# Mid-Somerset Men's II Torbay III

Mid-Somerset made it five consecutive league victories on Saturday with their biggest victory of the season against Torbay.

The current players cannot remember the team having such a successful run, and it more than makes up for the dreadful start to the season, which started with five successive defeats.

Mids started the game in a very determined way and the game was effectively over after 20 minutes, as the home team raced into a four-goal lead. Tim Martin (2), Malcolm Charlton and John Price being the goalscorers. Torbay pulled a goal back through Masters after a short corner routine, but Martin then completed his hat-trick before the interval.

Mids had all the play in the second half, but the Torbay goalkeeper was man-of-thematch, making several good saves. Mids' only reward was a goal from Jon Laurijssen. The team's recent improvement in form will be severely tested on Saturday, as they travel to Exeter to play top-of-the-table Isca. They have the enviable record of winning all but one of their league games this season.

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South East DIV I				
Exeter Univ A13	10	2	1	60
Bridport Hawks13	7	3	3	39
Buldborr Lights70		2	4	46
Mid-Somerset13		1	5	36
ECV Hornets A13			6	38
Taunton CS13	6	1		
Yeovil & Sh B13	5			23
Taunton Vale B13	5	2	6	34
Ottery Crickets A 13	3 4	2	7	28
Torbay A13	3	0	10	19
Bridgwater A13		. 2	9	1
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South East Div I	1						
Isca C	11	10	0	1	58	12	30
Exmouth A	12	7	0	5	30	24	21
North Devon A		5	2	5	43	40	17
Taunton CS A		5	1	5	32	34	16
Minehead A		- 5	1	5	26	30	16
Mid Somerset A.		5	1	6	25	42	16
Yeovil & Sh C		4	2	5	19	26	14
Chudleigh A		4	0	7	22	31	12
Torbay B		2	1	8	19	35	7

### Minehead Men's II Mid-Somerset Men's II

With Minehead pushing for promotion, this was never going to be an easy game for Mid-Somerset.

It was not helped when their goalkeeper failed to turn up and once again it was Paul Salvidge who donned the pads and Jonathan Crees who made the numbers up.

Minehead threw everything at Mids' in the early stages of the game, but it was the visitors who took an unexpected lead when Andy Frampton's good work and cross from the left found his son Rob who scored with a good shot.

At the other end Salvidge denied the Minehead attack and on the one occasion when he was beaten, Colin Crees was on hand with a goal line clearance.

In the second half, Minehead equalised with their first attack,

but after this it was a very even

There was fine midfield play and covering from Jon Sawyer and Rob Frampton while Matt Pope was unlucky not to score with a rasping shot in the last 10 minutes.

Under the circumstances a draw was a fair result. Special thanks to Bob Hinton for umpiring.

## ISCA C Mid-Somerset Men's II

This match, against the runaway league leaders, was never going to be an easy game for Mid-Somerset, especially as the majority of the

side had played in the National Veterans Cup at Sheffield on Sunday and reached the last eight of the competition with a 2-1 victory.

However, Mids defended well to hold ISCA for the first 20 minutes and were unlucky not to have been awarded a penalty stroke when Mike Davis' goal-bound shot was kicked away by an ISCA defender.

The home team responsed with a hat-trick from their centre forward whose clinical finishing was the main defence between the two

The second half produced Mids' only goal of the game. It started with a through ball out of defence by Alan Wilton, a run and cross from Matt Pope on the right wing, leading to a goal for teenager Mike Edmunds.

The final score of 7-1 flattered ISCA but the result ensured their promotion with four more league games still to be played.

South East Div I: Mid Somerset 2
Exeter Hornets A 4, Ottery Crickets A 0
Exeter Univ A 5, Taunton CS 1 Bridport
Hawks 2, Taunton Vale B 0 Bridgwater A 1,
Yeovil B V Torbay App.
South East Div II: Dawlish A 2 Chard A
4, North Devon 8 Bridgwater B 0, Ottery
Crickets B 1 Sidmouth A 1, Seale Hayne 2
Exeter Hornets B 2.
South East Div III: Isca C 7 MidSomerset A 1, Minehead A 1 North Devon A
0, Torbay B 1 Chudleigh A 1, Yeovil C 3
Taunton CS A 2.
South East Div IV: Bridgwater C w/o
Ottery Crickets C 5.0, Dawlish B 3 East
Devon B 4, Exeter Hornets C 5 Minehead B
2, Isca D 6 Taunton CS B 2.

SOUTH EAST DIV I: Exeter Univ A 5 Torbay A 2, Mid-Somerset 3 Bridgwater A 0, Ottery Crickets A 1 Exeter Hornets A 0, Taunton Vale B 5 Taunton CS 3, Yeovil B 1 Bridport

Hawks 3.

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A 1, North Devon 3 Exeter Hornets
B 1, Seale Hayne 2 Chard A 2.

DIV III: Chudleigh A 2 North
Devon A 5, Minehead A 1 MidSomerset A 1, Torbay B 0 Exmouth
A 5, Yeovil C 1 Isca C 4.

DIV IV: Exeter Hornets C 2
Sidmouth B 2, Isca D 1 East Devon
B 2, Taunton CS B 7 Ottery Crickets
C 0.

### Mid-Somerset A **Bridgwater V**

With the second team not having a league fixture, Mid-Somerset arranged to split that team and play half in this clash with a youthful Bridgwater and the other half in a game against Shepton Mallet.

Mids dominated the game and their greater expe-

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rience took its toll.

Tony Holland opened the scoring, skipper Malcolm Chorlton scored a hat-trick, Darryl Livingstone, making a return to club hockey after a two-year absence scored twice, while teenagers Mark Hamlett and Matt Horsham scored one, as did defender Gary Squire.

### Shepton Mallet Men's IV Mid-Somerset III

In the second game at Shepton, Mids once again had a problem with a goalkeeper, but this did not affect

Matt Pope was given the opportunity to play at centre forward and rewarded the team with a brace of goals, while the third came from Steve Dowden.

Shepton scored a consolation goal in the last five minutes, as Mids won the game by three goals to one.

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Exmouth A12		1	5	32	26	. 22	Crickets B 1, Sidm
Minehead A13	7	1	5	31	31	22	Hornets B 1.
Mid-Somerset A14	6	1	7	27	49	19	Sth East Div
North Devon A13	5	2	6	43	41	17	Minehead A 0, N
Yeovil & Sh C13	5	2	6	22	29	17	Exmouth A 1, Ta
Taunton CS A13	5	1	7	35	41	16	Chudleigh A 5, Yeo
Chudleigh A13	4	2	7	25	34	14	Sth East IV: Ex
Torbay B13	2	2	9	20	50	8	Isca C 4, Minehead
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Sth East IV: Exeter Hornets C 2 Isca C 4, Minehead B 1 Taunton CS B 1, Sidmouth B 4 Bridgwater C 0.

South East Div I						
Exeter Univ A14	11	2	1	65	26	35
Bridport Hawks14	8	3	3	41	29	27
ECV Hornets A14	8	1	5	40	28	25
Mid Somerset14	7	2	5	48	27	23
Taunton CS14	6	1	7	40	30	19
Yeovil & Sh B13	5	3	-5	23	26	18
Taunton Vale B14	5	2	7	34	50	17
Ottery Crickets A14	4	2	8	25	44	14
Bridgwater A14	3	2	9	14	37	11
Torbay A13	3	0	10	15	48	9
South East Div II						
North Devon14	11	2	1	62	16	35
Exeter Univ B13		1	1.	64	18	34
Chard A14		0	6	31	39	24
Ottery Cricket's B 14		2	5	32	35	23
Dawlish A14		1	6	36	27	22
Sidmouth A14	6	1	- 7	21	25	19
East Devon A13	. 5	1	- 7	27	33	16
ECV Hornets B14		2	8	22	38	14
Seale-Hayne14	2	2	10	21	47	8
Bridgwater B14	1	2	11	14	52	5
South East Div III						
Isca C12	11	0	1	65	13	33
Exmouth A12		0	5	30	24	21
Minehead A12		1	5	27	30	19
North Devon A13		2	6	43	41	17
Taunton CS A11		1	5	32	34	16
Mid-Somerset A13		1	7	26	49	16
Yeovil & Sh C1	1 4	2	. 5	19	26	14
Chudleigh A12		1	. 7	23	32	13
Torbay B13		2	8	20	36	8

### Chudleigh Men's II Mid-Somerset Men's II

In the final league game of the season, Mids had to call up Mark Hamlett and Graham Miller on the morning of the match for the long trip to Chudleigh.

The home team needed to win to stay

The home team needed to win to stay above the relegation places and attacked Mids at every opportunity.

The back line of four defenders Switzer, Squire, Crees and Salvidge managed to play well and keep the Chudleigh attack at bay.

On the odd occasion that the defence was breaked keeper Charlie Medley.

was breached, keeper Charlie Medley-cott was on hand to clear the danger. A goal-less half-time scoreline was a deserved reward for Mids.

Mids had very few opportunities to score and Chudleigh's pressure was eventually rewarded, when their right winger scored a rather soft goal.

With less than 10 minutes remaining Mids then produced their best move of the game, when Jon Sawyer turned and crashed a shot inside the right-hand post to give Mids an equaliser.

The final score was a one-all draw. Mids' league record for the season was, won six, drawn three, lost seven yielding 21 points for a comfortable final midtable position.

Chudleigh avoided the bottom two places after Taunton Civil Service lost at

South East Division I: Exeter Hornets A 4 Bridgwater A 2, Exeter Univ A 6 Bridgort Hawks 0, Mid Somerset of Taunton CS 2, Ottery Crickets A 2 Torbay A 1.

South East Division II: Bridgwater B 0 Exeter Univ B 6, Exeter Hornets B 3 Chard A 4, North Devon 3 Sidmouth A 0.

South East Division III: Chudleigh A 1 Mid Somerset A 1, Exmouth A 4 Taunton CS A 0, Minehead A 1 Yeovil C 1, Torbay B 3 North Devon A 5.

South East Division IV:

North Devon A5.

South East Division IV:
Bridgwater C 3 Exeter Hornets C 3,
Dawlish B 0 Sidmouth B 0, East
Devon B 13 Minehead B 2.

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South East Div I	FIRE		111	8 0	DHILL		
Exeter Univ A	18	15	2	1	83	32	47
Bridport Hawks	18	11	3	4	48	37	36
Taunton CS	18	9	2	. 7	51	36	29
ECV Hornets A	18	9	2	7	47	35	29
Mid Somerset	18	8	2	8	52	33	26
Ottery Crickets A		7	3	8	34	50	24
Yeovil & Sh B*	17	6	3	8	29	34	21
Taunton Vale B	18	6	2	10	38	57	20
Torbay A*	17	4	1	12	21	57	13
Bridgwater A		3	2	13	18	50	11
South East Div III							
Isca C	18	15	0	1	89	45	30
Exmouth A	16	9	1	6	42	29	28
North Devon A	16	8	2	6	56	47	26
Minehead A	16	7	3	6	33	36	24
Yeovil & Sh C	16	6	3	7	32	35	21
Mid-Somerset A*	15	6	2	7	28	50	20
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# South East Div IV: East Devon B 10 Bridgwater C 1, Ottery Crickets C 4 Exeter Hornets C 3, Taunton CS B 1 Dawlish B 1.

South East Div I: Bridgwater A 4 Taunton CS 3, Bridport Hawks 2 Ottery A 1, Exeter Hornets A 2 Yeovil B 3, Exeter Univ A 1 Mid-Somerset 1, Torbay A 0 Taunton Vale B 2.

Torbay A 0 Taunton Vale B 2.

South East Div II: Chard A 3

East Devon A 2, Exeter Hornets B 3

Ottery Crickets B 6, Exeter Univ B 5

North Devon 1, Sidmouth A 1

Dawlish A 2.

South East Div III: Exmouth A 1 Minehead A 4, Mid-Somerset A 6 Torbay B 1, North Devon A 2 Yeovil C

South East Div I: Bridgwater A 0 Yeovil B 2, Bridport Hawks 2 Taunton Vale B 1, Exeter Hornets A 2 Exeter Univ A 3, Taunton CS 4 Ottery Crickets A 4, Torbay A 2 Mid-

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# Mid Somerset Men's II Yeovil C

When these two teams met back in October there was little to chose between them in a goalless draw, and the return game was very similar.

However, Mids were once again able to keep a clean sheet and managed to score the only goal of the game midway through the first half, to record their sixth league victory of the campaign. A result which saw the two teams swap positions in the

Yeovil had the best chance early on from short corner routine, but after this the Mids backline of Switzer, Squire, Crees and Ballam-Whitfield were rarely troubled.

In midfield Jon Sawyer and Paul Salvidge both prompted several attacks and from one, Sawyer advanced into the D to give himself a goal scoring opportunity which he gratefully accepted.

Mids had other opportunities to increase their lead in the second half, with Davis, Edmonds and Petherbridge all being denied by the Yeovil keeper. This was another good result from Mids, who ended Yeovil's run of three consecutive league victories.