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Five-star Barking secure title in style

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Essex Senior League Champions Barking
(pic Terry Gilbert)

Burnham Ramblers 0 Barking 5

Barking secured the Essex Senior League title with a five-star display against Burnham in their top-v-bottom battle at Leslie Field.

Petrit Elbi fired a hat-trick for Blues as they put the hosts to the swords to finally be crowned

champions, a week on from securing promotion to the Ryman League.

The visitors could have opened the scoring inside the first 20 seconds, but James Peagram saw his shot deflected over. But they took the lead after Joe Pearman headed wide and Peagram fired into the side netting, as Peagram burst into the box and saw his shot saved for Elbi to tap home his first goal of the afternoon.

Blues doubled their advantage when Billy Rix fired a low drive into the corner of the net and it was 3-0 when Elbi latched on to a long ball and rounded the Burnham keeper before slotting into an empty net. Peagram and Elbi went close to further goals before the interval, while Brad Ling had a header tipped onto the crossbar.

But it was 4-0 early in the second half when Pearman scored from the penalty spot, having seen Elbi go close at the near post moments earlier. And Barking added their fifth with another penalty, stroked home by Elbi to complete his treble.

Victory took Blues to 94 points, eight clear of second-placed Clapton who have only two games remaining. And they will hope to end their title-winning campaign on a high, with matches still to play against Sporting Bengal, Southend Manor and Stansted over the next three weekends.

Barking: Hatton, Ling, Tarbard, O'Brien, Rix, Willis, Pearman, Burgess, Peagram, Elbi, Staunton.
Subs: Oshin, Wackers-Kyriacou, Taylor, Santos, Bricknell.

From The Archives

By Rob Errington

BURY FOOTBALL ACADEMY FC - 14th August 1999 / 1st October 1999

The most short lived operation in Essex Senior League Football must fall on the brainchild of Richard Livall an avid football fan who stopped off in Cirencester during a Groundhoppers Festival in 1998 and thought it a great idea to follow a concept of theirs of some four years previous in forming a football academy, so popular nowadays but in 1999 pretty well unheard of.

The League, ever mindful of extending its borders at the time accepted the club's application and their season was due to commence on Saturday August 14th under Manager Joe Taylor and Director of football Danny Laws in their distinctive green and black kit and was a game at Burnham Ramblers but it was a debut many of us would want to forget as the mini bus was 20 minutes late leaving its West Suffolk base and then proceeded to crash into the car park barrier. Burnham won the match 3-1 with Richard Burlingham scoring one of only two club goals, in the first twenty seconds both scored by him.

The first home game they shared at the Ram Meadow ground of Bury Town FC was against Eton Manor on Sunday 22nd August and, of course, was well attended with over 100 present including myself and many non-league enthusiasts but defeat came to the tune of 0-3. Their Match Programme, nevertheless was excellent with full reports and statistics. Next game came quickly, just two days later in the Cup which was played on a mini league basis, at Saffron Walden but that also ended in defeat 0-7. Saturday August 28th and the youngsters journeyed to Basildon United but despite Richard Burlingham's second goal on 15 minutes, lost 1-2. Joe Taylor resigned after this game.

The second Cup game at Sawbridgeworth Town on September 4th continued with a woeful defeat of 0-6 and a week later a home game with Burnham Ramblers resulted in a defeat of the same score. On Tuesday 14th another Cup game at Stansted ended 0-4 and a final League game on September 18th at Hullbridge Sports went the way of the Lower Road side 0-4.

This latest defeat and many complicated problems off the pitch with various bodies connected to the School of Excellence found Bury Football Academy so seriously short of players and unable to recruit more for the next home game v East Ham United that, on the Friday night, 1st October they resigned from the League with its financial consequences.

A Match Programme for October 2nd v East Ham United had been issued in its normal format so became the Programme for "The game that never was ". Much of the Press and Media suggested the game was to be v Eton Manor but that was not the case. The League, privately not at all amused by all this nevertheless gave Bury Football Academy three weeks' grace to sort out their problems but it was not to be and they very reluctantly withdrew for ever from our League.

Final League Table 1999-2000							
Pos	Name	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA Pts
1	Saffron Walden Town	28	19	5	4	85	33 62
2	Southend Manor	28	19	5	4	81	33 62
3	Burnham Ramblers	28	19	5	4	68	32 62
4	Ilford	28	18	4	6	70	34 58
5	Brentwood	28	17	2	9	49	40 53
6	Bowers United	28	14	6	8	51	42 48
7	Sawbridgeworth Town	28	11	10	7	65	48 43
8	Concord Rangers	28	11	9	8	46	41 42
9	Leyton	28	9	5	14	45	55 32
10	Hullbridge Sports	28	8	3	17	44	63 27
11	East Ham United	28	5	8	15	30	65 23
12	Eton Manor	28	6	8	14	41	61 22 *
13	Basildon United	28	6	6	16	37	61 22 #
14	Woodford Town	28	5	3	20	46	99 15 !
15	Stansted	28	2	3	23	35	86 9
	Bury Academy						RECORD EXPUNGED

* Eton Manor 4 points deducted
Basildon United 2 points deducted
! Woodford Town 3 points deducted

This is a list of all the 1999-2000 Bury Football Academy players in that short lived season:

Dean Last, Matthew Rose, Garry Brame, Carl Vince, Lochlann Brown, Stefan Lewis, Graham Jones, Mark Gardiner, Richard Hyland, Richard Burlingham, Justin Windwood, Matthew Gray, John Carter, Mark Moye, Nick Claydon, Paul Fannells, Graham North, Tony Dixon, Lee Pryce, Matthew Gardner, Chris Claydon, Karl Parnell, Robert Marsh, James Olley, Robert Mason, Chris Bahadur, James Kinlock, Matthew Musgrove and Rod Gaffin who appear in the programme vs East Ham but never played.

Just for clarification, West Suffolk College continue to support a football team and in addition to working with their two Bury Town partner clubs, Bury Town and Team Bury, West Suffolk College also enter a team in the English Colleges FA Premier League. West Suffolk College have won the English Colleges FA national play-offs three times in the last ten years and have also won the English Colleges FA Knock-out Cup three times.

Monday 3rd April 2017

Premier Division
Barkingside 1-3 Sporting Bengal United
Kai Heather 24 Att.76 Oscar Mendes 63
Lewis Francis 7
Yaya Embalo 83

Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy - Semi-Final

Waltham Forest 2-2 Eton Manor
Nicki Dembele 30 Att.41 Josh Sykes 7
Joshua Banton 84. Kadeem Brightly 24
Waltham Forest won 6-5 on penalties

Tuesday 4th April 2017

Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy - Semi-Final
Barking 0-1 Takeley
Att.72 Reece Barrett 83

Wednesday 5th April 2017

Premier Division
Eton Manor 0-5 West Essex
Att.10 Isaac Marfo 5, 15, 87
Cameron Gray 50
Tom McLeod 87

Wadham Lodge 1-1 Burnham Ramblers
Fehinti Falola 17 Att.18 Charlee Hughes 58

League Challenge Cup – 3rd Round

Iford 1-0 FC Romania
Carl Mullings 15 Att.74

Reserves Division
Bishop's Stortford 0-2 Sawbridgeworth Town

Thursday 6th April 2017

Premier Division
Haringey & Waltham 2-5 Sporting Bengal United
T.Adomakoh 10 Att.10 Oscar Mendez 37, 60
A.Adomakoh 20 Yahya Embalo 48
Steven Carvell 85
Troy Alexander 90

Saturday 8th April 2017

Premier Division
Burnham Ramblers 0-5 Barking
Att.55 Petrit Elbi 15, 31, 87p
Billy Rix 29
Joe Pearman 50

Clapton 6-2 Enfield 1893
Eamon Payne 12, 16 Att.514 James Briggs 44
Jerry Jairette 17 Alex Salmon 90
Johnny Ashman 28
Nathan Cook 49, 62

FC Romania 2-0 Eton Manor
Ilie Vasile 18 Att.14
Toby Cleaver 33

Iford 1-0 Stansted
Ryan Ramsay 20 Att.65

Southend Manor 0-2 Sawbridgeworth Town
Att.39 Gavin Cockman 15, 61

Tower Hamlets 1-6 London Bari
Jairo Pedro 88p Att.16 Stephen O'Hara 16
Hassan Nalbant 62, 69
Stephen Botchey 72
Joel Appiah 75
Prince Yeboah 78

Wadham Lodge 1-0 Takeley
Robert Clarke 42 Att.24

West Essex 4-1 Sporting Bengal United
Cameron Gray 16 Att.19 Lewis Francis 78
Michael Mignot 24
Isaac Marfo 42
Nick Carroll 85

Reserves Division
Bishop's Stortford 2-5 Hullbridge Sports
Heybridge Swifts 2-2 Barkingside
Redbridge 3-6 Barking
Stansted 4-0 AFC Sudbury
Takeley 1-2 Thurrock

Tons put Enfield to the sword at the Old Spotted Dog, although their success proved in vain as Barking clinched the title at Burnham. Eamon Payne scored twice to put the hosts in control, before captain Jerry Jairette made it 3-0 on 15 minutes. Johnny Ashman added a fourth, before James Briggs netted against his old club, converting a rebound after missing a penalty. Nathan Cook netted a double after the restart to make it 6-1, before Enfield grabbed a late consolation, as Tons took a step closer to confirming the runners-up spot in front of a crowd of 514.

London Bari left east London rivals Tower Hamlets in the shade after scoring five times in 15 minutes at Mile End. Bari were returning to action after a 21-day break and Stephen O'Hara broke the deadlock in the first half, with Hassan Nalbant scoring twice in seven minutes to make it 3-0 just past the hour. Stephen Botchey added the fourth on 72 minutes, with Joel Appiah and Prince Yeboah also on target for the visitors, before Hamlets grabbed a consolation from Jairo Pedro's penalty.

(Source: www.newhamrecorder.co.uk)

Essex Senior League - Premier Division

(Up to and including Saturday 8th April 2017)

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Barking	39	30	4	5	119	40	79	94 (C)
2	Clapton	40	27	5	8	80	46	34	86
3	FC Romania	40	26	6	8	120	52	68	84
4	Takeley	40	23	8	9	88	50	38	77
5	Ilford	39	22	9	8	85	51	34	75
6	Sawbridgeworth Town	38	21	8	9	92	66	26	71
7	Southend Manor	40	22	5	13	74	51	23	71
8	Stansted	39	17	10	12	72	47	25	61
9	Basildon United	41	18	6	17	80	71	9	60
10	Barkingside	40	18	9	13	77	71	6	57 *
11	Hullbridge Sports	41	15	12	14	67	66	1	57
12	Waltham Forest	40	16	8	16	62	61	1	56
13	West Essex	40	16	7	17	72	75	-3	55
14	Redbridge	39	15	7	17	87	81	6	52
15	Wadham Lodge	42	13	10	19	56	75	-19	49
16	Eton Manor	39	13	4	22	73	96	-23	43
17	London Bari	41	11	8	22	58	88	-30	41
18	Sporting Bengal United	40	11	6	23	64	88	-24	39
19	Enfield 1893	40	11	6	23	64	108	-44	39
20	Tower Hamlets	39	6	6	27	45	92	-47	24
21	Burnham Ramblers	39	5	6	28	42	116	-74	21
22	Haringey & Waltham	42	4	8	30	38	124	-86	20

* adjustment made

Essex Senior League - Reserve Division

(Up to and including Saturday 8th April 2017)

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Thurrock	20	17	1	2	67	25	42	52 (C)
2	Heybridge Swifts	20	13	5	2	67	27	40	44
3	Barkingside	20	10	7	3	49	35	14	37
4	Sawbridgeworth Town	19	10	4	5	41	22	19	34
5	Waltham Abbey	20	7	4	9	43	35	8	25
6	Takeley	18	8	1	9	37	45	-8	25
7	Redbridge	21	7	2	12	43	53	-10	23
8	Barking	20	7	2	11	40	62	-22	23
9	Bishop's Stortford	21	6	2	13	40	61	-21	20
10	AFC Sudbury	20	6	1	13	34	73	-39	19
11	Hullbridge Sports	20	5	3	12	39	56	-17	18
12	Stansted	17	5	2	10	26	32	-6	17



Essex Senior League Official Website

www.essexseniorleague.co.uk



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League Leading Scorers

Premier Division

(Up to and including Saturday 9th April)

League, League Cup and Gordon Brasted Trophy only

46	Charlie Cole	Takeley
39	James Peagram	Barking
32	Gavin Cockman	Sawbridgeworth Town
28	Joshua Sykes	Eton Manor
26	Jacob Dingli	Redbridge
23	Michael Mignot	West Essex
21	Andréi Pavel	FC Romania
	Joel Appiah	London Bari
20	David Laird	Barkingside
19	Nathan Dewberry	Basildon United
	Petrit Elbl	Barking
	Brian Moses	Redbridge
		<i>(12 Waltham Forest)</i>
	Florin Pop	FC Romania
18	Omar Delgado	Barking
	Vladut Sighiartau	Wadham Lodge
17	Joe Pearman	Barking
16	Reece Cosson	Sawbridgeworth Town
	Michael Hopkins	Southend Manor
15	Reece Barrett	Takeley
	Ionut Danilu	FC Romania
	Charlee Hughes	Burnham Ramblers

Reserve Division

(Up to and including 7th April 2017)

League & League Shield only

21	Jamie Price	Thurrock
18	Solomone Coker	Thurrock
15	George Smith	Heybridge Swifts
13	Lewis Roberts	Takeley
		<i>(4 Sawbridgeworth)</i>
11	Andrew Fennell	Heybridge Swifts
10	Jose Espinoza	Barkingside
	James Richardson	Sawbridgeworth Town
9	Marley Andrews	Heybridge Swifts
	George Martin	Waltham Abbey
	Sonny Shilling	Barkingside
	Tom Hollanby	Stansted

Hat-Trick (or More) Heroes – Premier Division

5	Charlie Cole	Haringey & Waltham v Takeley (GBMT)	21 st December	
4	Charlie Cole	Takeley v Enfield 1893	18 th March	
	Omar Delgado	Barking v Burnham Ramblers	15 th October	
	Luke Hornsley	Hullbridge Sports v Haringey & Waltham	2 nd August	
	James Peagram	Barking v Burnham Ramblers (LC)	11 th January	+1
	Brian Moses	Redbridge v Wadham Lodge	25 th February	
3	Reece Barrett	Takeley v Burnham Ramblers	1 st April	+1
	Joe Bricknell	Eton Manor v Sporting Bengal United	9 th November	
	James Bromley	West Essex v Haringey & Waltham	14 th March	
	Toby Cleaver	Redbridge v Sawbridgeworth Town	7 th January	+2
	Gavin Cockman	Sawbridgeworth Town v Burnham Ramblers	4 th March	+1
	Charlie Cole	Takeley v Waltham Forest	14 th March	+4
	Reece Cosson	Redbridge v Sawbridgeworth Town (LC)	31 st January	+1
	Ionut Danila	FC Romania v Hullbridge Sports	11 th February	+1
	Olmari Delgado	Barking v Haringey & Waltham	7 th October	
	Jacob Dingli	Redbridge v West Essex	10 th December	+1
	Petrit Elbie	Burnham Ramblers v Barking	8 th April	
	Michael Hopkins	Southend Manor v London Bari	14 th January	+1
	Luke Hornsley	Eton Manor v Hullbridge Sports	24 th August	
	Charlee Hughes	Burnham Ramblers v Tower Hamlets	7 th February	
	Adam Hunt	Redbridge v Burnham Ramblers	30 th August	
	Jay Knight	Clapton v Hullbridge Sports	4 th March	+1
	David Laird	Sporting Bengal United v Barkingside	21 st January	
	Tom Larkin	Sawbridgeworth Town v Stansted	13 th December	
	Isaac Marfo	Eton Manor v West Essex	5 th April	
	Michael Mignot	West Essex v Haringey & Waltham	14 th March	+1
	Brian Moses	Waltham Forest v Basildon United	30 th July	
	James Peagram	Barking v Enfield 1893	21 st January	+2
	Florin Pop	FC Romania v Burnham Ramblers	22 nd February	
	O'Neal Rowe	London Bari v Tower Hamlets	11 th October	
	Vladut Sighiartau	Wadham Lodge v Eton Manor	22 nd March	+1
	Joseph Sykes	Eton Manor v Sporting Bengal United	9 th November	+2
	Reece Tranter	Basildon United v Burnham Ramblers	23 rd August	
	Ben Turner	Iford v Burnham Ramblers (FAC)	6 th August	
	Tony Woodbridge	Enfield 1893 v West Essex	21 st March	

Premier Division Attendances

(Up to and including Saturday 8th April 2017)

League Matches Only

	Played	Low	High	Average	Total
Clapton	19	17	683	292	5557
Barkingside	19	43	323	82	1553
Basildon United	20	44	113	74	1473
Takeley	19	34	127	65	1244
Enfield 1893	20	30	100	62	1232
Tower Hamlets	20	16	308	58	1166
Redbridge	19	18	142	58	1103
Barking	18	35	109	58	1039
Stansted	20	30	138	55	1093
Hullbridge Sports	20	34	138	52	1049
Southend Manor	20	10	91	52	1038
Ilford	20	21	108	46	917
Sawbridgeworth Town	19	18	110	45	857
Sporting Bengal United	21	11	100	41	864
Waltham Forest	20	20	159	39	783
Burnham Ramblers	20	16	56	33	651
Wadham Lodge	21	18	89	32	672
Haringey & Waltham	20	9	173	30	595
West Essex	20	14	68	29	586
F C Romania	21	8	99	26	544
Eton Manor	20	2	50	18	364
London Bari	21	4	134	17	350

Current Form Table

(Up to and including Saturday 8th April 2017)

		W	D	L	F	A		
1	FC Romania	6	6	0	0	20	2	W W W W W W
2	Barking	6	5	1	0	16	3	W W W W D W
3	Clapton	6	5	1	0	16	5	W W D W W W
4	Takeley	6	5	0	1	20	4	W W W W W L
5	Sawbridgeworth Town	6	5	0	1	16	5	W W W W L W
6	Ilford	6	5	0	1	15	5	W W W L W W
7	West Essex	6	4	2	0	21	6	W D W D W W
8	Wadham Lodge	6	3	2	1	8	4	L W W D D W
9	Basildon United	6	3	1	2	11	9	W D L L W W
10	Sporting Bengal United	6	3	0	3	11	13	W L L W W L
11	London Bari	6	2	2	2	15	8	D W L L D W
12	Redbridge	6	2	1	3	11	11	L W L D W L
13	Waltham Forest	6	2	1	3	11	14	L L L W D W
14	Hullbridge Sports	6	1	3	2	9	12	L D W L D D
15	Barkingside	6	3	2	1	12	8	W W D W D L
16	Stansted	6	0	3	3	1	5	D D L L D L
17	Southend Manor	6	1	0	5	6	13	L L L L W L
18	Enfield 1893	6	1	0	5	11	23	L L L W L L
19	Haringey & Waltham	6	0	2	4	5	17	D L L D L L
20	Eton Manor	6	0	1	5	6	19	L L D L L L
21	Burnham Ramblers	6	0	1	5	5	18	L L L L D L
22	Tower Hamlets	6	0	0	6	6	20	L L L L L L

ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE GORDON BRASTED MEMORIAL TROPHY

Fixtures/Results 2016-2017

FIRST ROUND

(12 CLUBS)

A	Barking	4-2	Clapton (<i> Holders </i>)
B	Basildon United	2-3	Barkingside
C	London Bari	0-0	West Essex*
D	Stansted	0-2	Ilford
E	Wadham Lodge*	2-2	Sawbridgeworth Town
F	FC Romania	1-5	Southend Manor

SECOND ROUND

(6 WINNERS plus 10)

1	Hullbridge Sports	1-2	West Essex
2	Waltham Forest	3-0	Tower Hamlets
3	Burnham Ramblers	3-5	Wadham Lodge
4	Barking	3-0	Sporting Bengal United
5	Ilford	1-0	Enfield 1893
6	Southend Manor	1-3	Redbridge
7	Eton Manor	3-1	Barkingside
8	Haringey & Waltham	1-8	Takeley

THIRD ROUND

9	Eton Manor*	3-3	West Essex
10	Takeley	2-0	Ilford
11	Barking	3-2	Redbridge
12	Wadham Lodge	1-1	Waltham Forest*

SEMI-FINAL

13	Waltham Forest *+	2-2	Eton Manor
14	Barking	0-1	Takeley

FINAL

15	Takeley		Eton Manor
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* *Won On Penalties*
+ *Removed from Competition for fielding an ineligible player*



ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP

Fixtures/Results 2016-2017

FIRST ROUND

(12 CLUBS)

A	Waltham Forest	0-4	Sawbridgeworth Town
B	Clapton	0-1	Hullbridge Sports
C	Ilford	2-0	Southend Manor
D	Enfield 1893*	1-1	West Essex
E	Barking	1-0	Sporting Bengal United
F	Redbridge	4-3	Barkingside

SECOND ROUND

(6 WINNERS plus 10)

1	Takeley	7-0	Haringey & Waltham
2	Enfield 1893	1-2	Wadham Lodge
3	Basildon United (<i> Holders </i>)	1-0	London Bari
4	Eton Manor	1-1	Ilford *
5	Stansted	4-4	FC Romania *
6	Tower Hamlets	1-7	Hullbridge Sports
7	Barking	8-1	Burnham Ramblers
8	Redbridge	2-6	Sawbridgeworth Town

THIRD ROUND

9	Ilford	1-0	FC Romania
10	Sawbridgeworth Town	3-1	Barking
11	Takeley	2-1	Hullbridge Sports
12	Basildon United (<i> Holders </i>)		Wadham Lodge

SEMI-FINAL

13	Sawbridgeworth Town		Ilford
14	Takeley		Winners of Match 12

FINAL

15	Winners of Match 13		Winners of Match 14
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* *Won On Penalties*



Forthcoming Fixtures

Monday 10th April 2017

Premier Division
Tower Hamlets v Eton Manor

Tuesday 11th April 2017

Reserves Division
Waltham Abbey v Sawbridgeworth Town

Wednesday 12th April 2017

Reserves Division
Bishop's Stortford v Stansted

Friday 14th April 2017

Premier Division
Redbridge v Waltham Forest
Barkingside v London Bari

Saturday 15th April 2017

Premier Division
Barking v Sporting Bengal United
Clapton v Ilford
Enfield 1893 v Tower Hamlets
Stansted v Burnham Ramblers

Reserves Division

AFC Sudbury v Redbridge
Barking v Takeley
Heybridge Swifts v Sawbridgeworth Town
Thurrock v Stansted

Monday 17th April 2017

Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy - Final
Takeley v Eton Manor

Tuesday 18 April 2017

League Challenge Cup - Semi-Final
Sawbridgeworth Town v Ilford

Wednesday 19th April 2017

Premier Division
Takeley v West Essex

League Challenge Cup – 3rd Round
Basildon United v Wadham Lodge

Saturday 22nd April 2017

Premier Division
Basildon United v FC Romania
Clapton v Burnham Ramblers
Ilford v Sawbridgeworth Town
Redbridge v Stansted
Southend Manor v Barking
West Essex v Tower Hamlets

Reserves Division

Sawbridgeworth Town v Heybridge Swifts
Stansted v Barkingside
Takeley v Hullbridge Sports
Waltham Abbey v Thurrock

Ilford enjoy more home comfort

Source : www.ilfordrecorder.co.uk

Ilford made it 10 wins in a row at Cricklefield Stadium with a slender success over Essex Senior League rivals Stansted. Allan Fenn's Foxes have now come out on top in every league and cup game played on their own turf since their 2-2 draw with Wadham Lodge on January 11 and are two points behind fourth-placed Takeley with a game in hand.

The only goal came on 21 minutes and proved enough as the home side registered a third successive clean sheet.

Sporting Bengal slipped to a 4-1 defeat at West Essex in their fourth match of the week. Having lost 3-0 at Ilford the previous weekend, but beaten Barkingside and Haringey & Waltham in midweek, Imrul Gazi's men travelled to Mayesbrook Park in good spirits.

But they fell behind on 16 minutes as Cameron Gray netted for the home side, before Michael Mignot fired in a second. A third goal arrived before half time, but Bengal hit back on 78 minutes only to concede again late on as Nick Carroll rifled home.