



Mid Somerset seconds player Jim Kench, left, clears the ball during their match with North Devon. Mids won 4-2 which ensured them promotion back to the South East Division Two



Mid-Somerset's A team, before a recent match. Pictured are Chris Tucker, Colin Crees, Jim Kench, Mike Davis, Shaun Plenty, Gary Squire, John Sawyer, Ian Frances, Phil Whitfield, Steve Dowden, Mark Brearey, Alan Wilton and Brian Scott

Mid-Somerset Men's III 4
Chard Men's III 3

Mids' third string grabbed their fourth league win of the season with a thrilling victory over Chard.

All the action was packed into the last 10 minutes of the second half, when mids were losing the game 3-1. The sending off of a Chard player, a penalty stroke and three Mids goals, turned a likely defeat into a well-earned victory.

There was a brace of goals for both veteran John Price and teenager Simon Lord.

Bridgwater Veterans 2
Mid Somerset Veterans 1

Mids only have themselves to blame for failing in their attempt to

reach their first County Veterans Cup final, following their 2-1 defeat by Bridgwater.

Bridgwater ran the show in the first 20 minutes and deservedly took a two-goal lead.

Mids had an opportunity to reduce the arrears with a penalty stroke, but Steve Dowden's shot shaved the wrong side of the post.

The second half saw a far more positive display from the visitors and they showed some of the form

that had taken them to this stage of the competition. Previously they had beaten Weston and Robinsons en-route to this semi-final.

Mids scored from a short corner routine, when Steve Cox's cross was converted by Jon Sawyer, and this routine nearly brought about an equalising goal a few minutes later.

In between keeper Terry Petherbridge pulled off a one-handed reflex save. However, Mids were unable to find a second goal, and it is Bridgwater who will appear in the final later in the month.

The Mid Somerset team that took part in the competition was: Terry Petherbridge, Brian Malone, Alan Wilton; Colin Crees, Ian Francis, Steve Cox, Steve Dowden, Paul Salvidge, Jon Sawyer, Darryl Livingstone and Malcolm Chorlton.

Minehead Men's IV 4
Mid Somerset Men's III 0

Mids Somerset ended their league campaign on a disappointing note, losing 4-0 at Minehead.

The team were only one goal in arrears at half-time, and during the second period had their best opportunities to score. Skipper Malcolm Chorlton hit the post and Gavin Patey had two shots saved by the Minehead keeper.

Man-of-the-match for Mids was 12-year-old Dan Tucker, who had an excellent game at right half.

There was also a farewell appearance from Aussie Dwain Nurse who is returning home next weekend.

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