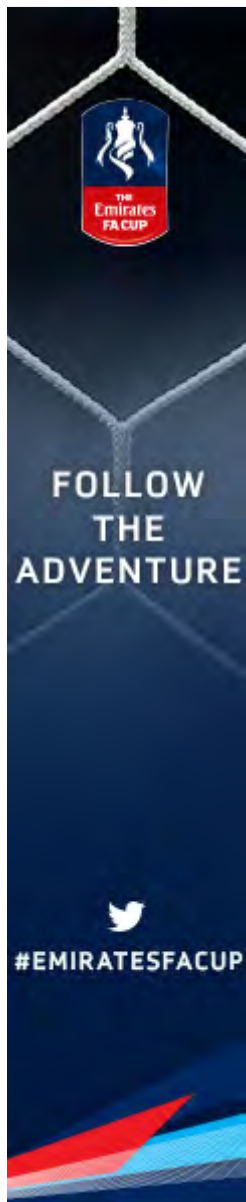




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Congratulations to Sawbridgeworth Town, Sporting Bengal United and Waltham Forest who have all progressed to the 1st Qualifying Round of the Emirates FA Cup which is scheduled for Saturday 3rd September.

Barking have another attempt to join them when they replay at Stanway FC on Tuesday night.

The revised draw involving Essex Senior League clubs is :

58 Harrow Borough v **Sawbridgeworth Town**
60 Kings Langley v **Sporting Bengal United**
66 **Barking** or Stanway Rovers v Barton Rovers
70 **Waltham Forest** v Stotfold or Welwyn Garden City

Sawbridgeworth Town, who were knocked out of the Herts Charity Cupin midweek, bounced back to knock-out compatriates Tower Hamlets (4-2). Sporting Bengal United entered unknown territory as two late goals broke the hearts of Clapton (2-0) whilst Waltham Forest acheived the only win of the round agains an non-ESL side as they quite clinically disposed of Hoddesdon Town (4-0).

This afternoon, Hullbridge Sports were fasted out of the blocks, taking an early lead at Romform. Unfortunately, the advantage could not be maintained and they eventually succomed to the odd goal in seven.

Commiserations to Basildon United, Barkingside, Ilford and Eton Manor who now have to wait another year for potential FA Cup glory!

There were three matches in the league.

London Bari thought they had done enough to take all three points at The Spotted Dog but visitors Stansted had other ideals as they equalised in 95th minute. Redbridge won the fifth time of asking with what appeared to be an 'easy' victory over basement boys Haringey & Waltham and Southend Manor beat strugglers Burnham Ramblers.

The only "Hat-Trick Hero" for the week was James Peagram who scored the winner for Barking against old foes Enfield 1893.

Both the highest and lowest league attendance of the week was recorded at the Old Spotted Dog by London Bari. In midweek they played 'visitors' Clapton with an impressive 134 thrusting their way through the turnstiles whilst on Saturday, against the Airportmen of Stansted, it was a meagre 11.

Clapton were also participants in the highest ESL team participating FA Cup tie - 242 - against Sporting Bengal United.

Results – 15th August To 21st August 2016

Monday 15th August 2016

Premier Division

Barkingside 1-0 **Redbridge FC**
Sam Edwards 54 Att.95

Tuesday 16th August 2016

Premier Division

Burnham Ramblers 1-4 **Hullbridge Sports**
Charlee Hughes 49 Att.40 LukeHornsley 42, 54
Rob Hodgson 51
Ashley Pibworth 79

Enfield 1893 3-4 **Barking**
Ashley Blackburn 18 Att.65 James Peagram 35, 48, 88
Lewis Francis 45+3, 62p John Bricknell 58

Haringey & Waltham 1-3 **Wadham Lodge**
Jordan Jackson 14 Att.28 Andrew Amoah 27, 65
Andrea Mantonvani 29

London Bari 1-0 **Clapton**
Barbajide Sonupe Att.134

Sawbridgeworth Town 3-3 **Ilford**
Aaron Thomas 17 Att.35 Ben Turner 57p, 63p
Oliver Fortune 23 Isaac Akosi 71
Gavin Cockman 30

Southend Manor 1-0 **Stansted**
Vinny Murphy 75 Att.73

West Essex 3-2 **Basildon United**
Grant Ainsworth 60, 70 Att.36 Rhys Trantor 23
Michael Mignot 66 Lee Delf 85

Wednesday 17th August 2016

Premier Division

Takeley 1-0 **FC Romania**
Charlie Cole 43p Att.49

Waltham Forest 2-1 **Eton Manor**
Correy Davidson 17 Att.43 Ian Tyne 77
Lee Flynn 72

Thursday 18th August 2016

Hertfordshire Charity Shield - 1st Round

Sawbridgeworth Town 1-2 **St Margaretsbury**
Oliver Fortune 85 Att.28 Clay 37
Wade 82

Saturday 20th August 2016

Premier Division

London Bari 1-1 **Stansted**
Joel Appiah 78 Att.11 Rajan Shergill 90+5

Redbridge 4-1 **Haringey & Waltham**
Nathan Gordon 3 Att.24 Glenn Nightingale 82
Adam Hunt 42p
Joel Griffiths 84
Jacob Dingli 89

Southend Manor 2-0 **Burnham Ramblers**
Vinny Murphy 26 Att.56
Callum Ibe 85

The Emirates FA Cup - Preliminary Round

Barking 0-0 **Stanway Rovers**
Att.89

Cheshunt 8-0 **Basildon United**
Billy Jones 3, 31 Att.87
Jason Hallett 23, 36, 73
John Nzengo 52
Adam Bolle 78, 83

Haringey Borough 7-2 **Barkingside**
Chris Benjamin 6 Att.60 James Holland-Malcolm 55
Nana Asamoah 7, 32 Maxwell Amoako 72
Dean Fenton 12, 35
Jamie Lee O'Donaghue 65, 80

Ilford 0-2 **Felixstowe & Walton Utd**
Joshua Kerridge 37 Att.68
Chris Williams 89

Sawbridgeworth Town 4-2 **Tower Hamlets**
Michael Kennedy 12p, 55 Att.37 Rahim Adama Bamba 35
Leigh Muldoon 41 Lamar Earle 51
Oliver Futune 65

Sporting Bengal United 2-0 **Clapton**
Zubair Hussain 86 Att.242
David Vaughan 90

Waltham Forest
Correy Davidson 3, 12
Jordan McKenzie 40
Jeff Hammond 84

4-0 Hoddeson Town
Att.48

Witham Town
Nathan Karenteng 16
Scott Kemp 27, 49

3-0 Eton Manor
Att.89

Sunday 21st August 2016

The Emirates FA Cup - Preliminary Round

Romford
Chinedu McKenzie 9, 49
Jamie Dicks 24
Matthew Mitchell 45+2p

4-3 Hullbridge Sports
Att.123 Rob Hodgson 3
Harry Skinner 76
Luke Hornsley 85



BLUES STILL IN THE CUP WITH CHANCE TO REACH FIRST QUALIFYING ROUND FOR FIRST TIME FOR TEN YEARS . ATTENDANCE 89 HIGHEST THIS SEASON HOME OR AWAY

By Derek Pedder

We are still in the cup with a chance of reaching the 1st qualifying round for the 1st time since 2006-7 following our 0-0 home draw with Stanway Rovers and we replay the tie on Tuesday evening . Rovers play at the same level as us in the Eastern Counties League and we have always found them difficult to beat as our record of P 7 W 2 D 2 L 3 F 11 A 16 shows .We have won just 1 of our 4 away games against them but that has no relevance to the current teams, who were fairly even on Saturday.Please see below for our team on Saturday.

We almost had a “fairy tale” ending when joint manager Glen Golby came on near the end and narrowly missed with a header .

The attendance of 89 was our highest of the season home or away so far.

The winners will be at home to Barton Rovers ,who won away to Edgware Town 3-1. Barton are in the Southern League Division 1 Central and are 14th



Action At The Old Spotted Dog : London Bari v Stansted (1-1)

Premier Division

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Takeley	5	4	1	0	8	2	6	13
2	Hullbridge Sports	5	3	1	1	13	7	6	10
3	Waltham Forest	3	3	0	0	11	2	9	9
4	Barking	4	3	0	1	11	4	7	9
5	Barkingside	4	3	0	1	7	5	2	9
6	Southend Manor	3	2	1	0	3	0	3	7
7	West Essex	4	2	1	1	8	7	1	7
8	Eton Manor	3	2	0	1	9	4	5	6
9	Clapton	3	2	0	1	6	4	2	6
10	Ilford	2	1	1	0	8	4	4	4
11	London Bari	4	1	1	2	3	4	-1	4
12	Redbridge	5	1	1	3	6	10	-4	4
13	Enfield 1893	2	1	0	1	4	4	0	3
14	Basildon United	3	1	0	2	6	8	-2	3
15	Wadham Lodge	4	1	0	3	5	8	-3	3
16	Tower Hamlets	3	1	0	2	1	6	-5	3
17	Sawbridgeworth Town	2	0	2	0	4	4	0	2
18	Stansted	3	0	1	2	4	6	-2	1
19	Sporting Bengal United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20	FC Romania	1	0	0	1	0	1	-1	0
21	Burnham Ramblers	4	0	0	4	4	13	-9	0
22	Haringey & Waltham	5	0	0	5	4	22	-18	0

Reserve Division

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	AFC Sudbury	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Barking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Barkingside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Bishop's Stortford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Heybridge Swifts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Hullbridge Sports	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Redbridge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Sawbridgeworth Town	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Stansted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Takeley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Thurrock	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Tower Hamlets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Waltham Abbey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Season commences Saturday 3rd September



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League Leading Scorers - Premier Division

(Up to and including Saturday August 20th 2016)

League, League Cup and Gordon Brasted Trophy only

8	Luke Hornsley	Hullbridge Sports
5	Joseph Sykes	Eton Manor
4	Petrit Elbi	Barking
	Brian Moses	Waltham Forest
3	John Bricknell	Barking
	Charlie Cole	Takeley
	Charlee Hughes	Burnham Ramblers
	Fahad Nyanja	Clapton
	James Peagram	Barking

Hat-Trick (or More) Heros

4	Luke Hornsley	Hullbridge Sports v Haringey & Waltham	2 nd August
3	Brian Moses	Waltham Forest v Basildon United	30 th July
	James Peagram	Enfield 1893 v Barking	16 th August
	Josh Sykes	FC Clacton v Eton Manor (FAC)	6 th August
	Josh Sykes	Eton Manor v Haringey & Waltham	10 th August
	Ben Turner	Ilford v Burnham Ramblers (FAC)	6 th August

Premier Division Attendances

(League Matches Only)

	Played	Low	High	Average	Total
Clapton	2	241	421	662	331
Barkingside	3	60	95	80	240
Takeley	3	49	127	80	240
Barking	2	64	75	69	137
Basildon United	1	68	68	68	68
Southend Manor	2	56	73	65	129
Ilford	1	61	61	61	61
Enfield 1893	1	58	58	58	58
Hullbridge Sports	3	39	71	56	169
London Bari	3	11	134	53	159
Waltham Forest	2	41	43	42	84
Wadham Lodge	3	36	46	41	122
Redbridge	2	24	52	38	76
Sawbridgeworth Town	1	35	35	35	35
West Essex	2	28	36	32	64
Burnham Ramblers	3	22	40	30	89
Haringey & Waltham	1	28	28	28	28
Eton Manor	1	20	20	20	20
F C Romania					
Sporting Bengal United					
Stansted					
Tower Hamlets					

Forthcoming Fixtures

Monday 22nd August 2016

Premier Division

Barkingside	v	Takeley	Cricklefield Stadium
Tower Hamlets	v	Ilford	Mile End Stadium

Tuesday 23rd August 2016

Premier Division

Basildon United	v	Burnham Ramblers	Stuart Bingham Stadium
Clapton	v	Wadham Lodge	Old Spotted Dog Stadium

Emirates FA Cup - Preliminary Round (Replay)

Stanway Rovers	v	Barking	The Hawthorns
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Essex Senior Cup - 1st Round

Waltham Forest	v	Sawbridgeworth Town	Wadham Lodge Stadium
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Wednesday 24th August 2016

Premier Division

Eton Manor	v	Hullbridge Sports	V&E Sports Ground
FC Romania	v	West Essex	Theobolds Lane Stadium
Waltham Forest	v	Sawbridgeworth Town	Wadham Lodge Stadium

Saturday 27th August 2016

Premier Division

Barkingside	v	Waltham Forest	Cricklefield Stadium
Basildon United	v	Sporting Bengal United	Stuart Bingham Stadium
Burnham Ramblers	v	London Bari	Leslie Field Stadium
Clapton	v	Eton Manor	Old Spotted Dog Stadium
Haringey & Waltham	v	Ilford	tba
Hullbridge Sports	v	Enfield 1893	Lower Road Stadium
Southend Manor	v	FC Romania	The Arena Stadium
Tower Hamlets	v	Stansted	Mile End Stadium
Wadham Lodge	v	Redbridge	Wadham Lodge Stadium
West Essex	v	Sawbridgeworth Town	Mayesbrook Park Stadium

Monday 29th August

Premier Division

Barking	v	Hullbridge Sports	Mayesbrook Park Stadium
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Tuesday 30th August 2016

Premier Division

London Bari	v	Haringey & Waltham	Old Spotted Dog Stadium
Redbridge	v	Burnham Ramblers	Oakside
Sawbridgeworth Town	v	Takeley	Crofters End Stadium #2

Essex Senior Cup

Southend Manor v Stanway Rovers The Arena Stadium

Wednesday 31st August 2016

Premier Division

Eton Manor v Stansted V&E Sports Ground
FC Romania v Clapton Theobolds Lane Stadium
Sporting Bengal United v Tower Hamlets Mile End Stadium

Essex Senior Cup

Wadham Lodge v Basildon United Wadham Lodge Stadium
West Essex v Waltham Forest Mayesbrook Park Stadium

Monday Night Football is Back: Live Football Not a TV Show... Barkingside FC v Redbridge FC 15th August 2016

Its great to see Monday night football is back. Its a Monday night, so its Barkingside FC that is my destination. Both these sides were relegated from the Step 4 Ryman Isthmian League Div 1 North last season to the step 5 Essex Senior League. That is to say they are 5 divisions below the Football League.

This is a local derby and a game between the former tenants and landlords. Originally, Barkingside were resident at Oakside Stadium in Barkingside. Then Redbridge moved in as tenants. This situation swapped with Redbridge becoming the senior side. Then Barkingside moved out and now play their home games at Cricklefield Stadium in Ilford. This they ground share with Ilford, another Essex Senior League side.

I saw Redbridge play 9 days ago in the FA Cup when they were hammered at home by Waltham Forest. Barkingside won their FA Cup game the same weekend. Before tonight's game, Barkingside had six points from three games and Redbridge one point from three games. The odds were therefore in Barkingside's favour, especially with home advantage.

Going to Cricklefield is rather easy for me. 20 minutes before kick off, I was at home having a shower. I still had time to get to ground, get in and meet my fellow ground hoppers before kick off. There was a good turn out of ground hoppers there tonight. This is one of the reasons why Barkingside play home games on a Monday night. The extra money from the dozen or so ground hoppers makes a huge difference to clubs at this level. The crowd tonight was 95. That means 12.5% of crowd were ground hoppers. A big boost to the income of a club.

I do like Barkingside as a club. They are a friendly club and the chairman greets fans with a cheery hello and makes you feel welcome. Some of you will remember my tweets last year or year before when I whinged repeatedly about not being able to get a cup of tea. The club contacted me via twitter the next day and offered me a free ticket to next game and an apology (catering difficulties).

Things like that are what is the difference between football at this level and the professional game. Here, you are valued and are not just a wallet. I should say I refused the offer of a free ticket. Barkingside need my money more than I need a free ticket. Indeed, last night I tweeted that I was going to game today. Today, I got a tweet from the club inviting me to blog about the game. Go to a professional game and you are threatened with ejection for taking photographs to support a blog post. What a difference in attitude. The Admission and a programme here costs £7. Compare this to League 2 Leyton Orient where admission and a programme would cost around £27.

The game itself tonight was a competitive affair with Barkingside starting slowly, but as the game went on they became stronger. They were awarded a soft penalty after 40 minutes. The decision was right, but the Redbridge player deserves a slap for bringing down a player running away from the goal and who did not have the ball under control.

Barkingside missed the penalty , well it was saved by the Redbridge goalkeeper who had a great night and kept Redbridge in the game.

It was not until the second half that Barkingside finally got the goal their pressure deserved. A simple header from a corner made it 1-0. Barkingside and Redbridge players contrived to miss numerous chances to keep the score at 1-0.

A deserved win in the end for Barkingside. I look forward to my next visit to Barkingside.

By A.GroundHopper