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Please, for the safety of our children and security of club and personal property, adhere to the following announcement. After training and playing matches, please could all children remain in the main room of the clubhouse. Playing football on the car-park or behind the clubhouse will no longer be tolerated. This is for the safety of our children, and reduces the risk of damage to personal and club property.

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*SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER EDF CUP*  
**BILLINGHAM 1st**  
V  
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**BILLINGHAM 2nds**  
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## BILLINGHAM FIRST XV V MORPETH

North 2 East

Short Format

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts	Adjust
Billingham	5	5	0	0	117	68	49	10	0
Penrith	5	4	0	1	193	80	113	8	0
Driffield	5	4	0	1	129	80	49	8	0
Old Crossleyans	5	4	0	1	96	88	8	8	0
Aspatia	5	3	0	2	98	85	13	6	0
Pontefract	5	3	0	2	94	112	-18	6	0
Sandal	5	2	0	3	116	90	26	4	0
Morpeth	5	2	0	3	100	101	-1	4	0
Carlisle	5	1	1	3	76	111	-35	3	0
Gateshead	5	1	0	4	102	118	-16	2	0
Ilkley	5	0	1	4	59	144	-85	1	0
Durham City	5	0	0	5	30	133	-103	0	0

On an almost perfect afternoon Billingham took to the field in this tough looking fixture surprisingly leaving Chris Hyndman on the bench with Woodhouse and McQuillen. Morpeth certainly gave Billingham a fright in the first half when the scores went 3 – 6 – 9 – 12 and Billingham went down to fourteen men when Joe Evans was yellow carded. This seemed to awaken the Sheps who combined to see Craig basketball pass over the full back for brother Paul to score. Morpeth put together a good move down the blind and closed the half with a try.

### Half Time **BILLINGHAM FIRST XV 7 V MORPETH 19**

Chris Hyndman replaced Peter Evans and mayhem ensued as we became organised in attack as well as defence. Craig Shepherd chipped brilliantly for Paul to race through and score. The combination worked again but through the hands to give Billingham the lead. Hutchison then got on the end of a Shep duet move and scored one himself. Billingham forwards hammered the opposition line and Chris Hyndman bulldozed through for the final score of the game.

### FULL TIME **BILLINGHAM FIRST XV 33 V MORPETH 19**

. Scorers Tries: C.Hyndman 1, S. Hutchison 1, Shepherd 3

Kicks P. Evans 1 Conversions J. Evans Conversions 3

**Reporters Comment** Billingham remain unbeaten and top the league.

However there is no room for complacency.

Well done the Seconds who put sixty nine unanswered points into Stockton and the thirds were unlucky to just dip out by one score

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## Acklam U16's 14

v

## Billingham U16's 24

Acklam U16's always give Billingham a bit of a rocky ride and this week the Billingham boys were delighted to pull off a win after going down to them last season. The first several minutes saw Billingham on the attack with play predominantly in the Acklam half. Billingham looked sharp but so did Acklam and a number of chances seemed to go begging. Eventually it was Billingham captain Danny Finney who broke the deadlock and touched down in the corner to score. Acklam began to respond and carried the ball well on a couple of occasions before equalling the score and then making the conversion count to take the lead.

Billingham boys regrouped well and after some good accurate play Sam Ferguson scored in the corner, with Jack Gaff converting. Dominic Simpson then managed to fox the Acklam defence and sprinted free to run down the pitch, with even enough time to run round to touch down under the posts, (again converted by Jack Gaff). At half time the score stood clearly in Billingham's favour at 7:19.

Acklam were on their toes at the start of the second half and soon came back to try and level things with a converted try. The match continued in a similar vein to before with a very tight defence from both sides with little movement back and forth. Billingham made sure that the match was theirs with a final try coming from Eddy Adamson, again converted. The final score was 14:24 in Billingham's favour and

**MAN OF THE MATCH FOR BILLINGHAM**  
**WAS DARRELL THOMPSON.**

## **Billingham U16's 38 v Hartlepool Rovers 5**

Hartlepool Rovers came to Billingham with some real self-belief at the outset of the match this week and they certainly began with the bit between their teeth. Play began predominantly in the Billingham half and Billingham U16's appeared somewhat surprised and began making silly mistakes. It didn't take Rovers long to make a break and one of their players was free and scored. Going behind seemed to perk the Billingham boys up somewhat and soon an opportunity arose but the ball was held up on the line. However, Jake Day was on form and managed a great run through the Rovers defence and touched down in the corner. Two tries for Billingham were then held up on the line before a decisive catch by Mark Brewis was finished off and he touched down between the posts. Jack Gash converted. Minutes later it was Conor Shea to score after some good work along the line. At half time the score was a respectable 17:5 to Billingham.

Billingham continued in the ascendancy in the second half and were straight on the attack. Eddy Adamson scored first followed by two tries from Joe Douthwaite, all three converted by Jack Gash.

Overall, although Hartlepool Rovers tried to make their presence felt they couldn't sustain any pressure whilst Billingham gave away too many penalties. The final score was 38:5 in Billingham's favour and their man of the match was Matthew Smith.

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## **Billingham U11's 12 Darlington U11's 7**

We were pleased to welcome Darlington for the opening game of the season. Games between the two teams are always a close affair and this was to prove no different. Billingham started strongly and competed extremely well, especially in the forwards, which is usually the trademark of the Darlington game. Billingham thought they had taken the lead through Lewis Roxby and Ted Elliot early on, unfortunately confusion reigned and the referee ruled that the 'try' did not count. The running of the Billingham backs was causing Darlington problems and together with strong mauling they had the better of the early exchanges. It was not long before a barnstorming run from Guy Henderson resulted in our first try of the season. Scott Ellis converted and Billingham led 7-0 at Half Time.

The Second half followed much the same pattern as Billingham continued to dominate the game, but were thwarted by some determined Darlington defending. A sustained spell of Billingham pressure ended with Alex Moriarty forcing his way over the line for a vital second try. Unfortunately the conversion was missed. Billingham led 12-0. Billingham continued to press but couldn't add a further score. The closing stages saw Darlington press hard and force a number lineouts. Billingham defended well, but Darlington squeezed across the line to score a try, which was then converted. This was to prove the last action in an exciting game. Full Time 12-7.

Man Of The Match went to Guy Henderson, he led the line excellently with numerous trademark strong runs. He also weighed in with a try. Well done Guy! Special mentions to Ryan and Scott, who both had excellent games and were in contention for M.O.M.



## A BIG THANK YOU TO PAUL AND NIKKI ROUTH

Paul and Nikki organised a charity concert night on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October for the Jack Smith Trust fund

Local band THE MONUMENT played and the evening was a great success,

Thanks again Paul and Nikki.

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