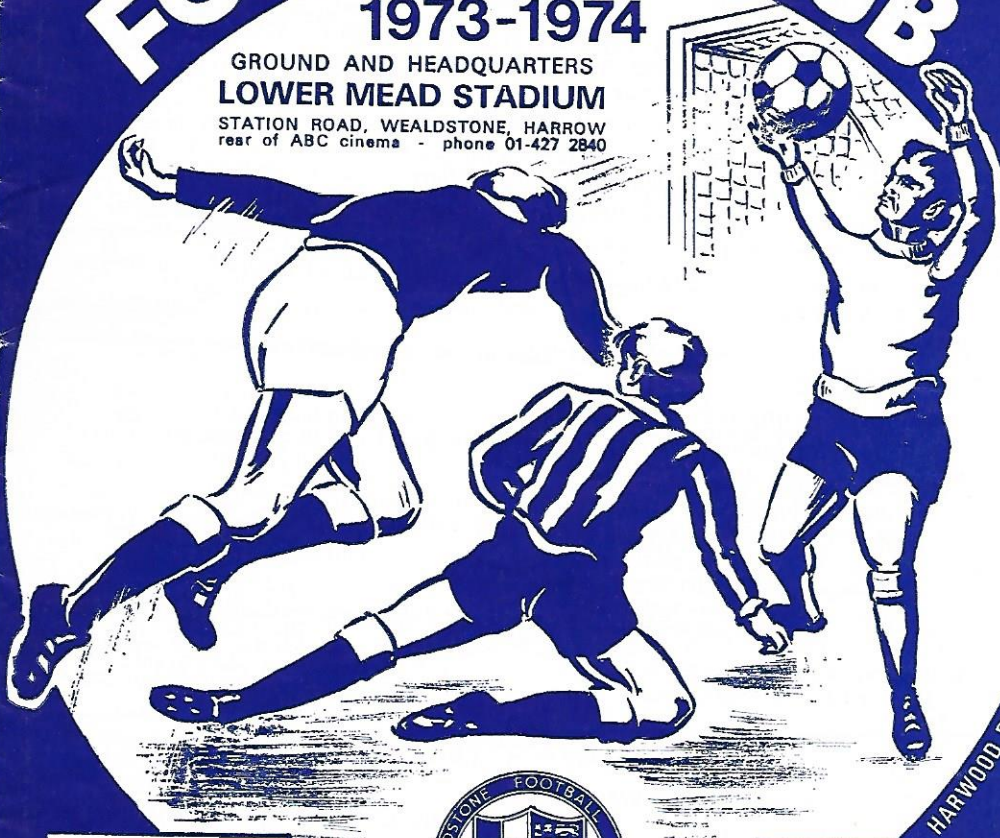


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John McCormick Has Broken Nose

As most of you will know by now, John McCormick, our redoubtable skipper and centre-back, had the misfortune to break his nose 20 minutes after the start of the match at Trowbridge on Saturday, and so we won't be seeing popular John in action again this season. It was a particularly unfortunate accident with only two matches to go but happily, John will to be here on Saturday evening to receive the Championship Trophy from Mr. Bill Dellow, secretary of the Southern League, at the end of our final game against Trowbridge, kick-off 7.30 p.m.

After John went off to hospital on Saturday, Terry Dyson, who was substitute, came on and consequently, and as was to be expected, a reshuffled Wealdstone side failed to find the same rhythm as in recent games, but a 1-1 draw was a fair result. We had much more of the play, but Trowbridge deserved a point, although near the end we came near to clinching both points when Bill Byrne hit the foot of a post, while a Terry Dyson 'special' was tipped over the bar.

John McCormick went to hospital again on Sunday and is feeling fine, so much so that he told Eddie Presland that were we still needing points, he would happily turn out. But as we have won the title, it would be foolhardy to play him. And so we would like you to give a special welcome tonight to 17-years-old John Baker, from Kingsbury, who deputises for our skipper in the same position.

Yes, a special welcome for this reason. John Baker joined us in the close season, and ever since then, has not missed ONE single training session, or either home or away game, even though knowing he would never get a game. He played for Wealdstone in Gibraltar in December, and his form then at right back proved he had tremendous potential. That is the sort of team spirit we have in the dressing room, and it is a real pleasure to see John get his chance tonight. I know Eddie Presland has big plans for John and has thrown him into the deep end tonight to save making wholesale positional changes in the side, and also to run the rule over such a promising youngster.

There will be one other change, Paul Fairclough giving way to Terry Dyson in midfield.

We are delighted to greet the Bexley team and their Directors and Supporters and apart from toppling the champions on their own pitch, they will wish to avenge the 2-0 defeat we inflicted on them way back on August 25th last year. On that occasion, George Duck, and an own goal, gave us the points. Bexley have made rapid strides up the table since Christmas and now are in a very respectable sixth place, with 42 points from 36 games. They held promotion-chasing Minehead to a 2-2 draw on Saturday so are no mean opposition.

On Saturday, of course, we say farewell to the 1973/74 season by entertaining Trowbridge Town, kick-off 7.30 p.m. The Wiltshire side play far better than their league position suggests, and if last Saturday's match is repeated, it will certainly be entertaining. This is naturally a special occasion for us, and we do hope you, and all your friends, even if they aren't regulars, will come and give us a rousing send-off to the Premier Division.

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have fallen by the wayside, we are still hopeful of having one. But in any event, there will be real celebrations immediately the match ends when the Trophy is presented, along with the League's awards to every member of the squad. Colour pictures of the championship team will be on sale around the ground, and at the programme office, at the cost price of about 25p. There will also be a special 16-page souvenir programme, complete with photographs of the team, at the usual price of 5p. After the match, local Civic dignitaries, including the Mayor and Mayoress of Harrow will be entertained in the Boardroom.

So let's have a record gate on Saturday!

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Who Goes up with Us?

It seems as if Bath or Minehead will accompany us into the Premier Division. With one game to play both have 46 points, with Waterlooville 47 points from their completed programme. If both Somerset clubs win, goal average will decide and without getting out the slide-rule Bath appear to have the edge. But what a lot of tension for the last match!

A Tribute

There was a nice tribute the other day from a Harrow tobacconist. He told us that his friend, an ardent Arsenal fan, saw us play against Basingstoke and went home to say we were the best team in London right now!

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On behalf of you, the supporters, I offer congratulations to George Duck whose goal at Met Police was his 100th for the club and just to top that, George's goal at Trowbridge was his 58th of the season which equalled the all-time club record set up by Charlie Bunce back in the 1939-40 season.

Now a couple of dates for your diary. On Friday 10th May there will be a 'Meet the Players Dance' in the Social Club at 7.30 p.m. and on the following Friday the 17th May the Supporters club are holding a 'Championship Disco' at the Belmont Hotel at 7.30 p.m. Details of both functions can be obtained at the club office.

Don't forget that the last game of the season on Saturday will be an evening kick-off at 7.30 p.m. and let us see a really huge gate to end what has been a most successful season.

UP THE STONES

Phillip J. Tricker (Publicity Officer)

Next Season Starts on August 17

The 1974/75 season will commence on Saturday August 17th, and our squad will report for training on Tuesday, July 9th. For them therefore, there is only a two month break! The fixtures will be announced at the League's annual meeting in June.

Season Tickets Available

Season tickets will be produced for next season and the cost of these will, we hope, have been decided in time to include in Saturday's programme. But if not, applications to honorary secretary Ken Wiltshire can be made at any time from now on. We shall have some very attractive matches in the Premier Division and a season ticket will be a good investment. APPLY NOW!

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WEALDSTONE	36	13	2	2	36	15	12	4	3	33	17	56				
Waterlooville	38	10	9	0	33	15	6	6	7	22	23	47	D 1-1	D 0-0		
Bath City	37	12	4	3	32	9	7	4	7	22	25	46	W3-0	L 0-2		
Minehead	37	7	7	4	32	23	9	7	3	37	29	46	W2-1	W4-3		
Poole Town	37	12	4	3	41	20	6	5	7	26	26	45	W2-0	W3-2		
Bexley United	36	12	3	4	30	19	6	3	8	18	18	42		W2-0		
Bideford	35	11	5	2	35	17	4	7	6	22	28	42	W3-1	D 0-0		
Hastings United	37	10	4	4	25	14	6	5	8	20	20	41	W2-1	D 0-0		
Basingstoke Town	37	10	4	4	33	16	3	7	9	17	27	37	W2-0	W2-0		
Gravesend & Northfleet	36	8	7	3	34	22	4	6	8	22	29	37	W2-1	W2-0		
Bognor Regis	36	7	5	6	20	22	5	6	7	26	31	35	D 0-0	W2-1		
Ramsgate	37	9	4	5	31	20	4	4	11	15	24	34	L 0-1	L 2-3		
Ashford Town	36	7	5	6	20	17	6	2	10	19	25	33	W4-1	W1-0		
Dorchester	37	9	6	4	27	19	1	6	11	12	28	32	W2-0	W2-1		
Salisbury	38	8	3	8	24	26	2	6	11	16	34	29	W2-1	W2-1		
Metropolitan Police	37	4	6	9	20	31	5	5	8	17	28	29	W3-0	W4-0		
Canterbury City	37	3	8	7	16	18	5	4	10	18	27	28	W3-1	L 0-3		
Trowbridge Town	36	6	6	6	29	27	2	5	10	10	29	27		D 1-1		
Andover	35	5	1	11	16	30	6	2	10	21	35	25	L 1-5	W3-0		
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