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**TT No.80: Steve Hardy** - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2019; **Allextion & New Parks U21** v Nuneaton Borough U21; Midland League U21 Division East; Kick-Off:10.30am; Result: 5-2; Admission: Free; Programme: No; Attendance: 12 h/c.

A cheeky 3G double in Leicester for me today, starting with a visit to the New Parks area of the city for this U21s game in the Midland League.

The club address is New College Leicester, although the football club are based next door to the College and a very impressive set-up they have indeed. Turning off the Glenfield Road you enter a decent sized car park with the clubhouse and changing rooms in front of you. Directly behind the clubhouse is the floodlit 3G pitch we used today, and to the right of that is a floodlit grass pitch which is fully railed off with a concrete path all the way round it. My guess is that the Senior Allextion team use the grass pitch as a default, and switch to the 3G when the grass pitch is unplayable as it was today.

The match itself was excellent with Allextion racing to a 3-0 lead by half time, including a route one goal that Wimbledon would have been proud of. A long punt upfield from the keeper was met perfectly by the Allextion attacker who deftly chipped it over the keeper's head. It was 4-0 immediately after half time before Nuneaton pulled one back on 57 minutes. No chance of building on that goal though as Allextion scored their 5<sup>th</sup> two minutes later before Nuneaton got a second on 67 minutes.

Spectators were allowed inside the cage, so I was able to take a few photos from different angles, and my thanks go to Secretary Maurice Allen who was really helpful in confirming the game was on during the week.

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