



Vs Steadfast
14th November 2008,
Stepps, KO 2.00 pm



Strathclyde's second team arrived at Stepps to play their long awaited first league game of the season. With this in mind, the Clyde players were eager to get onto the pitch and put the game to bed against a half decent Stedfast team. A few players had pulled out of the match due to injury, but with access to a large squad, a 12 man pull was chosen with a few first team boys lending a hand after their game. The starting line up included Bassett, Phil, Crossy, Moray, Troy, Muirison, Tam, Ross Wilson, Tinny, Hammy and Donald. The bench featured Paco, Paul Shanta, MacIver and Pikey.

The game kicked off with Stedfast dominating the play right from the whistle, most of the play coming down the right hand side through some good link up play. Strathclyde struggled to get into the game and allowed the opposition to have a few shots on goal, kept at bay thanks to some fine saves from Bassett. The first half saw very few shots from Clyde, Tam coming the closest with two long range efforts.

At the arrival of the break, Strathclyde were lucky not to have conceded and a draw was not a fair reflection on the first half. However, with the aid of some words from Vinny, Clyde managed to pull the finger out and let their true colours shine through, knocking the ball about well and creating countless chances. Midway through the second half, Hammy almost slotted home from a whipped in cross from the right, but was pressured by the defender and keeper, the ball spinning away from the goal a yard out! A few minutes later, big Donald took a knock to his ankle and was replaced by Paco who made a good contribution to the game, getting a few megs under his belt. Shortly after, Hammy was replaced by Paul Shanta to freshen things up. The best chance of the game came to Tinny who cut in from the left, roared down on the keeper, but couldn't manage a finish. The final change of the game saw Tam go off with an injury, introducing Pikey to the action who went up top searching for a goal. The game ended as a goalless draw, although Strathclyde were the better team in the second half and deserved more than a point!!