

## UTTOXETER LEAGUE – SUBSIDIARY CUP

### ABBOTS BROMLEY F.C. 5 v 2 ANCHOR INN SUNDAY 20th MARCH 2011

Not for the first time in their first season Bromley yet again had to come from behind which leaves them heading their group.

The home side didn't take long to settle and after just 9 seconds Olly Crooks fed the ball through to fellow striker James Stevenson, who coolly slotted the ball past the keeper.

Then in the second minute a long ball out of defence found winger Natt Riley who with only the keeper to beat calmly found the corner of the net to bring the visitors back on level terms.

Bromley began to dominate possession and were unlucky not take the lead in the 20<sup>th</sup> minute when Crooks saw a spectacular overhead kick crash against the woodwork but were then stunned 12 minutes later after another long ball evaded the defence and striker Tom Young took full advantage by lobbing Bromley keeper Tim Jackson to give the visitors a lead going into the break.

The second half started with Crooks again seeing a fine effort hit the woodwork but the same striker was rewarded in the 60<sup>th</sup> minute after a scramble in the penalty area saw him poke the ball home to bring his side back into the game.

Bromley then began to take a stranglehold on the game and were soon back in front 3 minutes later when a fine move involving four players left Stevenson on his own to score and claim his second of the match.

The home side looked determined not to lose their grip on the game and were again rewarded in the 71<sup>st</sup> minute when Crooks struck the ball from a difficult angle only to see it flash past the keeper into the roof of the net.

With the visitors looking for a way back into the game Bromley capitalised on some slack marking and in the 81<sup>st</sup> minute Stevenson put substitute Gareth Thomas through who hit a sweet shot past the keeper to put the scoreline beyond doubt.

In the remaining minutes the home side wasted clear cut chances when Thomas, Mark Hurst and Will Parkinson all fired over from close range.

The Steve Gadsby man of the match award went to Bromley striker Olly Crooks.