

HANWELL TOWN (2) v ROYSTON TOWN (4)
THURSDAY 22ND APRIL 2010
MOLTEN SPARTAN SOUTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

Meeting an in form Royston Town side in our final home game of the season, we suffered a 4-2 defeat which enabled our opponents to compete a league winning double over us, but we played a lot better than we have done in recent games.

We took the lead in the eleventh minute with one of the goals of the season. From a corner kick out on the left flank, Chris Mills pulled the ball back into the path of Yassine Fehmi-Gil and Yassine scored with a tremendous shot into the far corner of the Royston net. Royston almost hit back immediately when a clever ball inside Scott Ensom by Carl Edwards put Rob Gwynne through on goal but Keiran Jimmy was quickly off his line to block Gwynne's shot. Just prior to the half hour mark, we should have increased our lead when a good movement put Charley Baverstock through with only Jordan Gibson in the Royston goal to beat but Charley blasted the ball wide. As the half moved on so did Royston begin to assume control and Will Turl, David Cain and Jan Stephens all missed chances to equalise before they did with the very last kick of the half, Ross Collins volleying home on the far post after a precision cross by Scott Crook.

Royston continued to have the better of things in the opening minutes of the second half and were very unfortunate not to have gone ahead with Edwards hitting the post and Gwynne the bar with Keiran beaten on both occasions. They then had a goal disallowed when one of the assistant referee's decided that nobody had got a touch to a long throw in that had seen the ball creep into our net at the far post. However, all of their pressure paid off with twenty minutes to go when Cain headed home substitute Lewis Endacott's free kick on the far post. We fought back strongly and equalised in the seventy seventh minute when Aonghus Martin, who had an excellent game for us, was tripped by Jim Hollingsworth as he burst into the Royston penalty area and from the resultant spot kick, Blaise O'Brien blasted the ball home. Five minutes later the ball was on the penalty spot again, but unfortunately it was at the other end as substitute Michael Buckley was adjudged to have fouled Endacott in the area and Russell Bull put Royston ahead again. IN time added on at the end of the ninety minutes, Royston made certain of the three points when Turl headed home Endacott's cross from close range.

Side: K Jimmy, S Ensom, A Martin, M O'Brien, J Tucker, A Wise, Y Fehmi-Gil, C Mills, C Baverstock, B O'Brien and C Duffy..
Substitute M Buckley for Mills (75)