

Slimbridge 0-1 AFC Totton

Saturday 12th October 2019

Swans exit cup after poor performance

A bad day at the office for Slimbridge as they exit the FA Trophy at the Preliminary stage after a poor team performance in comparison to their recent league victories.

Lewis Adams was past fit before the game so took over in goal for the absent Joe Wright, Under 17's keeper Alex Freeman was added to the seven man bench as backup to Adams. Jack Horrell was preferred to Ryan Beckinsale upfront and Will Peck also returned from injury into the starting line-up.

An early cross from Jack Goodall on the right almost found Leighton Tuodolo in space at the far post but the ball was just out of reach for the winger. Oliver Bradley for the visitors went close moments later firing over the cross bar then David Allen directed a header wide of Adams posts.

Rhys Sarson had a great chance on 17 minutes but his shot was saved well by Totton's keeper Matthew Hall. At the other end Liam Callaghan forced a save from Adams at his near post from a tight angle. Three minutes later Callaghan hit an almost identical shot, Adams spilling the initial effort before gathering.

Neither side looked like scoring with passes going astray all over the park giving a scrappy appearance to those watching on. Just past the half hour mark, Sarson got his head to a Tuodolo cross but could only find the arms of keeper Hall. As the half came to an end Silvano Obeng tried his luck but his weak shot fell straight to Adams.

The second half was no better with both keepers not really getting much involvement in the game, Totton's Mohamed Bakery placing a cross into the box however Bradley managed to fire over from 10 yards out. On the hour Sarson hit a tame shot at Hall, before Ryan Beckinsale headed a Dan King free kick wide.

With the game looking to go to a replay, a long ball down the left over the Swans defence saw Adam McWilliam run onto the ball and slot past Adams to give the away side victory and a place in the next round.

Slimbridge return to league action next weekend when they face league leaders Paulton Rovers at Thornhill Park with a 3pm Kick off.

Slimbridge: Adams, Goodall, Peck, M Turner (Chambers 70), White, Richards, Spurrier (King 51), D Turner, Sarson, Horrell (Beckinsale 56), Tuodolo

Unused subs: C Turner, Freeman, Ford, Dunbar

Attendance: 87

Supporters man of the match Jack Goodall