

Match Report - Sunday 11th October

Boys Under 16

Woking 2 Basingstoke 1 (Wessex League)

Woking B 3 Guildford 0

Surbiton 3 Woking B 0

A good day for the Woking U16 boys!

Woking beat Basingstoke 2-1 in the Wessex league, This result should put us 2nd in the Wessex league with a win and a draw. John Brierley kindly managed the team for us and provided the following comments

A hard fought match and a great win, the team played well together, once again impossible to pick out a man of the match, however we did have a good few goal scoring opportunities and should have scored more goals, some from open play and definitely some from short corners (something we will be working on) otherwise a great performance by all, the boys played as a team and kept their heads when faced with some difficult umpiring decisions. We applied immense pressure on Basingstoke towards the end but were unable to find the net again which was unfortunate but 2-1 is still a great win !

Thanks John for your help with this match and thanks again to Whit for umpiring for us, without this support these matches simply can't go ahead, thanks guys.

Woking also beat Guildford 3-0 in our three way friendly at Surbiton but unfortunately lost 3-0 to Surbiton

What was originally meant to be a friendly tournament then turned in to a simple friendly with Surbiton and then at the last minute turned back in to 3 way with Guildford.

The boys watched the first match between Surbiton and Guildford and we all agreed both teams were bunching up and not using the space so if we played a passing game and used all the whole pitch we should do well. We had a second warm up as we had now been standing around for a while and went out and executed the plan perfectly, using all available space and moving the ball around quickly and accurately. Our defence was solid, lead well by Archie Lipyeat, the midfield worked hard with a combination of great passes from Sam Launay & Will Chapman and some great runs from Will Farrer, the forwards then capitalised on the good work by scoring three goals, two from James Marten and one from Robert Moore.

Surbiton did not allow us to play our passing game so well and pressured our defence hard, we did produce a few goal scoring opportunities with some great balls in to the D from midfield but we were unable to find the Net. Our defence was again very Solid with a great individual performance from Ed Hilton who saved at least 2 off the line. Clemens Von Hanisch was once again a star in goal and did well to keep the score line to 3-0.

To conclude, We played some very good hockey in the Guildford match with some great passing, great runs and great finishing. However in the second match against Surbiton who were a stronger opposition our passing accuracy and our finishing were not so good and I also feel our work rate suffered a little too. We need to keep our heads, keep those passes on target and work hard to get to the ball.

A big thank you to chris Burton Brown for coming along and not only umpiring the Woking matches but also the Surbiton-Guildford game.

And thanks to the 3 x U14 boys that helped us out !!

Overall a good day for the U16 boys, so far this season we have had 2 wins 1 draw and 1 loss, looking for two more wins this weekend