

THE two American pigeon fanciers who were watching their first-ever football match at Ewen Fields, on Monday, knew just what to do with poor performers.

"We shoot ours," drawled one of the Boston birdmen watching a mainly uninspired game with their sponsor friend, David Hulme.

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

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F.A. Trophy first round replay

I wouldn't quite advocate that, but a spell at shooting school might not do the players of either side any harm.

Once again, Hyde should have made it into the second round; but last

tre finishing, and the brilliance of Kevin O'Brien, meant another replay - at Ewen Fields on Monday.

The Tigers won the toss for grounds after an extra-time period that was mainly thud and blunder. Really though, it should all have all been settled before then.

Although Hyde created the lion's share of chances, Marine were no mugs. They should have snatched it deep in the second half but, somehow, Jon Penman blasted into the advertising boards.

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Colin Little had a hand in two chances within five minutes with the game less than a quarter old. The first followed a darting run down the middle, and produced a diving save from keeper O'Brien. Then, he set up Dave Esdaille, but the low angled shot was saved.

Perhaps the best chances came at either end of the second half, and both fell to Iain McLellan.

The half was minutes old when the wind took hold of the ball and made it fall perfectly, for McLellan. Somehow, he headed over from close range.

Then, with time almost up, he produced a spectacular overhead kick that O'Brien superbly pushed around the left-hand post.

Extra time wasn't much to write home about. The Tigers did most of the running, but the attack got little out of the Marine defence.

Amazingly, the visitors could even have snatched one at the death, when the wind held another long ball as Williams was going to collect. Eddie Grant pounced, but the keeper kicked it clear.

Hyde: Williams 7, Gallagher 7, Switzer 7, Wilson 7, McLellan 8, Murphy 7, Kimmins 6, Owen 6, Little 6, Esdaille 6, Nolan 6. Subs: Henshaw 5 for Esdaille (82), Carroll 5 for Murphy (82), Camilleri 5 for Gallagher (97).

Marine: O'Brien, Baines, McNally, Ward, Draper, Gautrey, Withers, Rowlands, Blackhurst, Penman, Rooney. Subs: Grant for Blackhurst (70), Murray for Ward (90).

