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The annual Robin Nash Memorial Trophy went the way of East Thurrock after the Dockers had come from 2-0 down.

In front of another impressive pre season crowd, Tilbury nearly went in front after just 30 seconds when David Knight saw his effort well saved by Art Janata

The visitors also went close soon after, when Alfie Cue saw his effort blocked.

East Thurrock took the lead on 22 when Sanusi was denied by Girling, only to see Alfie Cue follow to score. It was then 2-0 10 minutes later when a mistake in the home defence saw Sanusi run through and poke home.

East Thurrock had a good spell, before Tilbury upped their game before the break and scored twice. On 42 David Knight played the ball through to Brian Moses who got in at the far post to score. Just 2 minutes later the Dockers were level when Lewis Smith turned his defender inside out, before being tripped in the box, David Knight scored from the spot.

On 57 East Thurrock scored the all important goal when they were awarded a penalty, after Turpin brought Aileru down. Alfie Cue scored from the spot.

Both sides had their chances to score in a frantic end. In the final 3 minutes Tilbury threw everyone forward. Ayub Kadiri saw his shot well saved by Janata. before Tilbury's Trialist saw an equally good save.

Soon after the final whistle went to see the Rocks retain the trophy.

Tilbury have just one more pre-season game, this coming Saturday, when they travel to Aveley to play rivals Grays Athletic in the Stan Veness Trophy with a 4pm kick off.