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Tons Spring Cup Surprise



Clapton 2 Norwich United 0 (Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round)

Report by Vince McBean

The Tons started the match nervously, as Norwich United FC, the Bostik League side, executed all of its actions quite quickly, and it took the hosts a while to settle down. The Tons then started to pass and move the ball and gained more of a foothold into the game.

Having gone to watch Norwich play prior to this Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round, the Tons Manager, Jon Fowell dedicated the Thursday training session to the way United play their game, focussing on how to combat their style of play and the system they use.

Early on, United got a certain amount of joy in midfield. However, after a little tweak by the Management, that was dealt with. The Tons, with the engine room of Jerry Jairette, Nathan Cook and Steven Sardinha, started to control more of the midfield and spray the ball about, resulting in United's two wingers getting less joy (even Ryan Reed, who is known for his attacking flair, and not so much his defence, did a heavy shift in defence, with his left back partner Tayo Awoderu).

Clapton is renowned for being very nice to their opponents. This was the case again until a few people got a flea in their ear as Norwich was attacking quite heavily at times. Quincy Egbejale, the Clapton centre back, who had a very good training session on Thursday about what he should do, almost scored, but from 4 yards out hit the side net. Surprisingly, he then got booked for a challenge on United's goal keeper and was sent off.

The game settled down to a cat and mouse affair, with United getting a one on one chance, which they spurred wide, as the Tons keeper spread his large frame to reduce the angle. In around the 30th minute, Clapton started to have a very strong spell in the game, as they passed and moved, with Ryan, Nathan and the new substitute Raphael Duylie (Jeffrey Cobblah, who was one of the Tons main threats going forward, having been taken out by a United player in the first 15 minutes) started to cause problems and was well assisted with centre forward, Ikem Odeh.

The team was pressing United all over the ground and was given a free kick just outside the 18 yard box, in which Ryan flicked the ball over the wall into the path of a Ton's boot, centering the ball, but resulted in a deflection and a corner to Clapton. From the ensuing corner, the ball came out and was delivered back into the danger zone. A fair few attempts were made to get across the goal line, but Norwich had bodies on the line. The ball then fell to Raphael, who slammed it into the roof of the net in the 42nd minute, and the celebrations started!

At the end of the first half, United tried to get back into match and upped their game even more, but there was now steel in Clapton's stride and the referee blew the whistle for the end of the first half.

In the second half, United came out immediately on the front foot and Clapton, with their well drilled shape and their bank of players, held their advance and started to break out of defence. Although the goalkeeper wasn't needed much, it was good to see Clapton so well disciplined. However, there was a lapse at which Norwich could have scored on the hour, but the goalkeeper pulled out a fantastic save, which stopped the ball going into the top left hand corner.

In the 69th minute, Ryan, again with his skills, sent the ball down the line and the Tons striker, Ikem Odeh, was able to run down the ball and slide it into the net. Clapton were now 2-0 ahead with 20 minutes remaining of the match. The management was still shouting instructions from the line and the spine of the team was firm and strong, especially the pairing of Zac and Quincy Egbejale.

The game then started to peter out from those heights and both teams held their ground, but could have added more - the Tons kept the ball, not looking to penetrate. At the final whistle the score remained at 2-0.

This Clapton result was founded on good scouting, a hard training session to prepare for the game and good execution by the players, resulting in Clapton advancing to the next round. They await to see who we are drawn against next. Well done the Tons.

Scorers: Raphael Duyile (42) and Ikem Odeh (69)

Wolves Let Loose in Long Melford



Long Melford 1 FC Romania 2 (Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round)

Report/Photo Pete Dudley @ped1980

The Emirates FA Cup returned this weekend and my latest game in my journey took me to Stoneylands for the very first time to see Long Melford host FC Romania in a Preliminary Round tie.

The hosts knocked out Hackney Wick away in the last round whilst the visitors needed a replay to finally dispatch Waltham Forest in their Extra Preliminary Round contest. After chatting with home and away officials and having a nice cup of coffee made by the home side's chairman (which was a nice touch) it was almost time for action.

The pitch was a like a carpet it has to be said, one of the best I've seen at this level, and it certainly suited good passing football. The opening ten minutes saw Melford create two openings, both headers, with one straight at keeper Razvan Negrila and the other one headed wide, whilst the visitors saw an effort saved well by Darren Moyes.

The hosts were then gifted a chance when a poor back pass allowed them in on goal but the effort was saved well by Negrila who had come to close the shot down.

The visitors then saw a couple of efforts blocked inside the hosts box whilst Melford saw an effort of their own well saved by Negrila in what was a fairly decent game even if there had been no goals thus far.

That was until the 26th minute when the visitors got their noses in front as hesitation in the box from the defence allowed Sergiu Pitaru to pounce and slot home, this moments after hesitant Melford defending saw the visitors drive wide of the far post, but the hosts hadn't learned their lesson and found themselves behind.

Melford saw an effort blocked as they tried to respond to going behind before home keeper Moyes had to tip over a decent strike to prevent his side going further behind.

But with eight minutes to go before the break the Romanians did double their advantage when a great team move saw Toby Cleaver played in down the right and he duly slotted across keeper Moyes and into the far corner. It was a great goal and drew applause from all inside the ground.

The hosts came close to immediately reducing the deficit but saw the ball hacked away from goal after keeper Negrila had seen the ball lobbed over him by pacey winger Hassan Ally.

Pitaru almost grabbed his second minutes before the break but saw his close range effort go straight at Moyes, whilst Melford saw a weak header go straight at Negrila and it meant the visitors went into the half time interval with a useful two goal cushion.

Melford knew they had to get the next goal if they were to have any realistic chance of

pulling this tie back but the early exchanges of the second period saw two visiting efforts go close, one a long range effort well saved by Moyes and then another shot whistled over from an angle.

And by the time the game had reached the hour mark the visitors should have been out of sight but could not take advantage of some decent openings that came their way.

Melford were trying hard though and as the game entered its final twenty minutes or so started to apply pressure on the visitor's goal, sending a header wide and then seeing a looping header go over, but it was clear that the home side were not out of this tie yet.

And from their next attack Luke Payne thought he had headed Melford right back into the tie after heading in off the post, however the linesman's flag had gone up so the goal did not count. The hosts were rather upset by this decision as they claimed the ball had gone backwards when crossed, however it didn't stand but it was a warning for the visitors.

And as the contest entered its final ten minutes Melford glanced a header onto the post as they continued to threaten. The visitors needed to raise their game here as a goal back for the hosts would really see them come under serious pressure.

And sure enough the hosts found a goal with six minutes of normal time remaining when the ball fell to substitute Nathan Rowe and he slotted the ball into the corner of the net and it was now very much game on.

The visitors did catch the hosts on the break on one occasion as they pressed forward for an equaliser but saw George Taban's effort chalked off for offside then moments later they visitors sent an effort wide of the far post as the game entered stoppage time.

The hosts huffed and puffed but just could not find a way through the hard working FCR backline and after several minutes of stoppage time referee Michael Jarvis brought an end to proceedings and the ESL visitors were in the next round.

The Romanians made harder work of this than they probably should have, however you have to applaud how Long Melford pushed them hard and could have easily earned a replay in the end. However it's FC Romania who now wait and see who they get in Mondays First Qualifying Round draw.

Long Melford Scorer – Nathan Rowe (84')

**FC Romania Scorers – Sergiu Pitaru (25'),
Toby Cleaver (37')**

Ilford 1 Haverhill Borough 1

(source: www.ilfordrecorder.co.uk)

Allan Fenn's Foxes were held to a draw at Cricklefields Stadium and face a midweek replay in Suffolk.

The home side took the lead on 35 minutes when Khadean Campbell chased the ball on the left and curled a shot into the top corner from 20 yards and they went close to a second when hitting the woodwork.

But they were pegged back just before the interval as Saw Hawley levelled and then reduced to 10 men on 73 minutes.

Haverhill had to clear off their line as Ilford went close to a winner and the two sides will try again on Tuesday.

Basildon United were eliminated from this season's FA Cup by a solitary goal at **Great Yarmouth Town**. Andy Ager scored for the hosts in the 82nd minute.

West Essex very briefly had the lead at **Potters Bar Town**. Michael Mignot breached the Bostik North team's defences in the 40th minute, but seconds later the host drew level via George Nicholson. Eoin Casey fired the Scholars into a 52nd minute lead, which was further extended by Steve Brown in the 67th

minute, with Casey notching a further goal three minutes later.

Southend Manor were edged out 3-2 by **Gorleston**. Bayley Newell supplied the goal that gave the hosts a 1-0 lead on 49 minutes. But Gorleston equalised through Jack Garrod and then took the lead via Connor Deeks. Daniel Okah levelled up in the 87th minute but Deeks then struck again a minute later to win the game for the Thurlow Nunn side.

The ESL was guaranteed at least one team in the 1st Qualifying Round after **Tower Hamlets** and **Takeley** were paired together. Goals in the first half from Mitchell Das and George Wappett put Takeley in the driving seat and the tie went beyond Tower Hamlet's grasp in the 74th minute when they conceded an own goal. Stuart Zanone made it a 4-0 Takeley success in the 87th minute.

Hullbridge Sports will be replaying their tie with **St. Margaretsbury** after a late equaliser from Ronnie Pallett kept their FA Cup campaign active. Hullbridge had taken an early 4th minute lead via Sam Dulieu but Ryan Wade levelled up - then gave his side the lead with two second half penalties. But Pallett's late goal means they go again on Tuesday at Lower Road.



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and Pete Dudley**

Valiant Redbridge Downed by Grays



Photo by Philip Lindhurst @themotormen

Grays Athletic 2 Redbridge 0

Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round

Report by Scott Lanza

Redbridge reached the heights of the Second Round in 2012 but until they overcame Stansted in the last round had not won an FA Cup since that famous win against Oxford City in December 2011. Grays themselves hadn't had a great deal of luck in FA Cup campaigns recently themselves. The stage was set for a hard fought encounter – and the Motormen certainly gave their Bostik League host that.

It took Grays five minutes to carve out their first chance James Folkes and Suleyman Zuhdu exchanged passes, with Folkes then bursting into the box, leaving a few Redbridge defenders in his wake, before laying it back to Zuhdu to have a shot that was deflected away for a corner.

Redbridge, who had tested Lamar Johnson in the opening minute with a free kick had been pegged in their own half but a sweeping move suddenly saw them at the other end with Bradley Gates delivering a cross that Brian Moses headed over.

Liam Thomas came to save the Motormen in the 16th minute when lack of concentration in the midfield allowed Zuhdu to waltz into the penalty box requiring the Redbridge defender to snuff out the danger with a sliding tackle. A minute later the Motormen again had a concentration lapse, believing that Folkes was offside; the assistant referee's flag stayed down and all of a sudden Folkes was bearing down on goal but Jonathan Mbamarah blocked his shot. Grays continued to press and Lewis Greene had to cut out a cross into the six yard box which was destined for Folkes.

Redbridge withstood that spell of pressure and had a good chance themselves on 32 minutes when Eljay Worrell's header was well saved by Johnson.

Grays however took the lead in the 37th minute when a passing move fell nicely to Zuhdu who placed his shot past Greene. Zuhdu had been involved in most of Grays's attacking play and a minute later was harshly fouled by Mbamarah, which earned the Redbridge player a yellow card.

Johnson hadn't been called upon too much but in the final stages of the half had to rush of his line and halt a Moses run. But the half ended badly for Grays as Folkes injured his groin badly right on the whistle and had to be stretchered off.

Moses opened the second half taking on the Grays defence but he lost possession of the ball just before he could fire off a shot. The Motormen had started the half brightly, passing the ball around, looking to create an opening, but they fell further behind in the

51st minute when Bishop played it on to Adeyinka Cole, who then crossed for Joao Carlos to slot home from close range.

Mbamarah had a cross headed away by Perry Dunn as the Motormen tried to get back into the game and they brought on Calvin Poku to try and get some kind of foothold. Courtney Homans had a decent cross from the right flank cut out by Dunn, while Jason Reynolds-Blanche finished off a nice free kick manoeuvre with an effort that Johnson had to dive low to his right to save.

Grays went close to extending their lead with Kiernan Hughes-Mason and Adeyinka Cole drilling shots wide. Redbridge then had a good chance when Joe Gent played in Courtney Homans but Johnson rushed off his line and won the ball, and although there were shouts for a penalty, the Grays keeper had made contact with the ball first. The Motormen had little time to dwell on what could have been as the next moment Jamie Slabber was inside the Motormen box; it was looking dangerous until solid defending from Thomas cleared the danger.

Redbridge battled till the end but were finished off by two well taken goals that brings their FA Cup campaign to an end for the current season.

Scorers – Suleyman Zuhdu (37'), Joao Carlos (51')

Midweek Action

Barkingside 0 West Essex 3 (Premier Division)

Monday 14th August

Report by Scott Lanza

West Essex continued their unbeaten start to the season on Wednesday evening, with a sturdy performance that saw them come away from Cricklefields with all the points.

The first quarter of an hour saw constant West Essex pressure with William Hunt having to pull off a number of fine saves to keep the visitors at bay. Cameron Gray came closest with a free kick that was making its way towards the net until Hunt dived to his right and tipped the ball away. James Bromley also went close with a shot that flashed past Hunt's left hand post.

Side were finally able to carve out an opening when Michael Ogboin sped onto a through ball, but Jack Coker was soon off his line to charge the ball down. The visiting keeper then gave away a free kick after pulling down Michael Bottone just outside the penalty area. Bottone stepped up and placed his free kick wide. Bottone's ability to run at players caused another opening midway through the half, laying the ball off to Jayden Mitchell-Brown but the resulting cross wasn't clinical enough and was easily dealt with by Jack Coker.

Gray was soon testing Hunt with another free kick that was knocked away by for a corner.

The resulting corner led to the first goal on 34 minutes; Gray's delivery floated inside the six-yard area and was headed home by Tom MacLeod.

The hosts started the second half with a Jason Fontaine free kick being met by the head of Ogboin but he couldn't get his header on target. At the other end, Jonathan Tyrell almost punished Barkingside when they failed to clear their lines, allowing Tyrell the opportunity to get in a shot that was only just off target.

The visitors extended their lead on the hour when another corner was whipped into the six yard box by James Bradley was headed home from close range by Maamoon Khan.

Going two goals down actually acted as a stirrup for Barkingside with Euan Taylor-Reid heading a Jason Fontaine free kick over and then a super little dink over the West Essex defence by Matheus Santos fell nicely to Tony Cooney, but with no forwards to pass to meant that he was swamped by the West Essex defence before he could cause any real damage. The hosts almost pulled one back when Eamon Payne got on the end of a corner, with his shot clipping the cross bar.

Side's revival came to an end in the 81st minute when a West Essex counter-attack stretched the Barkingside defence, with the end ball finding Gray in acres of space, giving him time to get the ball under control before slotting his shot beyond the dive of Hunt.

There was just enough time for a Cookey shot to rattle the crossbar, while a Santos delivery to Fontaine ended up being fired into the side-netting.

In the end West Essex had been the more clinical, more organised and more deserving of the points on offer.

Barkingside: William Hunt, Akil Clarke, Michael Sherwood, Jamie Pooley, Euan Taylor-Reid (Capt), Eamon Payne, Jayden Mitchell-Brown (Matheus Santos 62'), Michael Bottone (Jerome Martelli 57'), Michael Ogboin (Tony Cookey 62'), David Etcheri, Jason Fontaine.

West Essex: Jack Coker, Sanchez Hardy, Josh Kane, Tom MacLeod (Capt), Nick Walk, Dan Christey, Michael Mignot, James Bromley, Jonathan Tyrell (Matthew Ford 54'), Maamoon Khan, Cameron Gray (Josh French 83').

Scorers – Tom MacLeod (34'), Maamoon Khan (60'), Cameron Gray (80')



Burnham edge out Ilford in a thriller at Leslie Field



Burnham Ramblers 3 - 2 Ilford (Premier Division)

Tuesday 15th August

Report/Photo by Scott W @ScottMHC14 & survivor16b.wordpress.com

On a crisp but decent evening at Leslie Field, Burnham Ramblers took on Ilford in another intriguing Essex Senior League encounter.

Ilford showed their intentions early-on as forward James Peagram had a shot on-target, though it was saved by Burnham goalkeeper Adam French. The hosts took the lead after just seven minutes thanks to forward Bradley Morgan's lob over Ilford goalkeeper Tom Jackson that nestled neatly into the right corner. Ilford responded though as Peagram had another opportunity, his header well-saved by French with ten minutes on the clock. Seven minutes later, Ilford had a good opportunity with a free-kick on the edge of the 18-yard box, after forward John Bricknell was fouled. Midfielder Chris Lockwood stepped up to take it, and curled it nicely into the left corner. Game on.

Both sides traded chances as the half-hour mark approached, Bricknell and winger Harry Watkins for Ilford and midfielder Ben Burgess & Morgan again for Burnham. The home side were awarded a spot-kick with 13 minutes remaining of the first period, as Charlee Hughes was brought down in the area. Bradley Morgan stepped up to take the penalty though cajoled his shot wide of the left-side post. Ilford then got a further let-off moments later when Billy Howard's free-kick from the edge of the 18-yard box was blazed over the bar.

As the half drew to a close, Ilford had further chances though full-back Sam Buffour, Peagram and forward Khadean Campbell though their efforts on goal couldn't get past French. In all honesty, I felt Ilford did struggle to settle at times during the half.

Half-Time: Burnham Ramblers 1 - 1 Ilford

The second half started in much the same vein, with both sides having chances. Only three minutes into the second period, Burnham defender Grant Webb did well to block Peagram from having a clear chance at goal in the area. Soon afterward, Buffour fizzed in a good right-wing cross for though Campbell couldn't find the target for Ilford. Burnham responded in kind, first with Billy Howard's shot being saved by Jackson and 13 minutes into the half, Burnham re-took the lead thanks to a fine Hughes header that went past Jackson sailing into the Ilford net.

Once again though, Allan Fenn's side responded quickly as they levelled on-the-hour through Peagram's tap-in. It didn't stop there, as Burnham took the lead for the third time through Jed Bowman's looping shot that found the left corner. In the next little period of the match, it became quite scrappy, getting bogged down by fouls & free-kicks. This was

further endorsed by Burnham defender Scott Plom being sent off with four minutes remaining. The hosts did hang on a bit, as Ilford had two goals ruled out for offside. That said, Burnham did have late chances through Burgess and Hughes though they couldn't get past Ilford goalkeeper Jackson.

All in all, this was a compelling match which was also a hard-fought encounter. Ilford were not at their best in either penalty area, and Burnham's Charlee Hughes gave their backline a headache all match. Yes, on another day Ilford may have got a different result though in my view, you couldn't begrudge Burnham this win, their first league success of the campaign. I felt Chris Lockwood and Sam Buffour shone for the visitors tonight.

Burnham Ramblers: Adam French (GK), Jed Bowman, Grant Webb, Scott Plom, Luke Moloney (C) (Ben Timson 65'), Bradley Smith, Billy Howard, Ben Burgess, Bradley Morgan (Danny Green 88'), Ryan Stillwell, Charlee Hughes

Sent Off: Plom 88'

Goal-scorers: Bradley Morgan (7'), Charlee Hughes (58'), Jed Bowman (70')

Ilford: Tom Jackson (GK), Sam Buffour (Bill Rungay 74'), Luke McLeavy, Paul Oshin, Jonah Gregory, Stefan Szajewski (C), Harry Watkins (Liam Burgess 58'), Chris Lockwood, John Bricknell (Sherwin Stanley 58'), James Peagram, Khadean Champbell

Goal-scorers: Chris Lockwood (17') , James Peagram (60')

Southend Manor 0 Takeley 1 (Premier Division)

Wednesday 16th August

Report by Pete Dudley @ ped1980

A nice local game for me on Wednesday evening saw me over at Southchurch Park in Southend on Sea as Southend Manor hosted Takeley in an Essex Senior League contest.

Both teams had begun the campaign unbeaten with the visitors having won all four of their games in all competitions. But those wins had all come at home and this was their first away trip of the new season so could Manor inflict defeat on them for the first time this season.

The opening ten minutes saw the visitors go close on three occasions and should really have taken an early lead but they were unable to convert their early dominance into goals.

The following ten minutes saw the hosts start to grow into the contest and did flash a decent cross from the right through the penalty area as they began to show signs of settling into the game.

However the following passage of play saw the game devoid of much goalmouth action as the game remained goalless but as the game approached half time the best chance of the half since the opening few minutes saw a Manor close range effort saved.

The visitors had started well but saw the hosts grow into the game as the first half went on, however it was a half that did end goalless. The question was could anyone take the early initiative in the second half.

Well both teams saw an opening each in the first ten minutes of the second period but it remains goalless at Southchurch Park. The following few minutes saw Manor go close on three occasions whilst Takeley struck the outside of the post from a cross.

Manor though continued to have the better of the half and passed up another decent chance to go in front and so the game entered its

final quarter hour still goalless and you felt one goal would win it.

With six minutes remaining Takeley went close in what was a rare opportunity for them in the second half as Manor should have been in front but were unable to convert the openings that had come their way.

And the hosts were to rue those missed opportunities when as the clock ticked into stoppage time a cross from the left saw Stuart Zanone poke home from close range at the near post and give Takeley the lead. It was very harsh on the home side but if you don't take your chances you get punished eventually.

Manor tried as hard as they could to find a leveller in stoppage time but as in keeping with the game failed to find a way through and Takeley held on for the three points and keep their 100% record intact.

The visitors really had to grind this one out against a Manor side who on another day could of been two or three goals up before Akeley's late winner. That's football though as you say and it was certainly a good battle between two decent sides. Both now turn their attentions to the FA Cup at the weekend.

Scorer – Stuart Zanone (90')



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Waltham Forest 1 FC Romania 2
(FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round Replay)

Tuesday 15th August

Report by Scott Lanza

There is no doubt that this replay between two Essex Senior League teams showcased the quality in the competition as both set their stalls around a passing and moving game, which made for an entertaining and hard-fought encounter.

It was the visitors who were first to have a crack at breaking the deadlock with Felix Lupu and George Taban both placing shots over the crossbar. It didn't take Waltham Forest long to have a go themselves with Christian Medina going close on two occasions.

From the opening exchanges it looked like the game would not be goalless for too long, and the hosts duly took the lead in the 14th minute; Brad Harris the instigator, playing in a lovely ball into the path of Germaine Dua who

unleashed a powerful shot that left Razvan Negrila clutching thin air.

The goal seemed to unsettle the hosts because immediately after taking the lead they almost handed FC Romania an instant chance to equalise. Toby Cleaver somehow found himself unmarked in the box but luckily miscued his shot. Then a poor Forest clearance went straight to Cosmin Anton whose lob-shot very nearly crept inside the post. Eventually the hosts were able to settle their defence down, became more resolute and solid and therefore restricting FC Romania to long range efforts that were either too high or easily dealt with by the Forest custodian.

However the visitors equalised two minutes before the break as Cleaver put Florin Pop through, he then run took him past Ahmed and while he maybe ran the ball too far to get a shot in himself, he was able to cut it back to Cleaver, who pulled the trigger and levelled the game up.

FC Romania entered the second half in attack mode and Ahmed had to tip away a Taban shot with the opening minute of the re-start. Pop also stroked one wide before Taban fired the visitors into the lead in the 57th minute. Pop, Pitaru and Cleaver were all involved in the build-up, putting together a sting of one-touch passes before the final ball was

delivered to Taban who placed the ball past the dive of Ahmed.

Ahmed and his defence were then kept busy as FC Romania won a succession of corners. A Pop free kick had to be palmed away by Ahmed. Pop then went even closer when he sailed past one defender, cut inside another and then forcing Ahmed to pull off an excellent diving save. Cleaver went close with a header and Anton drilled one over the bar as FC Romania started to dominate.

Waltham Forest were still trying to put some moves together and get themselves back into the game and almost got themselves back on level terms in the 81st minute. Dua bustled his way through the middle, overrode a stern challenge from Cosmin Sandu before laying it off to Abiola Tanimowo whose effort was placed wide. It had been a good move from the hosts and they were able to mount a couple more before the end of the game. Nice play between Long and Dua carved open another opportunity, eventually playing in

Tanimowo whose shot was tipped over by Negrila. Krasniqi also drilled one over as the hosts tried to find an equaliser. FC Romania stood firm however, booking their place in the next round after

Waltham Forest: Mo Ahmed, Juelmo Agebane, Nathan Okoye, Ben Masuku (Arjanit Krasniqi 59') , Brad Harris, Mo Sagaf, Ohimai Long, Azhad Masoud (Olumide Lapite 46'), Germaine Dua, Christian Medina (Jake Connaris 79'), Abiola Tanimowo.

Scorer – Germaine Dua (14')

FC Romania: Razvan Negrila, Dinu Barcari, Cosmin Sandu, Felix Lupa, Gabriel Ghinea, Adrian Balsanu, Sergiu Maximov (Sergiu Pitaru 46'), George Taban (Constantin Arotaritei 90'), Toby Cleaver (Augustin Voinea 79'), Cosmin Anton, Florin Pop.

Scorers – Toby Cleaver (43'), George Taban (57')



Monday 14th August

Premier Division

Barkingside 0

West Essex 3 (Tom MacLeod 35, Maamoon Khan 60, Cameron Gray 80)

Att.85

Enfield 1893 1 (Danny Jones 56)

Redbridge 0

Att.59

Tuesday 15th August

FA Cup Extra Preliminary Round Replay

Waltham Forest 1 (Germaine Dua 14)

FC Romania 2 (Toby Cleaver 43, George Taban 57)

Att. 42

Premier Division

Basildon United 1 (Billy Willis 90+4)

Hullbridge Sports 0

Att. 194

Burnham Ramblers 3 (Bradley Morgan 8, Charlee Hughes 57, Jed Bowman 69)

Ilford 2 (Chris Lockwood 17, James Peagram 60)

Att. 23

Sawbridgeworth Town 1 (Lewis Francis 5)

Stansted 2 (Jack Sykes 31, 73)

Att. 42

Reserves Division

Bishops Stortford 1 Takeley 6

Wednesday 16th August

Premier Division

Hackney Wick 0

Sporting Bengal United 2 (Oscar Mendes 23, Shibli Miah 70)

Att. 57

Southend Manor 0

Takeley 1 (Stuart Zanone 90)

Att. 80

Wadham Lodge 0

Great Wakering Rovers 5 (Jay Nash 29, 37, Scott Pethers 32, Neil Richmond 82, Tony Russell 89)

Att. 33

Saturday 19th August

Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round

Clapton 2 (Raphael Duyile 42, Ikem Odeh 69)

Norwich United 0

Att.122

Grays Athletic 2 (Suleyman Zuhdu 37, Joao Carlos 51)

Redbridge 0

Att. 174

Great Yarmouth Town 1 (Andy Ager 82)

Basildon United 0

Att. 163

Ilford 1 (Khadeen Campbell 35)

Haverhill Borough 1 (Dan Hawley 43)

Att. 82

Long Melford 1 (Nathan Rowe 84)

FC Romania 2 (Sergiu Pitaru 25, Toby Cleaver 37)

Att.84

Potters Bar Town 4 (George Nicholas 41, Eoin Casey 52, 70, Steve Brown 70)

West Essex 1 (Michael Mignot 40)

Att. 112

Southend Manor 2 (Bayley Newell 49, Daniel Okah 87)

Gorleston 3 (Jack Garrod 57, 88, Connor Deeks 63)

Att. 64

Tower Hamlets 0

Takeley 4 (Mitchell Das 7, George Wappett 15, O.G. 74, Stuart Zanone 87)

Att. 55



Reserves Division

Burnham Ramblers 4 AFC Sudbury 3

Great Wakering Rovers 2 Bishops Stortford 2

Heybridge Swifts 1 Stansted 2

Hullbridge Sports 5 Grays Athletic 1

Sawbridgeworth Town 0 Thurrock 0

Takeley 0 Southend Manor 1

Woodford Town (2017) 2 East Thurrock United 1

Waltham Abbey 4 Redbridge 1

Sunday 20th August

Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round

St. Margaretsbury 2 (Ryan Wade 54p, 70p)

Hullbridge Sports 2 (Sam Dulieu 4, Ronnie Pallett 89)

Att. 118

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Essex Senior League – Premier Division

(Up to & Including Saturday 19th August)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
1 Takeley	4	4	0	0	9	1	8	12
2 West Essex	4	3	1	0	10	3	7	10
3 FC Romania	3	3	0	0	13	2	11	9
4 Basildon United	3	3	0	0	5	1	4	9
5 Great Wakering Rovers	4	2	1	1	9	3	6	7
6 Ilford	4	2	0	2	11	7	4	6
7 Barkingside	3	2	0	1	3	4	-1	6
8 Stansted	4	2	0	2	3	4	-1	6
9 Clapton	3	1	1	1	4	3	1	4
10 Sawbridgeworth Town	4	1	1	2	7	7	0	4
11 Southend Manor	3	1	1	1	2	2	0	4
12 Sporting Bengal United	4	1	1	2	6	7	-1	4
13 Hullbridge Sports	4	1	1	2	5	6	-1	4
14 Woodford Town (2017)	3	1	1	1	5	7	-2	4
15 Redbridge	4	1	1	2	3	5	-2	4
16 Hackney Wick	4	1	1	2	5	8	-3	4
17 Enfield 1893	3	1	0	2	1	6	-5	3
18 Burnham Ramblers	4	1	0	3	6	14	-8	3
19 Tower Hamlets	2	0	1	1	2	3	-1	1
20 Waltham Forest	3	0	1	2	3	8	-5	1
21 Wadham Lodge	4	0	0	4	3	14	-11	0



Essex Senior League – Reserves Division

(Up to & Including Saturday 19th August)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1 Hullbridge Sports	2	2	0	0	13	1	12	6
2 Waltham Abbey	2	2	0	0	9	1	8	6
3 Thurrock	2	1	1	0	9	0	9	4
4 Sawbridgeworth Town	2	1	1	0	5	0	5	4
5 Takeley	2	1	0	1	6	2	4	4
6 Heybridge Swifts	2	1	0	1	4	3	1	3
7 Stansted	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	3
8 AFC Sudbury	2	1	0	1	5	5	0	3
9 Southend Manor	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
10 Woodford Town (2017)	2	1	0	1	2	6	-4	3
11 Burnham Ramblers	2	1	0	1	4	12	-8	3
12 Great Wakering Rovers	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
13 Bishops Stortford	2	0	1	1	3	8	-5	1
14 Redbridge	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	0
15 East Thurrock United	2	0	0	2	1	10	-9	0
16 Grays Athletic	2	0	0	2	1	10	-9	0



LEADING SCORERS up to & including Saturday 19th August

	League	ECC	GBMT	FAC	FAV	CC	Total
James Peagram - Ilford	7						7
Stuart Zanone - Takeley	4			2			6
Michael Mignot - West Essex	2			3			5
Tommy Barton - Basildon United	2			2			4
Mitchell Das - Takeley	2			2			4
Toby Cleaver - FC Romania	2			2			4
Lewis Francis - Sawbridgeworth Town	4						4
Jeffrey Cobblah - Clapton	3						3
Calvin Poku - Redbridge	2			1			3
Jimmy Cox - Hullbridge Sports	1			2			3
Jason Todd - Takeley	2			1			3
Cosmic Anton - FC Romania	3						3
Florin Pop - FC Romania	3						3
Khadean Dean - Ilford	2			1			3
Oscar Mendes - Sporting Bengal United	3						3
Sergiu Pitaru - FC Romania	1			2			3
Jack Sykes - Stansted	3						3
Ronnie Pallett - Hullbridge Sports				3			3

Hat Trick Heroes

James Peagram	Enfield 1893 0 Ilford 3 - Sat 12 th August 2017
Florin Pop	FC Romania 8 Burnham Ramblers 2 – Sat 12 th August 2017
Jeffrey Cobblah	Ilford 1 Clapton 4 – Wed 2 nd August 2017

LEADING RESERVE DIVISION SCORERS – up to & including Tuesday 15th August

	League	RS	CC	Total
Charlie Avant - Takeley	4			4
Howard Wright - Hullbridge Sports	4			4
Henry Branston - Sawbridgeworth Town	3			3
Bobby Vaughan - Thurrock	3			3
Lance Ledgister - Waltham Abbey	2			2
Anthony Fox - Heybridge Swifts	2			2
Luke Osborne - Hullbridge Sports	2			2
Albie Keith - Thurrock	2			2
Olameji Ayola - Thurrock	2			2



Forthcoming Fixtures

Tuesday 22nd August

Emirates FA Cup Preliminary Round Replay

Haverhill Borough v Ilford

Hullbridge Sports v St. Margaretsbury

BBC Essex Senior Cup 1st Round

Redbridge v Basildon United

Friday 25th August

Premier Division

Tower Hamlets v Clapton

Saturday 26th August

Premier Division

Burnham Ramblers v Takeley

Great Wakering Rovers v Enfield 1893

Hackney Wick v Basildon United

Hullbridge Sports v Stansted

Ilford v Sawbridgeworth Town

Redbridge v FC Romania

Southend Manor v Sporting Bengal United

Waltham Forest v Wadham Lodge

Woodford Town 2017 v Barkingside

Reserves Division

AFC Sudbury Res. v Woodford Town (2017) Res.

Bishops Stortford Res. v Stansted FC Res.

Hullbridge Sports Res. v Burnham Ramblers Res.

Sawbridgeworth Town Res. v Redbridge Res.

Takeley Res. v Waltham Abbey Res.

Thurrock Res. v Grays Athletic Res.

Monday 28th August

Premier Division

Barkingside v Burnham Ramblers

Enfield 1893 v Tower Hamlets

Tuesday 29th August

Premier Division

Clapton v Waltham Forest

Great Wakering Rovers v Hackney Wick

West Essex v Basildon United

Woodford Town 2017 v Hullbridge Sports

Wednesday 30th August

Premier Division

FC Romania v Ilford

Sporting Bengal United v Sawbridgeworth Town

BBC Essex Senior Cup 1st Round

Wadham Lodge v Stansted