

Anacondas v Vipers Cup Final Game Report

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Saturday 12 March and the Steve Bosdet Memorial Cup Final in the West Sutton Little League at Cheam Recreation Ground. The game was between the inseparable Anacondas V Vipers. They have played three times this season, each taking a win and the middle game being a draw. The game started with both teams at full strength so a full game of 7 a-side was agreed.

As predicted the game was very tight, after chances for both teams a corner for the vipers saw them take the lead, a clearance was closed down and the ball looped into the back of the net. The game continued to ebb and flow, with both teams playing very well. A corner for the Anaconda's after 20 minutes saw the get back on level terms, the cross was played in and half cleared back to the corner taker Tito, who scored from a tight angle. A few minutes later and after some good skill by Alex, a slightly mistimed tackle in the box, was deemed to be a foul by the ever impressive referee and a penalty was given. Alex dusted himself off to convert from the spot to end the half Anaconda's 2-1 Vipers.

The second half begun as the second half ended with some good passing by both teams and some individual skill from Vipers Harry and Anacondas Rudy. Although this was countered by some well timed tackles from Louis (Vipers) and Noah (Anaconda's). Both teams came close to scoring with Robert in goal for Vipers and Alex in goal for Anaconda's it seemed that neither goal keeper was to be beaten. However a corner for the Vipers gave them the opportunity to do just that. The Anaconda's team didn't mark the impressive Harry of the Vipers to turn in at the far post, to grab a well deserved equaliser with five minutes to go.

After 50 minutes of entertaining football extra time was to be played. Seven and a half minutes each way.

After some great play by Harry (Vipers), a somewhat controversial penalty was awarded and this was duly scored and put the Vipers into the lead. The game ebbed and flowed with chances to score by both teams, however as Anaconda's were pushing for an equaliser the Vipers broke and scored a fourth that effectively ended the contest.

A very good effort by both teams and after 1 hour and 5 minutes of non stop excitement and commitment the Vipers took the spoils and lift the cup.

The league Chairman awarded the trophy's, and said "that he always walks around the games being played to watch a few minutes of each game, and he got to the game after one minute, and didn't leave the side of the pitch as he hadn't seen a more keenly fought game in a long time".

As he handed out the trophies to the Anaconda's he noted the defending and tackling of Noah, whilst for the Vipers, he commented that Harry played very well along with the rest of the team.