



CentreSpot

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Essex Senior Football League
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.Champions Barking hit 100-point mark

Southend Manor 0 Barking 2



*Barking's Joe Pearman looks for a way through at Southend Manor whilst chairman Rob O'Brien who made a cameo appearance takes a breather!
(pictures - Terry Gilbert)*

Essex Senior League Champions Barking brought up a century of points with success over Manor at Southchurch Park. Joe Pearman netted both goals for the Blues, who had received the silverware two weeks earlier following their win at lowly Burnham Ramblers. And chairman Rob O'Brien even made a cameo appearance as a late substitute as the visitors notched up their 32nd win in 41 outings this term.

Pearman opened the scoring in the 19th minute as he lifted the ball over home keeper Lewis Down. And he doubled their advantage four minutes into the second half when slotting home his 24th goal of the season in all competitions. Manor had chances to hit back, but could not find a way through the Blues defence and the visitors maintained their eight-point lead over runners-up Clapton at the top of the table. Barking could widen that gap to double figures when they complete their title-winning season with a home match against Stansted at Mayesbrook Park on April 29.

Barking: Hatton, Wackers-Kyriacou, Tarbard, Sherwood, Willis, Burgess, B O'Brien, Abiola, Pearman, Santos, Golby.

Tenants West Essex ran out 4-0 winners over lowly Tower Hamlets.

Isaac Marfo opened the scoring after only eight minutes and the home side also saw Kofi Appiah hit the crossbar in the first half. It was 2-0 on 39 minutes when Michael Mignot converted and West Essex had a great chance of a third just before the interval when they were awarded a penalty, but Joseph Lefley missed from the spot. Cameron Gray nodded in a third on 51 minutes, after Lefley's effort was blocked, and Bradley Russell rattled the woodwork again. Lefley completed the scoring when given a second chance from the spot to give West Essex a chance of finishing inside the top 10. Hamlets, after ending the season with a 10-match losing run, will finish in 20th place.

Source : www.barkinganddagenhampost.co.uk

From The Archives

By Rob Errington

IS THAT 20 YEARS AGO ?

The week Saturday 19th to Saturday 26th April 1997 saw just five fixtures and all at Premier level as there was no Reserve Division.

On 19th, four games took place with eventual champions Ford United winning 1-0 at Brentwood, Jeff Wood scoring in the 60th minute. Second place Great Wakering Rovers were without a game whilst third place and now National League South club, Concord Rangers beat Burnham Ramblers 5-1, Lawrence, McFarland and three from Tony Macklin all on the scoresheet with Walker replying. The other two games saw Bowers United win 1-0 against Southend Manor, Wagner 40 mins and Basildon United 2-0 over Stansted, Kellard (2).

On Saturday 26th April, it was Cup Final day and held at Southchurch Park, home of Southend Manor, was between Concord Rangers and Ford United. I remember it well for one reason: at kick off I returned to my car to get the trophies and missed the only goal of the match, scored by Dorrell for Concord Rangers in the second minute..... how many readers have done that? The attendance was 408.

Great Wakering Rovers had completed their programme on April 5th!

Two clubs came in the league that year: Saffron Walden Town re-joining and the newly formed Ilford.

We had the first lady to officiate in an ESL match, Diane Miller an Assistant at East Ham United v Great Wakering Rovers on 21st September.

Reg Curtis played a whole game for Eton Manor at age 51.



Pre-Brighton & Hove Albion, 20-year-old Gary Hart (left) was flying high for Stansted and Jimmy Chapman the Ford United keeper broke the commuting record for the league by flying in and then out from Madrid!

Graham Kelly of the F A turned up at Stansted and the final good news for Ford United were that they were promoted to the Isthmian League and Concord Rangers stayed with us for a few more years.

SAFFRON WALDEN TOWN

1967	Saffron Walden changed name
1968-69	Herts County League runner-up (on goal average)
1971-72	Founder members of Essex Senior League
1973-74	Essex Senior League Champions
1974-75	Joined Eastern Counties League
1982-83	Eastern Counties League Champions
1984-85	Joined Isthmian League Division Two North
1991-92	Joined Division Two on re-organisation
1996-97	Rejoined Essex Senior League
1999-00	Essex Senior League Champions (2nd time) (on goal difference x2)
2000-01	Essex Senior League runner-up
2003	Resigned from Essex Senior League, and not given permission to switch to Eastern Counties League, left without a league to play in for 2003-04 season
2004-05	Rejoined Eastern Counties League in Division One
2011	Resigned from Eastern Counties League just prior to 2011-12 season
2012-13	Rejoined Eastern Counties League
2014-15	Promoted to Division One

SEASON	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	POS
1971-72	16	8	0	8	27	25	16	5/9
1972-73	18	4	2	12	20	35	10	9/10
1973-74	18	15	1	2	46	13	31	1/10
1996-97	28	8	8	12	40	39	32	10/15
1997-98	26	3	2	21	24	100	11	14/14
1998-99	26	16	8	2	49	20	56	3/14
1999-00	28	19	5	4	85	33	62	1/15
2000-01	30	18	3	9	53	24	57	2/16
2001-02	30	10	6	14	40	62	36	11/16
2002-03	32	10	4	18	49	57	34	12/17

Tuesday 18th April 2017

League Challenge Cup - Semi-Final

Sawbridgeworth
Town 0-2 Ilford
Att.62 Mytanda 14,86

Wednesday 19th April 2017

Premier Division

Takeley 4-1 West Essex
Charlie Cole (3) Att.61 Tom McLoud
Jason Todd

League Challenge Cup - 3rd Round

Basildon United 1-1 Wadham Lodge
Jamie Brown 85 Vladut Gabriel Sighiartu 59
Basildon won 4-1 on penalties

Saturday 22nd April 2017

Premier Division

Basildon United 1-1 FC Romania
Yaw Danso 80p Att.82 Toby Cleaver 33

Clapton 7-0 Burnham Ramblers
Johnny Ashman 34p Att.684
Andre Spencer 37
Nathan Cook 50, 64
Dylan Ebengo 56
Steven Sardinha 70
Ryan Reed 90+3

Iford 0-2 Sawbridgeworth Town
Att.176 Aaron Thomas
Jack Thomas

Redbridge 1-2 Stansted
Brian Moses 5 Att.49 Brandon Stack 53
Jack Isherwood 87

Southend Manor 0-2 Barking
Att.62 Joe Pearman 18, 49

West Essex 4-0 Tower Hamlets
Isaac Marfo 8 Att.55
Michael Mignot 39
Cameron Gray 51
Joseph Lefley 59

Reserves Division

Stansted 2-2 Barkingside
Takeley 1-3 Hullbridge Sports
Waltham Abbey 1-2 Thurrock

Iford, Redbridge beaten on home turf

Iford 0 Sawbridgeworth 2 Redbridge 1 Stansted 2

Neighbours Iford and Redbridge both suffered home defeats in their latest Essex Senior League fixtures on Saturday.

Allan Fenn's Foxes went into their Cricklefield Stadium clash with Sawbridgeworth on the back of a cup semi-final win over the Robins in midweek.

But the visitors got their revenge with a 2-0 win in front of a crowd of 143 thanks to goals from Aaron Thomas and Jack Thomas.

Chris Ratambwa saw red for the Robins, but they took the points to maintain hopes of a top-four finish, while ending Iford's chances of reaching those heights, with only a trip to Takeley to come next weekend.

Iford: Clark, Adeyemi, Killingback, Lockwood, Mtyanda, Mullings, McLeavy, Nkosi, Stevens, Thomas Valionis. Subs: Atutis, Edmunds, Hart.

Redbridge got off to a good start against Stansted at Oakside, with Brian Moses putting them in front after only four minutes.

But Brandon Stack got the visitors back on level terms in the second half and Jack Isherwood's 87th-minute goal saw the Airportmen take off with all three points.

Defeat leaves the Motormen down in 14th place with a trip to Sawbridgeworth next weekend, while 11th-placed Barkingside are due to entertain Enfield in their final fixture of the campaign.

Redbridge: Mernagh, Alexandrou, Carter, Dingli, Hunt, Kenneally, Kettle, Kyungu, Moses, Phillips, Roul. Subs: Bell, Cornelius, Ifeobu-Zubis.

Source : www.ilfordrecorder.co.uk

Essex Senior League - Premier Division

(Up to and including Saturday 22nd April 2017)

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1	Barking	41	32	4	5	123	41	82	100 (C)
2	Clapton	42	29	5	8	89	46	43	92
3	FC Romania	41	26	7	8	121	53	68	85
4	Takeley	41	24	8	9	92	51	41	80
5	Ilford	41	22	9	10	85	55	30	75
6	Sawbridgeworth Town	39	22	8	9	94	66	28	74
7	Southend Manor	41	22	5	14	74	53	21	71
8	Stansted	41	19	10	12	77	48	29	67
9	Basildon United	42	18	7	17	81	72	9	61
10	West Essex	42	17	7	18	77	79	-2	58
11	Barkingside	41	18	9	14	77	72	5	57 *
12	Hullbridge Sports	41	15	12	14	67	66	1	57
13	Waltham Forest	41	16	8	17	64	65	-1	56
14	Redbridge	41	16	7	18	92	85	7	55
15	Wadham Lodge	42	13	10	19	56	75	-19	49
16	Eton Manor	40	14	4	22	74	96	-22	46
17	London Bari	42	12	8	22	59	88	-29	44
18	Enfield 1893	41	12	6	23	67	110	-43	42
19	Sporting Bengal United	41	11	6	24	65	90	-25	39
20	Tower Hamlets	42	6	6	30	47	100	-53	24
21	Burnham Ramblers	41	5	6	30	42	126	-84	21
22	Haringey & Waltham	42	4	8	30	38	124	-86	20

* adjustment made

Essex Senior League - Reserve Division

(Up to and including Saturday 22nd April 2017)

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Thurrock	22	19	1	2	75	26	49	58 (C)
2	Heybridge Swifts	21	14	5	2	72	30	42	47
3	Barkingside	21	10	8	3	51	37	14	38
4	Sawbridgeworth Town	21	10	4	7	45	29	16	34
5	Waltham Abbey	22	8	4	10	46	38	8	28
6	Takeley	20	9	1	10	44	49	-5	28
7	Redbridge	22	8	2	12	47	54	-7	26
8	Barking	21	7	2	12	41	68	-27	23
9	Stansted	20	6	3	11	29	40	-11	21
10	Hullbridge Sports	21	6	3	12	42	57	-15	21
11	Bishop's Stortford	22	6	2	14	40	62	-22	20
12	AFC Sudbury	21	6	1	14	35	77	-42	19



Essex Senior League Official Website

www.essexseniorleague.co.uk



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League Leading Scorers

Premier Division

(Up to and including Saturday 22nd April 2017)

League, League Cup and Gordon Brasted Trophy only

53	Charlie Cole	Takeley	
40	James Peagram	Barking	
32	Gavin Cockman	Sawbridgeworth Town	
28	Jacob Dingli	Redbridge	
	Joshua Sykes	Eton Manor	
24	Michael Mignot	West Essex	
21	Joel Appiah	London Bari	
	Brian Moses	Redbridge	
		(12 Waltham Forest)	
	Andréi Pavel	FC Romania	
20	David Laird	Barkingside	
	Vladut Sighiartau	Wadham Lodge	
19	Nathan Dewberry	Basildon United	
	Petrit Elbl	Barking	
	Florin Pop	FC Romania	
18	Omari Delgado	Barking	
	Joe Pearman	Barking	

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Reserve Division

(Up to and including Saturday 22nd April 2017)

League & League Shield only

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

Premier Division Cont...

16	Reece Barrett	Takeley	
	Toby Cleaver	F C Romania	
		(13 Sawbridgeworth)	
	Reece Cosson	Sawbridgeworth Town	
	Michael Hopkins	Southend Manor	
	Lindispho Mtyanda	Ilford	
15	Ionut Danilu	FC Romania	
	Charlee Hughes	Burnham Ramblers	

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
	Brian Moses	Redbridge v Wadham Lodge	25 th February
3	Reece Barrett	Takeley v Burnham Ramblers	1 st April
	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
	Gavin Cockman	Sawbridgeworth Town v Burnham Ramblers	4 th March
	Charlie Cole	Takeley v West Essex	19 th April
	Reece Cosson	Redbridge v Sawbridgeworth Town (LC)	31 st January
	Ionut Danila	FC Romania v Hullbridge Sports	11 th February
	Olmar Delgado	Barking v Haringey & Waltham	7 th October
	Jacob Dingli	Redbridge v West Essex	10 th December
	Petrit Elbie	Burnham Ramblers v Barking	8 th April
	Michael Hopkins	Southend Manor v London Bari	14 th January
	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
	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
	Brian Moses	Waltham Forest v Basildon United	30 th July
	James Peagram	Barking v Enfield 1893	21 st January
	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
	Joseph Sykes	Eton Manor v Sporting Bengal United	9 th November
	Reece Tranter	Basildon United v Burnham Ramblers	23 rd August
	Ben Turner	Ilford 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 22nd April 2017)

League Matches Only

	Played	Low	High	Average	Total
Clapton	21	17	684	315	6617
Barkingside	20	43	323	82	1640
Basildon United	21	44	113	74	1555
Takeley	20	34	127	65	1305
Enfield 1893	21	30	100	62	1292
Tower Hamlets	21	16	308	59	1237
Redbridge	21	18	142	58	1225
Barking	20	35	109	57	1136
Stansted	21	30	138	54	1140
Hullbridge Sports	20	34	138	52	1049
Southend Manor	21	10	91	52	1100
Ilford	21	21	143	52	1093
Sawbridgeworth Town	20	18	110	45	902
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
West Essex	21	14	68	31	641
Haringey & Waltham	21	9	173	29	605
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 22nd April 2017)

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

+ *Removed from Competition for fielding an ineligible player*



Takeley FC – Winners 2017

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 (Holders)	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 (Holders) *	1-1	Wadham Lodge

SEMI-FINAL

13	Sawbridgeworth Town	0-2	Ilford
14	Takeley		Basildon United (Holders)

FINAL

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



Forthcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 25th April 2017

Premier Division

Eton Manor Sawbridgeworth Town

League Challenge Cup - Semi-Final

Takeley Basildon United

Reserves Division

Stansted Takeley

Thursday 27th April 2017

Reserves Division

Takeley Barking

Saturday 29th April 2017

Premier Division

Barking	Stansted
Barkingside	Enfield 1893
Burnham Ramblers	FC Romania
Hullbridge Sports	Sporting Bengal United
Sawbridgeworth Town	Redbridge
Takeley	Ilford
Waltham Forest	Southend Manor

Reserves Division

Barkingside	AFC Sudbury
Stansted	Hullbridge Sports

Monday 1st May 2017

League Challenge Cup – Final

Sawbridgeworth Town or	Takeley or
Ilford *	Basildon United

Saturday 6th May 2017

Reserves Shield - Final

Sawbridgeworth Town	Stansted
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** The result between Ilford and Sawbridgeworth Town in the League Challenge Cup semi-final has been referred back to the League due to a breach of Rule by Ilford FC in respect of a player eligibility. Further announcements will be made later this week.*

Clapton FC Tweets...

Some Twitter images of Runners-Up Clapton FC following their 7-0 victory over Burnham Ramblers.



The penultimate issue of **CentreSpot** will be out next Monday, 1st May, following the League Cup Final and there will be a final issue the following weekend after the Reserve Shield Final.