

GLORIOUS DERBY DAYS

WEALDSTONE 2

HAYES 1

Middlesex Senior Cup Final 1st Leg

13th April 1968

Attendance: 2,036

HAYES 0

WEALDSTONE 1

Middlesex Senior Cup Final 2nd Leg

Wealdstone win 3-1 on aggregate

WEALDSTONE FOOTBALL CLUB

SEASON 1967-68

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MONDAY, 15th APRIL, 1968 Kick-off 3.0 p.m.
Middlesex Senior Cup — FINAL (1st Leg)

WEALDSTONE v HAYES

Official Programme

Sixpence

Instead of our normal Glorious Derby Days feature - which can only really be applied to Harrow Borough, Enfield and Barnet - we take another look down memory lane this time to the Middlesex Senior Cup. Early in the New Year, Wealdstone face Hayes in the first round of the Middlesex Senior Cup. Stones record in recent years has been appalling. One victory in 1985 and runner-up spots in 1982 and 1984. Prior to the seventies we were quite successful in the competition and before our victory over Enfield in 1985, the last competition win was in 1968. And here is the story of the final....

The First Leg.....

Two first-class drives by skipper Charlie Townsend sent Wealdstone into their second leg of the Middlesex Senior Cup Final with a goal lead.

But it's better than even money in anyone's language if that tenuous advantage will prove enough to earn Wealdstone their fifth post-war Middlesex Senior Trophy.

With perky Townsend out of the home side it would have been a very doubtful result. For it was Wealdstone's sole remaining England international who supplied the flair, the resilience and the killer touches in the vital 31 minutes that settled the game.

That the game rarely rose above a kick-about was due to his persistence, the shortage of breath of referee Mr. D. J. Burns and an off-form showing by 42-goal Hayes inside-right John Cozens.

Townsend, indeed, wore many hats in this match. He roamed the centre's open spaces in the first half as gallant Dave Swain took tackle after tackle on one wing and young John Hutchinson fought his way down the other.

He watched Cozens to such a degree that the Hayes star virtually opted out of the closing stages and still had time to disagree at some length with first the referee and, unexpectedly, colleague Alan Phillips.

THE EXTRA

Yet in match that had much light, a well-kept surface and much hard running, it was the little that one expects from a star name that made things easier for Wealdstone.

Only 90 seconds had flicked by when Hayes left-half Bassett downed Bernie Bremer but the Hughie Lindsay free-kick was missed by the victim.

Swain, starting an afternoon of sheer hard running and guts that so many of his colleagues lacked, set the whole scene moving in three minutes.

Dave Leonard picked up and overlapped, Hutchinson took the ball on and centred instinctively to Townsend, clear 35 yards out in midfield.

The curved shot was still a blur as its swept past Graham Roope.

Some three minutes later, Hayes' Carpenter made it an afternoon out for the right-halves when he sent his centre-half Trevor Smith in a Leonard spot on the wing.

The cross was whipped back by Sadler into the Wealdstone area and, remarkably, Cozens missed it. With the home defence in a tangle. Bobby Burns solved everyone's problem by blasting level. Six minutes, two goals and a second leg to come.

The scoring rate almost rose just a minute later as a butt took Hutchinson out and a second Lindsay free-kick went speeding for the underside of the bar until Carpenter, rising with his back to the ball, headed it away for a corner. Bremer took it and Clary headed it but behind.

After the scuffle, Tweed was off the field for a minute for repairs as Cozens

passed too far ahead for Sadler and Williams solved the problem.

McNutt had the first of two lengthy discussions with the referee after a foul on Swain, but the Townsend free-kick rebounded off the wall with no-one around to hit it back.

Cozens showed what he could do on form when he hooked a corner in that Williams spotted and grabbed and then did even better as he brilliantly took a curving, vicious shot by Burns.

Bremer, loose on the right, earned a corner out of a tackle that Townsend took and sent over before Hayes had two chances to lead. Howard hit wide with the first, Cozens couldn't quite get to the second, a skied ball left right in his patch by a Denny Montague error.

Bassett collected his second Swain scalp when he clobbered the centre-forward on 29 minutes but this Lindsay kick was negated by Bremer being offside.

Tony McGuinness gave a corner at the other end to save a nasty spot.

BATTLED BACK

But from it came Wealdstone's clincher. Out of the pack came Hutchinson who was sandwiched and robbed, fought and got the ball back and as he was greeted by a Townsend shout that must have been heard at Highbury.

Hutchinson duly crossed and this time, from 20 yards, Townsend hit lower but just as overpoweringly for poor Roope. A minute later it seemed as though Wealdstone were cutting cards for free-kicks, Montague sending one racing along but the battered Swain hesitated and the chance was lost.

Hutchinson, avoiding more legs, set Townsend and Bremer going but the move ended with a Bremer cross that Roope grabbed on the line.

Clary, like Phillips, a misfit in the team, got a through pass to Lindsay who ducked the issue with a back pass to Montague and the restored Tweed gave a corner away.

Wealdstone ended the first half with McGuinness careering up the middle and two Townsend passes to Swain that he couldn't get to.

On the 50th minute marker, it was the home side again with three chances in the same minute, Reay heading a Townsend kick behind, Roope pushing the Bremer corner the same way and Swain landing the treble with the second kick.

Clary's lack of speed and Phillips' indecision in defence were slowing Wealdstone but Bremer, on his way to an indeterminate midfield spot, beat off two defenders before running on behind.

A Hayes corner by Burns was cleared via Sadler before Williams saved from McNutt, then a Bassett free kick at the foot of the post was despatched up field by Townsend. One more Williams save and then Bassett departed for the sideline and Simpson took over.

Much effort was falling on stony ground now and McNutt, taking a free-kick, nearly demolished Harrow and Wealdstone station before Williams snaffled Cozens header.

Pedantic refereeing held up play as a free kick was moved 10 yards and finally given against Wealdstone. The Williams torso stopped Reay's first effort and

CLUB NOTES

Good Afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen.

It's Cup time once again, this time we have pleasure in welcoming to our ground the Mayor of Harrow and the Mayor of Hillingdon and the Officials, Players and Supporters of Hayes in the first leg of the final of the Middlesex Senior Cup. It is some seasons now since we played them, and supporters of both teams will remember the very hard tussles that used to take place when fighting for Athenian League points.

Hayes are still in the Athenian League, while we have transferred to the Isthmians, so apart from a trial game just before the season commenced, when Hayes beat us 4-1, both teams will generally be strangers to each other, and the stage seems set for a very interesting game. Hayes are managed by the former Spurs

noted that John Reay and Trevor Smith are still with the club, and according to reports are playing very well. These two players always played very well against us. Other players who come to mind include Colin Roope, the former Corinthian-Casuals goalkeeper, and Surrey county cricketer John Cousins who has scored many goals this season, Bernie Simpson ex-Barnet, while Phil Stanton the Wembley wing-half was captain of Hayes for many seasons.

In the league our lads have certainly struck a bad patch, losing at home for the third game in succession, the latest defeat was last Tuesday evening when the Surrey side Sutton beat us by 2 goals to 0. We do hope that our supporters will not be too disheartened by these reverses, it happens to the best of teams, and everybody here including coach Vince Burgess, hopes

some team will be on the receiving end. When a team loses form and confidence, it could be that they are trying too hard, and every mistake is noted much more so, than when they are winning matches, and missing open goals. Be patient you supporters, the tide will soon turn, of that we are sure, and the lads hope that it turns today, so that we can win this important cup. Incidentally, we have to play Hayes in the Middlesex Charity Cup, so after missing each other for a few years, we find both clubs meeting three times in a few weeks.

Congratulations to 19-year-old Bobby Harper, who was married last Saturday at Leavesden Church to lovely Susan Raynes. We wish the couple the very best of luck and happiness in their married life.

Poor Johnny McCormack, in the wars once again, after all the nagging injuries that he has had since joining

Phillips doubled up to stop two Cozens shots.

In a final flurry, Montague headed off the line from Howard. Williams' dropped a McNutt shot behind and Bremer, Hutchinson, Townsend and Lindsay spent hopeful final minutes looking for the extra goal.

The Second Leg

In a match marred by spasmodic thunder, rain and peculiar, to say the least, refereeing, Charlie Townsend was booked for the first time in his 11 seasons of England and Wealdstone football, a good goal by Tony Slade was disallowed and Kieron Somers rose like a startled crane in the 48th minute to give Wealdstone a 1-0 win and the Middlesex Senior Cup for the tenth time.

Hayes, faced with that 2-1 deficit from the first leg, had to come forward but only left winger Robbie Burns seemed to have the beating of a solid Wealdstone defence with Tony McGuinness and the dogged Denny Montague in no nonsense form.

Yet again Hayes top scoring inside-right John Cozens made little impression on the game and it was left to the tireless Dave Bassett to chase Burns' centres and crosses.

Hayes preoccupation with attack led to two Wealdstone chances in the opening ten minutes Bernie Bremer miscuing after a nice move with Townsend and Bobby Harper, in on the wing as John Hutchinson has a knee injury, heading wide from a Slade pass.

Slade was at once back in defence to tackle Cozens just in time on the edge of the box.



'Nice to hold something again' is Charlie Townsend's expression as he displays the Middlesex Senior Cup at Church Road last Saturday after Wealdstone's 3-1 aggregate win. Charlie's previous cupholding appearances this season have all been handing 'em over to other people

An interested spectator here last Tuesday, was our former goalkeeper Mick Gilhooley, who plays as a professional for the German side Offenbach Kickers (what an unusual name for a side) and he tells me that there is only one first division and five second divisions, and at the end of a season the top two teams from the five second divisions have a play-off amongst each other, and the two finalists are then promoted to the first division. 'Sounds a bit screwy, but Mick says that it works very well out there.

The tickets for the players tour dance that is being held in the Club Hall on May 5th are now ready, so anybody interested please contact either Bobby Warman or Reg Ling who are responsible for selling same. Those people that are not interested in the dance, we will certainly try and make you interested, because it is for a very good cause, and we are sure that you will enjoy yourself and make

Somers, D. Leonard, R. Warman, H. Lindsay, A. McGuinness, D. Montague, A. Williams, D. Pettit, A. Slade, D. Swain, J. Hutchinson, M. Clary and C. Rapley. It is a side well worthy of Wealdstone, and it is hoped to play two games whilst on tour. Please remember our important game with the Johnny Haynes XI on Sunday May 12th. It is interesting to note that these matches are not mess about games, but are proper matches played with all the toughness and eagerness of a league game, and the Haynes XI do not like getting beaten. The programmes for this game are in print at the moment, and will shortly be available for distribution. It is hoped that this game will be well supported.

The Old People's Home at Stanmore had the privilege last Monday evening of watching the club's variety show, given by Ken Wiltshire, Tom Verrall and Co. This club of ours are certainly giving pleasure to a large number of elderly people, keep

EASTER PARADE

In your Easter bonnet
With all the blue and white on it
You'll be the proudest supporter
In this Easter parade.

With your bell and rattle
You can send them into battle
And be the loudest supporter
In this Lower Mead parade.

Down the wing they'll go
And the goals will flow
The 'Stones' they will shock them
And we will be, on the way to victory.

We all admire your bonnet
It's a pity you sat upon it
Just wave it when you're shouting
Come on the 'Stones'.

Wealdstone as Burns sprinted away but Dave Leonard just got to the ball in time to push back and Montague ended a three man attack by hitting peacefully wide from 15 yards before Townsend sent the ball the same way two minutes later.

Hayes were again foiled by a Leonard tackle on 20 minutes but earned a corner when McGuinness headed behind a Dave Swain cross and a siege was finally lifted when Harper came clear.

RUINED

Hayes were back again this time with a Burns solo through the middle but he ruined the move with a tame shot that rolled wide. Ginger Reay gave the winger another chance as the Wealdstone attack broke down but this time Robb Williams came in to tackle him well.

The half-hour saw the first of a nerve-racking series of blunders by home keeper Terry England. After a left wing move Townsend called for the ball but Slade ignored him and slotted a pass forward to the racing Swain.

England completely missed the ball and only a desperate kick behind by Bernie Simpson saved him. Four minutes later Cozens shot right across the visitors goal when Micky Blythe came at him and then England dropped the ball at Swain's feet two yards out but still obscured with his body the shot skimmed past the post.

Peter Howard and Bassett made a twin spearhead but Blythe saved the day easily before England dropped the ball again in his area almost like a referee giving a bounce up with three Hayes

around.

Montague headed away one Hayes shot and booted the other up field to end the half.

Cozens swept away in the second minute of the new half to pass to Bassett who was three yards offside. There was no flag and Blythe blocked the ball with his body before Williams hooked it away.

After 48 minutes, Somers and Bremer provided two sitters for Harper but the tall youngster was totally unable to turn on the bumpy sodden pitch and missed both and it was left to Williams to break the deadlock.

He came down his wing and flighted a ball beyond the Hayes defence for the six foot three Somers to rise and head into the far corner.

England injured his knee in the next minute as Somers crashed into him chasing a Townsend pass and celebrated 50 minutes by dropping a Bremer corner.

PUSHED OVER

Hayes forced more on the attack then ever earned four corners inside a minute before Wealdstone got what looked a perfectly good goal on 57 minutes. Slade shot from the left edge of the area and England again dropped the ball. Slade duly netted and the referee gave offside even though the goalkeeper was the last player to touch the ball.

Hayes, though, had the Wealdstone defence in a terrible tangle with half an hour to go but Blythe managed to hold the shot for Howard and then had a good view of Bassett chopping down

free kick to Hayes.

Mr Burns was apparently determined to make this, his last game and before a clutch of Middlesex County F.A. officials, a unique one when he gave Hayes a free kick despite one of their forwards having a hammer lock on McGuinness.

With ten minutes to go came the ultimate. Roy Tweed brought down Somers in the area.

Though the linesman flagged, Mr Burns refused the penalty and when Townsend spoke his mind - and a goodly few other peoples' - booked him for not coming to him when called!

A minute later McGuinness, praised in the Hayes programme by manger Eddie Gibbins as "one of the best defenders in the amateur game", nearly scored for Hayes when his passback was grabbed on the line by Blythe and Slade lobbed back in the last minute to a give a corner that was cleared.

TEAMS:

1st Leg: Williams, Phillips, Leonard, Townsend, McGuinness, Montague, Bremer, Clary, Swain, Lindsay, Hutchinson Sub: Slade

2nd Leg: Blythe, Williams, Leonard, Townsend, McGuinness, Montague, Harper, Somers, Swain, Slade, Bremer Sub: Pett

BUCKS BORDER LEAGUE TABLE

(3 points for away win, 2 home win, 1 draw.)

	Pts.	w.	d.	l.	f. a.	pts.
Wealdstone	5	3	1	1	8	6
Bletchley	4	2	1	1	7	3
Bedford	2	1	1	1	6	3
Wellingbo'	3	0	1	2	4	9
Watford	1	0	0	1	1	5

Right **WEALDSTONE** (Blue & White) Left

Andy Williams

2. Alan Phillips 3. Bobby Warman

4. Charlie Townsend 5. Tony McGuinness 6. Denis Montague

7. Bernie Bremer 8. Mick Cleary 10. Hugh Lindsay 11. John Hutchinson

9. David Swain Substitute: Tony Slade

Referee: Mr. D. J. Burns Linesmen: Messrs. D. F. Alder and J. W. Evans
 Cerise Flag Orange Flag

9. C. Sadler Substitute: B. Simpson

11. R. Burns 10. P. Howard 8. J. Cozens 7. M. McNutt

6. D. Bassett 5. T. Smith 4. A. Carpenter

3. R. Tweed 2. J. Reay

G. Roope

Left **HAYES** (Red & White) Right

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE (Up to and including April 6th, 1968)

Home	Away	F.A.	RESULTS
Enfield	1-3	1-3	0-2
Hendon	1-3	1-3	1-1
Wat'stow	1-3	1-3	1-1
St. Albans C.	1-0	1-0	1-1
Wealdstone	2-0	2-0	2-0
Sutton U.	2-0	2-0	2-0
Tooting & M.	2-0	2-0	2-0
Leytonstone	2-0	2-0	2-0
Barking	2-0	2-0	2-0
Oxford City	2-0	2-0	2-0
Bromley	2-0	2-0	2-0
Kingstonian	2-0	2-0	2-0
Wycombe W.	2-0	2-0	2-0
Hitchin Town	2-0	2-0	2-0
Clapton	2-0	2-0	2-0
Woking	2-0	2-0	2-0
Corinthian-C.	2-0	2-0	2-0
Ilford	2-0	2-0	2-0
Dulwich	2-0	2-0	2-0
Maldstone	2-0	2-0	2-0