

First Team Games Report

Westmorland Football Association

Division 1

Date: 20th August 2011

Fixture: Lunesdale United vs Kendal Celtic

Results: HT: 4-1 FT: 5-3

Goal Scorer(s): Craig Willan (1); Jonathan Lewis (1); Oliver Jackson (1); Sid Emerson (1); James Mandle (1)

Man of the Match: Craig Willan

Squad:

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| Capstick, Eric | Emerson, Sid | Farrell, Patrick | Horner, Carl |
| Jackson, Luke | Jackson, Oliver | Johnston, Peter | Law, Joel |
| Lewis, Jonathan | Mandle, James | Potter, Darren | Stringer, Dan |
| Willan, Craig | Wolstenholme, John | | |

Lunesdale United back in division one and with a new Management Team of Dave Ryding and assistant Lee Howe got off to a good start at Maurice Park, Tebay.

On the 3rd minute a Johnny Lewis free kick was well saved by Celtic keeper Dean Wicks and on 5 minutes a good move forced a corner which was cleared, but it was Celtic who gained the advantage on 10 minutes when a corner was poorly defended and allowed a free header which was duly despatched.

Lunesdale then began to play some really good football and on 17 minutes Sid Emerson's cross was met by Oliver Jackson who levelled the score. Lunesdale were now well on top and a corner was headed over by Emerson. Soon after a brilliant move by Lewis set up Emerson to give the home team the lead.

On the half hour mark a Craig Willan pass found Lewis in space and he fired in number 3. 1 minute later Jackson was clean through but fired over. Joel Law's long throw was headed over by Emerson. Another piece of Lewis magic set up Willan who fired over. On 40 minutes a Jackson through ball found Lewis and he teed up Willan who this time made no mistakes to give the home team a 4-1 lead at half time.

Celtic started the second half well. A free kick on 50 minutes was spilled by the home keeper which allowed a Celtic player to tap in but the home team were still creating plenty of chances with Darren Potter firing over and Jackson's shot forcing a fine save from Wicks who turned it round the post for a corner.

James Mandle replaced Potter on 65 Minutes. On 70 minutes Celtic made it 4-3 with a shot that looped over the home keeper into the top corner.

Patrick Farrell replaced Willan and John Wolstenholme replaced Emerson.

The game was made safe in the last few minutes when Mandle chased down a back pass and the keeper's clearance ricocheted off him into the net.

With better finishing Lunesdale would have won more convincingly but were happy with the number of chances created.

Carl Horner and Dan Stringer in defence were rarely threatened and with Captain Peter Johnston and Willan in midfield working their socks off this was a promising start to the season.

Dave Ryding named Craig Willan as Man of the Match.