

TT No.139: *Andy Molden* - Sat 6th April 2013; **Hawkesmill Sports & Social v Jet Blades**; Coventry Alliance Premier; Result: 1-2; Attendance: 16.

I really like this league and as usual I got a cracking game of a high standard. All three goals were great, three of the best I have seen all season. The first to Jet Blades a run down the right wing by their nippy winger beating 3 or 4 defenders, crossed from the bye line and the on coming forward stroked the ball into the net. The equaliser in injury time in the first half a cracking shot along the ground from 25 yards. The winning in the 2nd half a stunning free kick from 30 yards leaving the keeper grasping thin air.

As usual in the top division of the Coventry Alliance there were three officials appointed all had very good games, had a chat to the two linos both were very friendly and helpful chaps. Game kicked off when it was meant to and ended when it was meant to. Never seem to get a dud in this league, nice pleasant day all round.

The ground is very good, down a long track off of Hawkesmill Lane in the leafy north west of Coventry. Fully railed and roped off, dug-outs and a nice social club behind the goal. Everyone from both teams very pleasant, the homesters manager is Lloyd McGrath the ex-Coventry player who runs a soccer school at the ground.

The standard of play was higher than the step 5 game I saw on Monday. The Coventry Alliance appears to be another league that is not that interested in the Pyramid and appears to be all the better for it. Glad most of this league is only an hour or so from home as it is one well worth doing on a regular basis, the more I see of this league I do wonder if this is the way forward for much of non-league football and not the Pyramid System that seems to bankrupt so many clubs.

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