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WELCOME TO STONEYLANDS

Good afternoon everyone, let's start by welcoming the Whitton United players, officials and supporters and hope they enjoy their short stay with us. We also extend a warm welcome to today's three match officials.

Last Saturday's FA Vase victory against Little Oakley made it three wins in the space of a week for our first team - scoring 13 goals without reply in the process.

Unfortunately, the victory was overshadowed by a bad injury to Dan Swain who dislocated his shoulder. Ironically, Swainy had only just returned to the team and was in outstanding form. Sadly, his bad luck with injuries continued but hopefully it won't be too long before we see him back in action - all the best Swainy for a speedy recovery!

Looking ahead to today's match, the two teams are level on six points so this looks sets to be a closely fought match that could go either way. Whitton are always difficult opponents so we can expect a tough encounter today. AC

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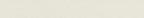
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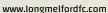


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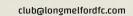














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HISTORY

Long Melford Football Club has a long and illustrious history as one of the country's oldest clubs, with records dating back to 1868.

Looking back, history tells us that the first record of the Club that year was a 5-1 victory over Ipswich Rangers in a game that was played on the Church Green.

More than 150 years later, the club is still going strong, and continues to grow.

You can read all about the different stories from the club's history on our website, and if you have any of your own Long Melford tales, have pictures, or artefacts, we'd love to hear from you.

Drop us a line via our website contact form to help us keep Long Melford's history alive...





HONOURS

- Eastern Counties First Division (1)
- Eastern Counties League Challenge Cup (1)
- Suffolk Senior Cup (8)
- Essex & Suffolk Border League (5)
- Essex & Suffolk Border League Cup (3)



LAST TIME OUT

Long Melford 3 - O Little Oakley The Buildbase FA Vase, 11 September

Although a little under par overall this was another good performance from Melford against a Little Oakley team who last week knocked Kirkley out of the FA Cup. It was not all one way traffic, as Oakley created several chances, but Melford keeper Matt Walker was in top form.

On two minutes Oakley wasted a good chance when Greg Rodger fired over the crossbar from eight yards out. This was replicated at the other end immediately, Ben Judge fired straight at keeper Dan Joyce followed by George Day firing wide from close range when through on goal.

Melford were hit by a serious injury after 23 minutes when the influential Dan Swain was stretchered off and taken to hospital with a dislocated shoulder (shoulder now back in place!). His replacement teenager Alfie Parnell provided excellent cover.

Melford went ahead three minutes into added time, Sam Mills crossed into the Oakley box and GEORGE DAY finished from close range.

The second half was edged by Melford although Oakley hit the post and had other opportunities, with Walker again performing well in the Melford goal.

After 56 minutes Melford went further ahead keeper Joyce parried a cross from Hassan Ally, and BEN JUDGE converted from close range.

The third goal came after 77 minutes some clever passing between Jamie Griffiths and Dan Smith, saw the ball fall to BEN JUDGE who hammered the ball into the net.

Three minutes before the end Oakley missed another good chance when Daniel Rowe headed wide and Melford very nearly scored another goal at the death when Griffiths and Smith both had efforts blocked.

Man of the match for Melford was Ben Judge followed closely by Matt Walker and Alfie Parnell. CHENOBERET

LAST TIME OUT



Matt Walker
Sam Mills
Will Wingfield
Dan Swain
Ross Waugh
Jake Jackson
Hassan Ally
Jacob Brown
George Day
David Lopez
Ben Judge





Dan Joyce
Jack Lelliott
Ed Nobbs
Mason Lumley
Lewis Wood
Jamie Dobbin
George Rodger
Rory Harman
Dan Rowe
Brandon Rusby
Luke Mayhew

Long Melford 3 - O Little Oakley



Long Melford subs: Alfie Parnell (for Swain, 23), Jamie Griffiths (for Day, 64), Dan Smith (for Ally, 70) **subs not used:** Kyle Hurley, Callum Hemson, Tommy King

Goals: Ben Judge (2), George Day Assists: Sam Mills, Hassan Ally, Jamie Griffiths

Photos: Stewart Ambrose

AROUND STONEYLANDS

Reserves Face Whitton, Too!

While the first team meet Whitton here at Stoneylands, the Reserves take on their second string at the King George V for their third league game of the season.

Having beaten Diss in their opener a fortnight ago, Dave Hennessey's boys had a sterner test last week away at Saffron Walden.

However, Joe Andrews netted in what proved to be a creditable 1-1 draw for the Villagers, who maintained their unbeaten start.

Following today's trip to Ipswich, they look forward to their first home game of the campaign here next week, when they take on Wivenhoe Town Reserves.

If you are about, come along and show your support.



U18s On The Cup Trail

Having registered their first win of their league campaign against Clacton last week, Nathan Bartlett's lads didn't have a competitive game this week, but instead travelled to Haverhill to take on a well-drilled Rovers side for a friendly.

The game ended in a 7-1 defeat, with Tommy King (right) on target, but there were plenty of positives for the young Villagers.

Attention now turns to the Suffolk U18s Boys Midweek Cup on Thursday night as they welcome Framlingham Town to Stoneylands for another home game.

KO is at 7.45pm, so if you are looking for some football, pop down and give the lads your support.





You have to make hay while the sun shines, that's what they say. Our recent run of wins has coincided with having players available, so hopefully we can continue that form today while we have a strong squad available.

While last week's victory in the FA Vase over Little Oakley was great, it was marred by the shoulder injury sustained by Dan Swain that saw him go off early in the first half and head to hospital. Fortunately, it wasn't as bad as first thought, so hopefully he'll be back in action soon. But injuries are never nice.

With three games and three wins in the space of a week, it was good to have a midweek without a match. We trained here at Stoneylands, and had the first team, reserve team and some of the U18s players working hard together, something we are keen to see frequently as we look to the future.

Hopefully that little break has re-invigorated us, rather than stopped us in full flow. We need to be at our best today against Whitton United, who themselves were stung in midweek, so will be hungry to respond.

It's always a great game between us, and always fairly even, so will no doubt require someone to do something special to edge it today.

Once again, we'd like to thank you all for your support today. It really is great to see supporters back inside the ground and without you and all the volunteers behind the scenes, football just won't happen.

So, we hope you enjoy the game, all have a safe journey home after and maybe see you in a fortnight when we welcome Mulbarton Wanderers here to Stoneylands - unless you head to Burnham for the FA Vase game next week.

Have a good afternoon! The Management

THE VILLAGERS SQUAD

Meet the Long Melford management and players...

Jamie Bradbury (Manager) – Now in his fifth season as manager, Jamie guided the club to its highest ever Step 5 points total in 2017/18 and a League Cup Final victory in 2019.

Steve Chisholm (Player/Assistant Manager) – A former Long Melford Youth player who has also played at AFC Sudbury, now combining playing with a management role.

Jonathan Brown (Coach) – A new addition to the coaching team last season, previously with Mildenhall Town.

Brian Dunster (Physio) – A former Melford player and now a very experienced physio, in his 11th season at the club. Previously with Cornard United and Halstead Town.

Matt Walker (Goalkeeper) – Experienced keeper who signed in September 2019 on a dual registration from Coggeshall Town, has also played for Halstead Town.

Steve Adams (Defence/Forward) - Club Captain for several years who lifted the First Division title in 2015 and League Cup in 2019. Began in the Under 18s and has now played 250 senior matches.

Dan Smith (Defence) – Previously with AFC Sudbury, a regular in the team in recent years approaching 150 appearances for the club.

Sam Mills (Defence) – Signed last summer from Haverhill Rovers in a season cut short due to Covid, has also played for Whitton United and AFC Sudbury.

Ross Waugh (Defence) – Ross is now in his ninth season at the club, making well over 250 appearances and chips in with the occasional goal.

Dan Swain (Defence/Midfield) - Over 150 appearances for the club and is comfortable at left back or in midfield. Previously with Cornard, Sudbury and Whitton.

Jake Jackson (Defence/Midfield) - Jake is in his eighth season with the club since joining from AFC Sudbury, a versatile player comfortable at the back or central midfield.

Callum Hemson (Midfield) – Joined in 2017 from the AFC Sudbury Academy. Callum has impressed over the last couple of seasons at right back or a more advanced wide role.

THE VILLAGERS SQUAD

Elliot Walker (Midfield) - Previously played for Border League side Boxted Lodgers, made a successful step up to this level making 50 appearances. Now on his way back from a serious knee injury.

David Lopez (Midfield) - Returns to the club following a two-year absence at Wivenhoe Town. Helped the Villagers reach the League Cup final in 2019.

Jacob Brown (Midfield) - Signed in December 2018, the experienced former AFC Sudbury and Mildenhall Town man was influential in the battle to avoid relegation and win the League Cup in 2019.

Ben Judge (Midfield) - Former AFC Sudbury Academy player with a promising future. Supporters' Player of the Season 2019/20.

Finley Long (Midfield) - Recent signing and former AFC Sudbury Academy player who was a key part of their side that won the Suffolk Boys' Under-18 Midweek Cup Final in last season.

Alfie Parnell (Midfield/Forward) – Impressed in the Reserves last term, played youth football at Needham Market Academy and scored his first senior goal in the FA Cup tie at Kirkley.

Kyle Hurley (Forward) - Signed in 2019 from Cornard United. A wide player who likes to run at defenders and delivers a great cross.

Will Wingfield (Forward) - Stepped up from Under-18s and scored on his debut in the FA Vase win at Woodbridge in 2012. Had spells away at University and has now scored nearly 50 goals.

Jamie Griffiths (Forward) - A welcome return to the club from Needham Market in 2019, a prolific scorer and Supporters' Player twice in 2015 and 2016.

Hassan Ally (Forward) - A regular in recent years apart from a brief spell with Whitton United. Entertaining player who won the Supporters' award in 2018.

James Dormady (Forward) – Under-18s player who has impressed in pre-season while playing for the Reserves and First Team.

George Day (Forward) – Returned to the club this summer. A prolific scorer in local football with Cavendish, has also played Thurlow Nunn football for Stanway and Whitton.

PLAYER STATISTICS

	2021/22	2021/22	Total for Club	
	A	G	A	G
Steve Adams			261	39
Hassan Ally	7		148	21
Jacob Brown	9	3	79	16
Charlie Coy	1+1 sub		2	
Evan Culmer	0+1		5	
George Day	8	5	16	5
James Dormady	5+2		7	
Jamie Griffiths	0+2		127	74
Callum Hemson	4		94	10
Kyle Hurley	3+2		28	
Jake Jackson	8		146	1
Jason Joseph	1		4	
Ben Judge	6	4	78	10
Tommy King	0+1		1	
David Lopez	3+1		54	6
Ismail Marshall	0+1		1	
Sam Mills	7		20	
Perry Newman	0+1		2	
Alfie Parnell	7+1	1	8	1
Archie Pether			40	
Kyran Quelch	0+2		2	
Ashley Skeggs	2		247	46
Cody Skeggs	2		2	
Daniel Smith	1+1		141	5
Daniel Swain	3	1	166	12
Elliot Walker	0+4		60	
Matt Walker	7		39	
Anthony Waugh	2		249	3
Ross Waugh	8		268	21
Tyrese Williams	0+2		2	
Will Wingfield	5+1	3	244	52

THURLOW NUNN LEAGUE

PREMIER DIVISION TABLE

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Wroxham	9	8	0	1	31	24
2	Gorleston	9	7	1	1	16	22
3	Newmarket Town	8	6	0	2	3	18
4	Mulbarton Wanderers	8	5	2	1	9	17
5	Mildenhall Town	7	5	1	1	6	16
6	Norwich United	8	4	2	2	5	14
7	Woodbridge Town	7	4	1	2	3	13
8	Hadleigh United	9	3	3	3	0	12
9	Kirkley & Pakefield	8	3	2	3	4	11
10	Walsham Le Willows	7	3	2	2	3	11
11	Lakenheath	9	2	3	4	-3	9
12	Brantham Athletic	6	2	2	2	-3	8
13	Ely City	8	2	1	5	-8	7
14	Thetford Town	9	2	1	6	-11	7
15	Long Melford	6	2	0	4	-2	6
16	March Town United	7	2	0	5	-2	6
17	Whitton United	5	2	0	3	-6	6
18	Fakenham Town	8	2	0	6	-7	6
19	Haverhill Rovers	7	1	1	5	-12	4
20	Swaffham Town	7	0	0	7	-26	0

LAST FIVE v WHITTON UNITED

11/01/20	LMFC 1-1 WUFC	TNP
06/11/19	LMFC 2-2 WUFC (5-4 pens)	LCC
03/09/19	WUFC 2-1 LMFC	TNP
27/02/19	LMFC O-1 WUFC	TNP
19/01/19	WUFC 2-2 LMFC	TNP



TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Gorleston 1 Kirkley 3
Mulbarton 2 Fakenham 1
Newmarket O Lakenheath 6
Thetford 3 Hadleigh 2
Whitton O Norwich 4

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Brantham v Gorleston
Fakenham v Lakenheath
Hadleigh v Mulbarton
Long Melford v Whitton
March v Kirkley
Newmarket v Wroxham
Swaffham v Woodbridge
Thetford v Haverhill
Walsham v Ely (Friday night)

LEADING SCORERS

Joe Taylor (Wroxham) 15
Christy Finch (Gorleston) 13
Ryan Miles (Wroxham) 10
Dan Brown (Mildenhall) 6
Connor Ingram (Gorleston) 6
Shaun Avis (Lakenheath) 5
Ryan Curtis (Wroxham) 5
Matthew Doyle (Mulbarton) 5
Joel Glover (Hadleigh) 5
Matt Hayden (Brantham) 5
Luke Mallett (Woodbridge) 5
George Day (Long Melford) 4
Craig Gillies (March) 4
James Hall (Newmarket) 4

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Home	KO/RES	Away	League	Ground
03/08/2021	Newmarket	3-0	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	The Tristell Stadium
07/08/2021	Kirkley	1-1	Long Melford	The Emirates FA Cup	Walmer Road
11/08/2021	Long Melford	0 - 4	Kirkley	The Emirates FA Cup	Stoneylands
14/08/2021	Wroxham	7 - 1	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Trafford Park
28/08/2021	Long Melford	0 - 2	Thetford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
01/09/2021	Long Melford	2 - 3	Woodbridge	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
04/09/2021	Long Melford	5 - 0	Swaffham	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
07/09/2021	Hadleigh	0 - 5	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Millfield
11/09/2021	Long Melford	3 - 0	Little Oakley	The Buildbase FA Vase	Stoneylands
18/09/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Whitton	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
25/09/2021	Burnham	3:00 pm	Long Melford	The Buildbase FA Vase	Leslie Field Stadium
28/09/2021	Walsham	7:45 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Morrish Stadium
02/10/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Mulbarton	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
09/10/2021	Kirkley	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Walmer Road
13/10/2021	Long Melford	7:45 pm	Haverhill R	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
16/10/2021	Norwich U	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Plantation Park
23/10/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Lakenheath	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
27/10/2021	Long Melford	7:45 pm	Brantham	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
30/10/2021	Fakenham	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Clipbush Park
02/11/2021	Ely	7:45 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Demcom Stadium
06/11/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Hadleigh	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands



Next at Stoneylands

LONG MELFORD RES. v WIVENHOE TOWN RES.

Thurlow Nunn Reserve League Saturday 25 September, 3pm

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Home	KO/RES	Away	League	Ground
13/11/2021	Swaffham	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Shoemakers Lane
20/11/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Gorleston	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
23/11/2021	Mildenhall	7:45 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Recreation Way
04/12/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Newmarket	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
18/12/2021	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Kirkley	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
27/12/2021	Long Melford	11:00 am	Walsham	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
03/01/2022	Brantham	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Brantham Leisure Cent
08/01/2022	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Ely	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
15/01/2022	Woodbridge	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Notcutts Park
29/01/2022	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Mildenhall	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
05/02/2022	Whitton	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	King George V
19/02/2022	Lakenheath	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	The Pit
26/02/2022	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Wroxham	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
12/03/2022	Long Melford	3:00 pm	March	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
19/03/2022	Mulbarton	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	The Common
28/03/2022	Gorleston	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Emerald Park
02/04/2022	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Fakenham	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
09/04/2022	Thetford	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Mundford Road
16/04/2022	Long Melford	3:00 pm	Norwich U	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	Stoneylands
18/04/2022	Haverhill R	3:00 pm	Long Melford	Thurlow Nunn Premier Division	New Croft

FA Vase Draw

In the next round of the Buildbase FA Vase we have an away tie at Burnham Ramblers next Saturday (25 September). Ground address: Springfield Road, Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex, CMO 8TE

TODAY'S OPPOSITION



Whitton United have had a presence in Ipswich since the late 1800's, though our present history dates back to 1926, when we are first mentioned in the Suffolk & Ipswich League directory.

The club originally played their games behind the Whitton Crown public house where they won the Minor Cup in 1926/27 season beating Bungay 2-nil in the final held at Leiston, back in the days when they occupied the same league as Ipswich Town. There was a second pitch at Grove Meadow, Whitton Church Lane, which was also used for cows to graze on during the week so players and supporters together were obliged to take the goalposts out of the sockets and place them in the hedge after each game.

With much of the early success lost to history, we have to wait until 1948 when Whitton United faced Lowestoft Town in the Suffolk Senior Cup at Portman Road, when over 8,000 fans saw the 'Greens' lose 3 goals to 1. Whitton United then had to wait a further 11 years before they reached the final of this competition again. With a very talented side they lifted the trophy in two consecutive years, 1959 and 1960, beating Bungay Town on both occasions with a score of 3-0. In 1992 our final Senior Cup final appearance was made against Long Melford, who we comfortably beat 2-0.

Whitton played their football in various leagues around the Suffolk and Essex area. In the 1970's, Whitton were going through one of their worst patches in their history both on and off the field. The team was rebuilt and in the coming years success was achieved with the winning of the Second and then the First Divisions which saw us regain our senior status in 1991.

TODAY'S OPPOSITION

Long Melford and Whitton United last met in January 2020, in a season ultimately cut short due to Covid-19. The match ended in a 1-1 draw here at Stoneylands, Jacob Lay's early goal cancelled out by Steve Adams' header.

It was a bright first half for Whitton and Melford found it difficult to cope with the pace, passing and movement of the away team. After only four minutes that difficulty was illustrated, when a back pedalling Melford defence failed to tackle the forward run of the talented Jacob Lay who took full advantage to fire home from ten yards out. It was a question of whether the Whitton lead could be improved as Melford continued to look very sluggish all over the pitch.

The second half belonged to Melford, playing with increased tempo it was now the turn of Whitton to hone their defensive skills. The equaliser arrived for Melford on 63 minutes and a peach of a goal it was. Released down the Melford left flank Ben Judge crossed on the run to the far post and Steve Adams dived full length to head home. At the other end Jamie Cole came close when he turned the Melford defence but his shot whizzed inches wide of the Melford post. Encouraged by the goal Melford piled forward with Steve Adams crashing a header against the Whitton crossbar. Just before the end Melford Man of the Match Ben Judge got clear of the Whitton defence and his excellent shot was pushed round the post by the diving keeper Higgins to keep the score line level.



Whitton United Fact File

Founded: 1926 Nickname: The Greens

Club colours: Green/white Ground: King George V

League Form (most recent on right): W W L L L

Top scorer (League & Cup): Josh Hubert 2

MELFORD MEMORIES



It is a great honour for the club that Long Melford FC legend Sammy Price wished for his ashes to be scattered on the Stoneylands pitch.

The ceremony took place in June 2018 and was attended by supporters, officials and former players who joined the family to scatter the ashes of Sammy at Stoneylands.

As captain at Long Melford FC, Sammy took the Suffolk Senior Cup at Portman Road for Melford three times on the bounce in the 1950s.

Sammy was one of ten children born in Cradley Heath, and came to the Bury St Edmunds area as a National Serviceman.

He married a local girl and before joining Melford played junior football in Bury St Edmunds. He impressed the mighty Leeds United and was offered a trial but due to personal circumstances he did not turn up!

It is quite clear that Sammy loved his time at Melford and hence the wish for his ashes to be scattered on the Stoneylands pitch.

Sammy is pictured above with team mates, he is holding the 1953 Suffolk Senior Cup. Picture appears with thanks to John Nunn, Long Melford Heritage Centre.

EASYFUNDRAISING











Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to buying clothes, from car insurance to your annual holiday - you could be raising free donations for Long Melford Football Club with easyfundraising?

There are over 4,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation - including eBay, Argos, Amazon, Sainsbury's, Just Eat, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S - and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

All you need to do is:

- 1. Join Easyfundraising for free (via the club website under 'the club').
- 2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
- 3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to Long Melford FC at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we will be really grateful and delighted to receive your donations. Thank you for your support.

Current total raised: £70.48

VENUE HIRE



The new clubhouse at Stoneylands, known as The Melford, is set to open in September 2021 and will be available to hire.

Facilities include a large community hall, a smaller meeting room, kitchen, bar and changing rooms.

To discuss your requirements and obtain a personally tailored quote, please contact Peter Turner on 07776 182860 or email peterturner22@yahoo.co.uk

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VIEW FROM THE STAND



A LITTLE RESPECT

Listening to Radio Suffolk last week, I was surprised to hear Hadleigh manager Steve Holder say his team didn't give enough respect to Melford. He admitted they had basically turned up expecting an easy win.

In the same interview, the Hadleigh boss mentioned they haven't beaten Melford since 2016. With a record like that, there probably shouldn't have been any room for overconfidence!

After losing 5-0 on the night, it's fair to say Hadleigh will show Melford more respect when the two sides meet again in November.

FINE MARGINS

On paper last Saturday's 3-O FA Vase win looks a comfortable victory. However, Little Oakley had several golden opportunities to make the scoreline closer. On the day it was the goalkeeping that made the difference at key moments in the game.

Matt Walker made a couple of outstanding saves, while the Oakley keeper made a mistake for the all-important second goal. Sometimes fine margins can change a match, even if the result ends up looking one-sided. AC



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If so, Long Melford wants you...

We're on the lookout to add to our team off the pitch to support the club in a number of different capacities.

As the club continues to grow, these responsibilities are also key in helping the First Team, Reserves and Under-18s sides.

The roles we are currently keen to recruit for are;

- Assistant to the Secretary
- Video Manager
- Social Media, Marketing and Content
- Matchday Volunteers

Like everyone at Stoneylands, these positions are voluntary, unpaid roles, but will give you the opportunity to work within the game at Step 5 and play an important part in our growing club.

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LONG MELFORD

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Manager: Jamie Bradbury Assistant: Steve Chisholm Coach: Jon Brown

Physio: Brian Dunster

Manager: Shane Coldron

Assistant: James Bloomfield

Coach: Andy Pirie Physio: Jonny Linard

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Richard Pace

Assistants: Tracey Clayton & Tyler Clayton