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# The Herts ADVERTISER Sunday league

## Breakspear do the double

### CHALLENGE CUP

Nicholas Breakspear OB completed the double by winning the Challenge Cup with a 2-1 win against Skew Bridge.

Having already won the Premier Division, NBOB missed out on a treble-winning season after Vision eliminated them from the Knockout Cup. However, they weren't going to miss their chance to do the double.

It didn't go completely to plan, though, as Chris Gregory converted a penalty to give Skew Bridge the lead.

Breakspear came out full of fire after the break and a far post header from Richard Cooke levelled the scores. Neither side were able to edge ahead until a brilliant individual goal from Dave Parkinson, who outran his defender to blast into the Bridge net for the winning goal.

### DIVISION ONE

Needing a win to clinch the runners-up slot, Phoenix proved too strong for an understrength Skew Bridge Reserves side, winning 4-0 with goals from Adam Vennard (two), Dan Burrows and Alex Thomson.

### DIVISION THREE

Christian Pascal and Prev Selvarajah scored as Dukes beat Radlett Village 2-1. Adam Brooks netted for Radlett.

Ali Bart's lob wasn't enough as Marshalswick Rovers lost 2-1 to Herts Athletic, who went on to beat Old Albanians in their second game.

Brookmans Park Reserves kept up their title hopes with a 5-0 win against St Albans Royals. The goals came from Drew Botterman (two), Dan Bedi (two) and Phil Webb.

Cottonmill beat Colney Heath Rangers 6-2 thanks to goals from Mark Gallagher (two), Tim Couch,



■ Nicholas Breakspear with the Challenge Cup. Dave Parkinson, right, scored the winning goal for NBOB and Chris Gregory, bottom right, netted for Skew Bridge.

James Plummer; Craig Redgwell and James Watt. Rangers' response came from Antony Horwood and Jack Stevens.

Title-chasing Blacksmiths Arms came away from Oaks Res with a 2-0 victory, with goals from Jake Attwood and Rhys Jacob.

### DIVISION FIVE

George Redbourn beat Ridge 3-1 with goals from Liam Picton and the Goldsmith brothers.

Harpenden Colts OB Reserves brought their season to a close with their fourth win, defeating Bricket Wood 3-1 with goals from David Hunter, Steven Easterbrook and Peter Hartley. Wood's goal came from Adam McNairn.

NBOB 90 came from behind to beat Marquis of Granby 2-1, with

Cameron Leigrave scoring both goals. Marquis' goal came from Tom Coates.

In the second game of the double-header the scoreline was the same as Leigrave scored another two. Paul McIver netted for Marquis.

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SUNDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
SUPER SUNDAY  
DIVISION 3 TITLE DECIDER  
DOUBLE HEADER!  
BLACKSMITHS ARMS  
v  
BROOKMANS PARK RES  
TOULMIN DRIVE  
SUNDAY 25 MAY  
K.O's 10.00 and 12 noon**



### IN BRIEF

#### U12 North reach 150 goal mark

**YOUTH FOOTBALL:** St Albans City Youth FC U12 North hit the 150 goal mark and were crowned Red Division champions on Sunday.

Playing away at Chorleywood, Billy Owen scored twice to reach 50 goals for the season. Finn Murphy also grabbed a brace and Ryan Orde scored one in the 5-0 win.

Harry Smith scored four as U12 East beat Echoes 5-2. Swaley Smith scored the other. MOM was Carraigh Fennesy.

U10 South played four matches in 10 days, winning three league matches to clinch the title but losing in a cup final. They beat Hemel Town 5-2, Bovington 3-0 and Abbots Youth 2-0 before going down 1-0 at Park Street Village in the Intermediate Cup.

#### 3rd and 18th lift Salwey and Hawkins cups

**YOUTH FOOTBALL:** Two St Albans Cub finals were played at Harvesters FC on Saturday. The 85th Salwey Cup saw a very close encounter between 4th St Albans and 18th St Albans. Tom Cox gave 4th the lead but 18th fired back through Thomas Cooper and Louis Johnson to lift the trophy.

The Hawkins Trophy was contested by the 3rd St Albans and the 16th St Albans. Ollie Gauthier netted twice in the first half, and Alex Kirtan added another, to give 3rd a 3-0 half-time lead. Will Robinson pulled two back for 16th but Alfie Gauthier and Ollie Gautier, who took his tally to five, saw 3rd to a 7-2 win.

## Beaumont girls' rugby team finishes runner-up

Beaumont School U15 girls' rugby team competed in the National Finals for the third consecutive year, going one better than 2013 to finish second.

Having won both the county and regional tournaments earlier in the month, Beaumont travelled to the Richmond Athletic Ground to take part in the group stages of the competition. As in the regional competition, Beaumont played their toughest game of the group in the first match and were held to a draw.

Thereafter, with improved rucking and typically ferocious defence, Beaumont won the next four games, their group and a place in the National Final to be played before the annual Army vs Navy match at Twickenham Stadium.

In a suitably tight contest Beaumont fought to the very end, having a try disallowed, to finish



■ Beaumont Schools' U15 girls' rugby team.

runners-up.

PE teacher Ed Panting said: "The squad represented the school in the best possible way and should be very proud of their achievement."

"The reason they are so successful is they can all perform the basic skills to a high standard, but particularly in defence, they knock the stuffing out of the opposition."



## St Albans swim to Herts title

The St Albans District Primary Schools' swimming team produced an "outstanding performance" to win the Hertfordshire Primary Schools Swimming Championships.

This was the third victory in four years for the Year 5 and 6 students from St Albans.

For the full report on St Albans' victory, see online.