

TT No.95: *Barry Neighbour* - Saturday 16th December 2006; **Ifield Edwards 1** Haywards Heath Town 2; Sussex County League Division 3; Attendance: 32; Rating: 4*; Programme: 36 pages, £1.

On a Sunny but crisp day, Ifield Edwards and Haywards Heath provided an entertaining afternoon of football on a very sticky pitch. It was the home side that took a deserved lead after 26 minutes when a left-wing cross was converted from six yards. Despite Ifield creating a number of chances to extend their lead it was the visitors who drew level on the stroke of half-time when the ball was stabbed over the line at the fourth attempt. Ifield pushed forward in the second half pinning Heath back for long periods but they defended resolutely. With ten minutes to go a through ball was threaded through to a Hayward forward who, with the keeper just to beat, kept his composure and calmly stroked it making the score 2-1. Ifield threw everything forward but could not find a way through the visitor's defence.

Ifield Edwards is an amalgamation of former Sussex League side Ifield who used to play on an open park just around the corner and Edwards Sports Club whose ground it is that they now use. A comfortable clubhouse has a large patio area in front of it by the pitch. As well as the excellent programme, the kitchen was open selling hot food and salad filled rolls. An excellent effort for a club at this level.