



Forecast—Hot Showers

Lottery Grant for Clubhouse Improvements

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After a wait of nearly three months, the Sports & Social Club has learned that its application for funding to renovate the showers has been successful. Awards for All, which is part of the Big Lottery Fund, has awarded the Club just under £5,000 to replace the hot water tank, pipework and shower heads on the ageing system. It is expected that the work will take place around the end of October.

SUCCESSFUL END TO THE MONTH

- First XI take the Premier Cup. Under 14s win the Flitwick Tournament

The First Team ended their pre-season preparations undefeated. In the final match of August they played out a 3-3 draw with Premier Cup holders Leaside: the point thus gained was enough to take the trophy for the first time since 1995. Iain Temple, one of the scorers for Lea Sports the last time they won the trophy, appeared for Leaside this time around, but could not prevent his old club taking the lead through Richard Knock. Leaside scored a tremendous equaliser before the home side went ahead again through a penalty converted by Richie Bevan. Leaside equalised again before Andy Van Hoof scored Lea Sports' third. A Leaside penalty ensured a nervous last few minutes before the celebrations could begin. (Full details are available on the website at www.lpspg.co.uk).

A great performance from the u14 side saw them collecting the winners trophy in the Flitwick Eagles pre season tournament at Redborne School on Saturday 30 August.

They managed to go through the tournament without conceding a goal. Defenders Eliot, Andy, Sam & Jack kept most threats at bay and in form keeper Warren produced some fine saves. The midfield players Brad, Matty, Adam Tom & Yusuf worked hard helping out at the back & pushing forward on attacks, Strikers Cameron & Enrico provided some excellent shots on goal. After five wins against, Shillington- 2.0, Dunstable- 2.0, Flitwick- 4.0, Beds Park Rangers- 1.0, And Luton Leagrove- 2.0. Lea Sports PSG found themselves in the final against Bedford Town. This was a very closely contested final highlighted by two great saves from Warren who turned a long range shot over the bar and then pushed another round the post. Matty nearly clinched the match in the last seconds of normal time with great effort denied by the Bedford keeper. End of extra time still saw both teams level. It was down to a penalty shoot out to decide the victors with Yusuf, Sam, Jack & Brad all scoring and Warren saving Bedford's third & forth this gave Lea Sports a 4-2 win.

A great day and a well deserved win which should give them confidence for the new season. See photo overleaf—for more pictures go to www.lpspg.co.uk and click on 'Special Occasions'.

Under Eights, Elevens and Twelves Start Life With A Defeat

Playing their first ever match—in brand new kit sponsored by Priority Print—the Under Eights went down to a 3-1 defeat away to Luton Borough Dragons on Saturday 16th August.

The squad of Alex Seago, Kieran Jones, Luke Breacher, Louis Lomas, Luke Nar-roway, Archie Medlock and Ryan Quinn found the going tough in their first ever competitive match and a goal from Louis Lomas was not enough on the day.

Nevertheless, it was good experience for the lads and they are now looking forward to their league season in the Filmergraphics League.

The Under 11s and Twelves both played their first 11-a-side matches but fared no better. The Under 11s lost narrowly to Toddington Rovers (2-3) with goals from Jake Edwards and Curties O'Connell, while the Under 12s played well at Ampthill but were caught out by there being no linesmen and eventually lost 5-1. George Calvert scored their consolation goal.



Under Tens Struggle for Players

The Under Tens Saturday side has been forced to pull out of the Chiltern Sevens League because of a lack of players. Paul Cutler only had five players signed on as the league deadline for registrations approached. It is hoped that by combining the Saturday and Sunday teams, we will have enough players to continue.

Anyone interested in playing for the Under Tens should contact Head of Youth Football Phil Toyer (01462 711211).

Friendlies Cancelled

For the first time ever, we have had a friendly match in August cancelled because of the weather! The First Team game at Crawley Green, scheduled for August 14th, was cancelled after heavy rain all afternoon. Meanwhile, the Reserves turned up at Caddington for their friendly on August 24th—only to find that the home side could not field a team!

Reserves Get A Shock!!

The Reserves got a bit of a surprise in their first pre-season warm-up match against Mark Hill's Under 18s. The youngsters raced into a 3-0 half-time lead, with Jordan Murray scoring twice and Roan Wedderburn grabbing a third. The Reserves steadied the ship in the second half and recovered with goals from Mark Williams, Ollie Palmer and Phil Thompson to snatch a 3-3 draw. Jordan added a further 3 goals in the Under 18s' friendly vs. Bushmead—unfortunately it wasn't enough as the lads lost 3-6.



Under Fourteens take the Flitwick Tournament Honours.

More pics at www.lpspg.co.uk in 'Special Occasions'

Car Parking

Next season there are likely to be many Sundays when three games are taking place simultaneously. This will place a great strain on car parking spaces, so please park carefully and share transport whenever possible.

Don't Forget the New Website Address: www.lpspg.co.uk

Training Nights:

Under 8s: Mondays 6.30-7.30 Under 9s: Thursdays 6.30-7.30 Under 10s: Fridays 6.30-7.30

Under 11s: Saturdays 11.30-12.30 Under 12s: Saturdays 10.15-11.15 Under 14s: Wednesdays 7.30-8.30

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