

## Caledonia

### Division 3 – First Weekend

#### Team

Cap No.	Player
1	Simon Metcalfe
2	David Baxter
3	Alan Shepherd
4	Callum MacGregor
5	David Stewart
6	Robert Tate
7	Steven Adams
8	Ryan Laird
9	Logan Shepherd
10	Stewart Carlile
11	Mark Speed
12	Andrew Woodall
13	Calum Fraser

Three games and three wins and we did not lose a period. Exactly the start we had hoped for. While the level of play varied throughout the weekend and throughout each game, the trend was one of positive improvement as the weekend went on. Each outfield player scored over the weekend and everyone had plenty of opportunity to play during the games.

We still need to have a more controlled attack and use the ball and clock more efficiently however it was a great start to this year's campaign.

*Top Goalscorer:*

*Andrew Woodall*

*Major King:*

*Andrew Woodall*

### Game 1 – Exeter

Win – 15-12

Score			Man-Up	
1 <sup>st</sup>	4-4	4-4	Gained	7 and 2 penalties
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4-3	8-7	Success	3 (43%) and 1 penalty
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4-2	12-9	<b>Man-Down</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	3-3	15-12	Lost	9
Final		15-12	Defended	4 (44%)

This game is best described as "blowing out the cobwebs". While the game always felt under control and never likely to be lost, we never managed to put it away.

At the start of the game, our press was not strong enough leading us to being down 4-2. However, our defence became more aggressive, we were able to create more chances and draw level. While creating chances, our finishing left much to be desired and the level of our defence was inconsistent having to rely on some excellent goalkeeping from Simon.

Ultimately, a win is always a good start.

### Game 2 – Swindon

Win – 16-9

Score			Man-Up	
1 <sup>st</sup>	4-3	4-3	Gained	3 and 1 penalty
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1-1	5-4	Success	2 (67%)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6-0	11-4	<b>Man-Down</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	5-5	16-9	Lost	3
Final		16-9	Defended	0 (0%)

We made a more controlled start to this game, creating numerous chances without converting these. From then on, we were tentative with our shooting, making an extra pass that was not required and also did not have a very balanced fast-break attack, more due to the fact that players were too keen to get forward.

We changed our defence towards the end of the second period which, in the third period, made a real difference to our attack, playing with a controlled, high tempo, allowing us to pull away. We lost our momentum during the fourth period, but we managed to control the game sufficiently that we were not in danger of losing the match.

Our downfall was still not taking our chances. We must become more ruthless. However, again, a win is a win and the performance was a big improvement on the first game. What was good is that all the outfield players scored in the first two games – except Sheppy!

### Game 3 – Invicta Marlins

Win – 20-4

Score			Man-Up	
1 <sup>st</sup>	5-1	5-1	Gained	5 and 2 penalties
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2-2	7-3	Success	3 (60%) and 1 penalty
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6-0	13-3	<b>Man-Down</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	7-1	20-4	Lost	5
Final		20-4	Defended	4 (80%)

An excellent start saw the team score each time in its first four attacks with controlled play and shooting. However, we got away from this at the end of the first quarter and in the second quarter, reverting to a frantic paced fast break attack.

During the third quarter, we got back to a more controlled, balanced attacking style. The defence was strong throughout and helped launch counter-attacks as the game wore on. In the end, a comfortable win.

### Season Stats

Name	First Weekend						Total	
	Exeter		Swindon		Invicta			
	15-12		16-9		20-4			
	G	M	G	M	G	M	G	M
Simon	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Dave B	1	-	1	1	1	1	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
Alan	-	1	-	-	2	1	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
Callum	2	1	2	-	3	-	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>
Dave S	1	1	1	-	1	-	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
Robert	-	1	1	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Stevie A	1	-	1	-	2	-	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
Ryan	3	-	2	-	1	1	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>
Logan	-	-	1	-	2	2	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
Stewart	1	-	-	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
Mark	1	2	1	-	4	-	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>
Andrew	4	2	2	1	2	-	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>
Calum	1	1	4	1	2	-	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>
Steven C	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Graeme	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Darren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Christopher	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total</i>	15	9	16	3	20	5	<b>51</b>	<b>17</b>