Saffron Walden Town A

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Match Abandoned

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Essex Senior League

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The Dockers got back to winning ways on Saturday with a 2-1 victory on the road to Stanway Rovers. Tonight they had a chance to clinch the league title with a win against Saffron Walden Town. Marc and Liam fielded an unchanged side as we looked for automatic promotion away from home.

Dean Hall came close to finding the opener inside just 6 minutes when he met Oli Spooner's corner. Unfortunately, his header was straight down the keeper's throat.

But it was first blood Saffron Walden who took the lead with a cleverly taken goal kick. Just two simple passes down the right-hand side opened the space for a cross to the back post, where Stanley Leech was waiting to head home.

Instantly after the restart, Shae Hutchinson saw a shot of his blocked by George Powell after some brilliant footwork.

Despite this pressure, The Bloods managed to double their lead courtesy of a wonder strike from Solomon Ofori. His volleyed effort looped over the keeper and flew into the top corner.

After the break, The Dockers got a goal back through Roman Campbell who was on the end of Alfie Fry's perfect outside the boot cross. However, the linesman raised his flag for offside.

Then on around 70 minutes the match was abandoned for an incident by the far side of the stadium. The club will make no further comment on this matter, whilst the authorities investigate.

SQUAD: Girling, Fry, Joynes, McQueen, Hall, Donovan (Osei-Bobie), Spooner, Carter, Bell (Knight), Campbell, Hutchinson.

SUBS UNUSED: North, Browne, Clark.