

RAF Football Association - E-Bulletin

RAF MDS 5 – ICARUS 0 – Played at Oxhey Jets FC



A fixture played at The Boundary Stadium home of Spartan South Premier League side Oxhey Jets Football Club saw the RAF's youngsters pitched up against RAF's Officer Team RAF Icarus. The game started at a frenetic pace with both sides fighting to take control but it was the U23's who broke the deadlock in the 12th minute with a cross from the right Icarus struggled to clear and it was Joe Spalding who reacted first to toe the ball into the bottom corner. 1-0 RAF MDS. The second followed soon after with Spalding again latching onto an under hit back pass taking it around the Icarus keeper and despite a valiant effort from Icarus centre back Ben Burton slotted home. 2-0 RAF MDS.



The second goal seemed to wake up the officer team who controlled a nice bit of possession and started to create a few chances from Dylan Kay the best of which coming from the very impressive Ash Davis, the Icarus forward being put through of the left hand side of the area forcing a good save from the U23's No 1 James Rutherford.

At 2-0 the game could've been all but over from a cross from the left hand side, a point blank header from Ryan Priddle forcing an outstanding save from Mark Bowden in the Icarus goal

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earning a hugely impressive 100th cap. Game in the balance it was the U23's who took advantage of the extra man following the sin bin of Dan Wright when Spalding rounded off a first half hattrick being put through on goal by the equally impressive Sam Beales making his U23 debut and slotting home. 3-0 RAF MDS.



The second saw a scrappy start with both teams making multiple changes and it was one of the substitutes next to get on the score sheet, good work from Jake Robinson up the right-hand side driving a low cross and James Bayliss with a first time finish in off the post. 4-0 RAF MDS. With some guilt edged chances missed from the U23's the scoring was rounded off with Kyle Willis cross from the right who used his initiative to pull a ball to the edge of the box for a shot at goal forcing a good save from Ryan Bradshaw and it was the U23's centre back Tom Palmer on hand to drive the ball home. 5-0 RAF MDS.

A game played in tremendous spirit and competition saw promising displays on both sides.

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