

Londoner FC

The Reporter



Dons lose out to Winking Frog 3-2

Weekend Results

- Seaboard got their revenge for the early season upset crushing local rivals Fire & Gas 6-1 as they move within two points of the lead with two games in hand.
- Sunbelt Thaisa shocked Dubliner by holding them to a 3-3 draw which severely dents the champions title chances
- Bullshead fell by a solitary goal to German All Stars as they lose their form at the worst time possible
- Robin Hood had a rousing 3-2 victory over the Vikings to keep them in mid table

A stunning strike from 25 yards condemned Londoner to their second defeat of the season this time at the hands of Winking Frog in this table top clash at Patana.

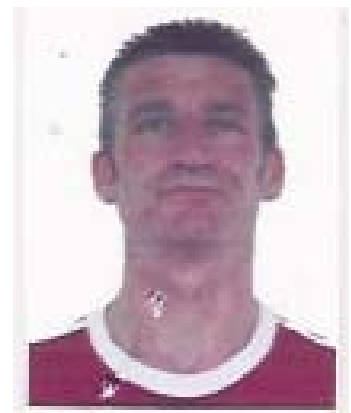
With both sides knowing the importance of the match it was Londoner that came out of the blocks and for the first few minutes had Winking Frog reeling and so it was a body blow when Winking Frog went ahead in the 5th minute in their first real incursion into Dons territory. A poor clearance from Ball left deputy keeper Stamp having to make an excellent near post save and from the resulting corner Stamp again had to block a header but was helpless to prevent the follow up form flying into the net. It took some time for the Dons to regroup but slowly they played themselves back into contention with a number of half chances going a begging including an Ellison volley that the keeper bumbled past the post and Steve Reid seeing his strike connect with the underside of the bar and almost defying physics by coming back out with

the keeper rooted. Winking Frog then received a body blow themselves when Lowrie clashed heads with Ellison and he could take no further part in the game suffering a broken nose and a badly gashed eyebrow. It took Winking Frog some time to reorganise and Dons took full advantage when Daeng hammered home a drive from 20 yards through a seas players following a partially cleared corner for a deserved equaliser. The Dons then committed a cardinal sin by not tightening up straight after a goal and an exquisitely played pass sent in a Winking Frog forward and he slammed the ball in at the post to restore their lead within two minutes of the restart. Torrance then decided to change things coming on in goal with Stamp returning to his regular centre back position which helped to solidify an atypically loose defence. There was no further scoring in the half.

Half Time: Winking Frog 2 vs Londoner 1

The Dons came out fired up in the second half and within three minutes were all square following excellent build up play Ellison got free at the back post to fire home. Geed up the Dons pressed

up on the run in. The match kicks off at 4.30pm at Bangkok Patana School for all lovers of the beautiful game.



Tommy Lowrie poicked up a horrific injury through a clash of heads early in the first half. We wish him a speedy recovery

forward and had Winking Frog pegged back in their own half for long periods without being able to capitalise further with their opponents having to rely upon quick breaks in reply and with only 10 minutes remaining from one of those a wonder strike from 25 yards flew into the bottom corner of the net to almost every one's amazement to once more restore the Frog lead. This time there was to be no last minute equaliser for the Dons although Danai Downer headed over from close in with just minutes remaining and when the whistle went it was a jubilant Winking Frog that had snatched an unlikely victory.

Full time: Winking Frog 3 vs Londoner 2

League Standings

Londoner	17	39
Winking Frog	17	38
Seaboard	15	37
Dubliner	16	35
Bullshead	18	31
Les Gaulois	17	31
F&G Pattaya	17	27

Next Week

The Dons play their final Sunday game of the season this coming weekend against Bangkok Utd. They will be hoping to put their misfortune behind them and get back to winning ways as they look to win their remaining fixtures in the hope that Seaboard will slip

