



# Hitchin Hearts Belles FC 2010-2011 Under 17's Match Report



Date: Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2011  
Kick-off: 11:30 pm  
Venue: Ickleford Sports Centre  
Competition: (League Cup)

## Hitchin Hearts Belles 8 v 1 St Albans City

With the league campaign over and the Belles coming a creditable runners up in the league it was now time to concentrate on the Semi-Final of the cup against third placed St Albans.

### First Half

The Belles started slowly out the blocks and were finding the ball difficult to control on a bobbly pitch. The game started to warm up after 20 minutes when Alyce's shot was too close to the keeper and was comfortably saved. St Albans were making it difficult for Belles to play football by closing them down quickly. However they broke the dead lock when Lauren's angled long ball was chased down by Tayla who held the ball up on the 18 yard area looked up turned and struck it in the top corner 1-0 Belles. St Albans then stepped up and exerted pressure with several corners which were defended well by Jade and Amy.

**Half time score: 1 v 0**

### Second Half

After the break The Belles came out strongly and took the game to St Albans. After 10 minutes Alyce's cross was headed in from six yards by Tayla 2-0. The Belles continued to pressurise and Holly's pass allowed Tayla to run on to complete hat-trick 3-0. By now it was all Belles and a great run and cross by Alyce to Tayla who calmly tapped home the fourth 4-0. Belles were now in full flow and were playing the ball around comfortably and some good build up play from Tasha to Sam played in Tayla for her Fifth 5-0. This was quickly followed by Kirsty's through ball to Dolly who calmly slotted the ball past the keeper 6-0. Tayla got in on the act again with a great 20 yard strike to complete her double Hat-trick and her 46<sup>th</sup> goal of the season 7-0. Then 5 minutes before time Tayla's ball to Rachel allowed her run on and neatly strike past the oncoming keeper 8-0. St Albans got a consolation goal direct from a corner which could only be defended into the goal 8-1. A great performance from the team who now can look forward to a cup final against Bedford who were 2-1 winners over Harvesters.

**Player of the Match: Tayla**