

Frost winning everything in the air, the two full backs – Russell Brown and Alex Passingham – keeping the wingers at bay and Daron Bowes sweeping well,

Wasps were unable to penetrate our defence. And when they did manage to win through, they still had to beat Gary Cook who didn't relax for a moment.

As the game was nearing its end, the ball came out from a corner to Marc Frost, who let loose a vicious shot that the Wasps keeper, who had played extremely well, was unable to hold. Paul Tyler followed up to score.

With five minutes to go, Paul Woodland broke free down the left and sent a low cross in front of the goalmouth for Andy Horton to tap in.

Paul Tyler and Harvey Goodhew were substituted by Angei Constaniamo and Tony Geering respectively late in the second half. Final score: 3-0.

UNDER 15 v HIGHMEAD (HOME) 24/10/82

All our previous encounters with Highmead have been very close games and this one promised to follow the same pattern.

Sutton began to attack the Highmead goal the moment the whistle blew and created many chances in the process. Some weaving runs by Andy Horton on the right caused havoc in the Highmead defence.

With ten minutes gone, Dave Binham curled a super ball down the right to Paul Woodland who, after beating a defender, laid the ball back for Lee Annett to shoot into an empty net, but alas, he missed and the ball went wide.

Sutton were rewarded for their efforts when Paul Tyler's shot was knocked out to Paul

Woodland who hit a first time shot that was deflected into the Highmead goal. With a few minutes to go before the

halftime whistle the Highmead right winger beat our off-side trap and left Gary Cook with no chance. The halftime score: 1-1.

The second half saw us continue to pressurise the Highmead defence.

Occasionally Highmead would snatch the ball in the mid-field only to be stopped by the Sutton defence of Russell Brown, Marc Frost and Angei Constaniamo.

Daron Bowes was also doing a super job sweeping behind them. With ten minutes of the half gone there was another goal for Sutton – Andy Horton crossed the ball from the right and, continuing his run into the box, snatched up the rebound from Alex Passingham's shot; 2-1 to Sutton.

Straight from the kick off, Dave Binham stole the ball from

the 'A' division last season. The game got under way at 2.30 pm (half an hour late as the referee was incorrectly informed as to K.O. time).

Sutton were kicking uphill on quite a sloping pitch. We had all the running in the first half but went a goal down after seven minutes from a back pass error. Simon Tipraft, Ian Woodland and Trevor Hand forced the London Boys' keeper to make

some excellent saves. Ian Woodland had the London Boys' defenders beaten, but their keeper pulled off one save after another and was only thwarted by a brilliant chip from Ian after 17 minutes.

Dynamo turned round 2-1 down after the London Boys' centre forward followed through almost to the dead ball line and crashed in a shot from an almost impossible angle.

Dynamo, attacking downhill, could have gone ahead but Ian Woodland and Simon Tipraft both sent easy chances into the goalkeeper's waiting hands. Steve Salt and Kevin Markham continued to keep their mid-field players subdued but Chris Wyatt, playing out of position, was having a difficult time against their gifted right winger.

Two quick goals by London Boys' winger and centre forward put Dynamo further down.

But worse was yet to come.

Howard Passingham was crippled by a formidable challenge by London Boys' centre forward. It left painful stud marks on his right shin and calf and meant that he could play no further part in the game. Richard Pooley was brought on to play in mid-field with Steve Salt dropping back to Howard's place. Unfortunately Richard was promptly injured in a heavy challenge and had to receive treatment off the pitch. London Boys then proceeded to score two more goals making the final result London Boys 6, Sutton Dynamo 1.

UNDER 13 v PHOENIX (HOME) 17/10/82

Every game that Sutton have played against Phoenix has been entertaining and we regard Phoenix as the 'friendly enemy'.

The game got under way at 11.00am but we were again without Howard Passingham who was still suffering from concussion after his previous game. And Steve Salt was still not totally fit, because of his pre-season leg injury. Dynamo elected to kick 'up hill' first half but found with the re-

structured defence and understrength mid-field that they were quickly at a disadvantage. Mark Linsdell made good early saves but failed to stop a fast-moving ball that went high into the roof of the net after ten minutes.

The ball was not even seen by our forwards for a full ten minutes but they eventually started to fight their way back into the game. The Phoenix keeper made good saves from Trevor Hand and from Simon Tipraft. We were frequently

an opposing player and set Paul Tyler away with only the keeper to beat. Of course, he made no mistake.

Mid-way through the half a throw from Gary Cook in goal found Angei Constaniamo clear on the left. A delicate ball down the line found Paul Woodland who, after beating a defender for pace, crossed the ball to the near post where an eager Andy Horton side footed the ball into the net.

The game was held up for a while when Daron Bowes sustained a nasty ankle injury. As a precaution he was replaced by Tony Geering. Lee Annett, finding it difficult to get into the match, was also replaced by Dave Bryan.

Another goal by Paul Woodland and a fine goal from Andy Horton, which completed his hat-trick, sealed the points for Sutton. The final score: 6-1 to Sutton.

being caught on the break but good attacks by the Phoenix right winger brought out the best in Justin Cummings. After 20 minutes Trevor Hand was brought down in the Phoenix penalty area and Steve salt converted it with ease. It was two minutes later that a defensive error by Chris Wyatt allowed Phoenix to notch up their second.

Dynamo turned round 2-1 down but after a few 'choice words' at half time from the manager, we attacked and made the Phoenix defence look a little shaky. The two halves could not have been more different. Kevin Markham and Steve Salt had the mid-field sewn up. But one attack after another was thwarted by a tight Phoenix defence and some superb goal-keeping.

Simon Tipraft and Ian Woodland let good chances slip away early on in the second half and could have made the score 3-2 to Dynamo, but it was not to be. Despite all this pressure we were again caught on the break and the final score was Dynamo 1, Phoenix 3.

UNDER 13 v CHERSFIELD (HOME) 24/10/82

Despite last week's unlucky defeat by Phoenix, and with two key players away through illness and injury, the Under 13s were out to stop the run of bad results. Chersfield took three points off us last season. Their success was mostly due to their excessively physical approach which resulted in my taking our lads off the field in protest at Chersfield's behaviour.

The game started on time with referee Mr Shand taking a firm grip on the game. Dynamo went straight into the attack – Simon Tipraft and Neil Abrahams playing new roles as link men for forwards and mid-field and centre mid-field respectively. Chances were made by good through balls from Simon Tipraft to Leon Salisbury and Kevin Ring who put in super crosses which, unfortunately, only found defenders' heads.

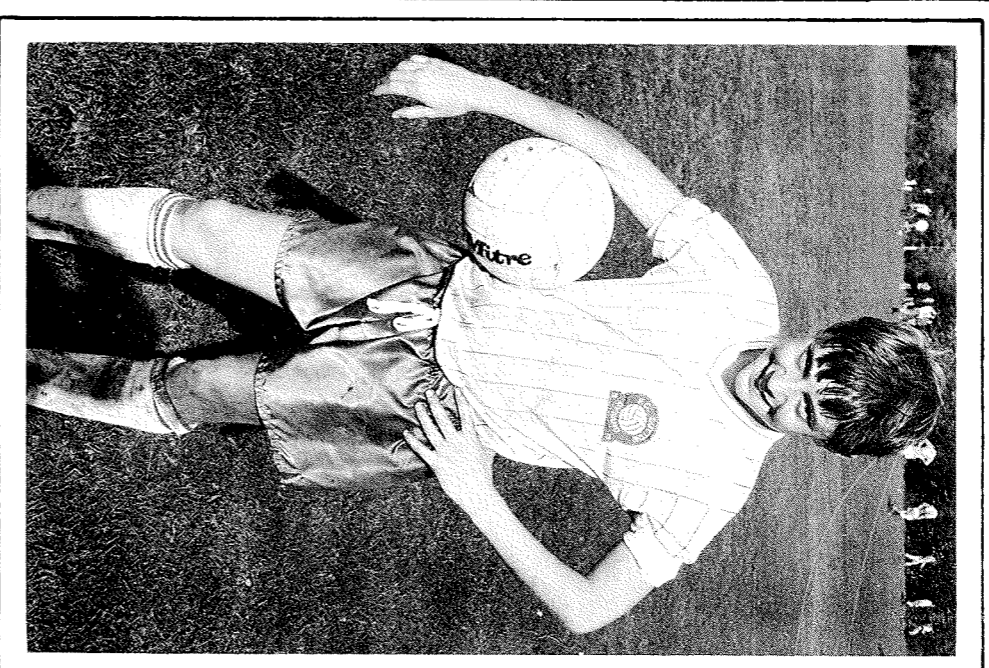
Howard Passingham captaining the team in the absence of Steve Salt called the offside for his superb defenders, Justin Cummings and Chris Wyatt. Sadly, the trap was beaten after ten minutes and Chersfield went into the lead despite a good attempted save by Mark Linsdell.

Dynamo, stung into retaliation, attacked with a good ball from Simon Tipraft to Trevor Hand. Trevor pushed the ball up to Leon Salisbury who laid the ball back but continued his run wide up the wing. Trevor split the defence with the return pass to Leon who made the bye-line and crossed the ball. Kevin Ring and Neil Abrahams couldn't quite reach the cross but Adam Kane lashed it into the back of the net: 1-1 after 12 minutes.

With the opposition playing downhill they continued to pile

DRAMA

NUMBER 1
BY MICHAEL J SMITH



Timothy Blake

At 13 years of age, Tim Blake can justifiably be described as a veteran. His battle-scarred legs are testimony to hundreds of hard-fought contests. He is certainly not the sort to avoid a challenge.

When I'm not playing too well I tend to get overheated and go for the ball at any cost, even if it means bending the rules a bit.

This aggressive attitude has led to one or two confrontations with the authorities, but the advantages of such commitment in the ball park are obvious. His total preoccupation with winning has helped rally the Dynamos on many a wet and miserable Sunday. This same attitude has also earned him an apt nickname.

'I think the other players call me T tractor because I tend to put my head down and plough through the opposition.'

There have been some amusing incidents during games, and I'm remembers one of them, particularly well: 'During a match against Phoenix, an opposing forward broke through the defence and made a clear-cut chance for himself. But his hopes were dashed when I leapt in and made an all-out rugby tackle on him. I was promptly cautioned by the ref – John Taylor – but, when the Phoenix player was only awarded a free kick instead of a

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on the pressure, but Kevin Markham and Justin Cummings gradually subdued the attacks up the left. Trevor Hand had two excellent shots stopped by equally excellent saves. Leon Salisbury and Kevin Ring linking with Adam Kane were giving Chersfield's defence a worrying time, but the score remained even at halftime.

We were kicking downhill in the second half and put

UNDER 13 'Could there be a jinx on our lads?'

UNDER 13 Report by Ron Copley

The pre-season games played by the under 13s lacked the conviction of last season. Extended holidays meant that many of the boys were either not available or were returning

unit.

Close season signings have, however, strengthened our forward and mid-field areas.

New players signed include Steven Tarrent, Richard Pooley, Kevin Ring and Justin Cummings. These new signings show great potential. Justin Cummings is a naturally gifted defender. Steven Tarrent shows a flair for wing play and Kevin Ring and Richard Pooley have great mid-field potential.

All the boys who played with Sutton in 1981-82 signed on again for the 1982-83 season.

We arranged friendly matches against Wasps, Camden, Sutton Under 14s and Fleetdown and reverbly all these teams beat us.

These defeats were to be expected and in our defence both Wasps and Camden are 'A' Division teams. In addition the Camden boys are coached by professionals and Fleetdown is now a B Division team but were only relegated last season. Finally our own Under 14 team's strength can be judged from last season's results (dare I suggest they are playing a division below their capabilities?).

Despite these defeats (some of them double figures) the Under 13s were not demoralised and the boys showed a great deal of the fighting spirit so much in evidence last season.

One sad note was the injury to Stephen Salt during the friendly against Wasps. This injury put him out of the action for three weeks and saw him still limping slightly when we faced Fleetdown for the first League game.

UNDER 13 v FLEETDOWN UNITED 26/9/82

Report by Ron Copley

The first game of the season for the Under 13s proved very hard work indeed. Steve Salt was still suffering from a leg injury and many of the boys were not match fit (owing to extended holidays).

UNDER 13 v LONDON BOYS (AWAY) 10/10/82

I am quite convinced there is a jinx on the under 13 team this season. Peter Taylor was down with gland infection, Justin Cummings was out with a stomach bug and Steve Salt was still hobbling around on an injured leg.

Our lads had not encountered this team before, the London Boys having come down from

Chersfield under tremendous

pressure right from the whistle. Neil Abrahams was unlucky not to truck one in the net early on.

Pressure brought several corners and a header from Howard Passingham went tantalisingly wide. It was Trevor Hand who eventually put us out of our misery with the winning goal after a 55 minute struggle. Final results: 2-1 win for Dynamo.