

**Exmouth 2nd XI** 2  
**Mid Somerset 2nd XI** 2

Mids travelled to Exmouth with a much changed team from previous weeks due to injuries, unavailabilities and first team call-ups. Three 14-year-olds, Stephen Tinnion, Jonathan Creees and Ian Whitcombe played and there was a second team league debut for John Wareham. Keeper Mark Seaward was also back after his sojourn in America, and he soon showed his worth in the opening exchanges with two excellent saves.

Both teams scored in the first half, Mids came from a right wing cross from Matt Pope, which was tapped in at the far post by Ian Bloomfield. Mids dominated the second half, but were unable to turn their superiority into goals. A number of chances went begging including a Jon Sawyer penalty-flick, which was saved by the keeper. Exmouth took the lead against the run of play, but Simon Lord salvaged a point for Mids with a strike from the top of the circle.

The seconds entertain Dawlish at Wells on Saturday, starting at 1.30pm.

**Mid Somerset 3rd XI** 9  
**Seale Hayne** 1

The third team's unbeaten run continued in style with a resounding victory over the students from the Seale Hayne Agricultural College. The final score of 9-1 was an exact reversal of the first fixture at Teignmouth earlier in the season.

Mids were three goals to one up at half-time, and the game was fairly even, but the home team ran amok in the second half to record their biggest win of the season.

There were two goals apiece for Malcolm Chorlton, Gavin Patey and Alex Bown and single strikes from Tony Bown, Richard Searle and Lee Richards.

The goalkeeping duties were shared between Dan Poole and Bob Seddon, who played a half each. Seddon made an excellent save in the second half to stop the students scoring a second goal.

Mids entertain Minehead on Saturday, at Wells, starting at 4.30pm.



Players battle for the ball in Saturday's match between Mid Somerset's third team and Seale Hayne

TONY BOWN (R)



Mid Somerset's Martin White (right) in action against Exeter University 3rds

**South-East Division 1**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ECV Hornets A	15	10	2	3	43	27	32
North Devon	15	9	4	2	35	18	31
Mid Somerset	15	9	3	3	31	22	30
Bridport Hawks	14	7	1	6	43	29	22
Taunton CS	15	4	6	5	35	34	18
Taunton Vale B	15	5	3	7	38	38	18
Torbay A	14	4	3	7	29	45	15
Exeter Univ B	15	4	2	9	30	40	14
East Devon A	15	3	5	7	20	33	14
Bridgwater A	15	3	3	9	27	45	12

**South-East Division 2**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dawlish A	15	11	1	3	75	20	34
Taunton CSA	15	11	1	3	51	25	34
Sidmouth A	15	9	2	4	49	24	29
Yeovil & Sh B	14	8	4	2	45	19	28
Ottery Crickets A	15	9	0	6	32	30	27
North Devon A	14	7	1	6	30	27	22
ECV Hornets B	15	6	0	9	50	38	18
Mid Somerset A	14	3	1	10	22	47	10
Yeovil & Sh C	14	3	0	11	15	44	09
Exmouth A	13	0	0	13	06	101	00

**South-East Division 4**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dawlish B	13	9	0	4	37	14	27
Torbay C	12	7	3	2	23	12	24
Taunton CS B	12	6	0	6	40	24	18
Minehead B	11	5	1	5	13	17	16
ECV Hornets C	11	5	0	6	23	33	15
Seale-Hayne	11	4	2	5	16	24	14
Mid Somerset B	10	4	0	6	24	26	12
East Devon C	12	2	2	8	14	40	08

**Yeovil 3rd XI** 1  
**Mid Somerset 2nd XI** 1

This was the most important and last league game of the season for both teams. Mids had to avoid defeat to prevent relegation, while a Yeovil win would relegate Mids and leave the Yeovil 4th team in the Division. With so much at stake, a tight game was inevitable and chances were few and far between. Yeovil did take the lead midway through the first half and Mids then had to play one man short until half time, as Matt Pope left the field injured after a rash challenge. Mids best two chances fell to Gareth Searey, whose shots were smothered by the keeper and Ian Bloomfield.

Back to full strength in the second half, Mids put in a better team performance and equalised after Yeovil failed to clear a short corner. The ball fell to Andy Rogers who hammered the ball into the net from the top of the circle. Mids knew that a draw was good enough to keep them up and they never looked like conceding a second goal. Mids were jubilant as the final whistle blew, retaining their South East Division Two status on goal difference.

Mids 1st XI entertain North Somerset on Saturday, March 23 at 1.30pm. The 2nd XI's game against North Somerset has been...

**East Devon 4th XI** 2  
**Mid Somerset 3rd XI** 0

Mids thirds lost their unbeaten record which started at the turn of the year, in their final league game of the season at Lymestone Camp. Mids took the opportunity to give a number of youngsters some league experience, which included a debut for Sam Patey, brother of Gavin. The team included six 14-year-olds and for the first half managed to match the performance of the much more experienced East Devon side. There were no goals at half time, but the experience of the home side told in the second as the youngsters tired. East Devon scored twice to win by a two goal margin. Despite the score line this was a commendable performance from the Mids youngsters. The team can look back on the last three months with pride. They finished in a comfortable mid-table position after looking relegation certainties at Christmas.

The team travel to Bridgwater on Saturday, leaving Glastonbury at 2.45 pm.



Mid-Somerset 2nd XI (in dark shorts) in action against Dawlish at the Wells Development Centre

RICHARD LORD (L) +  
 IAN BLOOMFIELD (R)