

Maldon and Tiptree 4 Tilbury 2 (Att 173)

Maldon and Tilbury served up an exciting game, with the home side coming through as winners after falling behind early on.

Tilbury went into the game with an unchanged line up and made the perfect start when Lewis Smith picked up on a defensive mistake and from 40 yards, chipped over the defence and keeper to score a super goal. A few minutes later Roman Campbell will be disappointed not to extend the lead when he hit over.

The game then turned on its head. On 14 Harry Girling made a finger tip goal line save, before a corner 2 minutes later from the right, saw Malachi Napa sweep the ball home unmarked. Seconds later Roman Campbell headed wide, before Maldon went straight up the other end with Charlee Hughes being put through and beating the offside trap to chip into the net. Despite being behind, Tilbury were very much in the game, with both defences being stretched.

Just before the break, Campbell was bearing down towards goal, before being upended by former Docker Joe Turpin and the resulting free kick by Worrell, saw Lewis Smith head down to Campbell to tap to an empty net for his third consecutive goal.

Tilbury had an early chance in the second half when Ola Ogunwamide ran through, but hit over.

Maldon went in front on 56 when a corner was met by the head of Malachi Napa, who saw Girling make the initial save, before following up to crash home.

Tilbury were reduced to 10 men on 69 when Lee Noble was adjudged to be the last man. Luke Wilson had a bullet header saved on the line with 10 to go, before Maldon broke forward and Harry Taylor crossed to Charlee Hughes who met with his head, for his second.

Maldon took control and returned to winning ways and leaving Tilbury with 3 wins this season.

The result see's Tilbury in 15th spot. Tilbury return to Chadfields on Saturday when they welcome Coggeshall Town.

Team: Girling, Boswell, Worrell (Coombes 62), Allen, Wilson (Fernandes 85), Peart, Noble, Campbell (Mills 85), Spooner, Ogunwamide and Smith

Subs Unused: Morton and Wright