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The perfectly formed organ of Over Veterans Football Club

INSIDE:
Absolutely
nothing. Zip.
Diddly squat.

An evening of drink, food, presentations, drink, speeches, drink, dancing girls and, er, drink (possibly)

Inaugural Awards Dinner details

Following a recent Committee meeting, Over Veterans FC will be holding its first 'Carlton Palmer Player of the Year' Awards Dinner on Friday September 27th.

The plan is to leave the village at 7 and visit several of Histon's finest hostelrys before ending up at The Railway Vue for dinner ("a proper old-fashioned boozey, just like the 'Out on the Liffey'" - B. Wilson).

The committee have voted to cover the cost of the bus to and from Histon as well putting £200 towards the costs of the evening. Could everyone who wants to go please notify Sean Baker as soon as possible, or fill in and return the enclosed form so that we can confirm numbers with the Railway Vue.

In keeping with the Vets tradition of not taking ourselves too seriously, this is not a serious 'Player of the Year' event, more an excuse for a social evening with some light-hearted presentations.

Suggestions for Awards so far received include the following (please keep these coming in - the more the better!):

'Shergar Cup'

The 'Pavement Pizza Award'

The 'Has he got shares in Guinness' Award

'The Tom Cruise Award for attracting 15 year old schoolgirls

The Arthur Scargill Award for the Player most likely to be found in the Hole.

The Lack of Wisdom Award for toothless services to Dentistry.

Gob of the Year Award to the most vocally gifted encourager.

The British Rail Award for outstanding punctuality.

The Tunnel Vision Award for the player who has consistently ignored the obvious pass in favour of a shot, roughly towards goal.

The David Campese Award for accumulation of conversions in a season.

The Darren Anderton Award for pushing through the pain barrier.

The Monkey Hanger Award for the Player who takes most advantage of a lack of the offside rule.

Toys on the floor award

Sleeping in a public place award

Most improved belly award

The Brian "oh come on" Chapman award for effort

'Most inappropriate use of an Irish hotel towel' Award

The Ron Atkinson Award for Demonstration of Complex Tactics in an Irish Pub

The Mark Thatcher Award for Navigation in a Foreign Country

The Chippendale Trophy for Best Vet in a G-string

And in a special message to the Vets, Mr Palmer sent the following email to the Secretary: "I am very honoured to have this prestigious awards dinner named after me and am pleased that all my achievements in the beautiful game have been recognised in this way. I am touched that you think my talents are deserving of

this level of acknowledgement and I note with satisfaction that I just pipped that other 'great' - Vinnie Jones. Once again thank you all very much."

We hope to be able sort out everyone's menu choices shortly after Bill Wilson returns from holiday on Sept 16.

Our AGM will be at the Community Centre on Tuesday October 1st. Agenda items to Sean by Sept. 23rd. As usual the Club will lay on a buffet and pay for everyone's first drink.

Profile

This month, Herbert Strumpet, the ex Times war correspondent reports direct from the Somersham Delta having surreptitiously followed this month's subject. After weeks of clandestine meetings in pubs, Strumpet is able to dish the dirt on . . .

Bob Bainbridge

At 93 years old Bainbridge is the second oldest veteran. Born into unimaginable wealth as Arthur Forkingham-Bashingham-Crashingham-Liberty Bodice Pym the 2nd Viscount, The Earl of Consett, he was stolen from his pram at the age of 17 by gypsies.

Unable to claim his rightful heritage he set about earning a living as a frog wrestler in a travelling circus. Gave up after three thousand bouts, the frog having won 2,999 of them. He resolved to get an education and attended night school for 4 years.

Now possessing one 'O' level in Algebra, which he speaks fluently, he is employed as a translator in all countries where it is spoken.

Devastating full back who actually played in the Over First XI Creake Shield triumph of 1895 and has the sepia photograph to prove it. Team-mates reckon his main strength is shouting a lot.

As yet unproved rumours have linked him to a Irish sex scandal in which he was alleged to have sold teammates into slavery with visiting rich Arabs. The case never came to court.

Equine lover who follows horses at racecourses and in pubs.

Next Month: Bill Handley

LETTERS TO THE OLD GIT

From: Bill Wilson aka Liam O Liam

Dear Ed

I must respond to the poorly researched article by your guest hack in the last edition of Old Git. Despite being 4000 years old (or at least my jokes are) I am not the oldest member of the club and that honour belongs to Mike "The Rock" Day. My first name was not derived from Celtic tradition as suggested but is down to the fact that I arrived on the first of the month! My European exploits did not just cover Hungary but a lesser known fact is that I declined a move to Munich 1860 showing a preference instead for Kronenburg 1664. However I cannot take all the credit for the innovative approach to soccer tactics as my back four colleagues should take at least take an equal

share of the glory for redefining the football manual. For example the new definition of a hat trick is now conceding 3 goals in the first fifteen minutes. Indeed I heard my first US soccer broadcast last week and was surprised to hear a reference to Dicko. The commentator said "the ball has now reached the offensive left zone" . My wife has been surprised at how many Vets have been seen walking the dog in the village after she heard coach Handley complaining that none of us can be trusted to hold on to a lead. Finally I refute in the strongest possible terms the suggestions in the letters page of the last edition that some of our players had been making improper advances to people in foreign bars. In six years of playing football with the Vets I have never known anyone in the club complete a successful pass.