

News and Views

The clubs ambitions of securing funding from the Football Foundation for a new pitch & facilities took a blow recently when it was announced that funding of schemes was being cut back to a maximum of 50% of project costs due to the current economic climate.

The race night held by the club recently at the village hall was a big success & raised £770 which is to be put towards the cost of the goalposts purchased & the new pitch fund. A big thank you to everyone who helped on the night.

The severe weather severely disrupted fixtures in February with no match possible until the third Saturday. It still seems that the league give the club a lot of home matches in January & February which could make the pitch suffer & the club are to ask the league to balance the home & away matches at this time of year next season.

As the league has now signed up to the F.A. respect campaign the team captain has to wear a respect armband on matchdays & introduce himself to the referee fifteen minutes before kick off with the team sheet for the match

Statos Corner

DS = Dave Strachan cup

EJT = Essex Junior Trophy

LC = league cup

February 09

21.02.09: Stock v Harold Wood

28.02.09: Stock v Writtle Manor

Ratio: 6:6

W 3-1

L 3-5

Discipline:

Bookings 9

Sending off 1

Top scorers: all competitions

Ray Coe 15

Run of the Mill

Freddie Tully is believed to be working for childrens' TV when he recently turned up for a match wearing a multi coloured t shirt that was last seen on Rainbow back in 1973. Freddie denied the accusation that he hangs about with toys & glove puppets, but couldn't explain why zippy the cushion, bungle the bear & George the hippopotamus were at Mill Lane watching the game.

There is concern that Stuart Pepper is rather too knowledgeable about the gay scene. Before a recent match he spoke in graphic detail about what goes on in the clubs in Brighton & was seen leaving the ground after the match in his skin tight lycra cycling shorts, leather cap & playing the pet shop boys on his car stereo.

Richard Willis has denied he is thinking of becoming a jockey following his success at the club race night. Although he is about the right height, Richard said his whip is only used in the bedroom, he doesn't avoid paying tax & he can't talk in a high pitched irish accent.