

Wednesday 5th November 2014

BISHOP'S STORTFORD 7, BURNHAM RAMBLERS 0
(FOOTBALL CONFERENCE YOUTH ALLIANCE – ESSEX/HERTS
DIVISION)

Five goals up with ten minutes still left before half time the Blues Academy side comfortably took the points in this fixture at the ProKit UK Stadium to get back to winning ways.

Heavy rain showers before the kick-off made for very wet conditions underfoot but this didn't deter the Blues who soon found a quick positive tempo. Lukeman Agbomabiwon and Ben Smith had already gone close to scoring in the early stages before they went a goal up in the 12th minute. **JACK ISHERWOOD** chased a through ball down the middle and netted with a low shot past the advancing keeper Sean King (1-0).

The second goal arrived seven minutes later with an excellent long ball forward from Bryn Thorpe into the right side of the box finding Aaron Thomas who cut it back for **ISHERWOOD** to score from ten yards (2-0). Blues' keeper Declan Button saved a shot from Ramblers' Joe Calvert at his left hand upright but **AARON THOMAS** got on the scoresheet in the 23rd minute when he broke on the right and ran on unchallenged to net with an angled effort (3-0).

Jack Isherwood went close to adding another goal and Thomas had a shot saved after a fine move before Stortford notched their fourth goal after 29 minutes. Ben Smith and Ben James combined on the left and Smith provided the cross for **RENE LEACOCK** to turn in from close range and celebrate scoring on his 18th birthday (4-0).

Declan Button made a good blocking save to deny striker Charlie Burns and then at the other end the Blues registered their fifth goal in the 35th minute. Lukeman Agbomabiwon found Alex Warman with a deep cross to the right flank and the full back crossed for **JACK ISHERWOOD** to head in for his hat-trick (5-0).

Half time: 5-0

Isherwood had another goal disallowed for offside shortly after the restart but the visitors strung some useful moves together and Brandon Scorey went close twice firstly when Button saved well diving to his left and then when Scorey was left with a one-on-one situation with the keeper the striker placed his shot a foot wide of the post.

Isherwood headed against the post in the 54th minute following a cross from the left by Bryn Thorpe and Ben James struck a rising effort over the bar from the edge of the area.

Jack Isherwood saw his long range effort pushed over the bar in the 77th minute by the keeper and then four minutes later Stortford reached the half dozen from the penalty spot. A cross field pass from substitute Mason Naylor reached **BEN SMITH** who advanced into the box and was brought down by Ramblers' Matthew Baker and Smith scored himself from the spot (6-0).

Isherwood had another shot tipped over before having a hand in the final goal in the 86th minute. The Blues' skipper intercepted a pass and sent **BEN SMITH** away to score from an angle with the aid of a deflection off of a defender (7-0).

Full time: 7-0

BISHOP'S STORTFORD: Declan Button; Alex Warman; Louis Monk (sub – Danny Palmer 60 mins); Lukeman Agbomabiwon; Alex Askri; Bryn Thorpe; Ben Smith; Aaron Thomas (sub – Stephen Robinson 72 mins); Jack Isherwood; Ben James (sub – Mason Naylor 60 mins); Rene Leacock.

Unused substitutes: None