

Londoner FC

# The Reporter



## Weekend Results

- Seaboard FC were yet another team getting the all too familiar 3-0 victory over Patana
- The German All Stars picked up a useful 2-0 victory against a Bangkok Utd team still hoping to finish 4th in the table
- The Scans picked up a 3-0 victory over Pattaya
- Shrewsbury managed a 3-0 victory over the British Club

## Dons draw with French 1-1 to finish unbeaten for the Season

**The Dons had to settle for a share of the points in their last match of the season despite laying siege to Les Gaulois's goal for most of an entertaining second half.**

With Londoner attempting to remain undefeated for the entire season and Danai Downer needing a solitary goal to win the league's Golden Boot award outright there was much to play for despite the disappointment of having fallen short of the league championship at the first time of asking. Les Gaulois were equally eager to show that they should have been in contention but for regrettable circumstances mid season and so both teams set a high tempo pace from the outset with Les Gaulois enjoying the breeze in the first half. In typical Dons fashion they were eager to build from the back whilst cautious due to their awareness that in Serene the French had one of the league's outstanding forwards capable of scoring from almost anywhere. The opening exchanges were exploratory with Les Gaulois looking dangerous down their left especially from set pieces whilst the Dons were finding it difficult to get the final ball past a well drilled defence. The Dons had three free kicks within shooting range on the right side of goal but Danai Downer, Andy Wild and Navin Downer all failed to hit the target. The French then took the lead following a needlessly conceded corner when a well struck near post ball was met superbly by Cornet and it flew into the roof of the net. A second corner also caused panic in the Dons defence but as the ball bobbed about in the six yard box the referee's whistle

sounded much to the relief of the Londoner players. Manager Torrance then shuffled the pack bringing Matt Entwistle on at left wing back, Tic at right wing back and pushing Danai Downer up front alongside the hard

goal and indeed managed to create a number of chances and half chances throughout the second period with good goalkeeping, well organised defence and poor finishing preventing them from getting the winner their



*Downer and Cornet got on the score sheet for their respective sides*

## League Standings

Dublimer	28	70
Londoner FC	28	66
Bullshhead	28	56
Les Gaulois	26	42
Seaboard FC	28	41
RC Pattaya	28	40
Bangkok Utd	26	38

working Kenny Gasser and immediately they was a greater threat to the Dons play. D.Downer danced by the oppositions centre half and advanced on goal only to be hacked down from behind and the referee immediately pointed to the spot. Danai was immediately elected to take it but had to wait several minutes whilst a series of wily endeavours were made to disrupt his concentration including some needless pushing and shoving off the ball. When order was finally restored Danai strode up and sent the keeper the wrong way for the Dons equaliser and also securing his Golden Boot Award to the jubilation of everyone in a Londoner jersey. Almost immediately after the restart the referee's whistle signalled half time.

H T; Londoner 1 vs Les Gaulois 1  
With the wind at their back the Dons immediately tried to find the go ahead

play richly deserved. Les Gaulois were forced deeper and deeper with Serene, having been effectively marked out the match by another outstanding performance by Alex Stamp, being forced back into midfield in an attempt to get ball possession. In the second half the French were reduced to two long range efforts from free kicks as the Dons midfield stepped up a gear and took control with Khun Bas in particular standing out. Perhaps it was in keeping with the season that the match ended in yet another stalemate despite the Dons controlling long periods of the match and signals the area of the team that management needs to strengthen to enable them to go to the next stage and win the championship next season.  
Full Time; Londoner 1 vs Les Gaulois 1