

Tilbury 2

Walthamstow 1

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Following a defeat on penalties in the FA Trophy on Saturday, it was back to league action for Tilbury as we welcomed Walthamstow to Chadfields. George and Jack made just one change to the starting 11 from Saturday, as Soumen Nandi started in place of Jake Brocklebank, who featured amongst the substitutes. The bench also featured two of our U18 players, Freddy Townsend and Zain Hussain.

The Dockers came close to opening the scoring after just 10 minutes when Charlie Stimson's headed flick released Ben Allen down the right. Allen drove past his man and played a square ball to the late-arriving Bobby Rea, but the fullback was denied by a brilliant save from Luke Mewitt.

The deadlock would soon be broken though, as Joe Elliott set up a signature long-throw into the area. The ball was headed on towards the back post, where Bobby Rea came ghosting in to fire home from close range.

The hosts would then double their lead courtesy of Jon Nzengo, who beat the offside trap to latch onto Malaki Toussaint's lobbed pass. Nzengo shrugged off a challenge from the defender before firing home to increase the deficit.

Despite Tilbury's dominance, they were unable to find another cushion, which created a nervy final 10 minutes. Walthamstow pulled a goal back in the 81st minute through Joden Trickett, as the midfielder fired home a rebound from close range following an incredible save from Connor Wheatley.

Tilbury had an opportunity to put the game to bed shortly after, when Ben Allen was played through and advanced into the area. Unfortunately, Luke Mewitt did very well to match the effort and make the save.

That was all the action at Chadfields as Tilbury had picked up their first league win of the season. The Dockers are back in action on Tuesday 15th September when we travel to face

Cambridge City. But if you want to get your football fix before then, our U18's are in FA Youth Cup action this Thursday at 7:30 pm at the EMR Stadium.

SQUAD: Wheatley, Nzengo, Taylor, Winn ©, Elliott, Reeve, Nandi (Fry), Toussaint, Stimson (Barlow), Allen, Rea (Brocklebank).

SUBS UNUSED: Hussain, Townsend.

GOALS: Bobby Rea, Jon Nzengo.