

SUNDAY 30TH JANUARY 2011
KEN GREEN MEMORIAL CUP 2ND ROUND
ABBOTS BROMLEY FC 1 v 0 CHEADLE TOWN FC

Division 2 side Bromley produced a shock win against First Division Cheadle Town with a determined display which made up for their previous weeks disappointment in the Staffs Sunday Trophy.

With both teams trying to adapt on a difficult surface it was the home side who put their marker down first with efforts from Fearnett and Crooks just going wide.

The first real opportunity of the match came in the 17th minute when Bromley midfielder Parkinson competed for a loose ball with the keeper which fell nicely into the path of Thomas and faced with an empty net saw his shot go wide of the post.

At the other end keeper Tim Jackson was again putting in another commanding display and was kept busy on a number of occasions by the presence of strikers Hewitt and Gavin.

The second half started much as the first had began with the home side the biggest threat. Crooks broke away down the left hand side and picked out striker Thomas at the far post who climbed high to head the ball goal-wards only to see his effort cleared off the line.

Bromley continued to threaten and on 60 minutes took a deserved lead when Parkinson threaded a neat ball through to Thomas and with the keeper advancing towards him saw Cheadle's Carr reach the ball first, only to see it roll past the keeper into his own net.

As expected the visitors had most of the possession for the next 15 minutes but defensive duo John Garlick and Greg Peters performed heroically to keep them at bay.

The game finished frantically with Crooks spurning a good chance to put the tie beyond doubt for the home side and in injury time Cheadle had a penalty claim waved away by the referee, who within seconds blew the final whistle to end a typical cup tie which saw the lower league side advance into the next round.