



## TOOLSTATION LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

Tuesday 28th November 2006

### WHEELER WALLOPS THREE IN CRUSHING VICTORY

#### Westbury United 6-0 Hengrove Athletic

Westbury's best performance of the season so far coincided with them moving four points clear in second place. This was a crushing victory and, such was their dominance, the scoreline really should have been in double figures - they had 24 goal scoring attempts in the course of the match! Hengrove's players will probably want to quickly forget their first ever visit to Meadow Lane!

Visiting keeper Rob Fost had already saved from man of the match Tom Staddon, before he was left shell-shocked by three goals in seven minutes! Westbury were playing some lovely passing football, however the first goal came from a corner taken by Luke Smith on 11 minutes ; Nathan Hallett raced in and powered a header past Fost. On 15 Steve Seals played a clever ball over the top and Wayne Wheeler raced through and finished low to the keeper's left hand side. Then on 18 Staddon got a deserved goal when he latched onto a loose ball 18 yards from goal before turning and finishing all in one movement.

It was a breathtaking period of play and one which ripped the heart out of the visitors. Only two outfield players from Hengrove, Scott Lewis and Joe Parsons, did anything of note during the match. It was the former who hit a 30 yarder wide soon after Staddon's strike.

More superb football followed. Staddon was at the centre of a move involving Smith that ended with Hallett's cross-shot being tipped away by Fost. Fost made an even better save a minute later when Wheeler seemed certain to score again. Westbury were attacking from all angles and the next danger came from Aaron Billett on the right wing, his pacy cross was headed over the bar by Wheeler. Another Billett cross found Hallett but his mistimed header was easily saved by Fost. Lewis went close again just before the break; he ran past Smith and sent in a low cross which wasn't attacked by any of his teammates.

Westbury started the second half where they'd left off before half time. The fourth goal somehow didn't arrive until the 61st minute but before this they had eight chances!! Fost made two saves; one from Wheeler and he was brave at Seals' feet as he was about to shoot. Meanwhile, Hallett once, Billett twice, Wheeler twice and Staddon once were all within inches of the target!

It was Wheeler who scored the 4th when, in a carbon copy of his earlier goal, he anticipated a ball from Seals before finishing past Fost. Another near miss followed on 78 when a lovely one-two between Staddon and Paul Edwards saw Staddon's cross cleared for a corner; Smith's flag kick swerved into the danger area and Edwards headed the 5th goal into the top corner from 12 yards.

Somehow Edwards missed an open goal from six yards, but Hengrove were given no respite as on 83 the same player crossed to Wheeler who headed his hat trick goal. Lewis and Parsons combined twice in the closing stages; the latter shot over on the first occasion and then failed to test Nick Evans with a header.

The match ended in comedy fashion in injury time; another one touch move between Wheeler and Staddon led to Billett missing an easier opportunity than Edwards had a little earlier. Billett was just a yard from goal and managed to put the ball over the bar!

\*STAR MAN - Tom Staddon (Westbury United)

TEAM - Nick Evans, Matt Sharp, Luke Smith, Mark Pearce, Steve Seals, Lee Morgan,  
Nick Beales, Aaron Billett, Tom Staddon, Wayne Wheeler, Nathan Hallett

SUBS - Paul Edwards, David Whyte (used), Marc Lanfear (unused)