

Match Report 2012

20th April 2012

vs Metro AFC

Phyllis Street

Ellerslie 4, Metro 1

Goals: Warrick Hart 2, Jamie Olausen, Zach Margison

A Friday night fixture at Metro started very fast and furious as both sides were keen to play the game at a high tempo. This was fine with me as I know we can maintain a quick tempo for 90 minutes and I was interested to see how metro coped late into the match. The game got stretched early and never really settled although the second half was possibly a little more contained as we began to control things.

Metro went ahead after 30 minutes thanks to a dubious penalty decision from a referee who was slow to get into his game. But we replied within 5 minutes from Jamie Olausen and went into the break at 1 - 1 with Mike Ritchie and Eddie Sillars looking forward to the break after working very hard trying to link our stretched team.

Callum Brown had rolled his ankle in a wonderful covering tackle and had to leave the field. He was replaced by Callan Manickum who got into the pace of the match quickly and went on to have a very good game.

The second half saw much of the same from metro but we were more controlled and Zach Margison on debut scored our second goal after 15 minutes. Warwick Hart added a third before getting our fourth after some excellent football. This gave us 4-1 victory and we sat top of the league overnight after our fifth win in a row.

We are showing some real character now and long may it continue.

Warren Parke

First Team Coach

