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## EXCELLENT TEAM WORK LEADS TO 4-2 WIN

## DIABLE, HANLON OUTSTANDING

ST. Margarets 2 INSTITUTE 4

The pitch was wet and greasy at the kick off but both sides settled down quickly. Institute nearly opened the scoring when Chellew headed narrowly wide from a corner on the right. After 5 minutes Inst. did take the lead when a long goal kick from Philliison was headed on by Langford and Regan was on hand to shoot for goal. The ball hit a defender and was deflected over the line.

Minutes later Diable scored a fine goal with a dipping 20 yard shot from an acute angle on the right wing. Hanlon was proving to be a tower of strength in the middle winning the ball time and time again. Diable was proving to be a 'thorn' in the St. Margarets defence and he constantly beat his man and pushed through some dangerous passes.

### LANGFORD'S 45th GOAL.

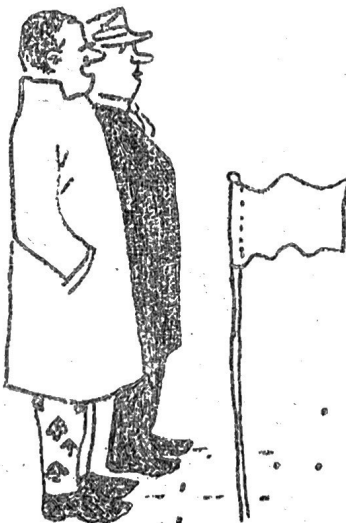
After 15 minutes O'shaughnessy put Warburton clear on the left wing and Warburton split the defence with a brilliant pass that left Langford with the job of beating the goalkeeper. Langford gratefully accepted this opportunity and Inst. took a 3-0 lead. At this stage Institute were playing some grand football, co-operative team work being the outstanding feature.

Freckleton pulled off a great tackle to prevent a St. Margarets breakaway and it was obvious at this point that our success was more complete because all players were covering each other very well. Whenever Hanlon moved forward Johnson or O'shaughnessy plugged the gap and the St. Margarets forwards had little chance to move forward. Halewood again beat the full back and after another fine build up Langford missed a golden opportunity of scoring number 4. Further frustration came our way when Langford, Regan and Halewood worked the ball into the opposition penalty area, the ball eventually thudding against the crossbar. Philliison came out well to save a long through ball, but because Hanlon gave the opposition forwards no time on the ball St. Margarets shots at goal were few. 5 minutes from the interval St. Margarets reduced the lead when a fine save by Phillipson rebounded to a forward's feet and he made no

### mistake from ten yards. DIABLE CREATES CHANCES.

Towards the end of the first half Diable played at his best creating many chances with accurate passes and strong running.

Just before the interval Freckleton saved his side by playing a St. Margarets winger offside when danger was threatening.



### STOP PRESS.

Special cup tie  
edition on  
Thursday. Reports  
of YEW TREE 2  
INSTITUTE 3  
AND 3rd YEAR  
V. HIGHFIELD.

IT WOULD TAKE SOMETHING DRASTIC TO STOP ME  
TURNING UP TO WATCH INSTITUTE 3rd YEARS.

St. Margarets forced their way back into the game shortly after the second half commenced. A long shot evaded Phillipson and now our lead was reduced to one goal. Freckleton who had taken a hard knock in the first half was replaced by Harrison and shortly after Lawson replaced Langford at centre forward.

Chellew saved the side with a fine tackle when a St. Margarets forward broke clear. Institute were still pushing forward looking for the fourth goal to clinch the game. Diable headed into the side netting and after a Harrison free kick had put us under unnecessary pressure Lawson broke clear down the left flank showing a good burst of speed.

#### LAWSON'S GOAL

It was left to Lawson to score the goal that effectively ended the game. Regan passed to Diable, who again pushed through a superb pass to Lawson standing 10 yards out from goal. He turned on the ball and with the minimum of fuss slammed the leather home. This was a fine moment for Lawson and the team for this kick sealed St. Margarets fate. Warburton had a good shot saved and then Harrison broke up the last attack of an exciting, clean and very fair game.

The man of the match was Hanlon. His hard running and timely tackling gave the St. Margarets players no time to settle on the ball. Hanlon was running just as hard in the last minute as he was in the first.

This game was on par with our excellent 4-1 win at New Heys last season

RATINGS. Phillipson 8 Chellew 9 Freckleton (withdrawn) 8  
O'shaughnessy 8 Johnson 8 Hanlon 10 Halewood 9 Warburton 8  
Langford 8 Diable 10 Regan 8 Lawson 8 Harrison 8

#### Season 1976-77

|               |      |   |   |          |                      |
|---------------|------|---|---|----------|----------------------|
| Ruffwood      | Away | 2 | 3 | Langford | Warburton            |
| Bluecoat      | Home | 4 | 1 | Diable 2 | Langford Regan       |
| St. Margarets | Away | 4 | 2 | Diable   | Langford Lawson O.G. |

## MR COOKES COLUMN

Tonight the 3rd years start the cup trail. The game is at Highfield. The team. Phillipson (Roberts) Chellew Freckleton O'shaughnessy Johnson Hanlon Halewood Warburton Langford Diable Regan Subs. Lawson Harrison.

The school first XI were defeated in their cup match last Saturday. It was a close game against Cantril Farm and the final score was 2-1. The team showed much more spirit than in previous games and it is hoped that they can now move up the school league table.

The staff XI shared 12 goals with the Polytechnic last week. Who said football was dull. In fact the staff football team would do much better if a certain two members of the team got to bed earlier on Friday nights. The next staff game will be fully reported in a future edition. Which reminds me- any boys who wish to have any contributions printed let me have them as soon as possible. Remember this is your paper so lets have some contributions.

Here is an equation in Roman numerals, constructed with match sticks. The only trouble is its wrong. Can you put it right by moving only one match? Only ONE match remember. A prize for the winner.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{X} \quad \text{X} \quad \text{III} \\ \hline \text{VII} \end{array} = \text{II}$$

Thats all for now see you in the next edition.

RJ Cooke EDITOR.

# B TEAM LET GAME SLIP AWAY AFTER A COMMANDING START.

S.F.X. 8 Institute 2 Pimblett. Warburton.

Roberts inspired confidence right from the kick off when he advanced from his goal to take the ball from the feet of an SFX. forward. The start of the game was fast and full of action. Nancollis showed a turn of speed down the right flank and Bostock was dominant in defence. After 10 minutes Mansley forced his way through and the rebound of his shot was cracked into the net by PIMBLETT.

This goal was followed by heavy Institute pressure and several other goals could easily have followed. Mansley and Pimblett were playing particularly well and in midfield Hassell was getting through a lot of good work. At this stage it would have been very difficult to imagine a final score of 8-2. The rot set in from a set piece: A free kick was headed into our goal while everyone stood and watched. Bostock limped off the field shortly after and Rogers replaced him. Roberts made another fine save and Hassell and Warburton played some neat football in midfield. Whalley took over from Lawson at centre half, Lawson moving to right back. The captain, McGee produced a 'gem' of a pass that split the entire defence and gave Mansley a chance to score. Unfortunately the ball did not 'break' for Mansley and the chance was lost. This was most unfortunate for almost immediately SFX broke clear and although Roberts made a brave attempt SFX took a surprise lead.

Mansley almost equalised with a header but our fortunes took another knock near the interval when the defence allowed an SFX attacker to run from the half way line and give Roberts no chance with a hard shot. Ventre took over from Stuart who had played very well in the first half despite the fact he was wearing pumps. Ventre got stuck in right away and for the first five minutes it looked as if we were going to get back on equal terms. It was now that the whole game ran away from us and SFX scored another 4 goals, mainly because of poor defensive covering. Roberts stood little chance. Lawson stood out in the later stages of the game and on several occasions he played his side out of trouble with good football ability. Near the end Warburton volleyed a centre into the net and with the last kick of the game SFX scored from a twice taken penalty.

The B team will not be despondant after this setback for they know they have the ability to defeat most sides. Another chance to 'crack' the SFX team will come later in the season.

|          |            |             |              |                       |
|----------|------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Ratings. | Roberts 8  | Whalley 6½  | Stuart 7     | Bostock 7 (withdrawn) |
| Lawson 8 | Hassell 9  | Nancollis 6 | Warburton 6½ | Mansley 6½            |
| McGee 6  | Pimblett 7 | Rogers 6    | Ventre 6½.   |                       |

## FIRST YEARS HIT FOR FIVE

The First Years gave a disappointing performance on Saturday in going down 5-0 to a useful St. Margarets side. After an even first ten minutes St. Margarets took the lead when Jamieson unluckily deflected the ball into his own goal. A second goal soon followed after some terrible marking by the Institute defenders. Only good work by O'mara in the Institute goal kept the score down to two at half time. St. Margarets added two early in the second half and then Institute had the best spell of the match, pushing St. Margarets back and going close to scoring on several occasions, actually hitting the crossbar. Just before the end St. Margarets broke away and scored a fifth goal.

|       |        |          |        |          |          |        |         |
|-------|--------|----------|--------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| Team. | O'mara | Sillitoe | Eyo    | Flynn    | Jamieson | Carter | Parry   |
|       | Bailey | Lintott  | Wright | Flanagan | Subs.    | Wells  | Fearon. |

WIGGINS(8)  
 HOLDEN(9) HARPER(10) JARMAN(10) FOULKES(9)  
 VIRTUE(8) MITCHELL(capt.)(9) MANIFOLD(8)  
 LAWLOR(8) CURLETT(8) WOODS(9)

SUBS : CONNEELY, DERBYSHIRE, WAYDOCK.

Institute completed their second consecutive 5-0 victory with an impressive all-round performance, in which everyone performed with credit, and several with distinction. Although the score indicated an impressive attacking display, the feature of the play was the impenetrable defence, and this led me to award top marks this week to the two central defenders. An indication of their invincibility is that Wiggins did not have a single shot to save! Let us remember that St. Margarets are a fair side which reached the last four of the Cup last year. Only for a short period in the second half did they come into the match.

The pitch was wet, but fairly firm and we were able to play some clever and speedy football. The first goal came from Curlett and the second was the best of the game. The ball was played out to Woods on the left wing; he went round his full-back as if he was not there, moved into the area and hit a perfect centre for Lawlor to put the ball away. This was a classic piece of wing play which will hopefully inspire the team to get round the back more often: a defence on the turn obviously finds it more difficult to clear the ball. Getting to the by-line and pulling the ball back usually pays off. It was 2-0 at half-time.

A player had been put on to mark Mitchell who was controlling the play in midfield, but he was to join the ranks of players who have tried this but failed miserably, and Mitchell continued to direct the play. St. Margarets came out with determination in the second half, but could not penetrate the defence, with Holden and Foulkes blotting out their wingers - I might almost say as usual. Harper and Jarman covered each other superbly, both immensely strong in the tackle. Once again both found time to stride forward on occasions and Jarman almost scored with a powerful shot from outside the area.

The third goal fell to Woods, who was put through the middle and pushed the ball calmly past the advancing keeper from the edge of the area - a just reward for a much-improved player. Curlett had been injured in the first half and was now replaced by Conneely who, almost with his first touch of the ball scored the fourth goal, when cutting in from the left to side-foot past the keeper. St. Margarets were now completely demoralized and Manifold put away the fifth goal; many thought he was off-side, as there were no defenders near him; however I judged that a full-back on the far side of the field was playing him on.

The midfield knitted well together to create the goal opportunities, with Mitchell as prominent as ever, and Virtue supplying at least one of the goal passes. Woods was in top form, and Lawlor teased the full-back on many occasions. But the memory remains of an exceptional defence; it will take a very good forward to get any change out of these lads.

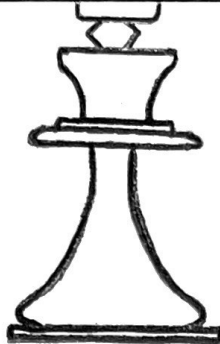
Now for St. Kevin!

SCORERS:

|          |   |          |   |
|----------|---|----------|---|
| CURLETT  | 4 | MITCHELL | 1 |
| MANIFOLD | 3 | CONNEELY | 1 |
| WOODS    | 2 |          |   |
| LAWLOR   | 2 |          |   |

It appears that St. Margaret Mary will be our opponents in the 2nd. Round of the Cup. We may arrange this match for next week after school.

K.W.  
W.R.



There will be a Football News knockout chess competition played this term. The final will be played at the end of term. Below you will find details of the competition and how you can go about entering. The winner will receive a trophy 'The Football News Chess Cup'.

## RULES.

The competition will be played on a knockout basis.  
 The winner of each match will move into the next round.  
 The pairings in each round will be decided by drawing names out of a hat.  
 Each match will be the best of a series of three games.  
 The competition is open to 1st 2nd and 3rd form boys only.  
 The boys involved in any match are responsible for providing their own chess set (school chess club might help here) (also one set will be available in room 33)  
 The games must be played in boys own time (again the school chess club might help or room 33 will be available at lunch hour)  
 The competitors will play the match without outside interference.  
 Any complaints of breach of rules must be reported to the editor.  
 The winner of each match must inform the editor as soon as the match is over.  
 The draws and round by round progress will be shown each week in the Football News.  
 Further information next week. If you wish to enter for this competition you must complete the slip in this edition and hand it to Mr. Cooke by Friday. Only entries on the official slip will be accepted.

## SCHOOL LEAGUE TABLE

I have decided to include in each edition a league table showing the comparative performances of the five school teams. Here is the first

|               | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | Goals for | Against | Pts |
|---------------|--------|-----|-------|------|-----------|---------|-----|
| 2nd Years     | 3      | 3   | 0     | 0    | 13        | 1       | 6   |
| 3rd Years     | 3      | 2   | 0     | 1    | 10        | 6       | 4   |
| 4th Years     | 3      | 2   | 0     | 1    | 9         | 6       | 4   |
| 1st Years     | 3      | 0   | 1     | 2    | 5         | 12      | 1   |
| 5th & 6 Years | 2      | 0   | 0     | 2    | 2         | 13      | 0   |

## LEAGUE GAMES ONLY.

are here:

I wish to enter the Football News Chess competition. I agree to abide by the rules of the competition.

Name..... Form.....