

**07/11/05 TT No.100: *Barry Neighbour* - Metropolitan Police (Ryman League Division 1) and Buntingford Town (HSCLP) in FLT Rd1**

Friday 4th November 2005, **Metropolitan Police** 3 Whyteleaf 1, Ryman Division 1, Att: 165, Rating: 3\*, 20-page programme (10 Pages Adverts) included in £8 Admission. Met Police have a nice stand down 3/4 of the pitch and covering the full length behind one goal with the other two sides being open. The ground was neat and tidy which you would expect from the Police. The game itself saw Whyteleaf looking the better team throughout and fully deserved their 1-0 half-time lead. Defensive errors in the 2nd half cost the visitors dearly as 'Leaf's' keeper could only parry a vicious shot out to the foot of Mets forward to sweep in the equalizer. Another loose ball which Whyteleaf failed to clear was converted to make it 2-1. The third came in the last minute when the visitors again failed to deal with a cross and it was scrambled in. An interesting feature was the amount of use of the F word coming from the home bench; and this from the authorities who are supposed to be clamping down on such language!!

Saturday 5th November 2005, **Buntingford Town** 3 Markyate 0, Anagram Records Feeder League Trophy Round 1, Attendance: 40 (Headcount), Rating: 3\*, 16 page programme by donation. Buntingford have a nice set up which is easily found of the A10 to the south of the town. If they can secure a longer lease then I am sure they could progress through the leagues. The clubhouse has a balcony which gives a pleasant elevated view of the action. Buntingford were always on top of their South Midlands League opponents and led 1-0 at half-time. Two more goals in the 2nd half secured progress to the next round although the margin should have been higher; credit must go to a young Markyate team who never stopped battling despite looking outclassed on the day.

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