

Londoner FC

The Reporter



Weekend Results

- Dubliner beat a slumping Les Gaulois 2-1 to move closer to the top of the table
- The Winking Frog got back to winning ways beating the Vikings 4-1
- Seaboard thumped in another 6 goals this time against German AS as they maintain their surge to the top of the table
- Bullshead beat Bangkok Utd 3-0 to stay in 3rd place
- Robin Hood and Patana had a 10 goal thriller with the Merryman winning 6-4
- Sunbelt Thai Visa won the cellar dwellers clash against BC Casuals 2-1

League Standings

Londoner	13	32
Winking Frog	14	32
Bullshead	14	28
Dubliner	12	28
Seaboard	11	27
Les Gaulois	14	22
F&G Pattaya	14	21

Fire & Gas inflict Dons first ever defeat

Fire & Gas Pattaya grabbed the points with a late winner as Londoner's 13th game of the season proved unlucky for them as they lost for the first time ever in the league.

All things must end and Londoners season and a half unbeaten run in the Casuals league ended Saturday on the scorched turf at Horseshoe Point when two second half goals gave Fire & Gas a narrow 2-1 victory. The Dons had been the better side in the early encounters and opened the scoring when Steve Reid got on the end of an Ellison cross from the right and headed it passed the keeper in 15 minutes. Playing a high quality passing game the Dons looked to stretch their lead and Navin Downer smashed a 30 yard drive against the cross

bar with the keeper beaten and Ellison had a goal bound volley superbly blocked by a last gasp challenge from a Pattaya defender. Time and again Londoner got behind the defence but failed to add to their lead as they made most of the running in the first half. Fire & Gas had one real opportunity late in the half when they carved open the defence but the inrushing midfielder knocked the ball passed the keeper then took off in a swan dive looking for a penalty rather than chase the ball and put it in the back of the empty net. Unfortunately the half ended in fireworks of a different sort when James Reid took offence at being on the wrong end of a right jab and lashed out in retaliation with both players receiving straight red cards.

Half Time: Fire & Gas 0 vs Londoner 1

Fire & Gas came out pumped for the second half with their physical game getting the better of the Dons. Despite this it took a lapse in marking at the back post to allow Drake to head unopposed into the net to bring things level. The Dons responded well and had their best spell of the half as a couple of half chances failed to test the keeper. Torrance then had to look lively to get across to parry a goal bound shot as the game stretched out. Fire & Gas got the all important winner courtesy of a free kick on the edge of the box which Lee curled over the wall and in off the post. Cue Fire & Gas celebrations and instant time wasting. Twice last year the Dons equalised with almost the last kick of the match against Fire & Gas but it was not to be this time and when the referee, playing an unprecedented 4 minutes of time added on, blew for time Fire & Gas celebrated a fine second half comeback in a match that could have gone either way.

Full Time: Fire & Gas 2 vs Londoner 1

Next Week

The Dons look to get back on track following their first ever defeat when they play a Robin Hood side that shared the spoils in their first encounter of the season. With the league a lot tighter nothing less than a

victory will be demanded. Match starts at 4.30pm at Patana School for all lovers of the beautiful game.

