

TT No.151: *Brian Buck* - Monday 6th May 2019; **Old Bradwell United** v Pitstone & Ivinghoe; Spartan South Midlands League Division 1; Kick-Off: 3pm; Result: 1-0; Attendance 104.

I started off the day by watching an entertaining local cup final at Colney Heath. Next it was off to Milton Keynes and this amazing unspoiled village within it. This was my third visit here with the last one coming on 28 August 1995 when today's hosts lost 3-1 to De Havilland in a Minerva Footballs South Midlands League Division 1 Match (attendance: 45 approx.). I must have had a lot of energy in those days as by 3pm that afternoon I was at Bromyard Town, which is about 15 miles west of Worcester!

By contrast today was far more leisurely and after a slow pint I was ready for the start and I stood on the railway side of this railed off three sides ground. As it was the last game of the season for Bradwell they decided to alter some of their teams playing positions and for example their keeper played up front. I got talking to one of their fans who'd seen every game this season and he told me that he didn't recognise three of their players. So, what we got was a no friction game as the visitors entered into the spirit of the afternoon as well. However, after the break both sides seemed to take it more seriously and on 63 minutes, we witnessed the only goal of the match when from a ball nodded down from a cross was stabbed home by the scorer with the outside of his boot.

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