)	Scott (6)	Worrell (9)	Karta/Crowley
	Sat 9	A Herlow Town	Mustapha	Bela	Tumwasi	Kumelo	Kofri	Mckenze	Scott	Fisher	Menga	Oyewale	Karta	Med Nelo	Aful	Crowley
	Sat 16	H Brentwood Town	Laurent *	Bela	Ikumelo	Tumwasi	Kofri	Mckenze	Fisher * 1	Scott 1	Worrell * 1	Oyewale	Mustapha (8)	Taylor (6)	Hassan (2)	Aful/Chekarto
	Sat 23	A Dereham Town	Kofri *	Bela	Worrell	Kumelo	Tumwasi *	Mckenze 1	Fisher	Scott	Menga *	Oyewale	Taylor (10)	Jayme (6)	Rusev (2)	
	Sat 30	H Witham Town	Laurent	Bela	Kofri	Kumelo	Tumwasi	James *	Fisher *	Aful	Worrell	Oyewale	Taylor (7)	Arbat (7)	Igbo (11)	Scott/Karta
Dec	Sat 7	A Heybridge Swifts	Laurent	Tumwasi	P-Johnson	Kumelo	Mustapha	Aful	Kofri	Menga	Fisher 2	Oyewale	Taylor	Worrell	Igbo	James/Myers
	Wed 11	H Needham Market	Bela	Tumwasi	P-Johnson *	Kumelo	Mustapha *	Aful	Kofri	Menga	Fisher	Oyewale	Taylor (4)	Worrell (6)	Myers (1)	Laurent/Igbo
	Sat 14	H Romford	Bela	Tumwasi	Ikumelo	P-Johnson *	Mustapha *	Scott *	Kofri	Fisher	Taylor	Oyewale	Igbo (4)	Kamara (7)	Aful (6)	Laurent/Arbat
	Sat 28	A Wrotham	Laurent	Tumwasi	Kofri 1	Kumelo	P-Johnson	Isa	Mason	Fisher	Scott	Arbat	Taylor	Oyewale	Mustapha	Myers/Hassan
Jan	Sat 11	A Soham Town Rangers	Laurent	Tumwasi	Ikumelo	P-Johnson	Kofri	Mason	Scott	Menga	Fisher 1	Omoruji	Taylor	Oyewale	Mustapha	Arbat/Laward
	Wed 15	H Burnham Rables	Laurent	Taylor *	Kofri	Ikumelo	Ikumelo	Mustafa	Scott 1	Menga	Fisher * 1	Bela	Oyewale (10)	Arbat (3)	Omoruyi	Myers/Laward
Feb	Tue 11	A Cheshurt	Tangara	Nzuruba *	Dian Tombu *	West	Parry	Fisher	Ikumelo	Menga 1	Scott	Bela	Taylor (3)	Tumwasi (2)		Igbo/Laurent/Jordan
	Sat 22	H Avely	Tangara	Laurent *	Bela	Parry	Parry	Kofri *	Isa *	Ikumelo	Scott	Oyewale 1	Menga (6)	Nzuruba (7)	P-Johnson (2)	Mustapha/Myers
	Wed 26	H AFC Subury	Myers	Kumelo	Bela	Parry	Parry	West	Oyewale 1 *	Kofri	Scott	Menga 1	Isa (7)	Mustapha	P-Johnson	Igbo/Worrell
Mar	Thu 6	A VCD Athletic	Oyasa	Kumelo	Bela	Parry	Parry	Tumwasi	Long	Mustapha	Fisher 1	Menga	Healy	Scott	Ngassa	Laurent/Igbo
	Sat 8	H Herlow Town	Tangara	Kumelo	Bela	P-Johnson 1	Kofri	Long	Mustapha	Menga	Scott	Isa	Healy	Laurent	Jackson	Igbo
	Wed 12	H Chatham Town	Tangara	Ikumelo *	Bela	P-Johnson	Kofri	Long *	Mustapha *	Menga	Scott	Isa	Jackson (8)	Kamara (2)	Igbo (7)	Hassan/Laurent
	Sat 15	A Brenwood Town	Tangara	Hassan *	Bela	P-Johnson	Kofri	Long	Mustapha *	Menga	Scott	Jackson *	Igbo (11)	Duonev (8)	Laurent (2)	Isa/Dieghou
	Mon 17	A Waltham Abbey	Tangara	Kumelo	Bela	Igbo	Kofri	Ngassa	Long	Palmer	Isa	Menga 2	Scott	Oyasa	Jackson	Laurent/Hassan
	Thu 20	A Needham Market	Laurent	Bela	Ngassa	Parry	Kofri	Palmer	Long	Scott	Menga	Igbo	P-Johnson	Hassan	Isa	Jackson/Arbat
	Sat 22	H Dereham Town	Bela	Ikumelo	Ngassa	Parry	Kofri	Isa	Long	Menga	Dxon	Scott	Igbo	Oyasa	Ruzicka	Palmer/Dieghou

CLASSIC PROGRAMME

1955-56

For a club that has been going for 146 years we have seen better seasons, then we have had worse.

No so point in deweling on what went wrong. However, one of the things I do miss from the olden days is what used to be the final game of the season.

This time it saw Leyton pitted against an "All-Star XI" put together by Frank Rist and Arthur Sedgewick.

The illustrated programme is from May 1956 and features a picture of Patti Morgan, an Australian actress who at one-time was married to Victor Silvester jr.

She was also the hostess of Victor Silvester's TV Dancing Club, an early version of "Strictly". It seems she went on to have a colourful life. Patti had the honour of "kicking-off".

In the All-Star line-up were Dave Sexton of West Ham along with three other team mates. Also from Arsenal were, Len Wills, who I believe lived locally, and at one time was an Eton Manor Old Boys. And Joe Wade also from The Arsenal, plus a couple from Leyton Orient.

The programme price was "doubled" in price



to a tenner.

Present that evening, it kicked-off at 6.45, were the Mayor of Leyton, the Town Clerk and the local police super. Also invited was Leslie Welch, the "Memory Man", if he remembered to turn up.

David Chapman, Club Historian

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Non-League football has this wonderful habit of bringing clubs together for good causes.

One such example that struck me recently was the unification of Hemel Hempstead and Chesham United – local rivals and the two teams contesting the Calor Premier title until the former secured silverware last Saturday, 48 hours before a potential championship showdown between them.

The Tudors and the Generals will unite on Saturday, May 10 for a charity game to raise funds for the University College London Hospital's Neo-natal Unit and The Butterfly Fund.

It is the brainchild of Chesham left-back Daniel Brathwaite, who together with wife Ali suffered the heartache of losing their son Maxwell William on May 16 last year just nine hours after he was born three months premature.

Hemel born and bred, Brathwaite has taken up the offer from his old club, where he played a decade ago, to stage the game where a Daniel Brathwaite XI will take on a Chesham United & Hemel Hempstead Town Combined XI.

"My dad has known the chairman, Dave Boggins, for years so when I've bumped into him and a couple of the directors around town

recently, they said we should hold the game there," said Braithwaite.

"I thought it would be great idea to use players from both clubs, and the fact that so many have agreed to play shows the mutual respect there is between us."

So with a Southern Prem dream team in action against a host of top names from the higher echelons of English football and the Non-League game, where better to head that afternoon if you're not going to Wembley for the FA Vase final or one of the regional play-off finals?

Jordan Parkes, David Hutton, Dan Talbot, Lewis Toomey, Danny May and Kieran Murphy are the champion Tudors set to be on show, with Shane Gore, Alex Brown, James Potton, Dave Fotheringham, Scott Thomas, Bruce Wilson and prolific strike duo Chris Dillon and

Drew Roberts from runners-up Chesham.

Among the DB XI are Luton's title-winning captain Ronnie Henry, Boreham Wood's Sam Cox, Welling's Ross Lafayette, ex-Stevenage captain and current coach Jason Goodliffe and former top-flight players Nigel Winterburn, Paolo Vernazza, Micah Hyde, Steve Palmer and Luther Blissett.

"The hospital staff and the neo-natal and bereavement services they provide are first class," said Brathwaite. "Hopefully the money we raise will go towards saving some little people's lives and help them help other families, like they did with us."

The family day at Vauxhall Road starts at midday, with the match kicking off at 1pm. Admission is £5 adults with under-16s free.



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DIREN KARTAL	2	JAMES MCCABE
STEPHEN IKUMELO	3	CONNOR WOOD
IMMANUEL PARRY	4	MARTIN BROMWICH
FRANTS TCHUNANG NGASSA	5	JORDAN GENT
STEPHANE KOFFI	6	CHRIS LINDSAY
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