

RESULTS	1stX1	2ndX1	3rdX1
Walswyn G.C.	3-0	4-1	4-0

REPORTS.....The 1stX1 (Tim Dixon 2, Brian Guest 1) gave a sound display which gives much hope for the future, Stewart's goal was from a short corner, Tim's a brilliant shot into the top corner from the edge of the circle, and Brian's a just reward for a fine display when he followed up a Tim lob over the goalkeeper.

The 2ndX1 (Hugh Smith 2, Steve Thomas 1, Harvinder Kular 1) playing with only ten men (not a good start) easily beat their rather weak opponents. Mike Baker gave a superb display at full back and one of Hugh's goals was a beauty, being a deflection from a fierce cross from Dorian Khoo. The game became rather aggressive in the second half with the opposition rather losing their heads.

After taking some time to settle the 3rdX1 (Abe Hillel 2, Rod Tippen 2) found their rhythm and gave a competent team performance. Nigel Rix was outstanding at full back and Geoff Wilmott used his now found psychic powers by hypnotising the opposition to hit the post at a penalty flick.

Over thirty players turned up for the trial match at Highgate Wood and three half hour periods were played. The larger pitch is a great bonus to the club, but unhappily only one goal (a scrappy one at that) was scored. Players must use the full width of the pitch and be much sharper in the circle.

On the previous Saturday over fifty players turned up for the trials which thanks to Brian were exceptionally well organised. The highlight was a scintillating display by the new-look Arthur 'Travolta' Suores with his grease lightning reflexes.

On the Sunday the 1stX1 beat a rather older Hamburg team by 9-0. Having watched over the years our 1stX1 struggle against sides like the Old Choms, it was refreshing to see us convert our superiority into goals.

NEW PLAYERS.....When I received my bulletin last week I thought it was a new competition to find the players you knew. To all the many new members welcome to the club and may your stay be a happy, long and successful one.

1st/2ndX1 SQUAD..... Competition for the league sides will be very keen this season with the abundance of talented players who want league hockey. Both sides and away wish it to be known that any player not selected for their teams will not be forgotten. The 3rdX1 will obviously be a crucial side this season and individual displays in this team will be looked at very carefully at selection each week.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.....See fixture book for details. It would help the club if you could pay as soon as possible as there are many expenses to be met (goal posts, balls etc). The club economical whizz kid Bill Taylor (potential chairman of 81) is once again dealing with subs, and money/cheques can be sent or given to him.

Bill Taylor 30, Calabria Rd N5 (225 3116)

TONY SWING.....Tony has announced that he is retiring from the game. A tremendous club man and a great help to new members Tony played for the club for nearly ten years. He played in a total of 164 games, and it shows how strong our lower teams are when only 40 of those matches were lost.

ODDITIES.....Every time I walk into the clubhouse I seem to bump into Robin Francis holding a paintbrush.....Many thanks to those players who marked the pitch Sunday week, if you want 'straight' lines drawn contact Geoff Smith, and if you want someone to stand around supervising him contact Norman.....The 1stX1 manager Nick Coleman is going to organise a croche (I must see this it could be the funniest event of the year).... Nigel Fletcher will be organising the Spandals this year.

TRAVELLING TO AWAY MATCHES..... I shall be sending members an address list with phone numbers. This should help you into getting lifts to away games, rather than having to use public transport.

THE BULLETIN.....If you have anything you want put into the bulletin (Selling things, parties, looking for flats, etc) please do not hesitate to contact me Dave Teale 804 1844. There will be a new article each week about the history of the club which I hope you will find of interest.