

Pacey gets smile back

THERE were fireworks popping both on and off the pitch on Tuesday, as Droylsden bounced back from Saturday's F.A. Cup disappointments with a super display against their premier division neighbours.

Glum-faced Dave Pacey will have been heartened to see his side's demolition of Hyde, which was as comprehensive as the score suggests.

Despite the muddy pitch, the Bloods made a flying start and, within two minutes, they were denied a penalty when the referee waved away what looked like clear handball in the box by Paul Richardson.

However, the first goal was not long in coming, and came when a long ball from Mark Wright was hooked into Andy Green's path by Wes Kinney.

Green, back in the first team after his six-month ban, was left with a simple tap-in from eight yards.

He then volleyed over, before the Bloods' lead was doubled on 18 minutes.

Dominic Morley poked the ball through to the onrushing Tony Wright, who looked up before lobbing the ball expertly over the helpless Jon Scargill.

The Tigers were sadly lacking in ideas, and

Droylsden.....4
Hyde Utd.....1

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tried in vain to get forward.

Carl Holmes almost punished them with a third goal, but his flick was cleared off the line by Cec Edey.

Two more goals followed within ten minutes of the restart. Green put Holmes through down the right, and Holmes made no mistake with a left-foot piledriver from almost 25 yards.

Then it was Wright's turn to finish off a super whipped-in cross from Holmes.

The Hyde defence was all over the place, and a rout looked on the cards.

However, incredibly, the only further action of note came courtesy of a Paddy Wilson consolation goal, his powerful drive from ten yards squirming under goalkeeper Dave Williams' body.

Droylsden: Williams 7, Taylor 7, Wright M. 8, Ashton 7, Holmes 9, Morley 8, Jones 7, Wright A. 7, Green 8, Kinney 8, Stannard 7. Subs: Hyland 7 for Stannard (66), Hennigan 7 for Green (70), Quinn 6 for Jones (74).

Hyde: Scargill, Wilson G, Annan, Richardson P, Edey, Rodwell, Richardson L, Esdaille, Wilson P, Page. Subs: Haw for Band (64), Moncrieffe for Rodwell (64), Taylor for Richardson (72).

Ref: Andrew Morbin (Sheffield).