

Men's Hockey

Oswestry 3 – 5 Dysynni

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Dysynni battled well to earn a deserved victory despite a slow start with some sloppy initial passing, allowing Oswestry to get into the game early on. Before long however, the away side set their minds on the game and start spraying the ball all over the pitch. Oswestry seemed a little shocked at the way Dysynni passed and moved creating numerous opportunities.

The first one to be converted was by Josh Haylock who made a fine run into the Oswestry D when everyone thought he was going to pass he let fly a reverse strike to hit the back of the net leaving the keeper stranded. Dysynni continued to press their advantage and the second goal soon followed with a simple move. The every cheerful Adrian Bennett slotted the ball home with consummate ease.

The third goal by Man of the Match Steve Bowen was no less impressive. He drove the ball home from one of the short corners which he masterminded all game. The fourth goal for the visitors was finished by captain for the day Stewart Langston.

Dysynni thought they were home and dry at 4-0 up after 25 minutes but Oswestry had other ideas. Just before half time they scored from a short corner. To make matters worse Dysynni's central defender who had been marshalling the back three was yellow carded. The score was still 4-1 at half time.

Dysynni had to work hard for the first 7 minutes after the restart until they got back to their full 11. Oswestry continued to dominate the second half and were soon back in the game with another goal. Dysynni were looking a little worried when with 2 men on the floor Oswestry scored yet again leaving them only one goal behind. Dysynni showed their true character and dug in well. Saves from second half keeper Dan Commander and hard work from the back three which included Harry Davies, the hobbling Trevor Humphreys and Mike McKenna, who didn't even make it to the match on time, prevented Oswestry from causing any further damage.

The game was sealed when Dylan Jones, who has an engine like a steam train, bagged his first goal for the club. Stirling work from Adrian Bennett and young Jack Iffla both holding on to the ball in the final minutes helped seal the victory for Dysynni. Contributions from Richy Wall and Glyn Lewis in midfield and the never tiring Ed Iffla meant that Dysynni collected all three points keeping them in the title hunt.

Final score – Oswestry 3, Dysynni 5

Next fixture –Dysynni v Bangor University (Home) on Sunday 9 December.

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