

ST. NEOTS TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
MATCH REPORT – SATURDAY 29th December 20021

EAGLE BITTER UNITED COUNTIES PREMIER DIVISION

St Neots Town 1 Holbeach Utd 1

Holbeach keen to keep their title ambitions alive took the game to the Saints from the kick off. The Tigers early pressure forced the Saints to concede a corner on their left side, and Danny Hussey took advantage by out jumping the Saints defence to glance his header across the keeper and into the corner of the net, on 24 minutes.

Saints best spell, of the first half, came after conceding, and laid siege to the visitors goal, with Kuhne, Byrne, and Brown all going close. The Tigers responded with two quick breakaways, which bought superb saves from Saints keeper Steve Young.

Steve Kuhne finally put Saints back on terms after 35 minutes. An Andy Grieve corner was flicked on by Mick McCreanor, at the near post, which Tigers keeper Kevin Cross palmed away to the feet of Kuhne, who neatly finished, from just inside the goal area.

Possession and opportunities ebbed and flowed during the second half with both teams looking for the winning goal and maximum points, although, Cross, was the busier of the two keepers. As Young had during the first period, Cross denied efforts from Kuhne, Byrne and Brown with some spectacular saves to keep the visitors in the game.

Holbeach finished the game strongly and pushed for the winner during the final minutes of the game but were unable to turn possession into goals and a share of the points was the probably a fair result.

This result keeps Saints unbeaten run to 13 games and fifth place in the league a position manager Chris Howell will not be too unhappy about at this stage of the season. Saints are in league action again next Saturday with another tough game against Boston Town.

Team: Young, Grieve, Bloss, Chapman, Hicks, McCreanor, Byrne, Brown, Kuhne, Meeds, Dear.

Subs: Goodhall, McDonnell, Philips, Grant, Cavilla (GK).

Substitutes Used: Goodhall for Byrne, McDonnell for Meeds.

Goals: Saints: Kuhne (35 mins)
Holbeach: Hussy (24 mins)