Hyde settle for point

HYDE UNITED warmed up for their F.A. Umbro Trophy trip to Ashton by picking up a hard-fought point at fellow title chasers Boston United on Saturday.

It was another excellent defensive display from the Tigers but, unfortunately, they were not quite as calm in front of goal.

There was plenty of early action to please the large crowd as both teams had chances.

The main danger from the Pilgrims was Leroy Chambers, who looked lively all afternoon. But Hyde were also creative, and Garry Henshaw tested keeper Scargill on a couple of occasions.

However, the best chance fell to Dave Nolan, but his shot was cleared off the line with Scargill beaten.

Tigers' keeper Martin

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Jones, saved brilliantly from a close-range effort from the dangerous Chambers.

Mike McKenzie's men were certainly playing the more cultured football, as the home side were content to rely on an offside trap for the first 45 minutes.

Despite the tricky surface, the Tigers continued to press after the break, and Ged Kimmins should have done better when he blasted high and wide.

The England striker failed to hit the target again, following good work by Nolan – the coming just after Steve Chambers missed a glo-

rious opportunity for the home side.

With Gus Wilson expertly marshalling the Hyde defence, chances were less frequent at that end, although the pacy Chambers did hit the post.

As the game began to approach its close, another good chance went begging for Hyde.

Jason Gallagher's cross found Luton James, but the midfielder failed to hear the call from a perhaps better positioned Tony Carroll, and placed his header wide of the post.

Hyde: Jones 8, Gallagher 8, Pybus 8, Wilson 9, Reid 7, Henshaw 7, Kimmins 7, Owen 7, James 7, Carroll 7, Nolan 8. Subs: Garton, Brockie for Henshaw (75), Donnelly.

Boston: Scargill, Standinge, Withe, Fee, Hardy, S. Chambers, L. Chambers, Appleby, Brown, Cook, Mason. Subs: Hendler (for Mason), Beeson, Armstrong (for Cook).

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