

FOOTBALL

Melbourn flying high in the league

Melbourn remain on top of the Cambridgeshire Mead & Plant Division Three A table after a nail-biting 4-3 win at Cherry Hinton A on Saturday.

The visitors came out of the blocks quickly, causing all kinds of trouble to the Cherries' back four, and within a couple of minutes found themselves one up.

Following some excellent work down the right wing from Cameron Short, his cross found Jason Gray who squared to strike partner Danny Moore and his deflected shot found the net.

The Cherries had barely been in the Melbourn half in the first 30 minutes but with their first attack they managed to level the scores when their striker finished well into the corner.

Melbourn didn't panic as they knew it was only a matter of time before they would score again as they were creating lots of chances.

A lovely ball from Ali Flack found Moore outside the box and, with lots of work still to do, he managed to turn three defenders and curl a fine effort home.

Melbourn went 3-1 up halfway through the second half.

Moore's delivery found Gray just inside the box and he volleyed into the roof of the net leaving the keeper no chance.

The Cherries managed to pull a goal back against the run of play.

A shot through a crowd of players found its way into the net.

Melbourn then had Lees to thank for remaining in front.

The Cherries striker latched onto a ball over the top with only the keeper to beat but Lees perfectly timed his tackle to stop the shot from 15 yards out.

Soon after Melbourn hit the Cherries on the counter-attack and Moore was brought down just outside the box.

Webb's sweetly-struck free-kick left the keeper flapping at thin air as the ball hit the net.

Melbourn thought it was game over but the Cherries had other ideas.

A long-range effort found the bottom corner setting up a nervy couple of minutes but Melbourn saw the game out and deservedly picked up all three points.

There was a few stand-out performances from Saturday's game especially from Moore whose skill and pace caused problems all game long.

Also the tireless Short whose strength and energy saw him cover every inch of the pitch a few times over.

Melbourn are in cup action on Saturday as they host Steeple Reserves.

Royston archers welcome European guests to Heath



■ Left to right: Michael Wright (chairman of Royston Heath Archery Club), Michael Soeder and Martin Trebing from Großalmerode Bogensport and Markus TobiAnacker (chairman of the Großalmerode Twinning Association).

ARCHERY

As part of the town twinning event from Großalmerode at the weekend, several of the German town's archers visited England and made contact with Royston Heath Archery Club.

The archers met on the Heath on Saturday afternoon and took part in a shoot.

Royston's guests were apparently more used to field shooting and shooting 3D targets in more of a woodland setting but the club intro-

duced them to target shooting which they enjoyed.

The visitors presented Royston with a trophy which they intend to use as the prize for the most improved archer of the year.

Elsewhere, Royston's archers have finished top in both of their leagues in this year's Selby Postal competition.

Royston recurve A team won League 10, winning four matches with just one loss.

The recurve B squad won League 17 with five wins out of five. Both teams have been promoted.

Unfortunately the club's compound team won two and lost three this season, ending mid-table.

The Royston recurve archers also fared better than last year in the Hertfordshire Summer Short Metric League, finishing fourth out of nine teams.

Two Royston archers, Michael Wright and Jack Corps, have achieved Bowman classification this year which puts them into the top 15 per cent in the country.

Corps is currently ranked 115 in the 2016 Archery GB Target Archery National Rankings.

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Greneway surge back to advance in the cup

Greneway Middle School's Year 7 boys kept up their unbeaten start to the season as they defeated Robert Bloomfield School 2-1 to advance to the National U12 Cup third round.

Bloomfield started the game well and struck first.

Their forward managed to turn quickly in the box and shoot past an unsuspected keeper to find the back of the net.

Greneway responded well with captain Tom Finch starting to dictate the pace of the game with a number of long passes spreading the ball wide to Will Blair on the left and Sam Lynn on the right.

This eventually resulted in Finch finding himself in space 25 yards out where he had time to get his head up and send a dipping shot over the keeper into the top corner.

Soon after, Adam McCormack

got his reward for hard work after he beat the centre-back to the ball in the box only to be tripped with a penalty awarded.

The striker had the courage to pick himself up and slot the penalty home.

Despite some late pressure and a number of shots from distance for the home side they became frustrated as Greneway keeper Ross Gardner seemed to deal with everything with ease and the visitors saw out the win.



■ Greneway Middle School's Year 7 team.

SQUASH

Peterborough hand 1sts hiding

There were two league defeats for Melbourn Squash Club this week.

Melbourn 1sts were beaten 20-3 at Peterborough 2nds in Cambridgeshire League Division One.

The 2nds were also left frustrated as they went down 17-6 at Comberton 2nds in Division Three.

GOLF

Martin takes final win of season

Adam Martin claimed Barkway Park Golf Club's final board competition of the season, winning the Competitors Cup with a score of 38 points.

Simon Hughes was second with 37 and Dave Long came third with 36.

In the seniors' monthly Monday Merit, Jack Tillotson won Division One with 39 points. Barry DeVill was second on 36.

Derek Graves triumphed in Division Two with 36 and Steve Dunn was second with 34.

In the monthly Barker Bowl, Division One was claimed by Charles Compton with 37 points followed by club captain Paul Milne-Smith with 36.

The Division Three title was won by Peter Wilton, his maiden victory, with 34 points with Colin Hamilton a close second on 33.

GOLF

Brown on top at summer stableford

Dave Brown took the Summer Stableford Trophy honours during Heydon Grange Venerables' final away of the year, at East Herts Golf Club on Friday.

Brown won with a score of 33 points, beating David Baker (30) into second place.

Tony Eggs was third with 28.

The nearest the pin in two competition was taken by Martin Lane.

RUGBY UNION

Crows receive home walkover

Royston RFC received a home walkover over Old Actonians in Herts/Middlesex One on Saturday.

The default triumph, the Crows' fourth win of the league campaign, moves them up to fourth in the table.

They travel to Barnet Elizabethans on Saturday.