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**TT No.115: 11/05/05 Club/Ground Focus: *Leon Gladwell* - Fulbourn Institute (Kershaw Cambs League)**

I saw the most ridiculous match this evening (10th) for a very long time. I went to Fulbourn Institute where visitors Tuddenham (who when I last saw them in 2003/04 were enjoying £600 per week wages between them) rolled up with only 6 reserve team players. The game was at 6.15 and at 6.40, two more pulled into the car park. Having lost 11-1 to Fulbourn last week, they didn't want to play but when reminded that if they forfeited the game they would lose another 3 points (which would potentially relegate them) plus a £100 fine, they reluctantly strolled onto the pitch at 7 o'clock. The ref decided to play just 25 minutes each way but by the end of the first half, Fulbourn were 9-0 up with 7 goals coming in 6 minutes!! It finished 13-0 (there's one for the 'Anorak' section!!) and speaking with the chairman of the home side, I learnt that they have been accepted into the Ridgeons Div. One for next season - a lot of work to bring the ground up to scratch but for a side who regularly pull in a 200 crowd on Saturdays, a club very much on the up.

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