

**HANWELL TOWN (0) V OXHEY JETS FC (1)**  
**SATURDAY 13TH MARCH 2010**  
**MOLTEN SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION**

In one of the poorest games seen at Reynolds Field in a long while, we slipped to a 1-0 defeat against Oxhey Jets in a game marred by the injury suffered by the Oxhey Jets keeper Steve Duce and the sending off of Charley Baverstock, a player who in his previous one hundred and fifty odd appearances for the club had rarely ever got a yellow card let alone a red one.

We should have taken the lead in the second minute of the game when Charley played in Blaise O'Brien but Blaise with only the keeper to beat shot straight at Duce. At the other end, a fine individual run by Lee Armit was only ended by a fine tackle by Michael Buckley. Shortly after, Duce under no real pressure collapsed when collecting a high ball, suffering a reoccurrence of a knee injury and he had to be stretchered off the field. Without a substitute keeper on the bench, defender Chris Harding took over in goal with Nathan Roberts coming on. The long break whilst Duce's injury was attended too seemed to disrupt the flow of the game and until the interval there was very little incident of any note, other than Keiran Jimmy making a fine save in the closing minutes of the half, diving to his right to hold onto a fierce shot by Myles Stephenson whilst at the other end, Harding as it turned out made his only serious save of the game as he smothered rather a weak effort from Blaise.

The game continued on its rather meaningless way in the opening ten minutes of the second half after an exchange between Charley and Oxhey Jets's Steve Brown saw both players booked. Almost immediately afterwards, Charley challenged Harding for a bouncy ball which the keeper gathered safely. However, before clearing Harding clearly elbowed Charley in the chest, an incident unseen by any of the match officials. Almost immediately as the ball was cleared upfield, Charley and Brown came together again in midfield and this time Charley's flailing elbow was spotted by one of the assistant referee's and referee Phillip Wilkinson had no hesitation in producing a red card from his pocket. The game meandered on and it seemed odds on a goal less draw until with five minutes to go, Roberts scuffed his shot but the ball rolled into the path of Luke Beardsworth who poked the ball home, a scrappy goal in a scrappy game. Deep into injury time, Keiran made a tremendous save from Beardsworth's spot kick after he had himself been penalised for bringing down Armit just inside our box.

**Side: K Jimmy, A Rowlands, J Abelson, M O'Brien, G Adan, M Buckley, W Jackson, C Mills, C Baverstock, B O'Brien and A Wise.**

**Substitutes Y Fehmi-Gil for Jackson (65) and T Bradshaw for Abelson (75) .**