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Easter Monday at Chadfields was the setting for the final El Chavico of the season, as The Dockers hoped to do the double over their local rivals. George and Jack made a couple of changes to the side from Saturday's defeat to Lowestoft, with Dan Trendall, Alfie Fry and Jake Brocklebank all finding themselves in the starting eleven. Issa Sidibe also returned to the squad following an injury he picked up in this very fixture back in December.

Dan Trendall was unfortunately forced off after just 14 minutes, but it handed an opportunity to Issa Sidibe who came on for just his second appearance for Tilbury. And he made an instant impact, giving his side the lead two minutes later with his first touch. The attack came down the right-hand side through Tyler Forbes, who burst past the defender before whipping in a cross for Sidibe to slide in and poke the ball past George Marsh.

The Gravelmen came close to finding an equaliser when Gabriel Chapps' header was flicked goalward, but Billy Lawlor was down quickly to make the save.

Grays continued to apply this pressure after the break, and almost found their reward, when a corner was headed clear but only as far as Jordan Clark on the edge of the area. The former Docker struck a volley on the swivel that hammered off the crossbar and bounced out of harm's way.

In the 70th minute, Soumen Nandi was introduced and looked to make an instant impact, advancing down the right wing. His cut-back found the late-arriving Kieran Jones, but the eventual shot was wide of the target.

In the dying moments, The Blues launched a throw-in into the area, and the ball fell at the feet of Jordan Clark, but he was denied by an incredible save from Billy Lawlor.

That was all the action at Chadfields, and Tilbury had completed the double over Grays. The Dockers are back in action on Saturday 11th April when we travel to face Gorleston in a 3pm kick-off.

SQUAD: Lawlor, Fry, Ward, Reeve, Hayes ©, Elliott, Brocklebank, Toussaint (Winn), Jones (Taylor), Trendall (Sidibe), Forbes (Nandi).

SUBS UNUSED: Odukoya.

GOAL: Issa Sidibe.