

# Lee Lacrosse Club

## A brief history of Lee Lacrosse Club

Some two dozen members met at the Stamboul Café, Fleet Street, on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 1902 and founded the Lee Lacrosse Club. A strong nucleus came from the Catford Club's second team who had left with the older clubs blessing in a body after having won the Junior Flag (there was no Intermediate Flag in those days) for two years in 1901 and 1902. Two teams were run from the start with Wilfred Price as the first club Captain. The first team reached the final of the Senior Flag competition for the first time in 1909, losing to Catford 6 – 4 at Lords, and a like fate befell them the following year, losing 10 – 3 to the same club at the same venue. The 1909 – 10 season was opened by a novel six-a-side tournament held at Lords, played in five small grounds all surrounded by stiff canvas walls, from which the ball rebounded and was always kept in play. Lee 'B' beat Croydon 'A' in the Junior final. The next year Lee 'A' beat Lee 'B' in the senior final.

For the 1910 – 11 season the format of the Senior Flag competition was changed from the usual knock-out system to a league style competition, in which each team played the others once, with the top four entering a small knock-out competition. This system suited Lee, in the first season of the new style competition they not only finished top of the 'league', but also beat Oxford University 12 – 6 in the final. By this season, membership had expanded to the extent that the club was able to field three regular sides.

In 1911 – 12, Lee finished in second place in the standings, but beat the top side, West London, 15 – 5 in the final, while their second team gave the club the double by beating Croydon I by 16 – 6 in the Junior final.

The following season saw the extension of the preliminary league plus the play-off system to all teams, which necessitated the introduction of the Intermediate Flag. Lee retained the Senior title (undefeated) by beating West London 6 – 4, while the second team lost 7 – 6 to Blackheath I in the Intermediate final after extra time. During 1913 – 14 the first team retained their unbeaten record and edged out Catford 4 – 3 in the Senior final.

The club had many grounds during this initial period, the first ground was the Northbrook Cricket Club, followed by New Beckenham Cricket Club, White House Cricket Club at Bellingham and in 1913 the club moved to the Hong Kong Bank ground at New Beckenham, where they remained until the outbreak of the war in 1914. In common with all Southern clubs, Lee were hard hit by the war years, ten playing members losing their lives. The 1919 – 20 season was a time of much experiment, when all clubs were surveying the situation. It was at first doubtful if the game would survive, but those that took part in it, stated that it was one of the most pleasant seasons. During this season Lee shared a ground with the Catford and Blackheath clubs, before returning to the Hong Kong Bank ground for the next nineteen seasons.

With the revival of interest that followed, the Flag competitions were resumed, and in the 1920 – 21 season Lee won all their games, retaining the Senior Flag by defeating Buckhurst Hill in the final 12 – 6. However, the crowning achievement of that season was the defeat of Boardman by 11 – 8 in Manchester, to become the first Southern side to win the Iroquois Cup since 1896. R.C.Bell and H. Baskett, two of the founder members of the club, were still playing.

The following year saw Lee beat Hampstead 11 – 10 to win the Senior Flag for the sixth consecutive season, which in fact meant that they had held the Flag for twelve years including the six years break caused by the war. In the Iroquois Cup, however, Boardman gained their revenge and Lee were decisively beaten 14 – 5.

There followed a number of lean years for the club, H.E.Davies succeeded to the captaincy for the 1922 – 23 season, during which the Blackheath club came to an end (this club had been founded as the London Lacrosse Club in 1876) the remaining players joining Lee, who otherwise would have had insufficient members to run two teams. Lee's only success in the years up to the Second World war were the winning of the Senior Flag in 1929 at the expense of Oxford University, by the very low score of 3 – 2, and an appearance in the final of 1934 when they lost to Cambridge University.

Once again a war dealt a hard blow to lacrosse; there was a loss of about 60% between the 1938 – 39 season and the first post-war season in 1946 – 47. Lee, however, were soon back in business, at first sharing the Purley ground and then after a season at Elmers End Sports Club they moved to the Catford Cricket Club for three seasons (1949 – 1952) before moving to the ground at Goddington Lane in Orpington in time for the 1952 – 53 season where they remained until the move to Goddington Park for the 1966 – 67 season and then Orpington Sports Club in 1972.

During the first decade of post-war competition the club had very little success, with the exception of a couple of six-a-side championships in 1951 and 1954. After having been runners-up in the 1957 – 58 championship, Lee dropped to 6<sup>th</sup> place during the next two seasons and were struggling for players, and many of those they had were nearing the end of their careers.

This situation gave little indication of the future success the club was to achieve. Within six seasons Lee were to commence a phenomenal run of ten consecutive league championship titles. How did such an unprecedented domination of Southern Lacrosse come about?

Under Terry Morrow's guidance, a junior section was inaugurated and a number of players from Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar School, who lived near the Lee ground, decided to play for Lee juniors rather than their school. Although losing a number of players to Lee, the school side was still very strong and in the years 1960 – 1963 Lee and Chislehurst and Sidcup were fighting for all the honours. Gradually most of the successful school team decided to join Lee as well. With this large influx of juniors, many of Lee's elder players graciously stepped down allowing 15 and 16 year olds their first taste of senior lacrosse.

Under Terry's expert coaching, Lee gradually improved, being runners-up in the league for the three seasons before their first championship in 1965 - 66.

When Lee unexpectedly defeated London University by 7 – 6 in the 1964 Flag final, six of the Lee team were still at school. From that Flag final team, five players, all from Chislehurst and Sidcup school, have been the nucleus of the Lee team ever since. They were Stephan Butcher, Dave Gaines, Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley and Gerry Paine.

Also in that Flag winning team was one other player who was to have a great deal of influence in Lee's success, namely Kevin Corcoran.

Kevin, with Terry, was to become the driving force behind Lee. Under Kevin's captaincy numerous friendlies were arranged with Northern teams of a gradually increasing standard, with up to three or four trips a year to Manchester to gain experience and the atmosphere of a competitive match. These matches, together with training two or three times a week, moulded the Lee team into the "machine" that they are sometimes referred to as in the South.

Other important players who helped in the early years of success were Terry Allsop, Brian Lord, Barry Brelsford, Geoff Medlock, Derek Mottershead and possibly Lee's finest home bred player, Richard Haysom.

As those players have gradually disappeared for differing reasons, Lee have produced their own replacements with players such as Alan Gillett, Richard Norton, Derek Scotton and Pete Tranter.

All this work put in by the various members of the team culminated in their Iroquois Cup (English Championship) victory in 1970, although their best lacrosse was still to come, notably when after what should have been a comfortable victory, Rodney Burns snatched victory for South Manchester in the 1973 Iroquois Cup, and Lee's two victories in the unofficial English League Cup against Urmston and Old Waconians in 1972 and 1973.

By the end of the 1974 – 75 season a number of players had become disillusioned with lacrosse, and the following is a prophetic extract from an article written to Lacrosse News in the North and South.

"In the South, Lee have been criticised many times for being "too professional" and even being bad for lacrosse.

Certainly, publicity wise, it is probably not good for one team to be so dominant and winning by 15 to 20 goals a game; as for being too professional, if a team is attempting to become the best in the country, certain standards have to be met, that may not be appreciated by the Saturday afternoon player.

At times, Lee have undoubtedly been the smartest team in the country, and the fittest, but during the last few seasons, a gradual awareness, precipitated by the Northern embargo on friendlies, has crept in, that no matter how fit a team may be, a lack of

competitive games becomes the final arbiter for improvement. Had Lee been playing in the Northern league, who knows how good they may have become?

A diet of a dozen or so easy league games a year, sprinkled with the occasional shock of playing a Northern side has proved so often that it is impossible to improve under their own motivation, the ONLY way would be to have competitive matches throughout the season. As this is impossible in Southern lacrosse, and a national league, which Lee were pushing for in 1967 will, if it ever comes, be too late for the present Lee team, what will become of a team, of which the oldest is 29, disillusioned by lacrosse as a whole?"

The 1975 – 76 season was the beginning of the decline. A number of players, tired of trying to get into the first team decided to leave and set up a new club, Swanley. This meant that the feeder route to the first team was considerably diluted, and together with some of the older players moving away or not playing regularly meant that the strength in depth that had supported the Lee team was no longer there.

Although in the 1975 – 76 season Lee were runners up in the league and got to the final of the six-a-side competition, they were as far behind Hampstead as Hampstead had been to Lee for most of the previous ten years. Again in the 1976 – 77 season, Lee were again runners up to Hampstead in the League and lost to them in the Flag final by 15 – 6.

1977 – 78 saw the last vestiges of the club winning any Senior titles. Again they lost to Hampstead in the Flag final, 14 – 6, but had enough power left in the squad to win the six-a-side competition. The third team won the Division 3 league title and the Minor six-a-sides competition.

Lee's final throe of winning titles was in 1981 – 82 when the 'B' team won the Division 4 championship and the Division 4 six-a-sides.

By the end of the 1983 – 84 season Lee were bottom of the first division and subsequently demoted to the second division. For the season 1985 – 86 they changed their name to Orpington Lacrosse Club to fall in line with their membership of Orpington Sports Club, and they struggled on for a few more years, but with no junior section and no strong ties with the North, the club gradually diminished until they were disbanded altogether in the mid nineties.

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## Roll of honour

English Champions (Iroquois Cup)	1921, 1970
English League Champions (Unofficial)	1972, 1973
Southern League Champions	1932-33(s) 65-66, 66-67, 67-68, 68-69, 69-70, 70-71, 71-72, 72-73, 73-74, 74-75
Southern Flags winners	1911, 12, 13, 14, 21, 22, 29, 64, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75
Southern Six-a-sides Champions	1951, 54, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 78

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**Lee second team (Lee A)**

Division 2 Champions	1964-65, 67-68, 69-70, 81-82
Junior Flags winners	1912
Intermediate Flags winners	1970
Intermediate Six-a-sides Champions	1963, 65, 66, 71, 73

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**Lee third team (LeeB)**

Division 3 Champions	1977-78
Division 4 Champions	1981-82
Minor Six-a-sides Champions	1978
Division IV Six-a-sides Champions	1982

## Lee Juniors

Junior Flags winners	1960, 61
Junior Six-a-sides Champions	1960, 61, 62

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## Representative honours

### England

Terry Allsop ?	
Richard Haysom (selected but injured)	
Gerry Paine	1972 & 1973
Dave Gaines	1972
Derek Scotton	1973
Pete Tranter (Reserve)	1973

1972 - v Australia (lost 19 – 3)

1973 - World Championships in Australia

### South of England v North of England

1961-62 Richard Haysom  
North 5 – South 9

1964-65 Terry Allsop, Brian Lord  
South 4 – North 7

1965-66 Terry Allsop, Kevin Corcoran, Richard Haysom,  
Brian Lord, Gerry Paine  
North 20 – South 1

1966-67 Terry Allsop, Kevin Corcoran, Dave Gaines,  
Gerry Paine  
South 7 – North 10

1967-68 Steph Butcher, Kevin Corcoran, Dave Gaines,  
Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine  
North 16 – South 3

1968-69 Barry Brelsford, Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines,  
Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine

South 7 – North 16

1969-70 Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Richard Haysom,  
Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine

North 10 – South 5

1970-71 Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Ian Henderson,  
Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine, Derek Scotton

South 6 – North 18

1971–72 Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Alan Gillett,  
Richard Haysom, Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley,  
Gerry Paine, Derek Scotton, Pete Tranter

North 18 – South 5

1972-73 Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Alan Gillett,  
Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley, Richard Norton,  
Gerry Paine, Pete Tranter

South 8 – North 22

1973-74 Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Alan Gillett,  
Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley, Richard Norton,  
Gerry Paine, Derek Scotton, Pete Tranter

North 22 – South 4

1974-75 Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Alan Gillett,  
Gerry Paine, Derek Scotton, Pete Tranter

South 3 – North 22

**In squad (of 19) that played Dennison University on 08/01/72**  
Won 10 - 8

Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Alan Gillett, Richard Haysom,  
Ian Henderson, Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine, Derek Scotton,  
Pete Tranter

**In squad (of 19) that played Australia on 06/05/72**  
Lost 28 - 2

Steph Butcher, Dave Gaines, Alan Gillett, Ian Henderson,

Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine, Derek Scotton, Pete Tranter

**In squad (of 20) that played Canada on ??/??/78**

Lost 29 - 5

Steph Butcher, Alan Gillett, Roger Kemsley, Gerry Paine, Pete Tranter

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### **Possible South of England representative records**

- Richard Haysom the youngest at 18
- Richard Haysom won honours as an outfield player and as a Goalkeeper
- Gerry Paine played for 10 consecutive years
- Lee provided 8 of the team of 10 in 1972-73
- Lee provided 9 of the squad of 19 in 1971-72 and 1973-74
- In the years 1964-1975 Lee had 14 different players representing the South of England

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### **North v South (Juniors) - 1962**

#### **North 6 – South 7**

This was the South's first success in this fixture since it started five years ago, and bodes well for the future, giving a well-deserved fillip for all those who have done so much to develop junior lacrosse in the south during recent years. The game started ominously, the North taking a three-goal lead within five minutes. The South took a grip on themselves, however, and marked their opponents more closely so that they pulled up to 4 – 1 and then 5 – 3. They attacked really hard to reach 5 – 4 by three-quarter time and drew level at 5 – 5 soon afterwards. They took the lead, only to see the North break away to equalise, but had enough steam left to score the winning goal two minutes from the end. It was good to see not only such an exciting and close game with the skill shown by both sides, but also that the South can show such mettle as to come from behind after such a bad start.

For the record, Gaines (Lee) 3, Furby (Lee) 2, Doig and an 'own goal' accounted for the South score, whilst Richardson, Irving, Hodson, Mottershead (2) and Derlfin scored for the North.

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In the 1974 South Junior team that lost 17 – 3 were Derek Kelly and Neil Partridge (Captain) both of Lee.

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## Cup competitions

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Iroquois Cup –	1921 v <b>Boardman</b>	<b>11 - 8</b>
	1922 v <b>Boardman</b>	<b>5 - 14</b>
	1964 v <b>Old Hulmeians</b>	<b>5 - 21</b>
	1968 v <b>Old Hulmeians</b>	<b>3 - 13</b>
	1970 v <b>South Manchester</b>	<b>10 - 7</b>
	1971 v <b>South Manchester</b>	<b>6 - 15</b>
	1972 v <b>South Manchester</b>	<b>4 - 17</b>
	1973 v <b>South Manchester</b>	<b>10 - 12</b>
	1974 v <b>Urmston</b>	<b>6 - 12</b>
	1975 v <b>Urmston</b>	<b>5 - 23</b>

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Flags matches	1908 – 09 v <b>Catford (Final)</b>	<b>4 - 6</b>
	1909 – 10 v <b>Catford (Final)</b>	<b>3 - 10</b>
	1910 – 11 v <b>Oxford University (Final)</b>	<b>12 - 6</b>
	1911 – 12 v <b>West London (Final)</b>	<b>15 - 5</b>
	1912 – 13 v <b>West London (Final)</b>	<b>6 - 4</b>
	1913 – 14 v <b>Catford (Final)</b>	<b>4 - 3</b>
	1920 – 21 v <b>Buckhurst Hill (Final)</b>	<b>12 - 6</b>
	1921 – 22 v <b>Hampstead (Final)</b>	<b>11 - 10</b>
	1928 – 29 v <b>Oxford University (Final)</b>	<b>3 - 2</b>
	1933 – 34 v <b>Cambridge University (Final)</b>	<b>7 - 11</b>

1947 – 48	v <b>Cambridge University (Final)</b>	<b>9 - 12</b>
1963 - 64	v Old Thorntonians	3 - 2
	v Oxford University	7 - 5
	v <b>London University (Final)</b>	<b>7 - 6</b>
1964 - 65	v <b>Cambridge University</b>	<b>1 - 5</b>
1965 - 66	v Cambridge University	1 - 1
	v <b>Cambridge University</b>	<b>4 - 5</b>
1966 - 67	v Kenton	10 - 3
	v <b>Oxford University</b>	<b>3 - 6</b>
1967 - 68	v Cambridge University	11 - 1
	v Hampstead	21 - 1
	v <b>Purley (Final)</b>	<b>17 - 4</b>
1968 - 69	v London University	17 - 0
	v <b>Hampstead (Final)</b>	<b>6 - 7</b>
1969 - 70	v Hampstead	10 - 1
	v <b>Purley (Final)</b>	<b>11 - 0</b>
1970 - 71	v St Helier	25 - 0
	v Oxford University	16 - 2
	v <b>Hampstead (Final)</b>	<b>19 - 6</b>
1971 - 72	v Oxford University	24 - 4
	v Purley	12 - 5
	v <b>Hampstead (Final)</b>	<b>17 - 8</b>
1972 - 73	v London University	30 - 1
	v Hampstead	18 - 2
	v <b>Purley (Final)</b>	<b>23 - 3</b>
1973 - 74	v Old Sedcopians	31 - 1
	v Purley	19 - 2
	v <b>Hampstead (Final)</b>	<b>17 - 7</b>
1974 - 75	v Cambridge University	24 - 1
	v Purley	22 - 5
	v <b>Oxford University (Final)</b>	<b>15 - 4</b>

1975 – 76	v Buckhurst Hill v Purley	13 - 4 LOST
1976 – 77	v Oxford University v Purley v Hampstead (Final)	16 – 12 12 - 4 6 - 15
1977 – 78	v Cambridge University v Bexleyheath v Croydon v Hampstead (Final)	14 – 6 18 – 0 13 – 6 4 - 16
1978 – 79	v Oxford University	8 – 14
1979 – 80	v Kenton v Hampstead v Oxford University	11 – 7 12 – 10 LOST
1980 – 81	v St Helier v Hampstead	13 – 2 5 - 9

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## League results and records for the ten consecutive championship years of 1965-66 to 1974-75

### League match results

<b>1965 - 1966</b>		<b>1966 - 1967</b>	
Purley	16 - 8	Beckenham	34 - 1
Beckenham	11 - 2	Purley	5 - 2
London University	12 - 5	Kenton	5 - 1
Buckhurst Hill	25 - 2	London University	15 - 4
Hampstead	7 - 6	Purley	7 - 4
Hampstead	15 - 1	Hampstead	20 - 2
London University	14 - 10	Hampstead	11 - 2
Buckhurst Hill	19 - 6	London University	22 - 2
Purley	14 - 6	Kenton	8 - 4
<b>Total</b>	<b>133 - 46</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>127 - 22</b>
<b>Average score</b>	<b>14.8 - 5.1</b>	<b>Average score</b>	<b>14.1 - 2.4</b>
 <b>1967 - 1968</b>		 <b>1968 - 1969</b>	
Kenton	8 - 3	Kenton	18 - 0
Purley	16 - 4	Addiscombe	23 - 7
Addiscombe	16 - 9	London University	18 - 4
Addiscombe	16 - 1	St Helier	26 - 4
Hampstead	12 - 0	Hampstead	12 - 0
London University	22 - 3	Purley	20 - 1
Purley	19 - 4	St Helier	19 - 0
Kenton	5 - 1	Kenton	16 - 5
<b>Total</b>	<b>114 - 25</b>	Addiscombe	21 - 1
<b>Average score</b>	<b>14.3 - 3.1</b>	Hampstead	10 - 7
		London University	24 - 6
		Buckhurst Hill	11 - 2
		<b>Total</b>	<b>218 - 37</b>
		<b>Average score</b>	<b>18.2 - 3.1</b>

**1969 – 1970**

Purley	15 - 2
Hampstead	10 - 1
Croydon	29 - 3
Buckhurst Hill	13 - 2
London University	13 - 4
St Helier	29 - 0
Purley	19 - 2
Buckhurst Hill	18 - 0
Hampstead	9 - 2
Oxford University	27 - 0
St Helier	29 - 3
<b>Total</b>	<b>211 - 19</b>
<b>Average score</b>	<b>19.2 – 1.7</b>

**1970 - 1971**

Hampstead	14 - 3
Purley	11 - 5
Old Sedcopians	29 - 1
London University	30 - 3
Buckhurst Hill	11 - 5
Hampstead	17 - 8
Purley	15 - 9
Buckhurst Hill	13 - 6
London University	29 - 3
Old Sedcopians	29 - 2
Beckenham	57 - 0
Oxford University	17 - 2
St Helier	22 - 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>294 - 47</b>
<b>Average score</b>	<b>22.6 - 3.6</b>

**1971 – 1972**

St Helier	16 - 0
<b>Hampstead</b>	<b>10 - 11</b>
Cambridge University	13 - 7
Buckhurst Hill	17 - 4
Old Sedcopians	29 - 2
Purley	19 - 8
Croydon	45 - 1
St Helier	16 - 1
Old Sedcopians	38 - 2
Hampstead	16 - 3
Oxford University	23 - 3
Croydon	15 - 6
Purley	27 - 3
Buckhurst Hill	20 - 2
Beckenham	17 - 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>321 - 53</b>
<b>Average Score</b>	<b>21.4 – 3.5</b>

**1972 - 1973**

Croydon	31 - 1
Old Sedcopians	21 - 3
St Helier	23 - 2
Purley	13 - 6
Oxford University	19 - 8
London University	29 - 5
Buckhurst Hill	27 - 2
Old Sedcopians	34 - 2
Hampstead	21 - 0
London University	19 - 1
Purley	13 - 4
St Helier	22 - 0
Cambridge University	17 - 2
Croydon	33 - 1
Buckhurst Hill	25 - 1
<b>Total</b>	<b>347 - 38</b>
<b>Average score</b>	<b>23.1 – 2.5</b>

**1973 - 1974**

St Helier	21 - 0
London University	27 - 1
Old Sedcopians	28 - 1
Purley	25 - 3
Cambridge University	27 - 2
Buckhurst Hill	22 - 1
St Helier	31 - 2
Kenton	30 - 0
London University	22 - 6
Oxford University	18 - 5
Hampstead	17 - 3
Purley	21 - 1
Kenton	20 - 2
Buckhurst Hill	26 - 0
<b>Total</b>	<b>335 - 27</b>

**Average score**            **23.9 – 1.9**

**1974 - 1975**

Old Sedcopians	22 - 2
Hampstead	18 - 7
Old Sedcopians	16 - 4
St Helier	33 - 2
Hampstead	6 - 6
London University	20 - 8
Purley	18 - 7
Oxford University	11 - 11
Buckhurst hill	21 - 0
St Helier	24 - 1
Purley	11 - 4
<b>Total</b>	<b>200 - 52</b>
<b>Average score</b>	<b>18.2 – 4.7</b>

**Total**

<b>Played</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Drawn</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Goals for</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Avg score</b>
117	114	2	1	2300	366	20 - 3

**Highest team score** – v Beckenham 13/02/71    57 – 0

**Highest individual scores** – Dave Gaines    16 v Beckenham 13/02/71  
 Roger Kemsley    16 v Beckenham 13/02/71  
 Dave Gaines    13 v Croydon 11/12/71  
 Derek Scotton    13 v Croydon 11/12/71  
 Ian Henderson    13 v Beckenham 13/02/71

**Ratio of scores for:-**

5 – 10	12	10.3%
11 – 15	24	20.5%
16 – 20	33	28.2%
21 – 25	21	17.9%
26 – 30	18	15.4%
31 – 35	6	5.1%
36+	3	2.6%

**Ratio of scores against:-**

0 – 5	93	79.5%
6 – 10	22	18.8%
11 – 15	2	1.7%

17 matches with 0 against – 14.5%  
 20 matches with 1 against – 17.1%  
 25 matches with 2 against – 21.4%

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The highest individual total for a season was 91 in 15 games, giving an average of 6 goals a game by Dave Gaines in 1971/72.

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During the five seasons 1969/70 to 1974/75 the attack of Dave Gaines, Ian Henderson and Derek Scotton **averaged** 13 goals a game.

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**Highest scoring season:- 1973 - 1974**

<b>Played</b>	<b>Won</b>	<b>Drawn</b>	<b>Lost</b>	<b>Goals for</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Avg score</b>
14	14	0	0	335	27	24 - 2

Included in this year was a run of 10 matches with a total score of 269 goals for and only 12 against.

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Including part of the 1964/65 season, shown below, Lee had a run of 69 consecutive league victories until their defeat by Hampstead in 1971. From that defeat until the end of the 1974/75 season there was a further unbeaten run of 53 matches

**The 69 consecutive victories gave a total score of 1168 - 214, giving an average score of 17 - 3.**

**1964 – 1965 (part)**

Hampstead	13 – 2
Buckhurst Hill	10 – 5
Kenton	6 – 0
London University	7 – 6
Kenton	13 – 1
Purley	6 – 4
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>55 – 18</u></b>

### Record of league matches 1965/66 - 1974/75

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Average score	
Purley	19	19	0	0	304	83	16	4
Hampstead	17	15	1	1	225	62	13	4
London University	15	15	0	0	316	65	21	4
Buckhurst Hill	14	14	0	0	268	33	19	2
St Helier	13	13	0	0	311	15	24	1
Old Sedcopians	9	9	0	0	246	19	27	2
Kenton	8	8	0	0	110	16	14	2
Oxford University	6	5	1	0	115	29	19	5
Croydon	5	5	0	0	153	12	31	2
Addiscombe	4	4	0	0	76	18	19	5
Beckenham	4	4	0	0	119	3	30	1
CambridgeUniversity.	3	3	0	0	57	11	19	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2300</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>

### League match results for the 10 Championship years 1965/66 - 1974/75

<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals for</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Score</b>
Addiscombe	16	1		
Addiscombe	16	9		
Addiscombe	21	1		
Addiscombe	23	7		
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5</b>

Beckenham	11	2		
Beckenham	17	0		
Beckenham	34	1		
Beckenham	57	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>

Buckhurst Hill	11	2		
Buckhurst Hill	11	5		
Buckhurst Hill	13	2		
Buckhurst Hill	13	6		
Buckhurst Hill	17	4		
Buckhurst Hill	18	0		
Buckhurst Hill	19	6		
Buckhurst Hill	20	2		
Buckhurst Hill	21	0		
Buckhurst Hill	22	1		
Buckhurst Hill	25	1		
Buckhurst Hill	25	2		
Buckhurst Hill	26	0		
Buckhurst Hill	27	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>

Cambridge Univ.	13	7		
Cambridge Univ.	17	2		
Cambridge Univ.	27	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals for</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Score</b>
Croydon	15	6		

Croydon	29	3		
Croydon	31	1		
Croydon	33	1		
Croydon	45	1		
<b>Total</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2</b>

Hampstead	6	6		
Hampstead	7	6		
Hampstead	9	2		
Hampstead	10	1		
Hampstead	10	7		
Hampstead	10	11		
Hampstead	11	2		
Hampstead	12	0		
Hampstead	12	0		
Hampstead	14	3		
Hampstead	15	1		
Hampstead	16	3		
Hampstead	17	3		
Hampstead	17	8		
Hampstead	18	7		
Hampstead	20	2		
Hampstead	21	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>

Kenton	5	1		
Kenton	5	1		
Kenton	8	3		
Kenton	8	4		
Kenton	16	5		
Kenton	18	0		
Kenton	20	2		
Kenton	30	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals for</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Average Score</b>
London University	12	5	

London University	13	4		
London University	14	10		
London University	15	4		
London University	18	4		
London University	19	1		
London University	20	8		
London University	22	2		
London University	22	3		
London University	22	6		
London University	24	6		
London University	27	1		
London University	29	3		
London University	29	5		
London University	30	3		
<b>Total</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>4</b>

Old Sedcopians	21	3		
Old Sedcopians	22	2		
Old Sedcopians	28	1		
Old Sedcopians	29	1		
Old Sedcopians	29	2		
Old Sedcopians	29	2		
Old Sedcopians	34	2		
Old Sedcopians	38	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>

Oxford University	11	11		
Oxford University	17	2		
Oxford University	18	5		
Oxford University	19	8		
Oxford University	23	3		
Oxford University	27	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals for</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Score</b>
Purley	5	2		
Purley	7	4		

Purley	11	4		
Purley	11	5		
Purley	13	4		
Purley	13	6		
Purley	14	6		
Purley	15	2		
Purley	15	9		
Purley	16	4		
Purley	16	8		
Purley	18	7		
Purley	19	2		
Purley	19	4		
Purley	19	8		
Purley	20	1		
Purley	21	1		
Purley	25	3		
Purley	27	3		
<b>Total</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>

St Helier	19	0		
St Helier	21	0		
St Helier	22	0		
St Helier	22	0		
St Helier	23	2		
St Helier	24	1		
St Helier	26	4		
St Helier	29	0		
St Helier	29	3		
St Helier	31	2		
St Helier	33	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2300</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>
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## Chislehurst & Sidcup Grammar School

### Match Results 1961 - 1962

Team	Score	Type	Goals scored
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Purley	29 – 1		Ian 5
H.T.S. II	6 – 2		Ian 0
Selhurst	15 – 2		Ian 3
John Ruskin	22 – 5		Ian 6
Lee	8 – 1		Ian 4
H.T.S. III	26 – 4	Flags	Ian 5
H.T.S. II	8 – 4		Ian 1
Beckenham	18 – 2		Ian 4
Purley	25 – 4		Ian 10
John Ruskin	20 – 2		Ian 6
Selhurst	8 – 2		Ian 5
Beckenham	16 – 1	Flags	Ian 6
Lee	2 – 5		Ian 1
Surrey	4 – 3	County	Ian 1
Beckenham	8 – 6		Ian (DNP)
Canterbury	16 – 2		Ian 1
H.T.S. II	18 – 1		Ian 4
Canterbury	2 – 13	Flag Final	Ian 0
H.T.S. II	8 – 4		Ian ?
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>259 – 64</b>		<b>62</b>

### Match Results 1962 - 1963

Team	Score	Type	Goals scored
Tulse Hill	21 – 1		Ian 2
H.T.S. II	16 – 7		Ian 1
Selhurst	12 – 2		Ian 3
Purley	26 – 1		Ian 7
John Ruskin	27 – 0		Ian 5
Lee	17 – 1	Flags	Ian 2
Tulse Hill	11 – 3		Ian 5
Surrey	19 – 4	County	Ian 1
Selhurst	17 – 2		Ian 5
Lee	10 – 8		Ian 3
John Ruskin	16 – 2		Ian 4

REMAINDER OF MATCHES ABANDONED DUE TO SNOW

**TOTAL                    192 – 31                    38**

## Lee Lacrosse Club

### Match Results 1963 - 1964

## Southern League runners up

### Southern Flags winners

Team	Score	Type	Goals scored	
Hampstead	12 - 1	League	Ian (DNP)	Dave 2
Purley	4 - 9	League	Ian 0	Dave 1
Cambridge Eagles	21 - 4	League	Ian 5	Dave 4
London University	10 - 13	League	Ian 2	Dave 3
Buckhurst Hill	8 - 5	League	Ian 3	Dave 1
Old Thorntonians	3 - 2	Flags	Ian 1	Dave 0
Old Thorntonians	8 - 5	League	Ian 1	Dave 0
Kenton	9 - 2	League	Ian 0	Dave 3
Kenton	4 - 0	League	Ian 1	Dave 0
Buckhurst Hill	4 - 1	League	Ian 0	Dave 1
London University	10 - 6	League	Ian 0	Dave 2
Purley	5 - 4	League	Ian 0	Dave 0
Oxford University	7 - 5	Flags	Ian 0	Dave 1
Cambridge Eagles	26 - 0	League	Ian 5	Dave ?
Beckenham	11 - 3	?	Ian 0	Dave 3
Buckhurst Hill	11 - 5	Friendly	Ian (DNP)	Dave 2
London University	7 - 6	Flags Final	Ian 4	Dave 0
Disley	9 - 7	Friendly	Ian 0	
Cheadle	12 - 9	Friendly	Ian (DNP)	
Boardman	7 - 6	Friendly	Ian 1	
Disley	2 - 7	Friendly	Ian 0	
Manchester Gram	8 - 5	Friendly	Ian (DNP)	
Old Hulmeians	5 - 21	Iroquois Cup	Ian 1	Dave 0
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>203 - 126</b>		<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>
Kent v M'sex	11 - 6	County	Ian 2	Dave 3
Kent v Oxford U.	6 - 7	County	Ian 0	Dave 0
Kent v Essex	9 - 10	County	Ian (DNP)	Dave ?

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### Newspaper cuttings of the time

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## **Essex attack dominates**

Essex took their expected step towards retaining the Southern Counties Championship when they defeated Surrey 12 – 5 at Addiscombe.

The defences were of comparable calibre, but Essex had the compelling superiority of an attack, which included five of the all-conquering London University team. When Metcalf withdrew, any serious hopes Surrey may have had were extinguished.

Even so, they surprised Essex when they opened the game with three goals. The Essex defence was responsible, being loosely strung out and ill served by Peary in goal. Thereafter they closed up and Peary played in the manner expected. By half-time Essex were ahead 5 - 3.

Their final tally might have been greater but for the resistance of Maynard, the Surrey goalkeeper. Hall (4), Morton (3), Johnson (2), T.de Banks, Mottershead and Pritchard scored the Essex goals. Surrey's scorers, Penson (2), Robbins (2) and Hayne were also their best scorers.

Kent will oppose Essex in the final on April 18. They established an early lead against Middlesex at Orpington and moved steadily ahead to victory by 11 - 6.

Haysom, the Kent centre, was the man of the match. Bennett, in spite of his greater experience, could not suppress him and, though he scored two goals himself, lost on balance by conceding four to Haysom. Kent's other goals came from Gaines (3), Henderson (2), Paine and Burchell.

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## **LEE FIND BEST FORM AND WIN GREAT GAME**

When the top two clubs in the South met at Goddington Lane on Saturday, Lee were determined to beat London University, unbeaten this season, after having only narrowly lost to them earlier in the season.

From the start Lee played hard and fast lacrosse in the typical university manner. Kemsley opened the scoring, but London immediately replied. Then Gaines scored two brilliant goals.

This seemed to inspire Lee into their best performance for the season, and at half time they led 6-2, after having outplayed the University in every aspect of the game.

At the end of the third quarter it was 9-4 in Lee's favour, and although the visitors fought backing the last quarter, they lost 10-6.

Lee's scorers were Haysom (3), Gaines (2), Morrow (2), Kemsley (2) and Medlock. Lee 'A' beat Purley 'B' 13-5.

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## **BRILLIANT HAYSOM GOAL WON THE POINTS**

In a crucial top-of-the-table game on Saturday Lee won 5-4 at home to Purley, increasing their lead to four points.

Once again Haysom was Purley's downfall and he put Lee ahead in less than five minutes, but at the end of the first quarter Porter equalised. A mistake by the Purley keeper gave Lee a 2-1 half time lead.

Metcalf soon had Purley on level terms again but Morrow, with an opportunist goal, and Haysom made it 4-2 for Lee only for Purley to pull back one.

Purley made it 4-4 in the last quarter when goalkeeper Furby made his one mistake of the match. Just when it seemed that a draw was inevitable, Haysom appeared from nowhere and netted a brilliant goal.

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## **LEE EARN A PLACE IN THE FLAGS FINAL**

Lee deservedly won a place in the Flags final by defeating Oxford University 7-5.

Lee attacked furiously from the whistle to dominate the first quarter, scoring three goals before Oxford had settled down. In the second quarter Oxford managed to draw level for a moment until Kemsley scored again to put Lee 4-3 ahead at half time.

After half time Gaines scored with a brilliant solo effort, but once again Oxford drew level. Haysom scored in the dying seconds of the third quarter to put Lee in the lead again.

The lead was further increased in the final quarter by Kemsley to give Lee a well-deserved victory. In the final Lee meet London University who beat Cambridge University.

Scorers for Lee were Morrow, Kemsley (3), Haysom (2) and Gaines.

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## CLOSEST LACROSSE FINAL IN MEMORY

Lee won the Southern Senior Flag at Elmer's End on Saturday by defeating London University 7 - 6 in the closest final within memory. The University were slightly favoured to win, and when they scored four goals through Johnson, Mottershead (2), and Pritchard in the first quarter against an obviously nervous and timid Lee, they seemed to have dealt a knockout blow.

But during the second period the University were unable to follow through. They were still on top, but Furby in the Lee goal tightened up. Lord assumed his expected dominant role and Haysom adopted his typical roaming from defence. Perhaps most important of all, Corcoran took an iron grip on Hall, the University's most dangerous player. He has over 60 goals to his credit this season – so that he was unusually subdued for the rest of the day. Consequently the University failed to score, while Henderson unleashed two long shots, which found Beaugrand unsighted. Thus Lee stopped the rot, but with a half-time score of 4 - 2 London still seemed likely winners.

Both play and scores were even in the third quarter. Lee were more aggressive while London were strangely restrained. Goals by Thornley and Mottershead alternating with those by Henderson and Haysom brought the score to 6 - 4.

Morrow's goal from an excellent pass by Haysom early in the last session proved to be the turning point. Lee now scented victory. Thereafter, spurred on by the vociferous support of the spectators, typically shouting for the underdogs. Lee were the faster team and had the greater stamina. Their young players snapped every loose ball and they drew level when Henderson crowned his triumphant afternoon by dodging past three players to score a fine goal. The last spirit had now drained from the University side and they could not be inspired to a final rally when Kemsley scored the winning goal, three minutes from the end.

Lee's eight Flag success – though their first for 35 years – was a well deserved and popular reward for a balanced team composed of many players from their own nursery with a leavening of experience provided by Lord, Corcoran and Morrow. They had trained well under the careful coaching of Morrow and their tenacity, stamina, and enthusiasm, after their depressing start, revealed an underlying and unexpected strength.

Quarter Scores: - 0 - 4, 2 - 4, 4 - 6, 7 - 6

**Teams: -**

**LEE** - A. Furby, D. Hart (Captain), K. Corcoran, B. Lord, G. Paine, R. Haysom, S. Butcher, I. Henderson, R. Kemsley, G. Medlock, T. Morrow, D. Gaines

**LONDON UNIVERSITY** – K. Beaugrand, I. Newton, A. Thorneley, M. Thurston, E. Blackwell, R. Staple, P. Constantine, C. Shepley, J. Pritchard, D. Mottershead, P. Johnson, J. Hall (Captain)

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## **Lee rally well to win Flag**

Lee's victory by 7 – 6 over London University at Elmer's End on Saturday gave them the Senior Flag for the eighth time. It was a fascinating match, in which Lee took the lead for the first and only time three minutes from the end.

They earned their reward after an uphill struggle, gaining ascendancy by hard work, superior stamina, and a refusal to concede best to the opposition at a time when many teams would have lost heart.

London University started dominantly against the abnormally young Lee players, who appeared to be overawed by the big occasion. Even Lord, a veteran by their standards, was peculiarly nervous, and he permitted Johnson to open the scoring. This goal was quickly followed by two from Mottershead and one from Pritchard.

But in the second period Lee found a new confidence and self control, so that they prevented further goals against them and scored two through Henderson's long shots. In the third period, they were more or less on level terms as play swung to and fro. Henderson and Haysom scored in reply to goals from Thorneley and Mottershead. In the last 20 minutes they attained the dominance that London had achieved at the start. Their three goals from Morrow, Henderson and Kemsley, without reply, produced a surprising reversal of fortune. The university finished a broken and bewildered team.

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## **HULMEIANS LEAVE LITTLE DOUBT**

### **SUPERIOR LACROSSE AGAINST LEE**

#### **Old Hulmeians 21, Lee 5**

Old Hulmeians won the Iroquois Cup for the ninth time on their tenth appearance in the Lacrosse final on Saturday at Hurlingham Park. Their absolute superiority in every position and their strength as an intelligent constructive unit playing attractively, left no doubt about their right to the English club championship.

Lee's exceptionally young team were nervous on their first big occasion, but at least have the consolation that they obviously learnt from their experience for they improved towards the end. They fought for every loose ball and never gave up, nor allowed the old boys the opportunity to relax. But the experience and skill of the Old Hulmeians put them in a different class.

When Buckland opened the scoring one-minute after the start the old boys took the initiative. Their attack created openings always using one man behind the goal as an integral part of their schemes. They passed accurately, so that the receivers could run on to the ball in the empty spaces, needing only inches to take the ball and shoot. They quickly discovered that Furby had a weakness against low shots and exploited it.

Lee defence, usually an impressive unit, who had been strengthened by the inclusion of Brelsford, from Cambridge University, left their opponents too much room.

### **RARE FINESSE**

In contrast the Lee attack ran about expecting openings to arise and had no idea how to penetrate the solid defence of the old boys. Consequently they resorted to occasional weak, long distance shots in hope and desperation. Haysom played well though his best position is probably as an attacking wing defence rather than as a forward. He scored twice. Brelsford, Morrow and Henderson scored the other goals, but the most promising and interesting player was Gaines, a 17-year old schoolboy, whose ability to shoot and pass from both shoulders showed a rare finesse.

The pattern was set in the first quarter when Old Hulmeians took a lead of seven goals before Lee could reply. Borland and Marsland were the principal executioners, though both gave as many passes as they received. Buckland was the calm authoritative general and Marlton and Bryans were ever ready in support on the wings. They built up the score steadily by 7-1, 12-2, 17-4, 21-5 at the quarters.

Only for 10 minutes, during the second period and again during the fourth, did Lee manage to hold their opponents. All Old Hulmeians' forwards scored, as might be expected from such a cooperative group – Marsland (6), Borland (5), Buckland (3), Marlton (3), Bryans (3) and Cocker.

OLD HULMEIANS – G.Lawson, F. McLinton, R.Threlfall, J.Williams, G.Stockdale, F.Martin, M.Cocker, C. Bryans, P.Marlton, D.Borland, A.Marsland, J.Buckland.

LEE – A.Furby, D.Hart, K.Corcoran, B.Lord, B.Brelsford, G.Paine, R.Kemsley, R.Haysom, I.Henderson, D.Gaines, T.Morrow, J.Medlock.

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1964 - 1965

### Southern League runners up

Team	Score	Type	Goals scored
Old Sedcopians	9 - 3	League	Ian 3
Beckenham	22 - 3	League	Ian 3
Old Thorntonians	3 - 2	League	Ian 1
Cambridge University	3 - 4	League	Ian 0
London University	6 - 7	League	Ian 0
Rochdale	5 - 4	Friendly	Ian 0
Hampstead	14 - 5	League	Ian 2
Cambridge University	1 - 5	Flags	Ian 0
Buckhurst Hill	4 - 5	League	Ian 1
Oxford University	5 - 4	League	Ian 1
Beckenham	15 - 3	League	Ian 2
Purley	4 - 7	League	Ian 1
Beckenham	15 - 3	League	Ian 2
Hampstead	13 - 2	League	Ian 3
Buckhurst Hill	10 - 5	League	Ian 3
Kenton	6 - 0	League	Ian 0
London University	7 - 6	League	Ian 1
Kenton	13 - 1	League	Ian 6
Purley	6 - 4	League	Ian 2
Disley	15 - 3	Friendly	Ian 4
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>161 - 73</b>		<b>33</b>
Sth London v Oxford U.	5 - 6	Friendly	Ian 1
Kent v Oxford U.	3 - 7	County	Ian 1
<b>Other matches</b>	<b>8 - 13</b>		<b>2</b>

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**KEMSLEY AND HENDERSON BEAT BUCKHURST  
HILL**

Lee beat Buckhurst Hill 10 – 5 on Saturday, Buckhurst Hill leading until quarter time.

Lee drew level through three excellent goals by Kemsley, and Henderson then put them ahead. Once Lee had gained the lead the combination of Kemsley and Henderson proved too much for the Hill defence. (Kemsley 4, Henderson 3, Paine 2, Morrow)

Lee 'A' maintained their unbeaten record by beating Purley 'A' 15 – 6 (Brown 3, Knight 3, Morfill 3, Furby 2, Richardson 2, Bush, Butcher)

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1965 - 1966

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Six-a-side Champions

Team	Score	Type	Goals scored
Purley	16 - 8	League	
Beckenham	11 - 2	League	Ian 1
Oxford University	13 - 2	Friendly	
London University	12 - 5	League	Ian 0
Oxford University	13 - 4	Friendly	
Buckhurst Hill	25 - 2	League	
Cambridge University	1 - 1	Flags	Ian 0
Buckhurst Hill	18 - 3	Friendly	Ian 5
Hampstead	7 - 6	League	Ian 0
Cambridge University	4 - 5	Flags	Ian 1
Hampstead	15 - 1	League	Ian 2
London University	14 - 10	League	Ian 4
Buckhurst Hill	19 - 6	League	
Purley	14 - 6	League	Ian 2
Disley	12 - 2	Friendly	Ian 3
Ashton	11 - 10	Friendly	Ian 1
Heaton Mersey	10 - 11	Friendly	Ian 3
Offerton	9 - 6.	Friendly	Ian 0
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>224 - 90</b>		<b>22</b>
Sth London v Cambr.U.	10 - 6	Friendly	Ian 1
Kent v Surrey	9 - 7	County	Ian ?
Kent v Oxford U.	3 - 7	County	Ian 1
<b>Other matches</b>	<b>22 - 20</b>		<b>2</b>
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**LEE TOP FIRST DIVISION**

Lee maintained both their high standard of play and their lead in Division I by defeating London University 12 – 5 on Saturday.

Through excellent goals by Haysom and Gaines Lee soon gained the lead but London managed to fight back to 3 – 3.

After Brown put Lee in the lead again, they dominated the game. The attack looked most dangerous with Henderson and Brown excellently opening the defence and distributing the ball with accuracy.

Once again Gaines was outstanding, scoring five goals, while Furby distinguished himself with a fine display in goal.

Lee scorers were: D Gaines (5), T Morrow (2), C Brown (2), Butcher, Kemsley and Haysom.

Lee 'A' beat Croydon 10 – 5.

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**LEE TRIUMPH 25 – 2**

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A large score was expected when undefeated division one leaders met one of the bottom clubs, Buckhurst Hill on Saturday. But nobody envisaged a 25 – 2 triumph for Lee.

Lee treated the game as a full-scale practice and where soon in the lead, and at the end of the first quarter were 4 – 0 ahead.

The half time score was 13 – 0.

The Lee scorers were G Paine (6), D Gaines (4), R Kemsley (4), R Haysom (4), T Morrow (4), G Medlock (2) and S Butcher.

Lee 'A' beat Old Sedcopians 'A' 8 – 3.

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## **UNBEATEN LEE SLAM BUCKHURST HILL 25 – 2**

Playing at home on Saturday, Lee the undefeated leaders, trounced Buckhurst Hill 25 – 2.

Lee's extremely mobile and efficient attack took control in the opening seconds and Morrow and Medlock provided many chances for the other forwards. Gaines and Kemsley in particular taking their chances well.

Lee's superior fitness played an important part in this win and goals came from G Paine (6), D Gaines (4), R Kemsley (4), R Haysom (4), T Morrow (4), G Medlock (2) and S Butcher.

Lee 'A' beat Old Sedcopians 'A' 8 – 3.

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## **CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY HOLD LEE TO 1 – 1**

In this exciting first round of the Flags competition the successful finalists of the last two years, Lee and Cambridge University, met on Saturday.

As both teams are scoring well this season, Lee averaging 15 goals a game, a high score was expected, but the result was a 1 – 1 draw, exceptionally low for lacrosse.

The intense midfield play and difficult conditions helped to limit the scoring, Furby, in the Lee goal, played well, making some breath-taking saves.

Lee took the lead in the first quarter when Medlock casually accepted a difficult pass. Cambridge replied in the second quarter when a shot through a melee caught Furby unsighted.

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## **Lee hope to improve**

Unbeaten this season, the first team of Lee Lacrosse Club, whose home has been at the headquarters of Orpington Sports Club for many years, is hoping to improve on the second place they have occupied during the last three campaigns in the first division of the South of England League.

Two years ago they did, however, win the Flag Final, which is a knockout competition.

Among their star players is remarkable, one-armed goalkeeper Terry Allsop, who is a regular in the South of England team and has been capped for England.

Defence men Kevin Corcoran and Richard Haysom are also both members of the South of England side. Dave Gaines and Gerry Paine have both played in South trials.

In addition, Paine, Haysom and Allsop played in this year's England versus The Rest exhibition match at the Crystal Palace sports festival.

Basically a young side, most of the team were outstanding juniors. But though largely under 20, many have played for Kent's seniors. The attack is controlled by Southern Area coach Terry Morrow.

Two years ago the club, which was then fielding first and junior sides, formed a second team, which won the second division championship last year. But they could not be promoted as the laws state that only one side from each club can play in the first division. Last season the second team won their division's annual six-a-side contest.

The first team is unbeaten this season, but the seconds, having lost several players to the firsts, with others having gone abroad or to university, are unable to field as strong a side this season as in the past.

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## **THEY WIN AGAIN**

Lee Lacrosse maintained their unbeaten record and first division leadership when they defeated Hampstead on an atrocious pitch at Mill Hill on Saturday.

Hampstead gained a 0 – 2 lead until Paine scored for Lee to bring the quarter time score to 1 – 2.

Lee piled on the pressure in the second quarter but still failed to even the scores, despite an excellent goal by Brown and two brilliant goals from Haysom. At half time they trailed 4 – 5.

After the interval Lee looked much more confident and completely dominated the third quarter.

In the final quarter Hampstead took the lead again, only for Kemsley to equalise once more, Lee clinched the tough game when Parker scored with a magnificent shot.

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## **LACROSSE TITLE MAY SOON BE SETTLED**

The postponement of Saturday's lacrosse matches in London because of the saturated grounds caused the Christmas interval in the Southern League programme to be longer than expected. At this half way stage, however, it is already clear that the championship will go to either Lee or Purley.

The issue might be settled by the end of January, for Lee, who are undefeated so far, are scheduled to play their return matches against Purley and London University, the only teams likely to defeat them. Unfortunately, the Purley v. Lee fixture for January 22 has to be postponed to permit the rearrangement of the Flag competition caused by the 1 – 1 draw between Lee and Cambridge University in the first round on the last day of the University term.

### **POINTLESS**

Though London University are close behind in case the leaders slip, no other club has a serious interest in the championship and the only other consideration is whether Buckhurst Hill can avoid relegation. They are pointless at the bottom of the table and can only hope to escape by defeating Beckenham and Kenton, who are next above them and who play later this month.

Waterlogged grounds have also caused the Northern League to drop behind schedule at the halfway stage. Mellor have taken the lead and shown their early lapse against South Manchester was only temporary. Their defensive play against the previously undefeated Old Hulmeians showed they have improved in this area and as their attack is obviously as impressive as last season (157 goals from 11 matches), they have a good chance of retaining their championship.

### **TASK DIFFICULT**

Nevertheless, they must yet defeat Old Hulmeians again as well as the third team in the running for the championship, South Manchester, who have inflicted Mellor's only defeat, and who, in turn, have lost only twice – to Old Hulmeians. Old Hulmeians have made their own task more difficult by conceding a game to the inconsistent Heaton Mersey, who are lying in fourth place, well behind the others.

As in the south, the remaining clubs have little interest except to avoid relegation. Recent successes by Stockport and Leeds University have probably saved them. This leaves Rochdale who are newly promoted, Old Waconians who are short of good forwards, Urmston who have been unlucky with three defeats by the odd goal, and Boardman and Eccles who are at present bottom, to settle the issue mainly by the matches to be played among themselves.

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## **LEE STORM TO VICTORY**

Lee began in storming fashion against Hampstead on Saturday and scored their first goal inside a minute through Gaines.

The home team kept up the pressure throughout the first quarter, at the end of which they had scored six goals.

In the second quarter however, Hampstead's heavier rearguard managed to defend their goal successfully from the lighter Lee attack.

This goal-less quarter spurred Lee to a greater determination in the third quarter, in which they again dominated, to score five more goals with only one in reply.

The Lee attack was moving really well now, and continued its goal spree into the final quarter, in which they scored another four goals.

Lee's defence was rarely troubled and, in consequence, was able to give strong support to the attack, all of whom scored.

Lee's goal total in 10 games is now 132 with only 34 against, and establishes them firmly at the top of Division 1.

Their scorers were D Gaines (4), R Kemsley (2), T Morrow (2), I Henderson (2), G Paine (2), J Medlock (2) and R Haysom.

Lee's second team went down 5 – 11 to Old Sedcopians. Scorers were D Scotton (2), C Brown (2) and R Morfill.

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## **LEE IN STRONG POSITION FOR LACROSSE TITLE**

Lee are almost Southern League lacrosse champions and may expect to see their name engraved on the trophy for the first time. They still have five matches to play and could, of course, slip unexpectedly, but Purley, who have played one more match and are level on points, seem to be the only team likely to stop them. If Purley succeed where all others have failed, the two teams could end level on points, but Lee's superior goal average will probably not be approached.

Lee reached this strong position when they defeated London University at Motspur Park. They started apprehensively facing the renowned University scorers with a defence weakened by the absence of Haysom, Corcoran and Parker. Yet, the two backs promoted, Knight and Morfill, proved to be the safest on the field and Kemsley who dropped back to centre, dominated the faces. Consequently Lee surprised themselves by taking a 4 – 1 lead by quarter time. One or two mistakes permitted the University to get within one goal during the second period, but Lee led 7 – 5 at half time.

London University were confident of victory, having noted Lee's weaknesses. They pressed on to draw level at 9 – 9 and finally went ahead with the first goal of the last period. Just when it looked as though the University were going to win by a comfortable margin, Lee burst into renewed action and scored five goals without reply, leaving London bewildered, and themselves bemused by their unexpected breakthrough.

This defeat has ended London University's hopes of remaining in the championship race. They must blame their failure on defence. They have conceded more goals than any other club in the league except Buckhurst Hill at the bottom. Yet they also scored the most. They undoubtedly have the strongest attack, but when they are always looking over their shoulders at the voids behind, they cannot press home their advantage.

Lee were given far too much room to set up their movements. Henderson regained his shooting form to score four goals, but some of his shots should have been blocked. Gaines (3) and Medlock (3) might also have been restricted by closer attention from good backs.

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1966 - 1967

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Flags winners

### Southern Six-a-side Champions

Team	Score	Type	Goals scored
Old Sedcopians	26 - 2	Friendly	
Mellor	9 - 15	Friendly	
Heaton Mersey	7 - 9	Friendly	
Cambridge University	7 - 6	Friendly	
Beckenham	34 - 1	League	Dave 9 – Ian 7
Purley	5 - 2	League	
Old Waconians	2 - 4	Friendly	
Old Hulmeians	8 - 6	Friendly	
Heaton Mersey	9 - 4	Friendly	
Kenton	5 - 1	League	
Kenton	10 - 3	Flags	
London University	15 - 4	League	
Purley	7 - 4	League	
Oxford University	3 - 6	Flags	
Hampstead	20 - 2	League	
Hampstead	11 - 2	League	
London University	22 - 2	League	Jeff 5 – Ian 5
Kenton	8 - 4	League	
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>208 - 77</b>		

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**FOUR PLAYERS EACH NET FIVE FOR LEE**

Lee once again scored freely on Saturday in a friendly against Old Sedcopians with the final score being 26 – 2 with goals from J Medlock (5), I Henderson (5), D Gaines (5), G Paine (5), R Kemsley (4), C Parker and S Butcher

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**BECKENHAM NEVER HAD A CHANCE AGAINST LEE**

In the first match of the season, Lee, last season's champions, played bottom-of-the-division Beckenham, and the result was a massive 34 – 1 victory for Lee against a weak side.

Scorers for Lee: D Gaines 9, I Henderson 7, R Kemsley 6, T Morrow 4, P Richardson 3, G Paine 3, J Medlock and C Parker.

Quarter scores were 8 – 0, 17 – 0, 25 – 1, 34 – 1.

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**London University outclassed**

London University are nearing the end of their worst season since they started playing lacrosse twelve years ago. Their defeat at Lee on Saturday by 22 – 2 was their heaviest in a League match this year.

They were not in the same class as their opponents who, by this victory, won the Southern League championship. The university have not benefited as had been expected by the return of Morton who is obviously not yet back to his old form.

Their greatest weakness, however, was in defence. By bolstering this with their forwards, London eliminated any hope of success. Allsop was rarely troubled in the Lee goal after the first quarter when Lomax made several good unsuccessful shots. Lee's most dangerous forward was Medlock, playing far better than in his London University days. He scored five goals, as did Henderson.

# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1967 - 1968

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Flags Winners

### Southern Six-a-side Champions

Team	Score	Type	Ian Goals scored
Purley	11 - 5	Friendly	DNP
Old Hulmeians	10 - 5	Friendly	0
Boardman & Eccles	12 - 7	Friendly	4
Cambridge University	13 - 4	Friendly	2
Offerton	25 - 0	Friendly	2
<b>Mellor</b>	<b>8 - 16</b>	<b>Friendly</b>	0
Offerton	11 - 2	Friendly	2
Urmston	9 - 8	Friendly	2
Kenton	8 - 3	League	2
Cambridge University	11 - 1	Flags	2
Purley	16 - 4	League	2
Addiscombe	16 - 9	League	3
Oxford University	10 - 6	Friendly	3
Hampstead	21 - 1	Flags	3
Addiscombe	16 - 1	League	3
Purley	17 - 4	Flags Final	1
Hampstead	12 - 0	League	5
London University	22 - 3	League	6
Purley	19 - 4	League	7
Kenton	5 - 1	League	0
<b>Old Stopfordians</b>	<b>6 - 15</b>	<b>Friendly</b>	2
<b>Mellor</b>	<b>8 - 14</b>	<b>Friendly</b>	2
South Manchester	8 - 7	Friendly	4
Disley	9 - 2	Friendly	4
<b>Old Hulmeians</b>	<b>3 - 16</b>	<b>Iroquois Cup</b>	0
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>306 - 138</b>		<b>59</b>
(Kenton	11 - 0	Sixes final)	
South Trial	16 - 4	Trial	5
<b>Other Totals</b>	<b>16 - 4</b>		<b>5</b>

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## **NEED FOR NEW COMPETITION**

The meeting of the Northern and southern lacrosse league champions in a friendly match promised to provide a contest in which the loser would only lower his colours after a fight. Lee and Mellor did not disappoint when they met at Orpington.

Both teams claimed that they thoroughly enjoyed their match, and the spectators were treated to a fast open spectacle as the players flung the ball around in a series of sweeping movements weaving intricate patterns in a manner rarely seen during the usual run of Saturday afternoon league lacrosse.

Mellor triumphed 16 – 8, mainly because of their superior shooting and their ability to seize a quick opportunity.

### **Increasing popularity**

Both clubs are prolific scorers in their respective leagues, and consequently often face defences packed around the goal. It seems that some teams who expect to lose against powerful opponents derive some satisfaction from striving to keep the margin of defeat as low as possible, with an eye on their goal average.

This may account for the increasing popularity of friendly matches, which do not impose the same constraints and with both teams scoring heavily against more open defences, players and spectators alike savour a greater entertainment. Some of the most successful friendly matches are between northern and southern clubs where there is perhaps less “needle” carried over from league struggles.

In the modern world of faster transport a national tournament would bring together the widespread clubs more often, though it might smother the benefits derived at present from the friendly fixtures.

A knock-out tournament would be a good compromise in which there would be no incentive to defend purely to keep down the score for the purpose of league position.

This centenary year would be a good time to start a new competition as a step into the future. Perhaps the Iroquois Cup Challenge – at present the cup is disputed only by the north and south flag winners – could be re-planned so that all clubs that entered would play rounds throughout the season.

This would at least provide an event, which was not divided into two sections, north and south, based on an arbitrary division that has confused and confounded English lacrosse for most of its 100 years’ life.

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## **Skill in shooting brings victory to Mellor**

Lee, the Southern League champions, had this season's run of victories broken when Mellor, champions of the Northern League visited them and maintained their own unbeaten record by winning 16 – 8. Freed from the problems of gathering points they both played open lacrosse, keeping the ball flowing over all parts of the field.

The margin in the score exaggerated the difference between the respective standards of play. It was rather a measure of the difference in shooting skill. Lee, for example, created several openings at the start of the match and missed four goals when their shots went over the bar. When Mellor retaliated, Williams opened with three goals in succession, and Hodgson gave them a 4 – 0 lead at quarter time.

Mellor crept further ahead 7 – 2, 12 – 5, 16 – 8 in the subsequent quarters. Hodgson added three more goals, and Duckworth and McAllister also scored four.

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## **Kenton defend strongly against Lee**

The main matches in Southern Lacrosse on Saturday concerned spirited rearguard actions, particularly by Kenton and Oxford University. Kenton surprised Lee by holding them throughout the first half and then conceding defeat by 8 – 3. Oxford University's defence, that has been so notoriously open so far, held Old Waconians to six goals. It was the Oxford attack that let them down on this occasion, being unable to score more than once.

The major event of the day took place in the evening however, when the dinner to celebrate the centenary of English lacrosse was held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester. This was the formal recognition of the occasion, which was effectively marked in the spring by the tour of the English team to Canada.

The England captain, G.A.MacDonald, proposing the toast of "lacrosse," called for a greater awareness by senior players of the need to listen to new ideas, and for all players to exercise a greater self-discipline and respect for the best standards of play.

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## **Lee put Purley record in perspective**

The long-awaited match between the two leading clubs in the South, Lee and Purley, proved to be a disappointment. Lee's easy 16 – 4 victory indicated that there is more between the teams than had been expected. The contests for the League Championship, in which both were undefeated, and for the Southern Flag, in which both had reached the semi-finals, now appear to be running in Lee's direction.

Lee led throughout, with quarter scores of 4 – 0, 8 – 2, 13 – 2, 16 – 4. They would have been further ahead in the first quarter but for some bad shooting. Generally they controlled the pace and they were much quicker to chase the loose balls and more positive when checking their opponents.

Gaines, who scored seven goals, was at his best. He was well supported by Kemsley, who scored three by coming up from wing defence and yet found the speed to cover back and take care of Nicholls, who was easily Purley's best forward.

Parker (2), Henderson (2), Medlock and Morrow also scored against a Purley defence, which did not combine well. Shipley, their outstanding back, worked extremely hard and even found time to score a goal to add to those by Leppard, Nicholls and Wilde.

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### **Lee surge ahead of Addiscombe**

Addiscombe gave Lee their hardest League match of the season before losing 9 – 16, and conceding the points that enabled Lee to nudge them from the top of the Southern Championship table. Lee will lead confidently, being undefeated, one point ahead, and with three games in hand.

For the only major match that was not postponed because of waterlogged pitches, Addiscombe were strengthened by the inclusion of Rolley, the Australian international who has joined them for his short stay in this country. His style was delightful and he fully deserved his four goals, but he also brought the best out from the other Addiscombe forwards, who are usually slower and less original. Metcalf, in particular, revelled in having such a reliable feed, and scored three goals. Milne and Lewis scored the others.

This strength enabled Addiscombe to open the Lee defence surprisingly often, and to pull back from 2 – 7 to 5 – 7, just before half time. The third quarter proved to be crucial, when Lee pressed repeatedly with their wing defences to get round the covering Addiscombe forwards and go ahead to 13 – 7 before settling down to consolidate during the last quarter. Addiscombe could not answer the combined power of the whole Lee team during the major onslaught, when there was always an extra player to carry on a movement and score. The large number of Lee scorers – Butcher (4), Henderson (3), Morrow (2), Medlock (2), Gaines (2), Kemsley, Paine and Mottershead – speaks for itself.

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### **Purley overawed in one-sided game**

**Lee 17 Purley 4**

Although Lee had become favourites to win the southern lacrosse flag for the ninth time, few people expected them to overcome Purley, the holders, quite so easily. The one-sided match provided little entertainment for the remarkably low number of spectators.

The Lee team was substantially the same as that which narrowly defeated London University 7 – 6 in the 1964 final. They are still young enough to be exceptionally fast, but they have gained much in experience, and are able to control the pace and style of the game much more effectively. The higher score is a fair measure of their advance over the four years.

Their reputation overawed Purley, who made many errors. The Purley defence was loose and uncertain. Their forwards were not seen in any prolonged action together during the first half. Nicholls, the Australian international and mainspring of the Purley attack, was probably never more ineffective than on this occasion, when he was neutralised by Kemsley, who also played a constructive role in midfield alongside Butcher, his wing defence partner. They scored seven goals between them.

Lee were not stretched, and so did not play at their best except during the third quarter, which started at 7 – 0 and ended at 14 – 2. In this period the Lee tide was flowing so strongly that nothing seemed likely to stop it. Unfortunately they relaxed, and Penson took advantage of their casualness in defence to reply with two goals in three minutes. Consequently Purley rallied so that in the last quarter play was of the more even standard that might have been expected. But it was far too late to revive any interest in the chilled spectators.

LEE – R Haysom, K Corcoran (Captain), D Hart, G Paine, S Butcher, R Kemsley, P Tranter, I Henderson, D Mottershead, J Medlock, D Gaines, T Morrow.

PURLEY – J Maynard (Captain), M Bedford, B Hancock, G Thatcher, D Shipley, D Leppard, R Wilson, E Nicholls, J Penson, D Robbins, P Wild, A Brook.

REFEREE – N Galloway

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## **Lee win without brilliance**

### **Lee 17 Purley 4**

The Southern Flag final proved to be a dismal event in bitter weather with Purley, the holders, playing far below themselves so that in turn Lee were not inspired to play the lively lacrosse of which they are capable. It was only in the third quarter that the Lee machine ran smoothly for a time while they scored seven goals. Towards the end of this period they began to relax. Purley were quick to see a chance and Penson scored two goals that brought them to life.

It was too late of course, though further goals by Brook and Wilson were a just reward for their own tireless work. It is significant that the Lee wing defences, Butcher and Kemsley scored three and four goals respectively. They covered efficiently in midfield and prodded the forwards. Butcher shot with dexterity while Kemsley played a crucial part by silencing Nicholls, potentially Purley's most dangerous forward.

Significantly, all five Lee forwards scored – Gaines (4), Morrow (3), Henderson, Medlock and Mottershead. Their teamwork was such that they changed positions with bewildering frequency. There was no knowing who might turn up to finish of a movement against the nervous Purley defence.

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## **South team unlikely to trouble north**

After deliberating over the weekend, in the light of the South of England trial match last Saturday, the selectors have announced the South team to play the North in Manchester on April 20. Although they tried several combinations during the trial they have reverted to the team that was chosen as colours – and apparently as the probables.

The team is:-

D Hanks (Kenton), K Corcoran (Lee) (Captain), E Johnson (Kenton), G Paine (Lee), D Shipley (Purley), E Trickey (Buckhurst Hill), S Butcher (Lee), R Kemsley (Lee), P Lomax (London University), I Henderson (Lee), D Gaines (Lee), E Nicholls (Purley).

Corcoran, Shipley, Johnson, Paine, Gaines and Nicholls are the only players remaining from last year. In addition, Hanks and Trickey are both experienced. Hanks was a member of the winning 1962 team when he deputized for Allsop. Now he can at last consider the goalkeeping position his own after coveting it for several years as first reserve to Allsop, who is now teaching in Africa.

Trickey played when he was a member of Purley three years ago, but then went off to Manchester for a period. Now he has returned and regains his place as a member of Buckhurst Hill.

The absence of University players, apart from Lomax, instead of the usual three or four in most years, reflects the lower standard of university lacrosse. The inclusion of six Lee players is recognition of the dominance of that club in the south.

Indeed, although the wisdom of the selection of the various individuals cannot be faulted, I cannot help wondering whether the obvious team spirit and knowledge of each other by the Lee players would not enable the full Lee team to give a better account of itself than this team which embraces several styles of lacrosse.

Although it is difficult to suggest how the selectors could have picked a better team, or chosen any other combination after the showing of the alternatives last Saturday, it is also difficult to see how this team can defeat the north. The northern team has so many internationals available compared with only two, Shipley (England) and Nicholls (Australia) in the south, that the north are likely to achieve their sixth successive victory.

## **Little evidence from trial**

It is difficult to relate a coherent story about the South of England lacrosse trial held at Ray Park, Woodford, on Saturday because the selectors changed the teams for each of the four quarters. It was clear, however, that the attack, which the selectors apparently preferred, was the strongest.

The selectors permuted with groups rather than individuals, and the probable attacking group scored 5, 3, 5, and 3 goals in the respective quarters although it was aligned with different backs, and shot against different goalkeepers.

The outstanding player was Henderson whose five goals must have earned him a place in the team to meet the North in Manchester on April 20. Nicholls scored four and should retain the place he won last year.

Rose was disappointing in goal, while Hanks played a commanding last quarter when facing the selectors' team. The backs will provide the largest problem for the selectors. Corcoran, Johnson and Paine formed a powerful rearguard, but there was little to choose between several candidates for the wings and midfield. Neither Shipley nor Leppard had good matches and Trickey was not outstanding. Yet at least two of these will probably be needed unless something quite unforeseen should occur.

## **Lee mesmerise the rest at Crystal Palace**

Lee won the senior trophy for the third successive year in the annual six-a-side tournament at Crystal Palace on Saturday. They beat Kenton 11 – 0 in a final that left no doubt that they were quite the best six combination ever seen. They moved crisply with remarkable speed, passed accurately, timed their side-stepping to a fineness that often left their opponents standing, and shot with a power and accuracy that gave the goalkeeper little chance.

Apart from their goalkeeper, Haysom, the other members of the side, Butcher, Paine, Kemsley, Henderson and Gaines are all usually mid-field players and so were able a fluid interchanging game on any part of the field ready to turn any situation to advantage.

These five have been selected for the South team to play the North, having grown up together since their days at Chislehurst and Sidcup grammar school. They must have left their imprint, for another generation from the school carried off the junior trophy by defeating Garth School 4 – 3 after extra time, and a second six narrowly lost 0 – 1 to John Ruskin school in the final of the Baird Plate.

Buckhurst Hill were popular winners of the intermediate trophy by 3 – 2 over the holders Lee III whose unnecessarily robust play lost them many friends as well as the

match. Had they concentrated more on the ball and less on their opponents their superior stick handling would have carried the day.

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1968 - 1969

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Six-a-side Champions

Team	Score	Type	Ian Goals scored
South Manchester	2 - 11	Friendly	1
Old Stopfordians	18 - 5	Friendly	2
Urmston	13 - 5	Friendly	2
Kenton	18 - 0	League	2
Addiscombe	23 - 7	League	6
London University	18 - 4	League	2
Urmston	13 - 5	Friendly	2
Boardman	9 - 7	Friendly	2
St Helier	26 - 4	League	8
Hampstead	12 - 0	League	2
London University	17 - 0	Flags	2
Purley	20 - 1	League	5
St Helier	19 - 0	League	DNP
Kenton	16 - 5	League	4
Oxford University	28 - 2	Friendly?	6
Addiscombe	21 - 1	League	8
Hampstead	10 - 7	League	1
London University	24 - 6	League	6
Buckhurst Hill	11 - 2	League	3
Hampstead	6 - 7	Flag final	?
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>324 - 79</b>		<b>64</b>
(Sandilands	5 - 1	Sixes)	
(Buckhurst Hill	3 - 1	Sixes)	
(Purley	10 - 0	Sixes)	
(Hampstead	5 - 2	Sixes final)	

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### Lee open season with a win

The London lacrosse season opened on Saturday with Lee, the Southern League Champions carrying on where they left off last year. They defeated Kenton easily 18 – 0. Kenton are slightly weaker this year, having lost Johnson, their forceful third man who has returned to Manchester. Lee has the same team available but on Saturday they preferred Scotton to Tranter and dropped the unfortunate Hart to accommodate Brelsford.

Henderson quickly showed the value of a fast centre under the new Face-off law, which caused the defences to be more open. Henderson only scored twice, but he inspired several others so that Lee led 7 – 0 and 11 – 0 after the first two quarters. Thereafter Gaines and Medlock each took a turn at centre to obtain experience of the new style. Some credit for the subsequently lower score in the second half must go to Hanks, the Kenton goalkeeper, who often seemed to be the only man standing in the way of Lee. Morrow who scored four goals was the best forward on the field.

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### Lee back up claims with performances

By defeating both Old Stopfordians, 18 – 5, and Urmston, 13 – 5, over the weekend, Lee asserted more certainly than ever their wish to be recognized among the best lacrosse clubs in the country. They are disappointed that their pressure for a national league has not produced results, but they are continuing to play as many clubs as possible all over the country.

There is no doubt that the experienced gained against a wide variety of clubs over the past three years has improved Lee's standard immensely. Their style has been modified recently to permit their wing to mark out their opponents more effectively in mid-field, but instead of working their way to goal in the conventional manner, the homes are often pulling back to make room for the wing defences to come through. This technique enabled Butcher and Kemsley to score seven goals between them against Urmston.

While Lee have developed since they broadened their fixture list, it is significant that Purley have dropped in standard since they ceased their tours to play northern clubs, and that Kenton are no longer such regular visitors to, and entertainers of, northern clubs, as in their Southern League championship days from 1956 to 1959 (although there are also other factors contributing to the decline of both clubs).

These friendly matches are not light-hearted affairs and often produce more determined opponents than some of the more parochial league matches, where the teams frequently appear to go through a routine, particularly in matches unaffected by

championship or relegation issues. Recently, South Manchester pulled out everything to avenge their defeat by Lee last season.

The benefits of wider lacrosse meetings are clear. The problem is how to achieve them. It is too early to expect changes in the league structure, because of the administrative complexity and travel involved. But it would be an excellent start if the English Lacrosse Union would develop the Iroquois Cup Tournament into a national knockout competition, which any club could enter.

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## **Lee's individual efforts**

Hampstead, a much improved side this season, still have some way to go before they can match Lee, who defeated them 12 – 0 at Orpington on Saturday.

Hampstead's defence, which included Page, from Cambridge, but not their new international, Shuttleworth, from Oxford, only allowed the Lee forwards to reach goal with any regularity for a short period on each side of the first change-over. Thereafter, Lee, playing powerfully to control most of the play in midfield, were contained, and resorted to individual efforts, which produced goals by eight players – Henderson (2), Medlock (2), Gaines (2), Kemsley, Morrow, Tranter, Brelsford and Scotton. Another goal was deflected into the net by a Hampstead back.

A disappointing Hampstead attack could make no impression on the Lee defence. Beaumont, a useful acquisition, had little support, and his talent was largely wasted. The failure of the forwards to hold the ball, or to pass effectively, caused greater pressure to be exerted on their own backs, who deserve full credit for holding Lee to their lowest league score of the season.

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## **Lee achieve fourth title in Sixes**

Lee won the annual Six-a-side lacrosse tournament at Crystal Palace for the fourth time in succession with the confidence and ease of a team who regarded the trophy as their own.

They defeated Sandilands 5 – 1 in the first round at a slow pace to conserve their strength for later rounds and against a determined Buckhurst Hill they were almost too casual, but still won 3 – 1.

In the semi-final Purley, who had already accounted for London University, were eliminated with surprising ease. Ten goals by Lee in as many minutes gave no opportunity for reply.

Lee started apprehensively against Hampstead in the final, conscious of their opponents' success against them on the same ground in the Flag final a month ago. Had they seen Hampstead's second-round struggle to defeat Addiscombe 4 – 3 and

the uninspiring method of their 4 – 0 semi-final victory over Kenton, Lee should not have worried.

Hampstead played too individually, Beaumont being particularly guilty. Nevertheless they resisted strongly, holding Lee to two goals by Kemsley in the first half. Lee pressed regularly and finished stylishly with speedy interplay that produced three goals by Henderson while the Hampstead defence was standing apparently bemused. Beaumont and Cusa scored for Hampstead.

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## **Small teams attract crowds**

The large crowd that watched Lee beat Hampstead 5 – 2 in the final match of a lengthy afternoon's lacrosse in the annual six-a-side tournament at Crystal Palace last Saturday was perhaps symptomatic of the growing interest in lacrosse with smaller teams.

Six-a-side tournaments are no longer unique. They are now regularly promoted by St Helier just before the season starts; by the Northern Lacrosse Association on New Years Day; and by Oxford and Cambridge as an inter-collegiate event in the middle of their season. The English universities tournament, which now justifies the prefix annual, is to be held at Urmston, near Manchester, on Easter Monday afternoon.

At the same time various unofficial matches are being played indoors during winter on somewhat similar lines to Canadian box lacrosse. Here the teams usually consist of six players, but as there are no official rules they may vary according to the number available for the size of gymnasium.

Recently the English Lacrosse Union, tardily conscious of the trend and of the greater popularity of American and Australian lacrosse, since the teams were reduced to 10 players, have undertaken a special study of 10-a-side lacrosse. A series of demonstration matches are to be played in Lloyd Park, Croydon, on each Saturday in May.

There is little doubt that the reduced number of players makes lacrosse more enjoyable to play and more entertaining to watch. There is greater freedom of movement, the players keep further apart, and the ball is more obvious to player and spectator alike.

It is noteworthy that the original English rules of 1867 which legislated for 12 players in a team did so on the context of a ground where the goals were 7ft wide and were not more than 250 yards nor less than 150 yards apart.

These measures were obviously impractical and have gradually been reduced to the present statutory goals 6ft wide and 80 – 90 yards apart. Yet the number of players has not been changed.

It might be sensible to reduce the number of players at an early date and then experiment with a still smaller goal. This should lead to a more entertaining play in

midfield with an associated increased difficulty in scoring goals. Closer scores with the result in doubt throughout a match are essential for spectator participation and entertainment.

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## **Hampstead rewarded**

Hampstead's semi-final success in the South of England lacrosse flag tournament on Saturday, when they defeated Cambridge University 12 – 4, restores them to the top class for the first time in about 20 years. They have deservedly reached the final, in which they meet Lee on March 1, during a season in which they have suddenly come to the front after several years of planning and re-building.

The improved facilities at their south Hampstead cricket club ground – it will not now be used for the final, which must be on neutral ground – have undoubtedly proved an attraction for new players, to the particular disadvantage of their neighbours Kenton. The infusion of such players as Shuttleworth, who toured the United States with the England team two years ago, Beaumont and Gilchrist, has given the polish that the team so badly needed.

In spite of a long-standing pre-war reputation, Hampstead have won the flag only three times – in 1924, 1937 and 1947. They will not be expected to improve the record this year. Lee have been the leading team in the south for several years, and should shortly become the first team to win four successive Southern League championships. As victors over Hampstead twice already this season, Lee must be favourites to retain the flag they won last year.

The supremacy of Lee and Hampstead in southern lacrosse is recognized by the selectors who have chosen eight players from each club to appear in the south of England trial scheduled for 11 am next Sunday, February 9, at Addiscombe's ground – a change from the original arrangement.

The selectors have taken the unusual step of inviting three goalkeepers to attend and then announced 11 players for each team. The teams are:-

**GOALKEEPERS** – D Hancock (London University), R Haysom (Lee), A Rose (Hampstead)

**PROBABLES** – J Shuttleworth (Hampstead), G Paine (Lee), K Corcoran (Lee), B Brelsford (Lee), S Butcher (Lee), R Kemsley (Lee), E Trickey (Buckhurst Hill), I Jones (Hampstead), I Henderson (Lee), C Beaumont (Hampstead), D Gaines (Lee).

**POSSIBLES** – B Inman (Hampstead), J Barber (Hampstead), R Oliver (Addiscombe), I Larder (Purley), D Leppard (Purley), B Daniels (Hampstead), P Cusa (Hampstead), N Fiddian (Cambridge University), A Lavey (St Helier), D Hughes (London University), D Torkington (Beckenham)

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## North's disappointing win

### South 7, North 16

In a representative lacrosse match at Hurlingham Park Stadium, North beat South 16 – 7 in a game that failed to live up to its promise.

The South began the game full of zeal and energy, and North in consequence were slow to develop any really constructive combination. North's handling, indeed, frequently was faulty and a lead of 3 – 2 at quarter time was no better than they deserved. The outcome was put beyond doubt in the second quarter in which North's play was markedly superior.

Unfortunately a stoppage of 15 minutes early in the third quarter while repairs were made to a goalpost disturbed the rhythm of play and interest in the match generally. South, however, subsequently moved the ball with greater confidence and shot three goals without reply.

In the last period, North regained the initiative, and were the more resolute side. South, however, continued to have a fair share of possession. Gare, at centre, who shot four goals, played finely for North, and Rice (3) and McAlister (3) did well on attack. The North's other scorers were Hall (2), R Hodgson (2), Brookes and Oxley.

For South, Shuttleworth and Paine were the steadiest defenders, Gaines (3), Beaumont (3), and Metcalf shot their goals.

**NORTH.** – V Wilcock (Sheffield University), D Wilkinson (Offerton), M Moore (Stockport), R Murgatroyd (South Manchester), W Oxley (Mellor) (Capt.), P Bennett (Mellor), T Gare (Old Stopfordians), R Hodgson (Mellor), P Rice (South Manchester), K Brookes (Nottingham University), A McAllister (Mellor), J Hall (Mellor).

**SOUTH.** – A Rose (Hampstead), D Shuttleworth (Hampstead), B Brelsford (Lee), G Paine (Lee), S Butcher (Lee), R Kemsley (Lee), J Jones (Hampstead), E Trickey (Buckhurst Hill) (Capt.), I Henderson (Lee), D Gaines (Lee), C Beaumont (Hampstead), G Metcalf (Addiscombe).

Referee: N Galloway

# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1969 - 1970

### English Champions (Iroquois Cup)

#### Southern League Champions

#### Southern Flags Winners

#### Southern Six-a-side Champions

Team	Score	Type	Ian Goals scored
Purley	15 - 2	League	
Hampstead	10 - 1	League	
Croydon	29 - 3	League	
Buckhurst Hill	13 - 2	League	
London University	13 - 4	League	6
St Helier	29 - 0	League	
Hampstead	10 - 1	Flags	3
Purley	19 - 2	League	
Buckhurst Hill	18 - 0	League	
Hampstead	9 - 2	League	
Oxford University	27 - 0	League	
St Helier	29 - 3	League	
Purley	11 - 0	Flags Final	2
Urmston	10 - 9	Friendly	
Mellor	13 - 6	Friendly	
South Manchester	6 - 14	Friendly	
Old Waconians	8 - 7	Friendly	
South Manchester	10 - 7	Iroquois Cup	2
<b>Lee totals</b>	<b>279 - 63</b>		

(Purley	7 - 1	Sixes)
(Buckhurst Hill	5 - 1	Sixes)
(St Helier	5 - 1	Sixes)
(London University	8 - 1	Sixes Final)

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### London fail to take advantage

London University suffered their fourth successive defeat when they went down 4 – 13 to Lee.

They did not take advantage of Lee's unusually listless attitude during the first quarter which they conceded 3 – 2. Tighter Lee defence in the second session was not backed up by greater cohesion in the attack so that the University backs were able to keep the score down to 5 – 3 against them.

In the second half the Lee machine moved more smoothly in the manner we expect and the goals mounted. Henderson was particularly prominent, scoring six goals, a total that would have been greater had he not drawn the best out of goalkeeper Hancock.

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### Lee reach the final with notable ease

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Lee took their expected step into the final of the Southern Flag competition on February 28 when they defeated Hampstead 10 – 1 and the ease with which they accomplished this gives little hope to the other finalists, Purley, who beat Oxford University 10 – 7.

Lee took a tight grip in defence from the start. After an early error which enabled Inman to score what proved to be Hampstead's only goal, the Lee backs rarely put a foot wrong and Paine frustrated Hampstead's danger man Beaumont.

Henderson was Lee's best forward with three goals. Gaines (3), Butcher (2) and Mottershead (2) scored the others.

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### Lee favourites for flag

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Lee and Purley will repeat the 1968 final of the Southern Lacrosse Flag competition on February 28. Lee won more comfortably than expected in the semi-final on Saturday, when they beat Hampstead by 10 – 1, but Purley struggled to prevent Oxford University's third victory in a week and only won 10 – 7 after trailing 1 – 3 in the early stages.

On this form Lee may be expected to win, though their record in Flag matches has never been impressive apart from their six consecutive victories, interrupted by World War 1, between 1911 and 1922. During the last four seasons when they have won the league championship without defeat, they have won the Flag only once, perhaps

because of an unaccountable nervousness on some of these occasions in contrast to their usual relaxed control of the play.

It was as far back as December 19, 1964, that Purley became the last club to defeat Lee in a league match. Whereas the Lee team is substantially the same as then, when new young players were beginning to assert themselves, only two or three of the present Purley players were in the team in 1964.

Purley are not particularly proud of their Flag history. Though more consistent than Lee in the earlier rounds over a longer period, they have achieved the unenviable reputation of probably having lost more finals than any other London club. The last of their three successes was in 1967.

Purley's newcomers are improving quickly, but still have much to learn. They revealed their inexperience when they permitted Oxford University to dictate the pace and pattern of the game for long periods. No doubt Purley will gain in strength during the next two seasons, but meanwhile Lee must be regarded as favourites to repeat their 1998 success and win the flag for the tenth time.

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### **Lee dominate Flag final**

Lee won the Southern Lacrosse Flag for the tenth time by defeating Purley 11 – 0, but the accolade for individual performance went to Gay, the Purley goalkeeper, for his innumerable saves, many from close range. The whole Purley defence played well as a unit, with Oliver and Thorley prominent, to confuse their opponents more than had been expected.

There was never any doubt about the result, though the Lee forwards were well below their best after recent postponements. Gaines (3), Mottershead (2), Henderson (2), Scotton (2), Butcher and Medlock demonstrated their all-round strength, and ability to switch positions.

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### **No incentive for Lee**

By winning the Southern Lacrosse Flag when they defeated Purley 11 – 0 on Saturday, Lee earned the double honour of Flag and League championship. Once again they have demonstrated their superiority over all other Southern clubs. Purley are a much-improved team under the guidance of their new captain, Wilson, yet if Gay, the Purley goalkeeper, had not made an inordinate number of saves and if the Purley defence had not resisted surprisingly stubbornly, Lee would have scored far more than they did.

Lee, whose selflessness and ability to interchange positions is indicated by the presence of six names on the score sheet – not an unusual number for them – built up chances quickly, seemingly from nothing, to make fast thrusts through the Purley

backs. They brought their total goals for the season to 211, with 24 against, which gives an idea of their consistency in attack and tightness in defence.

Even at this peak, problems are growing. An ominous sight in the match was an apparent rustiness to their usually keen edge. Some players felt that this was due to the psychological effect of having little left to play for. Lee have practised conscientiously and striven for the best standards while winning five successive league championships. Nevertheless, the lack of stimulation in league matches against clubs of consistently lower standards is causing them to become stale.

In recent years they have played friendly matches against the best in the Northern League, but such fixtures are now precluded by the concentration of the northern league programme into a shorter period. The attempt to organize a national rather than regional flag competition has failed for the time being although acceptance is inevitable once the parochial elements that opposed it have disappeared from the administrative scene. In the meantime there is little incentive for Lee.

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## **Move brings success at Croydon**

Although the number of teams entering the Southern six-a-side lacrosse tournament was slightly lower this year, there was no doubt that it was the most successful tournament since the event was moved from Morden 15 years ago.

This is a social occasion as well as a festival of lacrosse. The use of Croydon's ground at Lloyd Park, used for the first time, afforded facilities for playing, changing, watching and refreshments that were generous yet compact, so that players and spectators could keep abreast of various matches proceeding concurrently. The Croydon club assumed full responsibility for planning and running all the facilities, while the Lee club conducted the playing programme.

Preoccupation with administration involved some of the Lee players so that they entered only one Six in the senior event. This did not prevent them from winning the cup for the fifth successive time. Anyone who likes to see goals scored would have done well to follow Lee's progress. In their four matches, more goals were scored than in all the other senior matches put together.

Lee's opponents in the final were London University, who have often done well in the tournament because of their stamina and speed, whereas Lee have succeeded by their technique and tactical positioning with an economy of movement.

The superiority of Lee's approach was never better demonstrated than on Saturday when London University faded towards the end of the final because of earlier tough matches that brought narrow 2 – 1 victories against Hampstead and the guest team Manchester University.

Lee had beaten Purley 7 – 1, Buckhurst Hill 5 – 1, and St Helier 5 – 1 yet looked capable of carrying on for more. They attacked at once in the final and strolled to an 8 – 1 victory. Nevertheless, as in the Flag final three weeks ago, they seemed to be

below their best and it may be that during the next season some new faces may be seen in the side.

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## **Lee bring cup to south**

### **Lee 10, South Manchester 7**

The last important event of the lacrosse season ended on Saturday with Lee surprisingly but deservedly winning the Iroquois Cup and thereby becoming English club champions for the first time since 1921. This was the first time since 1956 that a southern club had won the cup.

South Manchester were understandably somewhat complacent in assessing their own chances for their sixth cup victory. They had not fully measured Haysom, however, who soon showed that he was in the same inspired form as last week when he was in the South of England goal.

This frustration manifested itself further when the behaviour of both teams degenerated. The trend was arrested in the second quarter by the sending off of Corcoran, the Lee captain, and J Speake of South Manchester, for 15 minutes.

The superiority of Lee on the day cannot be denied. They played attractively, giving and taking accurate passes as they flowed into the open spaces, particularly in midfield, which Manchester gradually conceded. Gaines (3), Butcher (2), Henderson (2), Norton (2), and Medlock built up the score steadily through 3 – 2, 6 – 3, 9 – 5, 10 – 7 at the quarter intervals as Lee grew in authority. Dalton (2), Burns (2), Egerton, J Speake and P Speake replied.

LEE – R Haysom, K Corcoran, G Paine, R Kemsley, B Brelsford, S Butcher, I Henderson, D Scotton, R Norton, D Gaines, G Medlock, P Tranter.

SOUTH MANCHESTER – G Lester, J Murgatroyd, J Jordan, S Weaver, T Clarke, M Shore, R Burns, P Rice, D Egerton, J Speake, P Speake, B Dalton.

Referee. – D Coppock

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## **Lee surprise in final**

In the Iroquois Cup final at Hurlingham Park, London, Lee surprisingly defeated South Manchester and Wythenshaw 10 – 7 to become the English club champions for only the second time in their history. Their previous success in 1921 was as unexpected as was their latest achievement. It is 14 years since the cup was last won by a Southern club.

South Manchester took the lead for the only time from a clever shot seconds after the start, but Lee led 3 – 2 at quarter time, 6 – 3 at halftime, and by 9 – 5 by three-quarter

time. By then South Manchester did not look capable of producing a late rally. The goal scorers were: Gaines (3), Butcher (2), Henderson (2), Norton (2), and Medlock for Lee and Burns (2), Dalton (2), J Speake, Egerton and P Speake for South Manchester.

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## **LEE LACROSSE CLUB WIN NATIONAL TITLE**

Lee Lacrosse Club became English Champions last Saturday, when they beat South Manchester and Wythenshaw in the final of the Iroquois Cup at Hurlingham Park.

Lee, Southern champions, are a section of Orpington Sports Club.

After the first 30 seconds J Speake scored for Manchester and it looked as if it would be a repeat of the 1968 match, which Lee lost.

But Lee then began to pile on the pressure. Gerry Paine closely marked Speake, a North of England and international player, to the extent that he failed to get another goal.

The attack, competently directed by Dave Gaines, then got into the game and at the end of the first quarter Lee led 3 – 2. In the second quarter they put the score up to 6 – 3 at half time. At the final whistle the score was 10 – 7 to Lee after one of the hardest games this competition has seen for a long time.

The last time a Southern side won the cup was in 1956 (Cambridge University) but the last time a club side (not a university team) won was in 1921 when Lee again were the victors making them the only southern side to win the cup twice.

This was a fitting end to a season in which Lee have come away with virtually all the honours. The first team won the first division league and the six-a-sides virtually unscathed and the second team came away with the second division Flags and the league championship.

The B team were well placed in the third division and the junior team, although hampered by lack of numbers, did well in their division.

Next season Lee are hoping to form a second junior team as it was in this team, 10 years ago, that the present first team started its way to the ultimate victory.

Saturday's scorers: D Gaines 3, R Norton 2, J Medlock 1, S Butcher 2, I Henderson 2.

Lee team: Haysom, Corcoran, Paine, Kemsley, Brelsford, Butcher, Henderson, Medlock, Norton, Scotton, Tranter, Gaines.

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1970 - 1971

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Flags Winners

### Southern Six-a-side Champions

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
Urmston	14 - 8	Friendly
Hampstead	14 - 3	League
Purley	11 - 5	League
Old Sedcopians	29 - 1	League
Cambridge University	18 - 7	Friendly
London University	30 - 3	League
St Helier	25 - 0	Flags
Buckhurst Hill	11 - 5	League
Hampstead	17 - 8	League
Purley	15 - 9	League
Buckhurst Hill	13 - 6	League
Oxford University	16 - 2	Flags
London University	29 - 3	League
Old Sedcopians	29 - 2	League
Beckenham	57 - 0	League
Oxford University	17 - 2	League
St Helier	22 - 0	League
Hampstead	19 - 6	Flag final
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>386 - 70</b>	

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## Goal scorers 1970 -1971

	League	Other	Total
Roger Kemsley	58	23	81
Dave Gaines	60	18	78
Ian Henderson	61	13	74
Derek Scotton	45	14	59
Steph Butcher	29	10	39
Pete Tranter	13	6	19
Richard Norton	12	1	13
Barry Brelsford	9	3	12
Gerry Paine	3	-	3
Terry Morrow	-	3	3
Richard Haysom	1	-	1
Trevor Cole	1	-	1
Chris Pile	-	1	1
Own goals	2	-	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>386</b>

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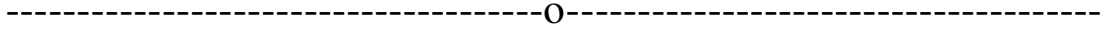
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### Hampstead are demoralised

Lee retained the Southern Senior Flag more easily than expected when they defeated Hampstead 19 – 6 in the final at Beckenham. Hampstead opened with a major offensive and Lee’s quarter lead of 3 – 1 might have been reversed if Hampstead’s shots had been directed more accurately.

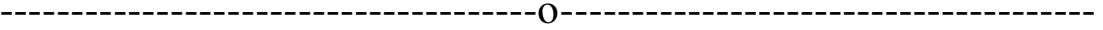
Thereafter Hampstead faded. Their attack was listless and the backs gave the Lee forwards too much room. This was Hampstead’s last serious effort, and the match that already lacked atmosphere drifted to its inevitable end with Lee adding eight goals against a demoralised defence in the last quarter. Scotton (5), Gaines (4), Henderson (3), Kemsley (3), Butcher (3) and Tranter were Lee’s scorers and Beaumont (2), Jones (2), Wilks and Daniels scored for Hampstead.



## **Lee win for sixth time**

Lee have won the six-a-side trophy for the past five years – but their grip nearly slipped in the first round at Lloyd Park on Saturday when Buckhurst Hill led until 30 seconds from the end of normal time, and only conceded the game in extra time.

In the final, Hampstead started strongly, with Beaumont particularly active, but after Kemsley's opening goal, Butcher, Henderson and Gaines each scored three and Kemsley one more.



# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1971 - 1972

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Flags Winners

### Southern Six-a-side Champions

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
South Manchester	6 - 15	Iroquois Cup (70 / 71)
St Helier	16 - 0	League
Hampstead	10 - 11	League
Cambridge University	13 - 7	League
Urmston	8 - 11	Friendly
Buckhurst Hill	17 - 4	League
Old Sedcopians	29 - 2	League
Purley	19 - 8	League
Oxford University	24 - 4	Flags
Croydon	45 - 1	League
St Helier	16 - 1	League
Purley	12 - 5	Flags
Old Sedcopians	38 - 2	League
Hampstead	16 - 3	League
Oxford University	23 - 3	League
Croydon	15 - 6	League
Purley	27 - 3	League
Buckhurst Hill	20 - 2	League
Beckenham	17 - 0	League
Hampstead	17 - 8	Flag Final
South Manchester	4 - 17	Iroquois Cup (71 / 72)
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>392 - 113</b>	

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## Goal scorers 1971 -1972

	League	Other	Total
Dave Gaines	91	19	110
Ian Henderson	52	16	68
Derek Scotton	56	6	62
Roger Kemsley	37	11	48
Steph Butcher	31	8	39
Pete Tranter	19	7	26
Colin Parker	10	2	12
Richard Norton	6	1	7
Terry Morrow	4	-	4
Barry Brelsford	2	1	3
Alan Williams	3	-	3
Chris Pile	3	-	3
Kevin Corcoran	2	-	2
Gerry Paine	2	-	2
John Sennett	2	-	2
Own goals	1	-	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>392</b>

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### Well, at long last it has happened

Well, at long last it has happened – Lee have been beaten in the league for the first time in over 6 years. After 2,499 days and 69 consecutive league victories (not counting 1 – 0 walk-overs), this run of success came to an end on Saturday October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1971, when Lee lost 10 – 11 to Hampstead.

Since December 19<sup>th</sup> 1964 when Purley beat Lee by 7 – 4, Lee have scored 1,168 goals and conceded only 214. They have won the First Division Championship and the Senior six-a-sides 6 times, the Senior Flag 3 times and the Iroquois Cup once. Their last defeat by a Southern team was in the 1969 Flags Final against Hampstead (who else?). The only team to beat them since then has been South Manchester in last season's Iroquois Cup.

Over the last seven years, Lee have had ten players on the South of England sides. Of these nine are still playing for them, and as many as seven of them played in the same South team.

Their greatest achievement was in 1970 when they beat South Manchester to win the Iroquois Cup. Their biggest win was last season when they beat Beckenham 57 – 0. The nearest they came to defeat was in 1965 when they defeated Hampstead and London University by only 7 – 6.

Every person associated with Southern Lacrosse must realise what a great amount of work Lee have done in obtaining this remarkable record. We must also realise what a great deal their success has done in improving the reputation of Southern Lacrosse. Well done, Lee. I hope they are now setting out to try and break this record of 69 consecutive wins. I also hope that the rest of Southern Lacrosse can learn something from the example they have set.

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### **Hampstead are easily dominated**

Lee, who have been beaten only once in the league in the last six years, moved a step nearer their seventh successive championship when they beat their nearest rivals, Hampstead by 16 – 3, on Saturday.

Hampstead played well for the first quarter, and were drawing 2 – 2 during the second of a game full of tension.

Towards the end of the second quarter, Lee began to take control. Five goals in as many minutes, which put Lee into the lead 7 – 2 at half time, saw Hampstead demoralised. Lee, now full of confidence, produced superb play in mid-field and attack, with Gaines, Henderson and Butcher outstanding.

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### **Lee's tenacity**

Lee, already league champions for the seventh successive time and in this year's Flags final, won the senior six-a-side tournament at Croydon on Saturday. The competition, organised on a league basis, resulted in Lee playing Hampstead for the trophy.

Hampstead were unlucky to lose. Showing superb touches of flair and class, they led 3 – 1 at half time, and through skilful play by Beaumont and Daniels went further ahead in the second half.

Lee caught up to draw level 7 – 7 at the end of normal time, and by half time in extra time the scores were still level at 8 – 8. Finally the tenacity and resilience of Lee, demonstrated by Kemsley and Butcher gave them victory, 10 – 9.

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## **Lee march on**

Lee, already this season league champions and six-a-side winners, won the Senior Flags competition on Saturday, beating Hampstead 17 – 8 at Crystal Palace. Lee showed their superiority from the start taking the lead 5 – 2 after the first quarter and 10 – 5 at half time. In a robust game in which skill took second place to enthusiasm, Hampstead never really looked confident of a victory.

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1972 - 1973

### English League Champions (Unofficial)

#### Southern League Champions

#### Southern Flags Winners

#### Southern Six-a-side Champions

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
Urmston	11 - 10	English League Cup
Mellor	9 - 6	Friendly
Croydon	31 - 1	League
Old Sedcopians	21 - 3	League
St Helier	23 - 2	League
Purley	13 - 6	League
London University	30 - 1	Flags
Oxford University	19 - 8	League
London University	29 - 5	League
Buckhurst Hill	27 - 2	League
Hampstead	18 - 2	Flags
Old Sedcopians	34 - 2	League
Hampstead	21 - 0	League
London University	19 - 1	League
Purley	13 - 4	League
St Helier	22 - 0	League
Cambridge University	17 - 2	League
Croydon	33 - 1	League
Buckhurst Hill	25 - 1	League
Old Waconians	8 - 6	Friendly
Purley	23 - 3	Flags Final
Manchester Grammar	25 - 1	Friendly
Urmston	16 - 11	Friendly
Cheadle	12 - 11	Friendly
Stockport	10 - 13	Friendly
South Manchester	10 - 12	Iroquois Cup
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>519 - 114</b>	

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### Goal scorers 1972 -1973

	League	Other	Total
Dave Gaines	83	32	115
Derek Scotton	61	44	105
Ian Henderson	78	22	100
Roger Kemsley	43	26	69
Pete Tranter	43	21	64
Richard Norton	26	20	46
Steph Butcher	5	3	8
Barry Brelsford	4	-	4
Chris Pile	1	1	2
Gerry Paine	1	-	1
Alan Williams	1	-	1
John Hudson	-	1	1
Own goals	1	2	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>519</b>

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#### Tough time for Lee

Lee, league champions last year, had their toughest game of the new season, in beating Purley 13 – 6.

Purley, knowing that Lee were well aware of their team’s weaknesses and style, tried some new players in the first team. Lloyd Holmes, an Australian, having his first game in the Purley senior side, played exceptionally well in the defence, but still Lee were ahead 3 – 1 after one quarter and 7 – 3 at half time.

A struggle ensued at centre between R Hodgson for Purley and Norton, a player new to the Lee first team this season, which Norton won for most of the game.

Most of Lee’s goals came from regulars, Gaines, Scotton, and Kemsley who was outstanding. R Hodgson scored four times mainly through solo efforts. In spite of this defeat, Purley’s moral is high and they feel that in the return game in January they will go closer.

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## **LEE EIGHT HONOURED**

The Lee club provide eight of the South lacrosse team to play North in the 75<sup>th</sup> territorial match at Hurlingham Park on Saturday (3 p.m.) Teams:

NORTH. – G Lester (S. Manchester), C Parker, R Higson (O.Waconians), P Smith (Urmston), D Thomas (O. Waconians), P Rice (S. Manchester), T Gare (Urmston), J Hall (Mellor), M Roberts (Urmston), R Murgatroyd (S. .Manchester).

SOUTH. – A Gillett, G Paine, S Butcher (Lee), D Gammon (Cambridge U.), R Norton, R Kemsley, P Tranter, D Gaines, I Henderson (Lee), H Burnside (Hampstead).

# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1973 - 1974

### English League Champions (Unofficial)

#### Southern League Champions

#### Southern Flags Winners

#### Southern Six-a-side Champions

Team	Score	Type
Old Waconians	15 - 9	English League Cup
St Helier	21 - 0	League
London University	27 - 1	League
Old Sedcopians	28 - 1	League
Purley	25 - 3	League
Cambridge University	27 - 2	League
Urmston	15 - 9	Friendly
Old Sedcopians	31 - 1	Flags
Buckhurst Hill	22 - 1	League
St Helier	31 - 2	League
Kenton	30 - 0	League
London University	22 - 6	League
Purley	19 - 2	Flags
Oxford University	18 - 5	League
Hampstead	17 - 3	League
Purley	21 - 1	League
Kenton	20 - 2	League
Buckhurst Hill	26 - 0	League
Hampstead	17 - 7	Flags Final
Old Waconians	10 - 5	Friendly
Urmston	6 - 12	Iroquois Cup
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>448 - 72</b>	

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## Goal scorers 1973 -1974

	League	Other	Total
Dave Gaines	88	31	119
Derek Scotton	71	26	97
Ian Henderson	63	10	73
Roger Kemsley	41	17	58
Pete Tranter	28	11	39
Richard Norton	26	13	39
Steph Butcher	10	4	14
Alan Williams	3	-	3
John Hudson	3	-	3
Gerry Paine	1	1	2
Own goals	1	-	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>448</b>

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### Top rate sports at two-day festival

Most of the dozens of players engaged in Orpington Sports Club's two-day festival of sport over the weekend belong to the club or to teams affiliated to the club.

The sight of so many players in multi-coloured strip enjoying the facilities of the club was full justification for the effort put into keeping the club alive and resuscitating it so effectively.

Highlights of Saturday's fixtures were the cricket between Kent Nomads and Orpington and the lesser-known game of Lacrosse in which Lee (now based at the club) the Southern League champions met Old Waconians, the North league champions.

#### LACROSSE

Lacrosse is fast becoming a popular spectator draw, perhaps because of its ruggedness.

The match between Lee and Old Waconians was a typical example of the sport. Lee ran out winners by 15 goals to 9. Fortunes of each club alternated in each of the four quarters.

Lee team included G Paine and D Gaines, full England representatives, and the rest of the team are all South of England and Kent county representatives.

## **Report by Ian Henderson on the English League Cup Final**

In the English League Cup Final, played at Orpington on the 29 September, Lee retained the cup by beating Old Waconians 15 – 9.

Although an exciting game, in as much as the initiative wavered between the two teams, the basic skills of catching, passing and shooting were not of the standard expected of the two teams, perhaps partially excusable, being their first major match of the season.

The first quarter saw the Old Waconians in full control, with immediate possession from every centre and intelligent use of the ball in attack. They were able to put the Lee defence under immediate and continued pressure, which culminated in Old Waconians scoring four goals, two each from Edmondson and Thomas, before a solo effort by Kemsley, forcing from midfield, enabled Lee to reduce the arrears, leaving the quarter score at 4 – 1 to Old Waconians.

The second quarter produced a complete reversal of fortune, with what many people in the south refer to as ‘‘the Lee machine’’ in action.

Possession from the centre was fiercely contested and with Kemsley capitalising on some slack marking and clearance of loose balls by the Old Waconians defence, he was able to score three more goals to bring the scores level at 4 – 4. Lee’s midfield, having thus gained the initiative, and given their defence time to settle down, were able to provide their attack with the possession that was needed, enabling Gaines and Henderson to score two goals each, bringing a total of seven goals in the quarter without reply, making the halftime score in Lee’s favour at 8 – 4.

The third quarter again had Old Waconians putting concerted pressure on the Lee defence, but tended to work themselves very close into goal before taking the opportunity to shoot. Gillett, the Lee goalkeeper, was forced to make a number of fine saves at close range, but could not prevent three more goals from Thomas and one from McCulloch. With Lee having scored only one more, by Henderson, after Old Waconians had been caught offside, this brought Old Waconians back to the position of being only one goal down at 8 – 9. Old Waconians paid the penalty, however, of pushing everybody forward into attack, as they left themselves open in midfield and this resulted in two fast breaks out of the Lee defence enabling Tranter and Scotton to add two more goals for Lee leaving the three-quarter score at 11 – 8 to Lee.

The final quarter saw Lee with the majority of possession and controlling the pace of the game. They were able to add four more goals through Gaines (2), Tranter and Kemsley. Old Waconians continued to try and get as close to goal as possible before shooting and were able to add only one more goal by McCulloch.

The general impression of the game was one of individual efforts rather than smooth teamwork, it did highlight the importance of quick possession from the centre and the major role the midfield plays in supplying the attack

Quarter scores:- 1 – 4, 8 – 4, 11 – 8, 15 – 9

Scorers:- LEE – Kemsley (5), Gaines (4), Henderson (3), Tranter (2), Scotton (1).

OLD WACONIANS – Thomas (5), Edmondson (2), McCulloch (2).

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## **LEE'S TACTICS ARE SUPREME**

Urmston, one of the top Northern clubs, came to Orpington last Saturday for a friendly match. They put Lee under pressure in the first ten minutes by scoring three quick goals without reply.

Lee started slowly but by quarter time had recovered and taken the lead 5 – 4.

The main factor that won the game for Lee was their supremacy in the tactics of 10-a-side, especially in fast breaks up the field.

The final score ended 15 – 9 with the main scorers being Tranter, Kemsley and Scotton.

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## **Hampstead off target**

Lee won the Senior Flag final for the fifth successive year on Saturday, beating their old rivals, Hampstead, 17 – 7 at Crystal Palace. Hampstead, at present second in the league behind Lee, lost to them last week.

The second quarter was close with Hampstead playing above themselves and the Lee defence showing rare weaknesses, though Lee were still in the lead, 7 – 4 at half time. The third period saw Lee take control of the game. Norton, the Lee centre, scored well with some powerful long shots and was also impressive in mid-field.

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## **Iroquois Cup Final**

The 1974 Cup final was played on an oversized pitch at Hurlingham Park, due to the unwillingness of the ground staff to undertake any more than the minimum preparation. The goals were placed on the soccer goal lines and the various 'run ups' and throwing circles of the athletic field provided additional hazards in the behind goal areas.

The game started with both teams testing each other out and showing signs of nervousness, no doubt due to Urmston playing their first final and Lee not having their traditional opposition (South Manchester). Wasiewicz opened the score for Urmston in the seventh minute only to see Gaines tie the score with a goal within sixty seconds, further goals from Pollitt (15<sup>th</sup> min) and Wasiewicz (17<sup>th</sup> min) gave

Urmston the lead at 3 – 1 by the end of the first quarter. The second quarter should be known as ‘‘Smith’s quarter’’, he scored three goals (7<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> min), the other Urmston goal in this period was scored by their captain Roberts and resulted from a free position when Lee were penalized for having a player in the centre zone during the face-off, he was changing his stick and cut back through the zone only to be noticed by ‘‘eagle-eyed’’ referee D.Wood. Urmston had increased their lead to six goals with the half time score being 7 – 1.

The third quarter was even, Attenborough (1<sup>st</sup> min) and Pollitt (3<sup>rd</sup> min) scored for Urmston while Scotton (10<sup>th</sup> min) and Gaines (15<sup>th</sup> min) kept Lee in the running. Urmston, once again, opened the score in the final period with goals by Smith (3<sup>rd</sup> min) a beautiful hockey goal by Pollitt (7<sup>th</sup> min) and Bowen (9<sup>th</sup> min) before Scotton led a Lee revival with two goals (10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> min), while Kemsley reduced the margin to five goals when he scored in the 15<sup>th</sup> minute, Roberts netted Urmston’s twelfth goal just before the final whistle, which gave Urmston the cup in their first final by 12 – 6.

Although Lee had played well below their usual standard, they had kept in touch throughout the game, the main reasons for their defeat were an unfortunate second quarter coupled with their reliance upon long range shots in the final stages of the game in an attempt to beat Brister, the Urmston goalie, who was in superb form and treated the ‘crowd’ to the best display of goal keeping seen for years.

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1974 - 1975

### Southern League Champions

### Southern Flags Winners

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
Old Sedcopians	22 - 2	League
Cheadle	11 - 11	Friendly
Mellor	8 - 7	Friendly
Hampstead	18 - 7	League
Old Sedcopians	16 - 4	League
St Helier	33 - 2	League
Cambridge University	24 - 1	Flags
Hampstead	6 - 6	League
London University	20 - 8	League
Purley	18 - 7	League
Oxford University	11 - 11	League
Purley	22 - 5	Flags
Buckhurst Hill	21 - 0	League
St Helier	24 - 1	League
Purley	11 - 4	League
Oxford University	15 - 4	Flags Final
Urmston	5 - 23	Iroquois Cup
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>285 - 103</b>	

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## Goal scorers 1974 -1975

	League	Other	Total
Dave Gaines	27	19	46
Ian Henderson	32	14	46
Derek Scotton	27	12	39
Roger Kemsley	27	7	34
Pete Tranter	18	10	28
Richard Norton	17	5	22
Chris Pile	10	6	16
Pat Bell	5	2	7
Steph Butcher	3	1	4
????????????	34	9	43
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>285</b>

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### EASY SAILING FOR CHAMPIONS LEE

This was Lee's first game of the season, and this was clearly evident in the first half. Old Sedcopians' after summer training showed an improvement in their play.

The Lee system of having a feed behind and sweeper in front of the Old Boys' goal worked well and produced some of the best goals seen for a long time.

Although Lee were never in any danger of losing, Old Sedcopians fought all the way through and can be pleased with their performance against the league champions.

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### Lee keep the upper hand

Lee, England's southern champions, eventually overcame Mellor, one of the leading North of England clubs, on Saturday after a hard and even game.

The score was 2 – 2 at the end of the first quarter, and this pattern of play was continued during the second quarter. On three occasions Mellor went into the lead, and Henderson, Butcher and Gaines were responsible for the goals that kept Lee in the running with the half-time score at 5 – 5.

Norton, for Lee, began to get the edge over Higson in the battle of the two centres after the interval and during the third quarter **Tranter** and Kemsley scored to give Lee a two-goal advantage. Mellor fought back strongly in the last quarter with goals by

Roach and Ingham to make the score 7 – 7. But Scotton dealt the final blow to the Northern side with the deciding goal seven minutes from time.

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### **Lee again**

Lee retained their unbeaten record on Saturday, when they gained two valuable points by beating Hampstead 18 – 7. Lee got off to a flying start with two goals by Henderson in the first three minutes, and had built up a 5 – 1 lead by the end of the first quarter.

The Lee attack of Henderson (5 goals), Gaines (4) and Norton (4) gave an excellent display of teamwork, though Dowell in defence had a very good game. Beaumont (3 goals) was outstanding for Hampstead.

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### **Lee find it all so easy**

Old Sedcopians kept in touch with the all-conquering Lee for just over half of their league encounter. Lee were showing signs of lack of match practice and although they scored first, two goals by Forsyth put the Old Boys into the lead for most of the first quarter. Two quick goals, however, gave Lee the edge at quarter time.

During the second quarter, Lee scored three times, in spite of a brilliant display by Trevor Richards in the Old Sedcopians goal. The old boys fought back to 6 – 3 with a goal just after the interval. This appeared to inspire Lee and their midfield began to take control. Lee added six goals in the third quarter and a further four in the last, while the Old Sedcopians scored a consolation goal a few minutes from time to make the final score 16 – 4.

Gaines was in good form for Lee and scored six, other Lee goals were scored by Kemsley and Tranter (three each), Norton (two), Henderson and Butcher (one each). Old Sedcopians scorers were Forsyth (two), Groves and Mark Hughes.

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### **Hampstead flattered**

Though they lost by 16 – 12, London University unsettled a mediocre Hampstead side in a second round Flag match on Saturday. Although Hampstead led at the end of the first quarter 4 – 3 and 8 – 6 at half time, London were always a threat. Penfold had scored four goals and was giving the Hampstead defence a lot of trouble, while Buckley was in excellent form in the London goal. During the third quarter London outplayed, out-ran and out-scored Hampstead by 5 – 2.

The other Flags matches produced no surprises. Oxford University were the fitter side and kept the Buckhurst Hill goal under pressure for most of the game; the quarter scores were 3 – 0, 6 – 0, 9 – 1 and 10 – 2. Lee overwhelmed Cambridge University, with Scotton and Henderson each scoring six goals. The quarter scores were: 8 – 0, 15

– 1, 20 – 1 and 24 – 1. Purley also had an easy game: Lewis with seven, Cattle and Campbell , with six each, were the leading scorers in their 24 – 1 defeat of Old Sedcopians.

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## **Oxford relax too soon**

### **Oxford U 11, Lee 11**

The long awaited match that was to decide the season's Southern League ended in a thrilling 11 – 11 draw. Lee seemed to have settled it when they led 7 – 4 at half-time, but Oxford doggedly stuck with them and three goals by Flynn in the space of three minutes gave Oxford a two-goal lead as the end approached. But Oxford relaxed too soon; twice Norton won the centre face to put Gaines through for Lee's exciting equalising scores.

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## **Hampstead's distinction**

It has been many months since a club has taken a point off Lee, but Hampstead achieved this rare distinction. McQuinn scored the first goal of the match for Hampstead. Scotton scored twice and Henderson one to give Lee the lead at the end of the first quarter. McQuinn scored the only goal of the second quarter.

Shortly after the interval Lee began to show flashes of their usual brilliance. Butcher and Henderson scored to extend the lead to 5 – 2, only to see Fiddian and Burnside score for Hampstead to make the score 5 – 4 at the end of the third quarter.

Burnside scored to tie the score at 5–all, then Gaines gave Lee the lead half way through the last quarter. Five minutes from time Beaumont scored the last goal of the match, which ended 6–all.

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## **Lee again**

Lee won the senior Flag final for the sixth consecutive season by beating Oxford University 15 – 4.

This win was another triumph for the efficiency of the Lee team and its concentration on simple things done well; the return pass, clearing into space, coupled with Lee's usual domination of midfield and the ability of Gaines to score while being checked by two or more players. Oxford, however, lacked penetration and surprisingly appeared to tire easily. Only Koskella presented any real threat to the Lee defence.

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## Lee triumph once again

In the midst of probably the most impressive sports centre in England, the enormous Crystal Palace sports complex in South London, both the weather and ground conditions were good as Oxford University prepared to meet Lee in the Southern Flags Final.

Oxford, reaching the final for the first time in club history, had to work hard to get there. Only a week before, they had played Hampstead in the semi-final, coming out on top by 10 goals to 9 after extra time. Revenge must also have been on their minds, having fallen to Sheffield in mid-week in the University Cup Final.

Lee, the undisputed champions of the South for some years now, were anxious to prove their position, having only just drawn with Oxford 11 – 11 in the league several weeks earlier. The Lee team was at full strength, with England representatives Gerry Paine and Derek Scotton raring to go.

Within minutes of the start, Lee established a two-goal lead, Ian Henderson scoring from a Derek Scotton feed, and Dave Gaines converting from a fast break. Due to Norton's centre play, Oxford were to see little of the ball this first quarter, and goals from Henderson, Scotton, and then Gaines put Lee 5 – 0 ahead at the quarter.

From the restart, Oxford looked as though they might assert themselves on the game. After a slip by goalie Warwick Davies let another Dave Gaines shot through, Rick Koskella broke the deadlock for Oxford. However, such was not to be: Lee maintained control of the game, and, after Roger Kemsley and Derek Scotton had added to the tally, Dave Gaines put an acrobatic back flick into the net to put Lee 8- 1 ahead. Rick Koskella turned in another individual effort to put the half time score to 8 – 2.

From the interval through to the final whistle, Oxford never really looked like coming back into the game. The defence, led by Old Hulmeian Ken Dodd, could not contain the power of the Lee front-runners, and Kemsley, Norton, and Tranter, each of whom shot a goal before the end, ruled the roost in midfield.

Oxford's potential attacking flair only appeared spasmodically, resulting in two goals from Henshaw and Prescott. At the final count, Lee ran out winners by 15 – 4, confirming their position as the premier Southern Force.

Scorers for Lee were: Gaines (5), Henderson (5), Scotton (2), Kemsley, Norton and Tranter.

Scorers for Oxford were: Koskella (2), Henshaw and Prescott.

# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1975 - 1976

### Southern League runners up

### Southern six-a-side finalists

Team	Score	Type
Buckhurst Hill	10 - 4	League
Hampstead	2 - 21	League
Kenton	15 - 0	League
Oxford University	10 - 5	League
London University	7 - 7	League
Mellor	11 - 8	Friendly
Buckhurst Hill	13 - 4	Flags
St Helier	12 - 4	League
Purley	10 - 4	League
Croydon	16 - 2	League
Hampstead	5 - 16	League
Kenton	14 - 1	League
Purley	LOST	Flags
Buckhurst Hill	15 - 1	League
Cambridge University	6 - 4	League
St Helier	9 - 6	League
Croydon	21 - 3	League
Purley	17 - 5	League

**Lee Totals**                      **193 - 95**

(Hampstead                      0 - 5                      Sixes final)

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## Goal scorers 1975 -1976

	<b>Total</b>
Pete Tranter	35
Richard Norton	34
Pat Bell	24
Eric Von Millard	24
Ian Henderson	15
Roger Kemsley	13
Neil Partridge	11
Richard Heron	9
Pete Wimbourne	9
Steph Butcher	6
Derek Scotton	4
Derek Kelly	2
Gerry Paine	2
Alan Duberry	1
Dave Gaines	1
Alan Gillett	1
Own goal	1
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<b>Total`</b>	<b>193</b>

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1976 - 1977

### Southern League runners up

### Southern Flags finalists

Team	Score	Type
London University	14 - 4	League
Bexleyheath	17 - 4	League
Kenton	13 - 1	League
St Helier	21 - 1	League
Mellor	1 - 17	Friendly
Oxford University	16 - 12	Flags
Hampstead	9 - 9	League
Purley	12 - 9	League
Bexleyheath	12 - 7	League
St Helier	11 - 4	League
Cambridge University	23 - 1	League
Purley	12 - 4	Flags
Oxford University	6 - 6	League
Hampstead	6 - 15	Flags Final
London University	21 - 2	League
Hampstead	4 - 17	League
Purley	10 - 4	League
Buckhurst Hill	10 - 7	League

**Lee Totals**                      **218 - 124**

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## Goal scorers 1976 - 1977

	<b>Total</b>
Ian Henderson	54
Derek Scotton	40
Pete Tranter	30
Pat Bell	17
Richard Norton	16
Ron Hodgson	8
Neil Partridge	7
Richard Heron	6
Roger Kemsley	4
Steph Butcher	4
Eric Von Millard	3
Pete Wimbourne	3
Alan Gillett	2
Roger Morfill	2
Own goal	1
?????????????	21
<b>Totals</b>	<b>218</b>

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# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1977 - 1978

### Southern Flags finalists

### Southern six-a-side champions

Team	Score	Type
Purley	8 - 11	League
Croydon	13 - 5	League
Cambridge University	14 - 6	Flags
Hampstead	5 - 18	League
Oxford University	21 - 7	League
London University	16 - 5	League
Bexleyheath	18 - 0	Flags
Buckhurst Hill	12 - 6	League
Bexleyheath	11 - 4	League
Purley	17 - 5	League
Croydon	13 - 6	Flags
Mellor	11 - 4	Friendly
Kenton	16 - 9	League
Croydon	11 - 3	League
London University	12 - 10	League
Cambridge University	3 - 8	League
Kenton	17 - 4	League
Hampstead	6 - 14	Flags Final

**Lee Totals**                      **224 - 125**

(Cambridge University    4 - 2                      Sixes Final)

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## Goal scorers 1977 - 1978

	<b>Total</b>
Derek Scotton	37
Pat Bell	31
Pete Tranter	28
Richard Heron	19
Roger Kemsley	13
Dave Gaines	11
Neil Partridge	11
Richard Norton	10
Steph Butcher	6
No 20	4
Julian ?	1
Alan Duberry	1
John Hudson	1
Ian Henderson or Ballantyne?	1
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<b>Totals</b>	<b>224</b>

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#### Lee win sixes

One of the complaints often made about lacrosse is the predictability of the results. This certainly was not the case at the South of England 6-a-side tournament on Saturday. None of the favourites won, indeed, only Hampstead in the intermediate section reached the finals.

The senior final between Cambridge University and Lee proved to be the best seen for many seasons. Cambridge were the surprise team of the tournament. They have a fast, skilful and energetic side, if lacking somewhat in experience, and in Bennett they have a goalkeeper of class.

Cambridge went into the lead via a goal by Wright in the first minute, Kemsley equalised for Lee and Kerr put the students back into the lead. Just before the interval Henderson came from behind goal to score the equaliser.

During the opening minute of the second half Bennett saved brilliantly on three occasions to keep his side in the match. Mid-way through the half, Henderson, who was unmarked, converted a precision feed from Tranter to put Lee into the lead. In the last minute Butcher for Lee scored a goal to put the result beyond doubt.

# Lee Lacrosse Club

## Match Results 1978 - 1979

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
Hillcroft	16 - 2	League
Oxford University	9 - 13	League
Hampstead	9 - 4	League
Buckhurst Hill	10 - 3	League
Oxford University	8 - 14	Flags
Kenton	14 - 3	League
London University	19 - 1	League
Croydon	7 - 2	League
Hampstead	12 - 9	League
Hillcroft	20 - 0	League
Cambridge University	17 - 7	League
Croydon	14 - 7	League
Buckhurst Hill	10 - 5	League
Denison University	12 - 17	Friendly
<b>Lee Totals</b>	<b>177 - 87</b>	

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### Record of league matches 1964/65 - 1978/79

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Average score
Purley	27	25	0	2	388	132	14 5
Hampstead	26	19	2	5	298	163	11 6
London University	23	21	1	1	418	107	18 5
Buckhurst Hill	22	21	0	1	349	69	16 3
St Helier	17	17	0	0	364	30	21 2
Kenton	16	16	0	0	218	35	20 2
Oxford University	11	9	1	1	166	64	15 6
Croydon	11	11	0	0	235	34	21 3
Old Sedcopians	10	10	0	0	255	22	26 2
Cambridge University	8	6	0	2	109	35	14 4
Beckenham	5	5	0	0	141	6	28 1
Addiscombe	4	4	0	0	76	18	19 5
Bexleyheath	3	3	0	0	40	15	13 5
Hillcroft	2	2	0	0	36	2	18 1
Old Thorntonians	1	1	0	0	8	5	8 5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3101</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>17 4</b>

### League match results for the 15 seasons 1964/65 to 1978/79

<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals against</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	
Addiscombe	16	1		
Addiscombe	16	9		
Addiscombe	21	1		
Addiscombe	23	7		
<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5</b>

Beckenham	11	2		
Beckenham	17	0		
Beckenham	22	3		
Beckenham	34	1		
Beckenham	57	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>

Bexleyheath	11	4		
Bexleyheath	12	7		
Bexleyheath	17	4		
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>Buckhurst Hill</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>		
Buckhurst Hill	10	3		
Buckhurst Hill	10	4		
Buckhurst Hill	10	5		
Buckhurst Hill	10	5		
Buckhurst Hill	10	7		
Buckhurst Hill	11	2		
Buckhurst Hill	11	5		
Buckhurst Hill	12	6		
Buckhurst Hill	13	2		
Buckhurst Hill	13	6		
Buckhurst Hill	15	1		
Buckhurst Hill	17	4		
Buckhurst Hill	18	0		
Buckhurst Hill	19	6		
Buckhurst Hill	20	2		
Buckhurst Hill	21	0		
Buckhurst Hill	22	1		
Buckhurst Hill	25	1		
Buckhurst Hill	25	2		
<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	

**For    against**

Buckhurst Hill	26	0		
Buckhurst Hill	27	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>

Cambridge University	3	4		
Cambridge University	3	8		
Cambridge University	6	4		
Cambridge University	13	7		
Cambridge University	17	2		
Cambridge University	17	7		
Cambridge University	23	1		
Cambridge University	27	2		
<b>Total</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>

Croydon	7	2		
Croydon	11	3		
Croydon	13	5		
Croydon	14	7		
Croydon	15	6		
Croydon	16	2		
Croydon	21	3		
Croydon	29	3		
Croydon	31	1		
Croydon	33	1		
Croydon	45	1		
<b>Total</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>

Hampstead	2	21		
Hampstead	4	17		
Hampstead	5	16		
Hampstead	5	18		
Hampstead	6	6		
Hampstead	7	6		
Hampstead	9	2		
Hampstead	9	4		
Hampstead	9	9		
Hampstead	10	1		
Hampstead	10	7		
Hampstead	10	11		
Hampstead	11	2		
<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>Score</b>





**For    against**

Old Thorntonians	8	5		
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>

Oxford University	5	4		
Oxford University	6	6		
<b>Oxford University</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>		
Oxford University	10	5		
Oxford University	11	11		
Oxford University	17	2		
Oxford University	18	5		
Oxford University	19	8		
Oxford University	21	7		
Oxford University	23	3		
Oxford University	27	0		
<b>Total</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6</b>

<b>Purley</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>		
Purley	5	2		
Purley	6	4		
Purley	7	4		
<b>Purley</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>		
Purley	10	4		
Purley	10	4		
Purley	11	4		
Purley	11	5		
Purley	12	9		
Purley	13	4		
Purley	13	6		
Purley	14	6		
Purley	15	2		
Purley	15	9		
Purley	16	4		
Purley	16	8		
Purley	17	5		
Purley	17	5		
Purley	18	7		
Purley	19	2		
Purley	19	4		
Purley	19	8		
Purley	20	1		
<b>Team</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Goals</b>	<b>Average Score</b>	



## Match Results 1979 - 1980

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
Purley	20 - 2	League
Croydon	16 - 7	League
Hampstead	6 - 8	Friendly
Kenton	11 - 7	Flags
Kenton	13 - 8	League
St Helier	16 - 7	League
Hampstead	12 - 10	Flags
Oxford University	8 - 13	League
Buckhurst Hill	6 - 17	League
Hampstead	3 - 11	League
Oxford University	LOST	Flags
Haverford	3 - 11	US Tour
Switherne	7 - 7	US Tour
Dickinson	5 - 10	US Tour
Wooster	8 - 19	US Tour
Kenyon	1 - 9	US Tour
<b>Totals</b>	<b>135 - 146</b>	

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## Match Results 1980 - 1981

<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Type</b>
Buckhurst Hill	13 - 5	League
St Helier	16 - 1	League
Croydon	12 - 6	League
Purley	9 - 7	League
Oxford University	3 - 9	League
St Helier	13 - 2	Flags
Hampstead	5 - 14	League
London University	21 - 4	League
Kenton	9 - 4	League
Hillcroft	4 - 13	League
Hampstead	5 - 9	Flags
Buckhurst Hill	11 - 4	League
St Helier	17 - 4	League
Hampstead	3 - 13	League
Kenton	9 - 4	League
Purley	16 - 5	League
Hillcroft	24 - 4	League
Croydon	22 - 4	League
<b>Totals</b>	<b>212 - 112</b>	

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## Match Results 1981 – 1982

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### Newspaper cuttings of the time

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Lee Lacrosse Club made a fine start to the home league programme with a 10 – 3 win over Kenton at Orpington Sports Club last Saturday. Derek Scotton (4) and Dave Gaines were Lee's leading scorers.

Lee Lacrosse Club kept up their unbeaten season's run with a 15 – 9 victory over Purley last Saturday and so remained in a strong position to challenge for the Southern League Championship.

Lee led 4 – 0 at quarter time, but complacency crept in and Purley pulled back to 6 – 4 at half time. Lee's goals were scored by Derek Scotton (seven), Graham Beason (four), Ian Henderson (three) and Leroy Barnes.

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