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Men's 1s beat Whitchurch 5-2 to go
top of Western Conference at the
winter break

Ladies 1s secure their first point of the
season

Boys under 12s nominated for Sport
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Current news:



Guildford Hockey Club presents



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Saturday 15th December
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Sax in the Snow

This is a Black Tie and Cocktail Dress Event - Partners welcome

LATEST FLOOD WARNING

The Club forecasts today: a great outpouring of perspiration followed by major local inundations of alcohol and good cheer on **Saturday 29th December afternoon**.

An opportunity for you to throw away the weight of Xmas, discharge the angst of spending days cooped up with your relatives or simply to wear those inappropriate presents bought for you by your Auntie Flo.

You have no excuse. It is a Saturday. It is well after Xmas and well before the New Year.

The objective is to **enjoy some social hockey and meet other club members**, young and not-so-young alike. The rules will be designed to frustrate all and encourage full team participation.

Can you afford to miss it?

Plan now, be there early. More details in the weeks that follow.

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Buy a horse (race winners get a fabulous prize)
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MEN

Team	Role	Name/E-mail	Telephone	League	Link to results, tables and fixtures
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	Coach	Ian Jennings	07802 886000		
2nd XI	Captain	Tim Darke		London League Div 1	2nd XI
3rd XI	Captain	Tom Pollard		London League Div 2	3rd XI
Shadows	Captain	Steve Morris	07788 784143	Surrey Open Premier	Shadows XI
4th XI	Captain	James Parkin		Surrey Open Div 1	4th XI
Pilgrims	Captain	Mark Lenel		Wessex Masters Div 1	Men's Vets
Gondoliers	Captain	Andy Roberts	01483 271206	Wessex SuperVets	Men's SuperVets



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LADIES

Team	Captain/Email	Link to results, tables and fixtures
1st XI	Kate Hutchins	http://www.guildfordhockey.co.uk/ladies1.html
2nd XI	Tracey Henderson	http://www.guildfordhockey.co.uk/ladies2.html
3rd XI	Karen Faulkner	http://www.guildfordhockey.co.uk/ladies3.html
4th XI	Beth Fantastic	http://www.guildfordhockey.co.uk/ladies4.html
Fireflies	Clare Edgington	http://www.guildfordhockey.co.uk/fireflies.html

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MATCH REPORTS

Don't forget to send any match reports from the weekend to richard.julian@gmail.com by Tuesday evening.

MEN'S SECTION



Sunday 25th November 2012

Guildford 5 – 2 Whitchurch (Blockley, Falconer, Mullan, Julian, Wood)

Guildford went into this week's match against Whitchurch in the knowledge that a third straight win would both ensure that they remained top of the league over Christmas, and would also give the departing Richard 'Snowy' Julian the send-off he deserved after five years of service to the club. Whitchurch, rather selfishly, had other ideas, and were keen to extend their own winning run to three games, having registered impressive wins over Havant and Bath in recent weeks.



Snowy hits the ball, probably not on target

Within moments of the starting whistle it was clear that Whitchurch, as expected, had not crossed the border simply to surrender. They quickly capitalized on an uncharacteristic bobbled pass from captain Ali Falconer to Tom 'Beardo' Herring and won a short corner, which was poked in by a relatively unmarked Tom Fisher to put the away side ahead after just three minutes. A poor spell followed, the lowlight of which was the sin-binning of Tom Herring for controlling an aerial above

shoulder height. Fair enough, except that Whitchurch were later permitted to commit the same offence without punishment! Eventually Guildford managed to work their way into the game, and a nice move was finished off by Will Blockley to pull the 'G's level. Not long afterwards it seemed that Guildford had seized the initiative when an Ali Falconer slap from a short corner looped up and was unselfishly shepherded into the net by Tom Herring, however some more poor defending allowed Whitchurch back into the game when the well-named Rhys Welsh deflected in shortly before half time to leave the score 2-2 at the interval.

Coach Ian Jennings had a few choice words at half-time which seemed to have the desired effect; Guildford started the second half playing some attractive and effective hockey, and it wasn't long before the in-form Chris Way played an incisive and almost un-defendable ball into the Whitchurch circle, which was skillfully touched in by the wily South African Craig Mullon. The game was far from over however, and despite getting forward and creating several chances, Guildford were still under pressure from a Whitchurch side desperately pressing for an equalizer. The more the Welsh side pressed forward, however, the more the spaces opened up for the Guildford midfield, who were getting forward in numbers. Some neat work by Chris Boot led to the ball being played into Will Blockley who made up for his mis-trap by playing a delightful upright reverse stick pass from the left-hand baseline to one Richard Julian, who picked the ball up in space "without having to break his stride". There was still plenty to be done, however, and few would have predicted that Snowy would score his first goal of the season in his last match for the club by sensationally lobbing the on-rushing goalkeeper to put Guildford 4-2 ahead.



With over twenty minutes remaining Whitchurch still felt that they could get something from the game, and they managed to work the ball deep into Guildford's half, winning what appeared to be a foot just outside the circle. The umpire then threw a spanner into the works by determining that a certain Tom Herring had actually deliberately performed a 'long barrier' to stop the ball and duly issued him with his second yellow card of the match, resulting in a *ten* minute suspension. A period of hard-work and resolute defending followed, but Guildford were able to see out the suspension without conceding to a tiring Whitchurch side. Not long afterwards Matthew Wood was able to cap a fine personal performance in the 62nd minute with a neat finish after a penetrating run from Paddy Harman, although question marks remain over the goal-celebration. Despite continuing to create chances Guildford were unable to add any more to their tally, and the game finished 5-2, keeping GHC top of the National West Conference until at least February.

Tom Herring enjoying some time out of the sin bin

Many thanks to all who came down to support and have been down throughout the season! Hopefully see you again at our next home game in February.

Saturday 24th November

Guildford 3s 1 – 0 Richmond Griffins

A new week and a new international flavour for Guildford 3s, as they welcomed the bruising, moustachioed SAffers of the Richmond Griffins to a sodden and heavily overcast Broadwater water-based. This is amazingly the first time we have played in the rain this year, and added to the fact that we were playing a Richmond side with a reputation for physicality, who were also slipping towards a relegation dogfight – we all knew it was going to be a scrappy, gritty 70 minutes.

This week we welcomed back errant skipper Tom Pollard to lead the team (although keeper Andy V was away, meaning he will likely continue thinking Polly is dead, the last time the two met remaining sometime early in October). Other notable absentees included half our regular defence in yellow-card machine and general body-on-the-line bruiser Bungle, and twirling posh-banter merchant Sam Hansen – along with Geordie forwards Kit and Alex. Christmas-lights-turning-on local celeb JB again stepped in to try and not be depressingly negative up front, Matt Wilcox was back on the left flank and the home side sported some Protea facial hair of their own as Tyrone joined us to plug holes in the defence.

Soaked half way through the warm-up, Guildford set an impressive tempo for the first 20 minutes of the match – something which (when not playing the league's top two sides) has seen us look more than a match for most opponents this season. Lots of running from the midfield and the boys up front, whilst the back 4 calmly worked the ball round Richmond's unusual and half-hearted attempted to cut off our defensive transfer.

As with many times this season, we dominated possession and territory, but this time to such an extent that as a left-back I found myself doing as much offensive work around the oppo's D as defensive running back in our own half. However with an unfamiliar back 4, this left as looking a little shaky on the counter and the Griffins looked dangerous on their rare excursions out of their half. Ending up in the relegation zone after this game, it wouldn't be unfair to say that the Griffins are one of the weakest sides in this league, and they have clearly become used to soaking up the pressure and playing on the break – tactics they employed intelligently against a Guildford side pushing for the opener. The last 15 minutes of the half were scrappy, Guildford's frustration at not finding the breakthrough playing into Griffins hands as the work-rate dipped and co-ordination up front faltered.

At the half it was still a 0-0 stalemate, Guildford having again worked themselves into good openings, and having made the Griffin's keeper do a fair amount of work, but again failing to strike the killer blow. Despite this, our half time team talk was positive and optimistic, and we were still confident of making the breakthrough. The Griffins had obviously had a very different team talk however, which would have gone something along the lines of *"Look fellas, we're not already losing this game, which means we might actually get some points out of this one!! Let's go out there crunch these boys good and proper – free beer for the first one to take his man out of the game!"*

Three minutes and three big tackles later and the ball collides with Will Evans' knee with a loud crack and he has to be helped off the pitch as the Griffins centre-forward skulked away protesting his implausible innocence. Despite clearly evident Richmond tactics to disrupt and break-down the flow of the game, Guildford's midfield again asserted their authority with Rich and Rhino dominating the possession, feeding Matt and Mullet to spread the play and put pressure on a solid looking Griffins back line. Good running from Ryan and JB up front, along with intelligent passing created plenty of chances for the home side, all however lacking a clinical finish or a person on the post...Mullet

notably managing to almost clear the back fence when meeting a cross literally only a couple of yards out. Generous Friday night helpings of vino blanco – as opposed to 6 pints of larger last week – were to blame today. If this boy could only kick the drink, could he be playing for the 1s...??

The goal came early in the half, smashed into the D from the right, new leading top-scorer rampaging Rhino Harris showing a striker's instincts to get the deflection that sent the Richmond boys apoplectic. Rumours of a foot on the way into the D were the main cause of the protestations, but after an umpire's discussion the goal stood. This is where it all started to go wrong for Guildford, as Richmond were forced to play, and brought the pain with them. Instead of controlling the game by making the ball do the work and maintaining possession, we lost our composure and let Richmond drag us down into their world of verbals, off the ball antics and sloppy play.

Only a few minutes later, a Richmond break, a scrambling defence and as the ball trickled towards the line a despairing defensive slide led to a foot on the line. A clear stroke, and a chance for young Marcus in goal to make a name for himself. A decent flick was saved with an agile dive from the young lad, who even got confronted face-to-face by their diminutive striker after the incident.

The game continued to a soggy and low-quality finish, with Guildford probably lucky to have taken the 3 points for letting themselves get bullied into losing their composure and again not finishing their chances. Back to back wins for the first time this season however left us joint 4th in the table, and a predicted 6 points from our next 2 games before Christmas should leave us well-placed to make a charge for a cup place in the new year.

Seasons goal tallies: 4 – Rhino
3 – Pollard
2 – Alex, Kit, Chris B, Sam HS
1 – Ryan, JB, Rich F

Purley Walcountians 3s 2 – 2 Guildford 4s

After forfeiting last week's game due to lack of numbers, The Guildford 4s managed to just about scrape a team together this week and the decision was made late on Friday evening to travel across to Purley to play a top 3 side in the league. On a pretty miserable day, The 4s started off brightly and played some impressive hockey, working well for each other and passing the ball around nicely. It was Purley however who managed to score first, against the run of play, with a well-placed shot from the top of the D. Far from being discouraged, the 4s continued to dominate the play and were rewarded mid-way through the half with a goal from Robert Leonard, sweeping home a well worked move down the right hand side. It wasn't long after, with another flowing move, this time down the left, resulted in the ball finding an unmarked David Nugent, who smashed a goal into the bottom corner.

A more than deserved 2-1 lead at half time. The 2nd half saw Purley come back into the game as the team began to tire. After a sustained period of pressure, an equaliser was forced in mid-way through the half. The rest of the game saw a couple of good chances narrowly missed and a great goal line clearance from Jim on the post from a short corner. All in all a draw was probably fair. Many thanks to Rhino, Rich, Ian and Chris Sargent's friend (Sorry forgotten name!) for making up the numbers and also to Kit for umpiring.

Pilgrims 1 - 2 Alton

I don't know if you've noticed but it has been a bit damp in the last couple of weeks. Grey and damp. Grey damp and cold. Bloody miserable in fact. Saturday was no exception. As the old boys gathered (not as old as the Gondo's of course) one could feel the apathy hanging in the air along with the rain. If apathy smelt it would smell like Adrian's kit. Pungent with hints of real man and orange peel and mildew. The dressing room was full of it. Quite surprising really as we were up against Alton. Those that have played in recent years will remember that past encounters have been played in the most robust manner. Or brutal. Yes definitely more brutal than robust. This week though it was as if we were back in the '60's (you can ask some of the Pilgrims as they were there – you know who you are) and we were giving 'peace a chance'. John Asdell wouldn't have stood for it.

With a slightly changed line up with some players missing, we started the game in a disjointed fashion and proceeded to go downhill. To say we were poor is undercooking it. Alton didn't exactly tear it up but we did our best to make them look good. We were a pale imitation of poor. I really can't remember much about the half other than Alton being least hopeless managed to net to go in at half time in the lead. We headed into the hut where someone gave an arousing - sorry that should read 'a rousing' - speech. As it was pitch black in there so no one new who it was – I had my suspicions it was a rugby player who had wandered off his patch.

Anyway it did the job. We reorganised, pushing a midfield man up to create 3 up front. Genius. It did the trick and we were off and running. Paleness was replaced by ruddy-cheeked adventure and we started to control the game. Keff was organising the midfield in his usual delicate and quiet manner, Colin was a revelation at sweeper, JT was his usual tenacious self. Alton's first half dominance disappeared and the Pilgrims were up and at 'em. This of course didn't stop Alton scoring. Making use of the new fangled laws the big chap at the back (he used to be one of the worst) threw numerous aerials. The umpires seemingly unsure of the rules (as most of us are) allowed one of them to fly through a melee of players, for their centre forward to wander into the D and slot home. The only slight recompense was that Adrian promptly kicked him up in the air. Bad boy. You could tell it wasn't going to be our day.

The team pressed with renewed vigour, camping in their half. A battery of short corners came and went. It took a mighty surge from Colin from sweeper to run 40 meters and deliver an inch perfect pass to Gordon. Mark Howells being the complete and utter... snuck in front of him and slotted home. He assures me after that he meant to deflect it that way (of course you did). Parity at least should have been on the cards but some wily old heads in the Alton team kept us out.

Can someone help Adrian clean his kit?

Havant Cavaliers 3 – 4 Guildford Gondoliers

In a tumultuous week -mirroring our game - we saw the 1's rise to the top of their league / the Gondoliers record yet another victory and a New Governor of the Bank of England -so far all good! . Like many good things it was against a background of a dark visit to the South Coast to be caressed by wind and rain - bereft of players (many thanks to the younger Silva for helping out a short notice and making a difference) and a medley of excuses (rugby/injury and frankfurters) . Our two nominated forwards (Nigel and Chris) both scored twice each and we were three one up at one stage but, against the constant battering by a desperate Havant side, we just escaped with a goal to spare, but not without Geoff getting a hamstring injury and both Andy and David looking like war

casualties.

So for the future - the First's will still be at the top for the rest of the year, The Bank of England is at last in safe hands and finally the Gondoliers must win next week -otherwise we will have to insist that the mentally insane /decrepit /truants among us make themselves more available (i.e AF/MR/JB/CG)

LADIES' SECTION

No reports this week

COLTS' SECTION

Sport Godalming Awards 2012

A number of the Boys Under 12 section from the 2011/12 season attended the annual Sport Godalming Award ceremony at Charterhouse on the 23rd November. The evening had the theme of celebrating the Olympics. The boys were nominated in the Youth team of the year category. This was for their achievements last season, which in summary included three teams taking part in the Surrey tournament, two of which then proceeded to the Regional finals. One team then went on to reach the national finals. A second team went on tour and took part in tournament in Belgium and came away victorious. In addition all 5 teams in the age group played at various festivals and tournaments with a very high success rate.

The competition for the award was fierce and the boys were actually runners up, but they were praised for their achievements by the judges. The evening (whilst a little long!) had some very interesting speakers, with Adele Tracey a Godalming Junior athlete who was one of the seven lucky people to light the Olympic Cauldron. Another speaker and the one that all who attended will remember for a long time was Simon Mason. He spoke of how his hockey career started and through to his three appearances at Olympics and his role with England Hockey and involvement with London 2012. The six boys from GHC thought he was awesome! The whole audience were captivated by his presentation.

Well done to all the boys of last years under 12's .





Even our Club President Had to get in on the act!!!

U12 Girls

Guildford 2 - 0 Surbiton

Scorers: Coca, Becky

Guildford started the game confidently winning the ball in the midfield and passing wide. Early attacks led by Ella on the left and Rachel on the right had Surbiton immediately on the defensive. Becky, Autumn, Lucie and continued to dominate the centre of the park and whenever Surbiton broke through.... Rosie, Mia and Eliza dealt confidently with the attack. Guildford nearly scored when in a typically flowing move a free hit to Guildford was taken quickly and fired in to Coca in the D, who turned her defender and fired the ball at goal beating the keeper only to be denied by the post.

The goal that the girls deserved wasn't long in coming when Rosie won the ball gave a short pass to Rachel, ball transferred to Autumn on an overlapping run down the right, crossed the ball to Coca in front of goal who calmly put the ball past the Surbiton (and Surrey!) keeper.

A stunning save by the Surbiton keeper from a slick Guildford corner denied Olivia our second goal before half time, substitutions were made and Guildford to continue to play well, passing, running and supporting each other.

In the second half Guildford had most of the possession but found it difficult to get through the massed Surbiton ranks. After a series of penalty corners Becky found the power and accuracy needed to fire the ball in from the top of the D past an excellent keeper...2-0 Guildford.

Surbiton rallied but Eliza, Mia, Rosie and the hard running midfield made sure that Hannah E and

Faye in goals had a very quiet game. Mention goes out to our outfield Hannahs Hannah E for her confident debut and great use of the width of the pitch on the left and right, Hannah Wi for her spell in CMid and her strong passing, Hannah Wy for her forward play stretching the Surbiton defence to give Ella and others the space to run at the Surbiton defenders.

A great team performance, that might have been rewarded with more goals with a little more luck in front of goals and an impressive display from an excellent goalkeeper.

Sunday 25th November

Under 12 Boys

5 teams in 2 tournaments: a dozen wins, a few draws and a loss

BROADWATER TOURNAMENT

This was an early start on a crisp, sunny Sunday morning for a 7-a-side tournament involving 5 teams: Guildford 1 and 2, Havant 1 and 2 and Guildford U14.

U12 Guildford 1 – Alex in goal, Raphael, Ollie S, Freddy, Max G, Will Fe, Isaac



Guildford 1 v Havant 1: 4-0 win to Guildford 1

The Guildford boys started a little slowly and the first few minutes of the game belonged to a Havant team who appeared confident of achieving a win. The hesitant start by our team may have been partially due to the fact that they had not played together in any competitive 7 a-side matches this season. It all seemed a little too quiet and we allowed Havant to initially gain the upper hand. However, a combination of good defending and goalkeeping kept the visitors out and we started to pass the ball around and became more confident. Excellent play from Isaac led to Guildford taking the lead and once we were ahead there was only going to be one winner. The game ended 4-0 with a well taken hat trick from Will and another goal from Max.

Guildford 1 v Guildford U14: 4-2 win to Guildford 1

At the start of this match the Guildford U12 team seemed to lapse back into how they began the first game. The U14 team were quicker off the starting blocks and raced into a 2-0 lead and could have scored more. It appeared that the Guildford 1 boys may have felt slightly intimidated playing against the older and bigger players. However, once we got our passing going we began to play really well and within a few minutes we scored three goals from Max, Isaac and Will. The U14 boys responded and Alex pulled off two good saves including one with his stick to keep the team in the lead. Freddy then scored a well taken goal hitting his shot into the top right hand corner. The defence, with some excellent work by Raph and Ollie, kept the U14s out and the game finished 4-2. This was a step up in performance from the first match and there were clear signs that the boys were getting used to playing together as a team.

Guildford 1 v Guildford 2: 3-0 win to Guildford 1

This game in the same pattern of the first two matches. Guildford 2 were the better team for the first part of the game, it took Guildford 1 a while to get their passing going, once they did then they were able to gain the upper hand. It was not until towards the end of the match that the 1s managed to get the advantage and score three goals. Guildford 2 provided strong opposition and perhaps the 3-0 score line was not a true reflection of the game. The defence in particular played well and Raphael seemed to be improving as every game went by. Max, Freddie and Isaac worked hard and never gave up. Eventually the effort from all the players paid off. So another win, one more game to go...



Guildford 1 v Havant 2: 4-0 win to Guildford 1

There were signs in this game that the boys were becoming tired, not surprising perhaps as they had all (ok, well maybe not Alex) run their socks off. They quickly took control of the match and could have scored many more than the four that eventually went in. Strong performances from Ollie and Max helped the team to a convincing win.

So the tournament ended, four wins out of four was a good result and was a deserved return for

much effort and no shortage of skilful play. All the players contributed and it was a difficult decision by the coach for the player of the tournament. In the end he gave it to Raphael who settled in quickly at the back with some clever distribution out wide and numerous attacks launched from behind. (Gary S)



U12 Guildford 2 – Jake W in goal, Oliver G, Ben T, Jack F, Quinn W, Elliot S, Harry R

Guildford 2 v Havant 2: 6-0 win to Guildford 2

Guildford 2 got off to an excellent start dominating this game. Good early pressure and some accurate passing led to a feast of goals. Elliot opened the scoring after just a couple of minutes and this was quickly followed by Jack who combined well with Elliot to finish off an excellent move. Goals by Quinn, Harry (2) & another by Elliot finished off a fine performance.

Guildford 2 v Havant 1: 4-0 win to Guildford 2

Goalkeeper Jake might have thought that it was going to be an easy morning basking in the winter sunshine after the first match – this was not the case against Havant 1. Early possession by Havant put Guildford under huge pressure in the first 5 minutes. Jake made three excellent saves to keep us in the game. It was a breakaway goal that changed the match with Elliot scoring again. He quickly scored two more to land a hat-trick in the match. By the end Guildford were in control and some excellent inter-passing saw Harry finish off the match to make it 4-0.

Guildford 2 v Guildford 1: 0-3 loss

This was always going to be a tough game and so it proved. The first 5 minutes were fairly evenly matched and Guildford 2 had good possession but were unable to create any clear chances. As the game went on Guildford 1 were able to assert more control putting our defence of Oliver and Ben under real pressure. An excellent individual goal by Isaac broke the deadlock and opened their account. Jake had another excellent match foiling two or three strong attacks. There was no doubting Guildford 2s commitment with Quinn using his chest to deflect a short corner! The game finished 0-3 to Guildford 1 but a competitive game nonetheless.



Guildford 2 v Guildford U14s: 3-0 win to Guildford 2

In the final game Guildford 2 got off to a flying start scoring twice in quick succession. Elliot opened our account following some excellent interplay with Ben and Harry. Jack quickly followed this up with a rasping shot from the edge of the D. Guildford U14s then put us under some pressure mid-way through the match and had a couple of near misses. Jack was able to tie things up with a goal towards the end to make it 3-0. (John)



Apologies to Jack who left before anyone thought to take a photo!

WIMBLEDON TOURNAMENT

SEMH Round 4 Wimbledon-Epsom-Guildford

Guildford Team A

On a sunny but cold morning (and believe me, King's College windswept pitch at 0840 qualifies for "cold" and "morning"!), three Guildford teams took on sides from Wimbledon and Epsom in a hard fought round robin tournament.

The Guildford A team were led from the back by Jack in goal with Henry (centre back) and Michael (sweeper). Centre Mid was Lawrence, with Will at Left Mid, Tom at Right Mid and Jasper at Centre Forward. Toby started as a substitute, but came on later in game one and everyone rotated their positions throughout the morning.

Game one was a hard fought 0-0 draw against Guildford Bs. The second game saw us defeat Wimbledon 2-0, both goals from good passing combinations. In game 3, we managed a late goal to secure a 1-0 win over Epsom.

Everyone played solid hockey, and the mums and dads applauded with as much gusto as one pre 9 am cappuccino would allow. (Pete)

Guildford Team B

Clear blue skies, but a biting cold wind for the 9.00am start in New Malden, but the boys didn't seem to feel it. With all 4 teams in the group wearing burgundy shirts, a burgundy team was definitely going to win today!

The Guildford Bs started against the Guildford As - a very even game, with chances at either end, but a continual battle in the middle. Some good tackling, some good passing, but not fully using the width of the pitch, and the result ended 0-0. Both teams were now warmed up for their next challenges.

Game two for Guildford Bs against Epsom was fast and frenetic, better passing and some great movement. Guildford deservedly got ahead with a great goal by Marc. Guildford kept the pressure on and nearly held on but a lovely cross and great finish by Epsom caught them by surprise and it ended as a 1-1 draw.

In the final game Guildford Bs were hungry for a win against the hosts Wimbledon, and a win is what they got. Freddie, Bart and Callum were tenacious with their tackling. Ryan and Hamish in midfield got the ball through to the forwards and it was Oscar who took Guildford into the lead with a well-deserved goal. This time Guildford held off with Jack keeping the ball out of our goal and Zac sending the ball forward Marc got his second goal of the day to seal a 2-0 win.


The team were Ryan, Hamish, Bart, Freddie, Oscar, Callum, Zac, and Marc, with Zac named man of the tournament for a great all round performance. (Gordon)

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