

U12: Abbots Bromley FC 2-8 Stretton Eagles

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 14th Dec 2008 2:25 pm

A cold and very wet day for a match at Kingstone (In the middle of nowhere).

FIRST HALF

A good start by the Eagles pushing the Abbots Bromley defence back and playing some good football, a couple of chances went missing before Tom Dunn struck a fine shot into the corner of the net to get us up and running, which we took full advantage with Tom scoring again then Connor Richins getting in on the goals, it was a fine display from both Tom and Connor and at the close of the First Half Tom had rounded off his hat-trick with yet another great goal with pace and finishing well. The half finishing 5 – 0 to the Eagles with only a couple of chances falling Abbots Bromley's way one of which was a fine shot destined for goal until Ashley Press headed the ball upwards and then cleared off the line to what would have been a most certain goal.

SECOND HALF

And 3 substitutes made and this did not stop us continuing like the first half pushing forward and this time a goal came from Josh Downing after a good build up from the back through ball by Tom Borrington to Tom Dunn who delivered an excellent cross for Josh to finish and its 6 – 0, a break by Abbots Bromley as The Eagles was left exposed at the back due to pushing forward gave the opportunity for Abbots Bromley to pull a goal back and a excellent finish by there player did just that, Connor Richins rounded off a good day with a excellent strike from 25 yards flying into the goal for his hat trick, but the tail of the day was Adam Davies who should of had at least 5 goals today but luck didnt seem to be on his side either going wide or being saved by the keeper the ball just didnt want to go in the back of the net for him, chance after chance fell his way, then Abbots Bromley got a penalty to make it 7 – 2 and with virtually the last kick of the game Adam got his goal another one on one with the keeper and this time he found the net good news for him as he deserved something out of the game having gone so close so many times finally his persistence payed off. the game ended 8 – 2 to The Eagles.

MOM Ashley Press

MOM2 Adam Davies for finally getting a goal.

Many thanks to all who attended and supported us on

Ian

U12: Stretton Eagles 7-1 Abbots Bromley FC

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 25th Nov 2008 3:23 pm

After a break of 2 weeks the Eagles got back to where they left off with a emphatic win at Meadow Lane.

FIRST HALF

A rather slow start from The Eagles, a early substitute due to an injury meant early change but not disrupting the balance of the side and it was soon 1 – 0 with a break down the right hand side and another superb finish by Tom Dunn this gave us the catalyst for another 3 goals in quick succession Connor Richins, Tom Borrington and the first of the season for James Richards. 4-0 at half time

SECOND HALF

Four substitute changes at half time and we yet again get off to a slow start although chances came The Eagles way finsihing was not as clinical as the first half but this did not dampen spirits although pushing for goal with the defence pushing forward exposed the defence leaving 1 defender with 5 Abbots Bromley players gave Craig Asker in goal little chance and 4-1, but this was redeemed not long after with goals from Tom Dunn and Connor Richins, and a change of Goalie with Connor going in Goal and Craig coming out field for the first time this season, a late goal by Oliver Dolphin rounded the game off with a 7 -1 victory.

Good game, could tell we have not played for a few weeks tired legs and match fitness not up to scratch but a victory none the less and the unbeaten record continues.

Many Thanks to all who supported us

Ian Downing

U12 Cup: Winhill FC Green 1-2 Stretton Eagles

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 26th Oct 2008 8:31 pm

Our first Cup Match of the season a rather improved Winhill from the league match made this a rather tight affair with both sides canceling each other out for most of the game. But a victory and progression into the next round and still the un-beaten record continues.

FIRST HALF

A slow start to the match and the condition of the pitch which was very heavy especially around both goal areas and the wings didn't fair well for the passing game, limited chances in the first half but The Eagles seemed to be dominating the match especially in midfield but whilst pushing forward The Eagles left the defence exposed and Winhill capitalized on this with a break away and a good finishing about 20 Min's into the half. The Eagles rallied and pushed forward looking for the equaliser which came from good work on the wings and a cross from Ryan Hughes leaving Josh Downing to score his first goal of the season and with that the half ends. 1-1 at half time

SECOND HALF

A slow start to the half, but The Eagles gaining confidence and pressing forward saw chance after chance either going wide or some great goal keeping, with Connor Richins making a great header to which hit the far post and bouncing kindly into the keepers hands being the best chance. Winhill hardly having a shot at The Eagles goal, with only 5 Min's to go a good solo run by Tom Dunn and a shot which the keeper saved but this time bouncing back to Ryan Hughes who finished and its 2-1 to The Eagles, a good win and well deserved.

MoM Ashley Press (outstanding in defence making tackle after tackle)

Many thanks to all the parents and supporters for cheering on the players.

Ian

U12: Whittington FC Lions 0-3 Stretton Eagles

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 20th Oct 2008 6:08 pm

Top of the Table clash this week at Whittington Barracks, but the Eagles played well for a victory to earn them another win and still maintain there 100% record having 5 out of 5 wins.

FIRST HALF

A rather slow start to the half and each side defending well, with few chances from both sides, Whittington shading the possession and chances falling to them but for some good defending and Whittington missing some good opportunities, with the wind at there backs and playing downhill they edged the first half.

SECOND HALF

The Eagles had the advantage this half with the wind and we made full use of this, attack after attack but unable to convert, then a smart pass by Tom Borrington to Tom Dunn who hit the ball on the turn sailing into the far left hand corner and the Eagles are off 1-0, Whittington struggling to even amount an attack where pinned in there half the ball not reaching the half way line and the Eagles pressing forward with every opportunity gave the opportunity to the Eagles and a chance made by some poor defending led to the second goal converted by Connor Richins, a third was on the cards with more pressure being applied, the ball falling to Carl Asker about 30 yards from goal took a shot which sailed into the top corner and 3-0.

All in All a well deserved victory and keeping a clean sheet to boot, good game.

MOM : Oliver Ford

THANK YOU

Ian Downing

U12: Stretton Eagles 5-4 Rolleston FC Silver

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 12th Oct 2008 1:26 pm

What a fantastic game of Football was played at Meadow Lane in Glorious weather today without doubt the best game of Football I have seen from the U12 this season, thoroughly deserved victory against very good opposition, determination, fight, excellent passing and solid finishing to all that watch it was one of the most thrilling games of Football we have seen for a long time.

First Half

A rather tight opening 10 minutes with good possession held by both teams good passing and some excellent forward runs, Rolleston having the best chance of the first half with a low powerful shot but our keeper Craig Asker pulling off one of the most fantastic saves I have seen for a long time reminded me of Gordon Banks save against Pele in the World cup the ball fired in low but Craig diving full length and tipping the ball around the post to what would have been a certain goal, then the tide turned in The Eagles favour good defensive back four passing the ball to midfield the ball being moved around through to the front two of Tom Dunn and Ryan Hughes, Tom's explosive pace beating two Rolleston defenders resulting in a fine through ball for Ryan to finish with confidence beating the keeper at his far post and that's it we are off and running another few chances falling the Eagle's way and fantastic solid defence not letting Rolleston have a sniff at goal, Ryan Hughes again coming up with a great solo run rounding the keeper and its 2-0, last few minutes of the first half Rolleston score and its 2-1 but great reply solo run by Connor Richins and and shot across the box and the faintest of touches by Tom Borrington and in 3-1, was hard to tell who had scored Connor or Tom but Connor said that Tom had the last touch and the first half comes to a close.

second Half

Two subs put on at Half time, and stalemate each side cancelling each other out, Sam Borrington, Carl Asker, Ashley Press and Oliver Dolphin again being solid limiting the chances to which Rolleston had good defending solid in the tackle and excellent passing to the Midfield which provided Connor Richins with the opportunity to score which he took with a great shot across the keeper and 4-1 and dominating the match the midfield looking strong Charlie Shorter brought on at Half time working well with Oliver Dolphin on the left had Side, Oliver Ford performing well on the opposite side making tackle after tackle, then with 10 minutes to go the wheels seemed to come off The Eagles 4-2 then 4-3 and there is only 3 or 4 Minutes to go and looking as if we were hanging on for a win, when a good move but some tired legs from The Eagles let in Rolleston and its 4-4 a draw was imminent as there was only a minute to go but with a last push forward a pass from Joshua Downing to Tom Dunn 2 side steps later a absolute thunderbolt of a shot giving the Rolleston keeper no chance and its in just as the final whistle was blown 5-4 and the unbroken record continues.

WHAT A MATCH, ALL EAGLE PLAYERS WERE FANTASTIC, GIVING THERE ALL AND DETERMINATION AND DESIRE TO WIN PAID OFF, GREAT RESULT THRILLING ENTERTAINMENT.

MoM Ryan Hughes another 2 goals for the season.

I would like to thank all Players, Parents and spectators for supporting us this Sunday and I hope you enjoyed the match as much as me. THANK YOU

Ian

U12: Newhall Panthers 0-2 Stretton Eagles

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 5th Oct 2008 7:18 pm

Another win for the Eagles. Thats 3 wins out of 3 what a start to the season

First Half

A bit of a slow start, but the pitch was in a very poor state; pools of water all over the pitch, but we had several chances, Joshua Downing hitting the post rolling right across the goal line hitting the opposite post and then the goalie grabbing hold of the ball, but the best move of the first half lead to James Richards making an excellent run beating 3 defenders before unleashing a fantastic shot which hit the bar and over a magnificent solo effort. and that was it end of the first half.

Second Half

3 substitutions and we get off to a flyer with Connor Richins making the most on a very muddy and wet pitch passing 2 defenders rounding the keeping and tapping the ball in from 4 yards good goal and thoroughly deserved great solo effort and we should then be off and running but for some reason proberbly the pitch being saturated we didnt capitalise on the chances to which we had, a late substitution and it payed off with Ryan Hughes slotting the ball home. Chance after chance fell the Eagles way, but if it wasnt for the Newhall keeper we could of been 6 or 7 but hey thats football.

Another 3 points in the bag and unbeaten for the season so far, a lot of work to be done at training but everyone seemed to enjoy the day no more so than Charlie Shorter who I must say do not envy his parents washing his kit he seemed to enjoy rolling around in the mud.

Great effort in difficult conditions WELL DONE EVERYONE .

Many Thanks

Ian

One Response to U12: Newhall Panthers 0-2 Stretton Eagles



Chris

5th Oct 2008 at 8:24 pm

Great result in very difficult conditions, newhall goalkeeper was fantastic, and we were unlucky not to get 3 or 4 more. Charlie plonked himself in the bath, Kit in the washing machine [long wash cycle needed]. Keep this up lads, a stiffer test next week against Rolleston Silver, just above you on goal difference, but with some determination, sweat, and goals you can climb above them in the table.

Chris Shorter.

U12: Stretton Eagles 4-1 Winshill FC Green

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 28th Sep 2008 5:23 pm

Continuing to make a great start to the season with another good win.

First Half

Stretton was straight out of the blocks with a goal in the first 2 minutes, scored by a great solo effort from midfield by Connor Richins dribbling past two or three Winshill defenders before slotting the ball home.

As the half continued we had chance after chance but without success until Ryan Hughes went on a solo run and with confidence in front of goal finished with style and grace and its 2-0 to Stretton and the Eagles are flying high.

A third goal was on the cards before the end of the first half and it arrived with some style, good passing from midfield and the ball breaks lose to Tom Borrington in one movement turned and shot from a tight angle the ball looped over the keeper and into the corner an extraordinary effort but well deserved, and its half time with the Eagles 3-0 in front.

Second Half

4 changes made at half time but the balance of the side still remained, with Carl Asker being dominant at the back sweeping up any forward attack made by Winshill, Stretton still pushing forward and got a break with Ryan Hughes again finishing after a good build up from the back through midfield and its 4-0, we had several chances to score but without success. Winshill then made a rare excursion into our half and a challenge by Oliver Dolphin and a penalty was awarded to which Winshill converted and that was it final whistle and the Eagles win 4-1, so its 2 wins out of 2 and a great start to the season.

Man of the Match: Carl Asker

Thank you all

Ian

U12: Stretton Eagles 5-2 Rocester FC

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 17th Sep 2008 7:18 pm

Sunday 14th September: What a great start to the season, a victory.

First Half

A very competitive first half with good passing from both sides, knocking the ball around a very big pitch having made the transition to full size pitch and goals being the first time in a competitive match but both teams coped very well. The deadlock was broken midway through the half with a solo goal from Tom Dunn but lack of concentration with only seconds to go to the end of the first half and Rocester pull it level.

Second Half

Almost immediately after the break and Rocester score with Stretton looking as if they still was in the dressing room. But this seemed then to inspire the team making chance after chance with Rocester hardly getting into the Stretton half, 4 quick goals from Stretton and its 5-2 with goals coming from Connor Richins (3) and Ryan Hughes, but this is not the whole story the chances to which are too many to list could have been a very different story but that's football.

Excellent team play, good movement off the ball and exceptional passing was the main story of the day, as a manager I was very proud of all the players. and so Men of the Match, Yes Men I awarded to all, great performance good team play and a thoroughly deserved victory.

THANK YOU

Ian & Paul

U12 Friendly: Stretton Eagles 2-5 Rolleston FC

Match Reports 08/09, Under 12s Posted by Ian Downing on 6th Sep 2008 1:53 pm

The new season started with a Friendly against Rolleston FC on Sunday morning (31 Aug), as this was the first time Stretton played a Junior football match the anticipation of how it would go was building as kick off approached. Rolleston FC u12 are in the 1st Division of the BJFL league to which this was going to be a test for us.

First Half

A excellent start to the match passing the ball around the pitch with confidence and matching Rolleston in all areas of the pitch, Then Rolleston scored a quick break down the right and we are 1-0 down, but still playing well, a smart move from midfield and a break away by Tom Dunn who with great accuracy slots the ball home 1-1 there is only 5 minutes to go before half time and Rolleston break again down the right a cross and its 2-1 at half time to Rolleston.

Second Half

Good positive start from us and unlucky not to equalise early on in the half, a break by Rollest on and a shot which deflects and sends the keeper the wrong way and its 3-1. We score by a stunning run from Tom Dunn after a great effort with a lovely build up from the back passing which releases Tom to score and its 3-2, two more goals from Rolleston and the match ends 5-2 which in reflection is a fantastic effort from us.

The effort put in by all players was fantastic a thoroughly brilliant effort and a good run out before the season starts.