

**TT No.6: *Brian Buck*** - Saturday 20th July 2019; **Weston v Foxton**; Friendly Match; Kick-Off: 11am; Result: 1-4; Attendance: 25 approx.

A revisit here was long overdue as my only other appearance occurred on 4th April 1989 when I saw the then called Weston United lose 8-0 to Peartree in a North Herts League Division 2 match. I recall that the game was played out in dreadful conditions and it snowed throughout the whole match. I was hoping that it would get abandoned but they just played on.

Today I arrived with about fifteen minutes to spare. There's no car park here, so it was street parking and then a long walk down a track by the village hall until I arrived at what was basically a pitch hewn out of a field full of long grass. In one corner there were some newish looking wooden changing rooms, complete with an overhang, to shelter under should there be rain. It nearly did but gradually the dark clouds disappeared and it got warmer. This was a rather one-sided match. Weston were unable to match the abilities of Foxton and they only had a few subs. The fact that they argued with each other from time to time didn't help either. Foxton were 3-0 up at the break. However, Weston did start the second half better and pulled a goal back, despite the mother of one the Foxton players claiming that there was an offside in the build-up. Then two minutes before Foxton got the final goal of the game, on 66 minutes, we witnessed an unusual incident in that when Foxton were awarded a spot kick for handball the player taking it hit the post with his shot. The ball rebounded to him and this time he tucked it away. The ref rightly disallowed the goal because the same player had touched the ball twice. One law of the game which hasn't changed this season!

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