

A good 6-1 result on an awful playing surface does not hide the fact that we were poor, and our usual passing game disappeared. Although the real negative was Jason Francis being taken to hospital following a horrible collision with a Southgate County defender. Jason suffered a fractured cheek bone and lacerations to his face that required stitches. Jason's season is over, and I am sure the whole club wishes him well.

Jason's departure happened not long after Egbertians had gone 2-0 up. Ryan Murray volleying home from the edge of the area, and Dan Morgan then heading home powerfully.

Just before half time and the home side replied to make it 2-1, running through a static defence and slotting home. The first half was one to forget, although in fairness there still only looked to be one winner in it.

Four goals in the second half followed as Egbertians pressed for goals. Dan Morgan completed a hat trick (from Centre Back!) with two tap ins, Ryan Murray got his second of the game following good work from Ashley Burnett, and Dave Burnage finished from Ryan Murray's centre.

There were plenty more chances, and it could have been double figures before the end of the game - Ricky Burnett was denied by the home side's goalie, as was Dave Burnage in a one on one, and Steve Sipple thundered one against the bar from 25 yards.

It was good to see that we could play this bad, and still win by some margin.