

## SATURDAY'S FRIENDLY RESULTS - UPDATED

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First Team-WELTON ROVERS 1 v1 PAULTON ROVERS

Reserves-TUNLEY 0 v 1 ROVERS RESERVES

Having survived a 5th minute scare when ex Radstock striker, James Billings, forced a good save from Rovers's keeper, Courtney Redwood, the visitors took a 7th minute lead.

Ben Lacey crossed from the right after a neat interchange of passes and skipper, Dan Cleverley, headed home his second goal in as many games.

Rovers continued to press and having slipped to the floor trying to convert a Chris Lane cross, Robbie Claridge set up Charlie Rich but his shot came back off the Welton bar. Billings had a further chance on 12 minutes after good work by former Paulton player, Dean Evans, but shot wide when clean through.

The home side drew level on 16 minutes as Redwood's clearance was collected by Evans and his through ball allowed Gary Banks to race clear and slot the ball home.

Both sides had further chances to steal the honours but a mixture of poor finishing and good saves from both keepers ensured the friendly nature of the fixture was maintained.

Mark Harrington looks to have built a good footballing side very capable of challenging for the Toolstation League title while Andy Jones will be pleased with the performance of his new recruits.

Team: Redwood, Tovey, Rich, Ball, French, Cousins, Jeffries, Lane, Claridge, Cleverley, Lacey, Hulbert, Barwood, Collier, Milsom

Games at home next week-Blue Square North side Gloucester City on Tuesday, then Weymouth on Friday both kick off at 7-30 p.m.

This will be the club's sponsors night with the draw for 2009/10 shirt sponsor after the game.

Bristol Rovers are the visitors on Saturday next for will prove a stern test for Rovers!!!

Admission is £5-00 Senior Citizens £2-50. There will be no further concessions. The Reserves beat Tunley 1-0 with captain Gareth Wright taking on the mantle of acting manager. Youth team manager Dave Neil and his three assistants Paul Farmer, Elvis Mayers and Patrick Mills are assisting from the sidelines.

Striker Kirk Latham scored the winning goal.