

**Taunton Vale 3rd XI** 0  
**Mid Somerset 1st XI** 1

Taunton Vale are enjoying their first season at their new impressive Gipsy Lane ground, so Mids were pleased to leave with all three points and maintain their position at the top of South East division one.

For the first 20 minutes Mids played some exceptional hockey and were rewarded when Martin White found Pete McGilvary, who converted the scoring chance in style.

Looking to make up for the one goal deficit Taunton came into the game during the second half, forcing a dozen short corners as they exerted much pressure on the Mids defence. But Mids defended well and created chances of their own, midfielder Andy Berry going close on two occasions. Brian Malone had a good game on the left side of midfield

as Mids held on for a great victory.

On Saturday Mids entertain East Devon at Wells, starting at 1.30pm when they hope to avenge their defeat from earlier in the season.

**Mid Somerset 2nd XI** 1  
**Sidmouth 2nd XI** 1

Sidmouth arrived at Wells lying in second place in the league and having beaten Mids earlier in the season, they were confident of completing the double over the home team. However, Mids put together a fighting performance and with the inclusion of Mike Davis, Terry Petherbridge and Greg Durston, Mids were able to match their opponents and came away with a very creditable draw.

Both goals came early in the second half but Simon Lord did score in the first, yet the umpire had already blown for a short corner and the goal was disallowed.

Mids scored first through Davis, who was presented with a simple opportunity after great work from Petherbridge. But within minutes Sidmouth equalised with the aid of a poor defensive error from the Mids goal-keeper.

The pace of Davis and Pope down the right caused the visitors numerous problems, but Mids were unable to score that vital second goal.

Mids travel to North Devon on Saturday leaving Glastonbury at 11.30am.

**Mid Somerset 3rd XI** 8  
**Easton Devon 4th XI** 0

Mid's thirds recorded their biggest league win of the season by scoring eight goals against East Devon in the pouring rain. This scoreline looked unlikely at half-time as Mids held a slender one goal advantage.

The second half was one-way traffic. Branley had an excellent second half scoring four goals himself, while Patey added his second and teenagers Stephen Tinnion and Lee Richards scored to condone the visitors to an eight goal defeat.

The thirds play Taunton Civil Service on Saturday, leaving Glastonbury at 10.00am.

**Mid Somerset 1st XI** 0  
**East Devon 2nd XI** 0

Bottom of the table East Devon visited Wells on the back of a good victory last week, and managed to stop Mid Somerset from going back to the top of the table with a goalless draw. This result means Mids slip to third place in the league, on goal difference from second placed Exeter Hornets, and one point behind leaders North Devon. There is an important clash on Saturday, when Mids travel to Barnstaple to play the leaders, but they will be without defender Darren Wilson.

He broke a finger against East Devon and will be out for six weeks. Mids best chance in the game fell to striker Pete McGilvary, who raced away to face the keeper in a one against one, but was thwarted when the keeper saved his shot with his helmet.

This was one of a minimal number of chances on goal. East Devon were worthy of sharing the points, while Mids know that they will have to turn half chances into goals, if they want to beat North Devon in the most important match of the season.



Sticky business - Mid-Somerset's Adam Dud in action during his side's 8-0 demolition of East Devon *3rd XI*



Steve Dowden, captain of the Mid Somerset team in action *(ON RIGHT)*

*ANDY BERRY ON LEFT*

**North Devon 2nd XI** 3  
**Mid Somerset 2nd XI** 2

Mids were unlucky to come away from Barnstaple with nothing to show for a good team performance.

They conceded a goal in the last minute of the game, which gave North Devon a victory they did not deserve. It all started so well for Mids when they opened the scoring in the second minute, when a cross from the right by Greg Durston, found Ian Bloomfield unmarked at the far post, to score the opening goal.

Mids dominated the early exchanges particularly with their pace down the right, but threw away the advantage when indecision in the defence, allowed North to score twice in the space of a minute. Mids pressed forward in the second half looking for the equaliser and were rewarded mid way through the half, when they scored a replica of the first goal. This time Matt Pope provided the cross for Bloomfield to score.

Mids thoroughly deserved a point, but conceded a third goal at the end of the game. This Saturday they entertain Yeovil at Wells, starting at 1.30pm.

**Taunton Civil Service 4th XI** 3  
**Mid Somerset 3rd XI** 4

Mids having been thumped 8-0 in the first game between the sides this season, gained revenge with their fourth consecutive victory, in a thrilling game at Taunton.

Dan Poole made his debut in goal, but he was unable to prevent the home side from taking a two goal lead. However, Luke Branley pulled a goal back on the stroke of half time and in the second half Mids took a decisive lead.

Skipper Malcolm Chorlton added the second, Gavin Patey the third and Branley scored his second of the game and his teams fourth. Taunton scored in the dying minutes, but it was too little too late as Mids held on for victory. This Saturday they entertain Torbay at Wells starting at noon.

South East Div I									
North Devon	13	8	3	2	33	18	27		
ECV Hornets A	13	8	2	3	35	25	26		
Mid Somerset	12	8	1	3	30	22	25		
Taunton CS	13	4	6	3	35	29	18		

Bridport Hawks	12	5	1	6	31	27	16		
Taunton Vale B	12	4	3	5	32	27	15		
Torbay A	12	4	3	5	26	32	15		
Bridgwater A	13	3	3	7	24	34	12		
Exeter University B	13	3	2	8	24	37	11		
East Devon A	13	2	4	7	13	32	10		

South East Div II									
Dawlish A	13	10	1	2	71	16	31		
Sidmouth A	13	8	2	3	38	19	26		
Taunton CS A	12	8	1	3	36	23	25		
Ottery Crickets A	13	8	0	5	28	22	24		
Yeovil & Sherb B	12	6	4	2	36	17	22		
North Devon A	13	6	1	6	27	25	19		
ECV Hornets B	13	5	0	8	44	34	15		
Mid Somerset A	12	3	1	8	20	39	10		
Yeovil & Sherb C	12	3	0	9	15	37	9		
Exmouth A	11	0	0	11	4	87	0		

South East Div III									
Exeter University C	12	11	0	1	66	10	33		
East Devon B	11	9	1	1	38	17	28		
Isca D	12	7	0	5	34	23	21		
Bridport Hawks A	10	4	2	4	29	25	13		
Bridgwater B	11	4	0	7	20	29	12		
Chard A	12	4	0	8	18	38	12		
Torbay B	11	3	2	6	23	38	11		
Minehead A	10	3	1	6	12	36	10		
Chudleigh A	11	1	2	8	9	33	5		

South East Div IV									
Torbay C	10	7	2	1	23	11	23		
Dawlish B	11	7	0	4	32	13	21		
Taunton CS B	10	6	0	4	36	15	18		

Minehead B	9	5	0	4	13	16	15		
ECV Hornets C	10	5	0	5	22	29	15		
Seale Hayne	10	4	1	5	15	23	13		
Mid Somerset B	8	2	0	6	19	23	6		
East Devon C	10	1	1	8	8	38	4		