

It's meaty, beaty, big and bouncy

VIEW FROM THE BENCH



The theme of this edition is tournaments. Congratulations

to the Vets' team that won the Over Vets' Tournament to bring the cup "home". The attitude of the teams that entered was more in keeping with the original tournament objectives and the competition was much the better for it. The bigger goals also helped. The lads from Coventry were a credit to Vets' football and guaranteed themselves an invitation to a future event.

The festival of football in Belgium was successful again this year despite the atrocious weather. Bob Bainbridge in particular had an excellent game in goal despite him drifting into the back four out of habit. He was ably supported by Mike Little and Brian Chapman who reinforced a depleted squad from Ramsgate and gave some local opposition a run for their money.

Finally, congratulations are also due to England who confirmed their position as being one of the top ten teams in the world by reaching the quarter finals of the World Cup (*as against, say, Ireland just scraping into the top 100? - English Ed*). I was referred to as a "grumpy old

git" in Belgium because I was complaining about having to pay a contribution through my TV licence to John Motson's wages. Following these pearls of wisdom from so called "experts" I think we should have a Commentator of the Year award at this year's Carlton Palmers:

Jimmy Armfield: *"There is a real international flavour about this World Cup"*

Peter Drury: *"The referee was born in July 1966 - a great month for football"*

Peter Drury: *"Ballack's feet are not working properly underneath his frame"*

John Helm: *"Kelsey Keller is an educated man - he wears spectacles off the pitch"* and of course Motty: *"They are going down for fun!"*

When it comes to players, I recall the interview between Garth Crooks and Rooney shortly before the Portugal match. Noddy: "Is this a day for cool heads, Wayne?" Big Ears: "Yeah, we know not to get involved".

Finally, thanks also to Mark Nichols for devising the Over Vets lottery to raise money for the club to underpin our 10th anniversary bash on 23rd September. All lottery tickets have been sold and thanks to everyone who made the effort to sell and buy the tickets. Good luck to all who invested their money: they can be reassured that the odds of getting a return on their investment is significantly greater than the National Lottery or the football pools.

Thursday Night Appearances up to and including 13th July (max 27)

Steve Rawlinson.....	25
Loz Parker.....	24
Andy Carman.....	22
Ian Sutton.....	20
Sean Baker.....	19
Brian Chapman.....	19
Albert Smith.....	19
Andy Muggeridge.....	18
Richard Dickinson.....	18
Paul Briggs.....	15
Tony Tagg.....	13
John Day.....	12
Chas Cook.....	12
Andy Buck.....	11
Dave Reed.....	11
Jerry Lewis.....	10
Dave Carman.....	10
Peter Dean.....	9
Paul Clarke.....	9
Mike Little.....	8
Mark Trollope.....	7
Mike Donnan.....	6
Mark Nichols.....	5
Andy Smart.....	5
Geoff Rule.....	5
Nick Uttridge.....	4
Martin Dollard.....	4
Dave Tassell.....	4
Mike Oswell.....	4
Bob Milne.....	3
Craig Harrison.....	2
Merv Howard.....	2
Ray Coulson.....	1

Average weekly turnout this year is just 13, way down on our traditional average of 16.

Fixtures 2006-7

Date	Team	Ground	KO	Meet Centre @
A 17th Sept	Hugin Vikings*	Ramsgate	Tba	07.45
A 1st Oct	Cambridge	Histon Rec	10:30	09:30
A 29th Oct	Standen & Puckeridge	Standen	10:30	09:00
H 12th Nov	Cambourne	Over Rec	10:30	10:00
A 19th Nov	Hemingford	Hemingford	10:30	09:30
H 3rd Dec	Newmarket	Over Rec	10:30	09:30
H 17th Dec	Birchanger	Over Rec	10:30	10:00
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H 7th Jan	Cambridge	Over Rec	10:30	10:00
A 28th Jan	Cambourne (TBC)	Cambourne	10:30	09:30
H 11th Feb	Standen & Puckeridge	Over Rec	10:30	10:00
A 11th Mar	Birchanger	Birchanger	10:30	09:00
H 15th Apr	Hemingford	Over Rec	10:30	10:00
A 29th Apr	Newmarket	Dullingham	10:30	09:30

*Contact Bill Handley or Andy Smart to book your place on this all-day trip to Kent. For all other games, contact Andy Smart to confirm your availability.

New members since last OG:

Thursday: Mark Trollope
Nick Uttridge
Craig Harrison

Another Google search . . .

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The Urban Pet, previously Martin Dollard, is under new management, and they have a fabulous spin on their product line. Not only do they carry collars, . . .

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MATCH REPORT

Sunday April 30 Over Rec.

Over Vets 3 Newmarket Vets 1

Parker (2), Smart Reddick

The word before the game from our extensive network of spies and informants was that none of our opponents was above 5'2".

An excellent example of the spookily telepathic understanding that exists between Vets' players came when Dave Reed embarked on one of his fluid, mazy runs from the back. Albert started a run outside him, expecting the ball to be played inside the full back for him to run on to. Dave quickly realised that Albert was likely to stop his run so didn't immediately release him. Albert, seeing that Dave was holding the ball up to fool the fullback, then started his run again. Dave, seeing this, guessed that Albert would of course then hold back to receive a short square pass, so decided against the through ball. Albert, spotting this, held his run once more, just as Dave slotted a beautiful ball through with a now-static Albert turning to Dave with arms outstretched. Fantasy football indeed.

Over Vets: Briggsy; Blanco, Crunch, Dave Reed, Milney (or was it Bucko?); Albert, Deano, Brian, Bucko (or was it Milney?); Smarty, Colonel Parker. Subs: Robin, Mark Trollope.

Reffed by Poacher turned Gamekeeper Andy 'don't you ****ing swear at me' Carman

This is how rumours start (part 72)

Overheard at the Vets-Newmarket game

Mother to young daughter: "That's your daddy there – in the blue shirt"

VETS 10th ANNIVERSARY WINES

Special commemorative wines will help celebrate our 10th anniversary in September. Watch out for these specials and get your order in early.

Farmers Daughter from Willingham Winery

A mature red wine which will appeal to those with little experience of viticulture. A well rounded drink with an unforgettable aroma. Fresh and fruity flavours, this is a great 'anytime' wine.

White Flag from the Safe Hands Vineyard

A sensitive dry white wine. This formidable earthy wine is 100% barrel fermented. A genuinely classy wine with lovely fermenting cabbage aromatics. A style which is at home with lamb or mutton or ideal on its own. Comes only in litre bottles.

Red Mist from the Carman Winery

An upfront classic red wine with a big kick. On the palate, the wine is elegant, round and mouth filling balanced by crisp acidity. This wine exhibits creamy tones with a crisp bite. Beautifully balanced and rounds off to a long and elegant finish. Complements any dish due to its superb depth.

Bakers Dozen from Mustoes Lane Vineyard

This mixed case is an outstandingly successful blend of grapes from the Taggy, Rule and Clarkey varieties which puts it head and shoulders above the competition. Classic small grapes with fruits of the forest prevalent on the nose, lifted by a hint of dried flowers and sweet spice. Comes in 33cl bottles.

Bermuda Shirt from the Chas Cook Vineyard

A soft buttery wine, with a smooth feel and a rich cheesy finish. Well balanced on the palate. Fabulous tropical flavours are enhanced with hints of spice whilst a period of oak ageing has added an elegant complexity. Although not to everyones taste it is best paired with sausages or asian cuisine.

Old Git special from the Little Mike Winery

Powerful red wine with a good dash of alcohol and is bound to turn a few heads. Bursting with a fresh creamy flavour, it is not too heavy on the palate and there is a touch of smokiness to add to its enjoyment. It is not recommended to let this wine lie as it has a reputation for not lasting well. Excellent with pork.

Black Peril from the Colin Thomas vineyard.

Whether you opt for the red or yellow label you will get what you paid for. The red is a much more serious wine. These wines are produced to secret recipes developed by his famous ancestor John Thomas. The wines are soft and approachable with plenty of concentration but with a robust flavour and firm structure. Best with hard cheeses and superb with black pudding.

Submitted by the QPR Loyal Supporters Association:

If football clubs were women . . .

Fulham – Charlotte Church

Proof that money can't buy you class. But could look more attractive if the Welsh bloke was given the elbow.

Birmingham – Pamela Anderson

Used to look good in the cups but now a declining force. Plus millions of people watched them getting a good seeing-to.

Portsmouth – Girls Aloud.

Only one real class act among the hastily assembled line up. You shouldn't like them but admit it, you've sneaked the occasional admiring glance.

Sunderland – Kerry Katona

Once the people's favourite but now just an embarrassment. Fun while it lasted – now disappear from where you came please.

Spurs – Kiera Knightley

Undeniably easy on the eye with an attractive English spine, and proof that two little ones up front needn't be a drawback.

Everton – Danni Minogue

The poor relation to the more glamorous sibling. Can anyone remember when it was that they were supposed to be any good.

Arsenal – Jordan

Were more likeable when they weren't packed with expensive foreign implants.

Newcastle – Jodie Marsh

Impressive front two but embarrassing at the back. Had surgery but will need a lot more work to compete at a higher level.

Aston Villa – Dido

Bland, boring and still trading off the one big hit they had a few years ago.

Liverpool – Sophie Ellis Bextor

Individually all the components look great but stick them together and it just doesn't work.

Chelsea – Rachel Stevens

You'd rather just watch them than listen to all the painful whining.

Bolton – Clare Balding

You wouldn't. Not even if they were the last team on earth.

Half-Time in the Vets Dressing Room



Tournament Results

Over Blues 1
Over Whites 4
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Kegworth 2
Cambourne 1
Over Blues 2
Kegworth 4
Over Whites 6

Kegworth 1
Cambourne 1
Coventry 1
Over Whites 1
Coventry 2
Over Whites 3
Cambourne 1
Coventry 0

Over Blues 1
Kegworth 3
First Semi Final
Over Whites 2
Second Semi-Final
Kegworth 3
Final
Over Whites beat Kegworth

Cambourne 0
Coventry 2

FINAL TABLE

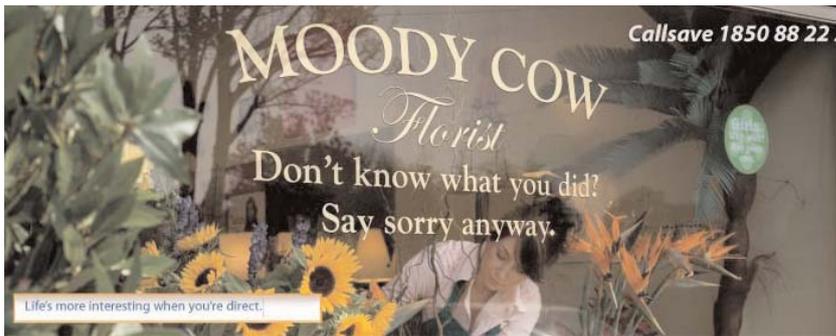
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kegworth	4	3	1	0	10	5	10
Over Whites	4	3	0	1	14	5	9
Over Blues	4	1	2	1	5	5	5
Coventry	4	1	1	2	5	11	4
Cambourne	4	0	0	4	3	11	0



Photo shows the winning Over team: (back row, l-r) John 'don't shout at me' Day, 'Colonel' Loz Parker, Dave 'pussycat' Carman, Andrew 'Crunch' Adams, Mark 'Deano' Dean, Dave 'never known to swear at the Ref' Reed. (front row, l-r) Robin 'son of safe hands' Barton, Andy 'this will be my last tournament - honest' Carman, Steve 'just remind me again what my right foot's for' Rawlinson, Cristiano Ronaldo



The most sought after seats at a Bolton home game . . .



Subject: What I did on my summer holiday

By Theo Walcott, aged 8½

I went to a place called Germany with my Uncle Sven and some other grown ups. It is a country in Europe where a bad man called Adolf used to live with his natives, he does not live there anymore, Uncle Owen does live there, and the grown ups say I can't talk about the bad man as it will make Uncle Owen cry if I do. In Germany there are lots of castles and some mountains. We are staying in a place called Baden Baden that's a silly name, Uncle Frank has the same name as his dad, that's silly too, his mum must get their underpants mixed up all the time.

On the aeroplane Uncle Sol sat next to me, he got me some toffee and wants to be my friend, he works at the place where I do my YTS, so does Uncle Freddy but him and Uncle Sol are not best friends anymore.

Uncle Owen met us at the airport, he talks foreign, Uncle Wayne, Uncle Steven and Uncle David also talk funny, my mum says Uncle David talks like Orville, he is a duck, Uncle Sol says Uncle David wears dresses and knickers, and asked me if I had ever worn them. Uncle Sol got me some pop.

In Germany the grown ups are going to play football, my grandad says we beat them in the olden days before my mum was born. That is a long time ago.

While the grown ups went to play football so I went shopping with Auntie Vicky and some other girls she bought me a big ice cream and got herself a little one but she said she was full before she had eaten any and threw it away. She bought lots of shoes and handbags and let me play with Brooklyn. She says she used to be in a pop band and sang me one of her songs, I think she was telling fibs.

I told Uncle Sol about my day out with Vicky and he sulked, then he bought me an even bigger ice cream with lots of hundreds & thousands on it.

All the other grown ups have a girlfriend except Uncle Sol so he plays with me while they go out. Uncle Sven says I must keep Uncle Sol happy, that's why I got taken on holiday.

The grown ups went to play football against somebody called Sweden, Uncle Sol was crying as Uncle Freddy played for them and would not talk to him. Uncle Sol bought me lots of toffee today and some crisps. Uncle Sven is from Sweden and I heard him on the phone to their boss last night. Uncle Michael hurt his knee and had to go home to his mum for a plaster. Uncle Peter is a giant, a proper giant like you see in books, he is rubbish at football though.

Uncle Wayne had a sore toe at the start of our holiday but it got better so they let him play football. Uncle Sol got me a present but I do not like it. He says all Germans wear leather underpants and I should while we are here, they are too tight for me.

All the grown ups started to call Uncle Wayne a potato head who stood on somebody's spuds. He got shouted at by the referee. They are all saying that we have to go home now. Uncle Sol was crying again and I had to sit on his knee to make him stop. He had his mobile phone in his pocket, I think.

Committee News

Summary from last committee meeting:

Monday June 26th, The Exhibition

10th Anniversary Party:

Or Wot booked, booking includes a DJ and disco. Cost is £450. We will put a further £50 behind the bar for them. Tickets will be £5, we will print 250. Security is booked (£95), the hall hire itself is free and we have an extension to 12.30. We will decorate the hall with pictures and quotes from the club's first ten years. There will be a raffle of a barrel of booze (all contributions gratefully received).

Ramsgate trip:

BH and AS to get quotes for buses for a one-day trip to play Hugin Vikings on Sept 17. We need enough commitment by end of August otherwise trip will be cancelled. We should get £15 per person up front.

Committee members:

SB to stand down as Secretary at next AGM. MD, GS, AB, AS, NB all staying on.

Vets' Charity Quiz Night in Carnival Week

We ran, once again, a round-the-pubs quiz night in Carnival week. Each of the drinking centres was manned by one or two club members and between 50 and 60 people took part. Our efforts raised £231 for First Responders. This, together with last November's Race Night and March's Entertainment Quiz, means our total fund-raising over the last 10 months comes to around £1900: £502 for Children in Need and over £1000 for Arthur Rank House.

Some People Just Have Too Much Time on Their Hands . . .

A Brazilian Vets XI:

Safe Hands	Mãos Feguras
Baker	Padeiro
Dickinson	Dick no Filho
Little	Pouco
Bainbridge	Ponte do Bain
Smart	Esparto
Reed	Lingüeta
Day	Dia
Rule	Régua
Parker	Parqueer
Carman	Motorista de Caminhoneta

Dates for Diary

Trip to Hugin Vikings in Ramsgate, Kent, Sunday Sept 17.

Please contact Bill Handley (200287) or Andy Smart (202242) if you wish play in this game or attend as a spectator.

Tickets are now on sale for our 10th anniversary party at the Centre on Saturday Sept 23.

See advert at end of this edition of OG. Remember, this do is open to all, not just members of the club, so please get your tickets quickly.

This year's Carlton Palmers will be at the Burleigh Arms, Cambridge on Friday October 27th.

More details will follow in September, but if you wish to reserve your seat on the coach, please let Sean Baker know (232589 or seanbaker1@mac.com).

This year's AGM will be at the Admiral Vernon on November 6th.

First drink is, as usual on the club. Sandwiches will be provided and on the agenda, amongst other things, will be the election of a new Secretary and Old Git Editor.



Over Veterans FC

10th Anniversary Party

**Over Community Centre
Saturday September 23rd**

Live Music from

OR WOT

+ disco



**Tickets £5
from The Centre (206600)**