

## Sunnybank Leave It Late For Win

Sunnybank Saints travelled to Weedon St for their match with Mansfield Red. The Saints were going to be under the pump from the start as all but one of the players were observing fast.

This did not deter the Saints however as they pressed from the beginning and put Mansfield under some early pressure.

The Saints could not convert this pressure despite numerous chances. Tommy was put through on goal after some good work down the right by Zeyn Suleman, but was unable to convert as Saints let slip what was the best chance of the half.

Late in the first half, Saints goalkeeper Adem Keranovic pulled off one of the saves of the league with a point blank reflex save to keep the scores level at the half time break.

Saints started the second half in much the same fashion as to the first. They piled on the pressure and when Mohsin Sabdia was brought down in the box, Saints had a golden opportunity to take the lead. Unfortunately, Tommy was unable to convert the spot kick and a great chance went begging.

It was not long before Sunnybank got their first goal. **Mohsin Sabdia** ran through a couple of defenders before coolly slotting past the goalkeeper to give the Saints a much deserved lead.

Sunnybank continued to dominate the rest of the game and never looked under any real threat. Saints goalkeeper Adem was a spectator for much of the second half as Mansfield had no response to the Saints domination.

With about five minutes to go, Mansfield were awarded a free kick inside the Saints territory. A lofted ball was not claimed by the goalkeeper, and the ball fell straight to a Mansfield striker to tap home, and it looked like Mansfield had rescued a point.

Sunnybank were not done however and from the kick off went straight for for the Mansfield goal. A neat balled played to Yusuf Hatia, allowed the versatile player space in the box. He got past one, but was then brought down as the Saints were awarded a second penalty and a chance to steal the points.

Mohsin Sabdia stepped up and slotted into the corner well away from the goalkeeper to give the Saints a much deserved 2-1 win. It was a second goal for Sabdia and well deserved after a dominating performance from the midfielder.

Sunnybank will play their next game under lights at Lister St at 7pm against Raceview Purple. With the players able to eat and drink during the game, im sure they will be more than ready to go.