

Tunbridge Wells III 2 Holcombe III 1

Wells third team made their start to the new season with a friendly against Holcombe. Bolstered by a pair of players from a higher team, the defence were rarely troubled. Thus, Wells were able to mount a string of attacks only to be thwarted by a goalie in excellent form. However two breakthroughs were made. Carolyn Pollard, predictably, opened her account for the season. The second was a rare goal for defender Ele Cairns. That Holcombe scored was due to a brief lack of concentration.

Wells have a tough starter in the league, taking on local rivals Sevenoaks.

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Both teams borrowed their third team goalies. In the case of Chris Poth , from Wells, it was another 70 minutes standing on her own.

Having been warned of the Holcombe goalie's quality it was a surprise when Wells opened the scoring. Lucy Milson hit out well for Denise Holme to strike hard to the goalie's right. Inexplicably in light of the remaining time, she attempted to save with her stick only to deflect the ball in.

The rest of the game was concerned with whether could score again. On the right Emma Beamish combined with Becky Law's outstanding pace to create openings, while on the left Maria Watson did a similar job with Milson.

In the second half the junior players had a chance to try new positions and Alex Hadaway, player of match, Amy Stables and Katy Fraser dominated the left.

Wells are away to Burnt Ash on Saturday.