

Comberton Crusaders FC

2nd February Comberton 5 v 2 Girton Colts

Man of the Match Thomas Blatch

This game was a re arranged fixture after the rain of 2 weeks ago caused its cancellation. We had played Girton in our 1st match of the season in a very evenly matched game won by the only goal. In the return fixture we totally dominated and the scoreline does not reflect what was, in the 1st half especially, our best play of the season so far. Some of the passing moves were excellent and all the team contributed to a superb performance.

We had lost Adam Bradbury for this game, our most consistent performer this season, and when Harvey Jacklin called off in the morning of the match it left us with a juggling act. We moved Hugh Barker into defence for his 1st game there and he was superb along with Olly Aldridge and dealt with most things thrown at them. We had to move Thomas Blatch into centre midfield where he gave the performance of the season so far for his skill, goals and general running of the game where he was defending, creating and attacking in equal measure. I feel he will be playing there for some time to come.

We started well and were 2-0 up in a short space of time. Ross Isbister scored with a shot into the roof of the net after a fine run by Thomas and parry by the keeper. Thomas then scored the 2nd almost from the kick off after another skilful run. Girton scored against the run of play but this only spurred us on and two more goals again from Thomas and Ross, one of which would have graced an Arsenal passing move, put us in command.

We turned around and after the break, where the heavy pitch played its part, the game slowed down and a goal apiece was fair. This was scored by Ross, which gave him his third hat trick of the season

We also missed at least 4 clear cut chances, 2 of which by Thomas and Ross were easier to score than miss.

We now have a strong squad and a fine display by Will Turner, quietly going about his business as usual, gives us lots of options. He combined really well to create chances.

The task now is to mould a team with players really competing across the pitch.

Kenny

