



# CentreSpot

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## Essex Senior Football League

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### Premier Division Round-Up

By Peter Dudley

### Buildbase FA Vase Fourth Round Proper

#### Tring Athletic 5 Hullbridge Sports 1

Sports are out of the Vase yet again at the last 32 stage after an inept second half showing saw the hosts net four second half goals. The visitors fell behind in farcical circumstances when after Harley had saved, full back Shaun Coe struck his clearance straight at Gus Douglas and the ball flew off him and into the net on twelve minutes. Sports though were well in the match and saw Michael Salako strike the bar, but the second half began poorly as after losing the ball on their own wing, a ball in found home substitute Jack Read who side footed home. And just before the hour mark it was three when a slip allowed Chris Vardy to sneak in to score, and although Bridge briefly threatened a comeback when Jimmy Cox netted a 65th minute spot kick, this was snuffed out six minutes later

when poor marking allowed centre half Mark Riddick to waltz into the six yard box and nod home a corner. And the hosts capped a fine second period by netting a late fifth when a tidy one touch passing move ended with Max Hercules finishing well and help send his side through in style.

### **Premier Division**

#### **Basildon United 1 West Essex 1**

A late header saw West Essex take a point at The Hive against Basildon United. Luke Hornsley had put the hosts ahead but a header five minutes from time from Josh Kane saw the Mayesbrook Park side take a point.

#### **Burnham Ramblers 1 Barkingside 5**

Side got their 2018 off to a flyer by ending a long losing run by smashing five past a previously in form Burnham Ramblers side at Leslie Field. Roddy Lemba bagged a brace, with Ryan Imben and Mattheus Santos also chipping in plus an own goal adding to the tally. Ramblers replied via Karl Swanborough. It means Side are out of the bottom four whilst Ramblers remain eleventh.

#### **Hackney Wick 0 Great Wakering Rovers 2**

Rovers netted twice inside the opening twenty minutes to take the points at The Old Spotted Dog against struggling Hackney Wick. Jay Nash broke the deadlock on eight minutes before Stephen Butterworth doubled that lead on twenty minutes, which helped Rovers seal another three points.

#### **Ilford 0 FC Romania 2**

FCR are now just four points behind leaders Redbridge after they took all three points against Ilford at Cricklefield. George Taban opened the account in the 34<sup>th</sup> minute with Florin Pop sealing the victory in the second half. It leaves the Foxes in ninth spot.

#### **Redbridge P-P Stansted**

Today's match at Oakside was postponed due to storm damage at the ground.

#### **Sawbridgeworth Town 4 Sporting Bengal United 1**

A great second half performance from the Robins saw them see off Sporting Bengal United and pick up the three points at Crofters. Toby Cleaver converted a 43rd minute spot kick to set them on their way, and although Sporting levelled with a good passing move being slotted home by Ashaan Siddik, Sawbo were back in front courtesy of an Aaron Thomas belter. Toby Cleaver then added another to make it three for the hosts before Billy Skinner chipped over the visitor's keeper to seal a welcome win for the hosts.

#### **Takeley P-P Wadham Lodge**

Today's match at Station Road was postponed due to an unplayable surface.

#### **Tower Hamlets 3 Enfield 1893 0**

Hamlets began 2018 with a terrific home win over Enfield at Mile End. Wale Odedoyin put them ahead after just three minutes before a late double from James Ross sealed the deal for the Mile End side. The hosts are eighth whilst Enfield slip back into the bottom four.

#### **Waltham Forest 1 Clapton 0**

Forest are now six unbeaten after an early goal from Abdoulai Njai was enough to defeat Clapton at Kitchener Road in Walthamstow. The win sees Forest in fourteenth place whilst Clapton remain in sixth spot.

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January**

**Buildbase FA Vase 4<sup>th</sup> Round**

Tring Athletic 5 (OG 13, Jack Read 48, Chris Vardy 59, Mick Riddick 71, Max Hercules 90+1)

Hullbridge Sports 1 (Jimmy Cox 65p)

**Att. 217**

**Premier Division**

Basildon United 1 (Luke Hornsley 58)

West Essex (Josh Kane 86)

**Att. 101**

Burnham Ramblers 1 (Karl Swanborough 87)

Barkingside 5 (Roddy Lemba 21, 83, Ryan Imben 36, OG 52, Mattheus Santos 78)

**Att. 36**

Hackney Wick 0

Great Wakering Rovers 2 (Jay Nash 8, Stephen Butterworth 20)

**Att. 33**

Ilford 0

FC Romania 2 (George Taban 35, Florin Pop 76)

**Att. 71**

Redbridge P Stansted P

Sawbridgeworth Town 4 (Toby Cleaver 44, 78, Aaron Thomas 57, Billy Skinner 88)

Sporting Bengal United 1 (Ashaan Siddik 52)

**Att. 36**

Takeley P Wadham Lodge P

Tower Hamlets 3 (Wale Odedoyin 3, James Ross 76, 90+2)

Enfield 1893 0

**Att.24**

Waltham Forest 1 (Abdoulai Njai)

Clapton 0

**Att. 218****Reserves Division**

Hullbridge Sports P Stansted P

Southend Manor 0

Woodford Town 2017 2 (Mohamed Koita, Zack Bawuba)

Thurrock P Sawbridgeworth Town P

**Reserve Shield Quarter Finals**

Bishops Stortford P Sawbridgeworth Town P

Grays Athletic 2 (Kyen Nicholas x 2)

Redbridge 5 (Joe Gent x 2, Ben McGill, Jacob Dingli, Yusuf Olijide)

Heybridge Swifts 2 (George Morris x 2)

Great Wakering Rovers 1 (Bily Ebbles)

## Essex Senior League – Premier Division

(Up to & Including Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January)

	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>GD</b>	<b>Pts</b>
<b>1 Redbridge</b>	23	19	1	3	61	26	35	58
<b>2 FC Romania</b>	23	17	3	3	64	24	40	54
<b>3 Basildon United</b>	22	16	3	3	42	15	27	51
<b>4 Takeley</b>	22	16	2	4	60	17	43	50
<b>5 Great Wakering Rovers</b>	21	15	1	5	50	16	34	46
<b>6 Clapton</b>	25	13	5	7	42	32	10	44
<b>7 West Essex</b>	24	12	4	8	42	38	4	40
<b>8 Tower Hamlets</b>	23	12	3	8	48	36	12	39
<b>9 Ilford</b>	23	10	3	10	35	32	3	33
<b>10 Woodford Town (2017)</b>	25	9	3	13	37	57	-20	30
<b>11 Burnham Ramblers</b>	26	9	2	15	50	70	-20	29
<b>12 Southend Manor</b>	22	8	4	10	35	42	-7	28
<b>13 Sporting Bengal United</b>	25	8	4	13	45	59	-14	28
<b>14 Waltham Forest</b>	24	7	4	13	34	52	-18	25
<b>15 Sawbridgeworth Town</b>	21	6	6	9	34	40	-6	24
<b>16 Wadham Lodge</b>	25	6	5	14	38	66	-28	23
<b>17 Barkingside</b>	22	7	1	14	33	46	-13	22
<b>18 Enfield 1893</b>	23	6	3	14	37	57	-20	21
<b>19 Stansted</b>	23	6	1	16	28	45	-17	19
<b>20 Hullbridge Sports</b>	22	5	4	13	32	55	-23	19
<b>21 Hackney Wick</b>	24	5	2	17	30	52	-22	17



## Essex Senior League – Reserves Division

(Up to & Including Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Southend Manor	14	10	1	3	35	21	14	31
2 Waltham Abbey	11	9	1	1	35	11	24	28
3 Thurrock	13	7	4	2	36	16	20	25
4 Heybridge Swifts	13	8	1	4	40	23	17	25
5 Sawbridgeworth Town	13	6	2	5	28	23	5	20
6 Takeley	13	6	1	6	37	33	4	19
7 Bishop's Stortford	14	5	2	7	27	30	-3	17
8 Grays Athletic	13	5	2	6	27	32	-5	17
9 Redbridge	13	4	3	6	26	29	-3	15
10 AFC Sudbury	12	4	2	6	32	33	-1	14
11 Hullbridge Sports	9	4	1	4	15	14	1	13
12 Woodford Town 2017	14	3	2	9	18	43	-25	11
13 Great Wakering Rovers	14	3	1	10	14	38	-24	10
14 Stansted	12	2	3	7	20	44	-24	9



Grassroots Football Show – Every Thursday from 8-10pm

All things ESL with hosts Adam Richardson and Peter Dudley

## LEADING SCORERS – Up to & Including Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January

	League	ECC	GBMT	FAC	FAV	CC	Total
James Peagram - Ilford	16	2	3	2	1		24
Brian Moses - Redbridge	19		1	1	1		22
Marcus Bowers - Basildon United	12		2	1	4	2	21
Neil Richmond - Great Wakering Rovers	15			1	4		20
Michael Mignot - West Essex	14			3	1	2	20
Florin Pop - FC Romania	18			1	1		20
Charlee Hughes - Burnham Ramblers	15				2		17
Carl Mullings - Takeley (Including 7 goals for Enfield 1893)	14		1		2		17
Jeffrey Cobblah - Clapton	14		1		1		16
Curtis Pond - Tower Hamlets	7			1	7		15
Toby Cleaver - Sawbridgeworth Town (Including 7 goals for FC Romania)	8	2	1	4			15
Calvin Poku - Redbridge	9			1	2	1	13
Bradley Morgan - Burnham Ramblers	10			1	1	1	13
Luke With - Tower Hamlets	9				3		12
Mitchell Das - Takeley	10			2			12
Oscar Mendes - Sporting Bengal United	12						12
Jimmy Cox - Hullbridge Sports	5		1	2	3	1	12
Billy Johnson - Great Wakering Rovers	10	1					11
Jayden Hocking-Rising - Enfield 1893 (Includes 8 goals for Wadham Lodge/Stanted)	10					1	11
Tony Cookey - Ilford (Includes 10 Goals for Barkingside)	8	1	1		1		11

### Hat Trick Heroes

Karl Swanborough	Wadham Lodge 1 <b>Burnham Ramblers</b> 5 – Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
Hassan Naibani	<b>Hackney Wick</b> 4 Burnham Ramblers 0 – Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov 2017
Eljay Worrell	Tower Hamlets 0 <b>Redbridge</b> 5 – Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
Neil Richmond	<b>Great Wakering Rovers</b> 7 Hullbridge Sports 1 – Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017 <b>Great Wakering Rovers</b> 4 FC Romania 0 – Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017 <b>Great Wakering Rovers</b> 6 Sporting Bengal United 1 – Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017
Liam Thomas	<b>Redbridge</b> 3 West Essex 1 – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
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Carl Mullings	<b>Takeley</b> 7 Barkingside 0 – Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
John Bricknell	<b>Enfield 1893</b> 5 Woodford Town (2017) 1 – Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
Marcus Bowers	<b>Basildon United</b> 5 Sporting Bengal United 1 – Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017 <b>Basildon United</b> 3 Tower Hamlets 0 – Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017
Jake Gordon	Enfield 1893 1 <b>Great Wakering Rovers</b> 7 – Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017
Florian Pop	Sporting Bengal United 2 <b>FC Romania</b> 6 – Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 <b>FC Romania</b> 8 Burnham Ramblers 2 – Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
Charlee Hughes	<b>Burnham Ramblers</b> 4 Redbridge 3 – Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017
Miguel Lopez Demarco	Takeley 5 <b>Enfield 1893</b> 4 – Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017
Jack Addlington	West Essex <b>Basildon United</b> 5 – Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017
Tony Cookey	<b>Barkingside</b> 3 Hackney Wick 0 – Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2017
Curtis Pond	<b>Tower Hamlets</b> 10 Little Oakley 1 – Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept 2017 <b>x4</b>
Michael Mignot	Wadham Lodge 3 <b>West Essex</b> 3 – Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 Clapton 3 <b>West Essex</b> 4 – Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017
Eaia Embalo	<b>Sporting Bengal United</b> 4 Sawbridgeworth Town 2 – Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017 <b>x4</b>
James Peagram	Enfield 1893 0 <b>Ilford</b> 3 – Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
Jeffrey Cobblah	Ilford 1 <b>Clapton</b> 4 – Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug 2017

## LEADING RESERVE DIVISION SCORERS – Up to & Including Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January

	League	RS	CC	Total
Yusuf Olijinde - Redbridge	12	3	1	16
Lewis Roberts - Takeley	12	1		13
Anthony Fox - Heybridge Swifts	10		2	12
Afolabi Soyenu - Grays Athletic	10	1		11
Charlie Avent - Takeley	10	1		11
Ross James - Heybridge Swifts	9	1		10
Nathan Reid - AFC Sudbury	7	2		9
Lance Ledgister - Waltham Abbey	5	2		7
Lewis Ball - Takeley	7			7
Joel Massamba - Grays Athletic	7			7
Andi Pearce - Sawbridgeworth Town	6			6
Henry Branston - Sawbridgeworth Town	6			6
Callum Maltese - Waltham Abbey	4	2		6
Ellis Lentell - Waltham Abbey	6			6
Grecious Obiji - Bishop's Stortford	3		3	6
Zack Bawuba - Woodford Town 2017	6			6
George Morris - Heybridge Swifts	4	2		6
Andrew Fennell - Heybridge Swifts	3	2		5
Mason Page - Takeley	5			5
Dean Merrett - Heybridge Swifts	4		1	5

### Hat Trick Heroes

Nathan Reid	<b>AFC Sudbury 5</b> Sawbridgeworth Town 0 – Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> December 2017
Grecious Obiji	Weston 6 <b>Bishop's Stortford 3</b> – Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2017
Billy Cottrill	AFC Sudbury 3 <b>Southend Manor 8</b> – Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
Ross James	<b>Heybridge Swifts 8</b> Woodford Town (2017) 1 – Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct 2017
Anthony Fox	<b>Heybridge Swifts 8</b> Woodford Town (2017) 1 – Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct 2017
Lewis Roberts	Stansted 3 <b>Takeley 6</b> – Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct 2017 Great Wakering Rovers 1 <b>Takeley 6</b> – Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 <b>x4</b>
Oliver Miller	Great Wakering Rovers 3 <b>Hullbridge Sports 3</b> – Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017
Andi Pearce	<b>Sawbridgeworth Town 8</b> Stansted 0 – Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2017 <b>x4</b>
Ellis Lentell	Takeley 0 <b>Waltham Abbey 7</b> – Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
Ronnie Pallett	<b>Hullbridge Sports 5</b> Grays Athletic 1 – Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
Charlie Avant	Bishops Stortford 1 <b>Takeley 6</b> – Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017 <b>x4</b>
Harry Branston	Woodford Town (2017) 0 <b>Sawbridgeworth Town 5</b> – Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017



## PREMIER DIVISION ATTENDANCES

(League Games Only)

	Played	Highest	Lowest	Average	Total
Basildon United	13	281	76	127	1663
Hackney Wick	12	785	21	123	1481
Barkingside	10	273	48	98	987
Tower Hamlets	12	468	24	86	1042
Great Wakering Rovers	12	112	52	81	979
Redbridge	11	160	32	70	779
Waltham Forest	12	218	37	68	825
Takeley	12	145	39	67	808
Enfield 1893	12	69	56	61	739
Southend Manor	12	90	31	61	734
Ilford	11	175	28	60	661
Hullbridge Sports	11	86	31	58	648
Clapton	12	83	37	57	692
Stansted	12	92	26	47	564
Sporting Bengal United	12	180	15	43	521
Sawbridgeworth Town	12	82	15	42	512
FC Romania	11	68	14	35	395
West Essex	11	78	17	34	378
Woodford Town (2017)	11	65	15	28	309
Wadham Lodge	13	41	15	26	347
Burnham Ramblers	11	31	14	24	266

### Leading Premier Division Attendances

<b>785</b>	Hackney Wick v Clapton – Sat 7th Oct 2017
<b>468</b>	Tower Hamlets v Clapton – Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
<b>281</b>	Basildon United v Clapton – Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
<b>273</b>	Barkingside v Clapton – Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2017
<b>218</b>	Waltham Forest v Clapton – Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2018
<b>194</b>	Basildon United v Hullbridge Sports – Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
<b>180</b>	Sporting Bengal United v Clapton – Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2017
<b>178</b>	Hackney Wick v Basildon United – Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017
<b>175</b>	Ilford v Clapton – Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug 2017

## **Forthcoming Fixtures**

### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

#### **Errington Challenge Cup**

Barkingside v Basildon United

#### **Premier Division**

Tower Hamlets v Sawbridgeworth Town

### **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

#### **Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy**

Hackney Wick v Takeley

#### **Reserves Division**

Waltham Abbey v Southend Manor

### **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

#### **Errington Challenge Cup 2<sup>nd</sup> Round**

FC Romania v Waltham Forest

#### **Premier Division**

Woodford Town 2017 v Southend Manor

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January**

#### **Premier Division**

Barkingside v Woodford Town 2017

Basildon United v Hackney Wick

Clapton v Stansted

Enfield 1893 v Sawbridgeworth Town

FC Romania v Waltham Forest

Great Wakering Rovers v Tower Hamlets

Sporting Bengal United v Ilford

Takeley v Burnham Ramblers

Wadham Lodge v Southend Manor

West Essex v Hullbridge Sports

#### **Reserves Division**

Grays Athletic v Takeley

Heybridge Swifts v Bishop's Stortford

Hullbridge Sports v AFC Sudbury

Sawbridgeworth Town v Woodford Town  
2017

Southend Manor v Thurrock

Stansted v Redbridge

#### **BBC Essex Premier Cup 4<sup>th</sup> Round**

Waltham Abbey v Sungate

### **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

#### **Gordon Brasted Memorial Trophy**

Clapton v Basildon United

#### **Premier Division**

Sawbridgeworth Town v Hullbridge Sports

Stansted v FC Romania

Takeley v Tower Hamlets

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

**Premier Division**

Ilford v West Essex

Woodford Town 2017 v Sporting Bengal  
United

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

**Premier Division**

Redbridge v Barkingside

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