

# ROUND-UP

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IT was a case of same old story for Hyde at managerless Bamber Bridge on Tuesday. A massive amount of possession, but the lack of a cutting edge in front of goal.

During the first 15 minutes, the Tigers laid siege to the home goal. Lutel James left defenders for dead, on a number of occasions, only to see his crosses go to waste.

Ged Kimmins sent in a cross, and the ball flashed wide from a Steve Raffell header.

However, it was Raffell who made the crucial mistake in defence, during Bamber's first serious effort on goal. Vickers capitalised by firing in a low shot, which gave Martin Jones no chance.

The Tigers became frustrated at their failure to break down the home defence, and that led to three players receiving yellow cards before half time - Colin Lambert, Val Owen and Paul Varden.

The second half started in the same vein as the first, with constant pressure from the Tigers. Owen and Lambert both shot wide of as the Tigers pressed forward.

David Eaves did have the ball in the net for Bamber, but the goal was ruled out for offside.

Manager Mike McKenzie sent on David Nolan and Paul Snape, for Richard Annan and Paul Varden, in an attempt to achieve the crucial breakthrough.

Nolan was soon in the action, firing in a shot which keeper Greenacre fisted clear.

Hyde's final throw of the dice was to bring on Tommy Murray, with 12 minutes to go and, four minutes later, he provided the finish to a James cross.

As the ball flew across the box, it was Murray who stuck out a leg to give the Tigers a share of the points.

Hyde: Jones 7, Gallagher 6, Annan 6, Wilson 7, Raffell 6, Lambert 6, Kimmins 6, Owen 6, James 7, Varden 6, Switzer 8. Subs: Snape 5 for Varden, Murray 6 for Gallagher, Nolan 6 for Annan.

Bamber Bridge: Greenacre, Brown, Lavelle, Milligan, Sculpher, Woodward, Trainor, Madoc, Vickers, Greenwood, Eaves. Subs Ainscough for Milligan, Walsh, Burnell for Greenwood.

Ref: Graham Belcher (Coniston).