

**TT No.83: Bob Davies** - Sat 9th October 2010; **Herts/Beds Double** feat. **Watford FC U18** v Tottenham Hotspur U18 (FA Premier Academy League) and **Biggleswade United** v Chalfont St Peter (South Midlands League Prem Division).

**MATCH 1 - Watford U18** v Tottenham HotspurU18; The FA Premier Academy League; played at UCL Sports ground, London Colney; Result: 3-1; Admission; NIL, Team sheet; not today! hot drinks; available.

Lucky I was early for this one as it kicked off at 10.30am when both websites quoted 11am. My first game in this League for some seasons and an enjoyable match played in misty conditions at UCL, London Colney. The first half was goal less but entertaining, plenty of good football but very little in the way of chances with Watford looking the more likely to break the deadlock. The second half saw Spurs in the ascendency but couldn't open the scoring. Against the run of play it was Watford that scored on 62m through substitute Bernard Mensah at the far post. It looked as if that might prove the only goal but a late flurry in the last six minutes saw Watford's Sean Murray extend the lead on 87m with a glorious low drive from distance. Spurs pulled one back in stoppage time, Angor Lee on target but Watford had the last word with a Gavin Massey strike a minute later.

Managed to get both teams from a very helpful Watford official and they may have team sheets available in the near future.

**MATCH 2 - Biggleswade United** v Chalfont St Peter; Spartan South Midlands League Premier Division; Result: 1-4; Attendance: 60ish; Admission £5 incl. programme.

Chalfont St Peter came to Biggleswade as League leaders boasting a 100% record from 11 games. United however were not overawed by this and took the game to the visitors after conceding a goal on 4m. From then on it Biggleswade who claimed territorial advantage for much of the half. They drew level from the penalty spot on 26m but lost their goalkeeper with an injury on the half hour.

A couple of concisely finished goals from Chalfont saw them ahead at the break. Much of the same in the second half with Chalfont being denied by substitute keeper on three occasions. The home side continued to play good football but couldn't find a breakthrough and it was Chalfont that scored the only goal of the second half with seven minutes remaining. A slight flattering score-line for the League leaders and an encouraging performance from Biggleswade.