

Pressure fails to pay off for struggling Tigers

HYDE suffered their third successive defeat on Saturday, yet they gave their best display for several weeks.

However, despite some furious attacking, and the fact they were up against only ten men for most of the match, they were unable to score – a skill the men from Ewen Fields once had in abundance.

In fact, had Marine done better with some of their chances, the margin of defeat would have been wider.

The game was decided after just 12 minutes, when Rick Bainbridge scored with a simple tap-in after the ball had bounced around the area.

All the early pressure was from Hyde, and only a great tackle by Nulty foiled Chris Dolby. Pemberton then produced a great save from Richard Annan, but Marine missed a sitter when

Marine.....1
Hyde United.....0

Neil Sang fired wide with had only Scargill to beat.

Drama followed, ten minutes later, when the Mariners had John Morgan sent off for a dreadful tackle on Paul Richardson.

Paddy Wilson and Lloyd Richardson looked lively, but Scargill had to save brilliantly from Townsend.

A spectacular overhead kick from the same man flashed narrowly wide.

The Tigers were much livelier after the re-start, and Paddy Wilson missed by inches. Don Page was just short of a Darren Esdaille cross.

Paddy Wilson later hit the upright, and Hyde's hopes were dented when Paul Richardson was

stretched off after a collision with keeper Pemberton.

Rigoglioso took the ball round Scargill before rolling the ball towards the net, but the effort was brilliantly cleared by Ces Edey.

Hyde had a great chance of equalising, with minutes left, but the mud in the penalty area foiled Prince Moncrieffe. A Nulty back pass rolled into his path but, with the keeper beaten, Moncrieffe slipped.

Hyde attacked furiously, with the home penalty area looking like the Alamo, but to no avail.

Marine: Pemberton, Nulty, Proctor, Bainbridge, Douglas, Gautrey, Morgan, Sang, Rigoglioso, Townsend, Price. Subs: Camden, Hughes for Douglas (52), Talbot.

Hyde: Scargill 7, G. Wilson 8, Annan 7, P. Richardson 7, Edey 7, Dolby 7, L. Richardson 8, Esdaille 7, P. Wilson 9, Band 7, Page 7. Subs: Washington 7 for Band (74), Moncrieffe 7 for Dolby (57), Taylor 7 for P. Richardson (65).

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