Brighton thrash Arsenal 3-0 at the Amex on their 125th anniversary

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Brighton thrashed Arsenal **3-0** at the American Express Stadium on Saturday, 19 September 2026, turning Albionâ??s 125th anniversary into a night that ended the championsâ?? perfect Premier League start.

For long spells Arsenal barely got out. Pascal GroÃ?, standing in as captain, opened the scoring in the 31st minute: Charalampos â??Babisâ?• Kostoulas found him outside the box, and the Germanâ??s right-foot strike flew past David Raya. On the stroke of half-time the Amex erupted again. Diego GÃ³mez slipped Kostoulas into a break, and the Greek teenager hammered a low drive into the bottom corner from range for 2-0.

Twelve minutes into the second half Brighton made the points safe. GroÃ? swung in a corner; Chema AndrÃ©s rose unmarked at the near post and headed into the bottom right. Arsenal pushed late with set pieces and a Declan Rice booking in stoppage time, but Bart Verbruggen was barely tested until a late one-on-one with Kai Havertz, which the Dutch keeper stopped. Matt Oâ??Riley almost made it four; Raya denied him.

The result leaves Arsenalâ??s 100 per cent league start in ruins and Brighton unbeaten after five Premier League matches, sitting third and two points off the top. It was also a landmark crowd at the Amex on the clubâ??s anniversary weekend.

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