

Hullbridge 2  
Tilbury 1  
Tuesday 14th July  
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Tilbury's pre-season campaign continued with a Tuesday evening trip to Hullbridge.

The only chance of the first half fell the way of The Dockers as the ball was played out wide and over the top to Alfie Fry. The full back had just the keeper to beat, but Bobby Mason was out quick to make a good save.

The deadlock was eventually broken in the 58th when former Tilbury defender Jack Hayes committed a foul on the edge of his area. The resultant free-kick was taken by Tyler Forbes, who hammered his strike into the net.

The visitors came close to doubling their lead directly from kick-off, as Soumen Nandi was released down the left wing. Nandi fizzed a ball across, but Tyler Forbes saw his effort cleared off the line.

The Bridge were quick to turn defence into attack and fired home the equaliser with a volley from just inside the box.

Then the hosts found the lead with 25 minutes remaining following a quick attack down the right-hand side. The winger's cross was cut back to the penalty spot and turned home.

That was all the action at Lower Road and Tilbury suffered their first defeat of pre-season. The Dockers are back in action on Saturday 18th July when we travel to face West Essex.