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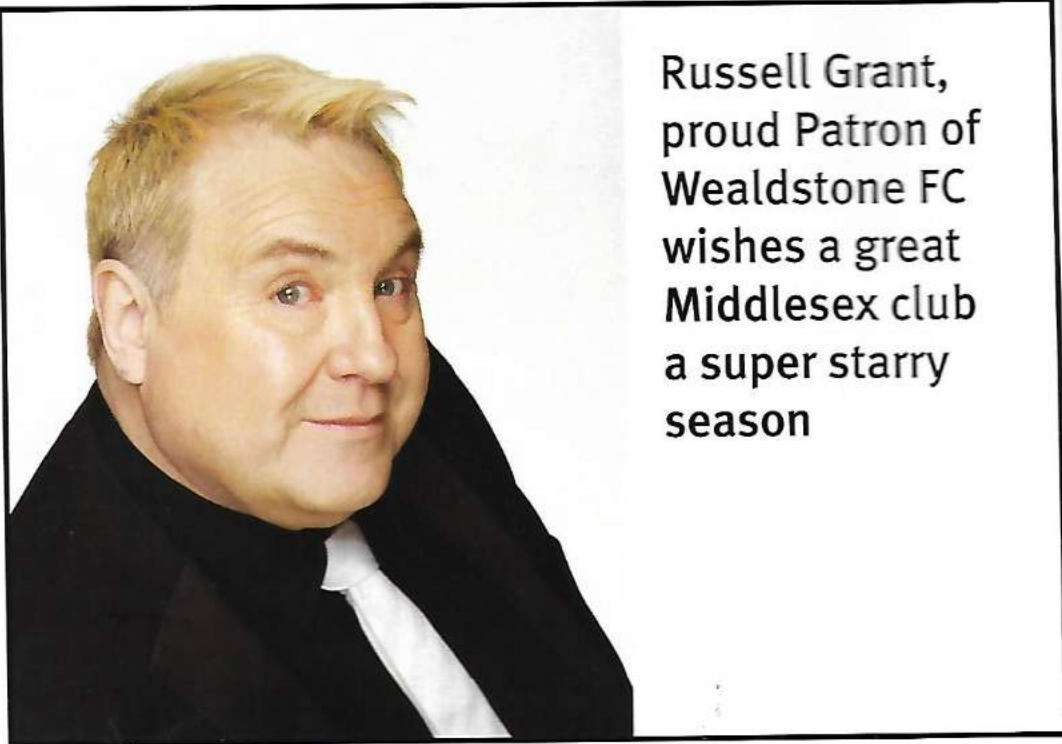
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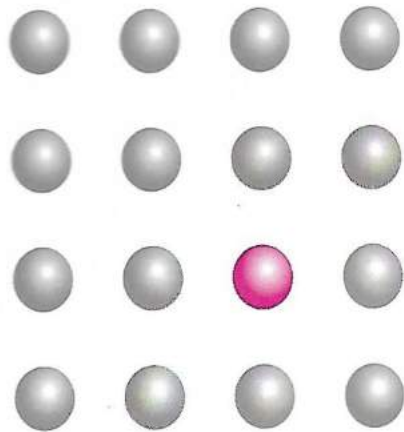


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- Using violence of any nature.
- No Spectator Ball games

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Vehicles parked on the Grosvenor Vale site are at the owners risk.

Wealdstone FC Board of Directors

Let us watch well our beginnings and results will manage themselves

Alexander Clark

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen. I trust you are all well and looking forward to an exciting season. The phoney war now over it is the chance to see what shape our teams are really in. We have not played too well against the lesser opponents, yet could have won against three strong League sides such as our performances in those games. I'm sure Gordon will have persuaded the team to get on it from the first whistle.

Our opponents today should certainly not be underestimated. Chris Kinnear's side has been strengthened substantially since last term and seem certain to improve on last season's league placing. I hope all the Players, Officials and supporters enjoy their stay with us and travel back home safely, and also the same for the match officials.

This will be my first game for a while having generously spared the country of my children for a short time and, lovely as it is to be away, you only need to start

reading the early season match reports and you can't wait to get back watching the new season unfold. Hopefully I won't be pining for the beach come 5pm!

Meanwhile, off the pitch much progress has been made. The eyesore that was the broken concrete and rubble behind the dugouts is being transformed into a decent little bit of terracing. That and other strides made can be read further in the programme. Well done to all involved. Can there be prouder supporters than the ones watching today?

Whilst talking of good deeds one must thank today's sponsors. WFC Supporters Club have kindly sponsored today's match whilst Nick Woolford has once again stepped forward and become the Ball Donor. Nick is invariably the first to get his name down for this each season and his long time support for the club is strongly felt. Enjoy the game guys.

Please note the future games here. There is a Non-League Day planned for September 3rd when there are no Premier or Championship games due to Internationals and inducements and other info can be seen on page 27. The Reserves also open their campaign with a game here on Wednesday evening (24th) against Ashford mddx.

Adam

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CONSTRUCTED BY STONES



The Stones put the plan into action.
 Above left: A lot of concentration going on here.
 Above right: Bananas empties his load for the terrace
 Left: Post replacing by main stand

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Coming here next
B/H Monday August 29th 3pm
Wealdstone v Wingate & Finchley
Ryman Premier League

Saturday September 3rd 3pm
Wealdstone v Bury Town
Ryman Premier League



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- 1965-66**
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- 1967-68**
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Southern League Division One South Winners
- 1981-82**
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- 1996-97**
Isthmian League Division 3 Winners
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- 2003-04**
2010-11
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MARK GILL: FROM THE DUGOUT

Together we are unique



Good afternoon and welcome to today's opening game of the 2011/12 season versus Margate, to whose players, officials and supporters we extend that courtesy and trust they enjoy their visit to The Vale and have a safe journey home later on this evening. A similar greeting goes out to this afternoon's match officials - enjoy the game.

So, with the formalities of pre-season out of the way, the cobwebs of the off-season long forgotten and the requisite 'brownie points' in the bag it's down to the serious business of the league and the only points that really matter.

Each season brings about with it renewed hope for a better campaign than the previous one across the entire footballing community. To that end we at Wealdstone take our place in that queue and will be doing everything in our power to achieve our objectives. In my five seasons at the club this year is a first in that, other than goals conceded, this is the first year where we haven't improved on the previous one in respect of total points accumulated, goals scored and final placing in the table.

The loss of Marvin and Kieran at the beginning and mid season respectively to full time football as well as long term injuries to key personnel were, arguably, contributory factors but not excuses. We all felt in the dressing room that we under-achieved last term and are determined to put that right this time around. It's never easy competing with some of the bigger financial hitters in the division but with some of the additions we've made in the summer we feel we have a good group and

a good vibe around the dressing room who want to achieve and progress both individually and as a group.

Pre-season was a mixed bag really of some excellent performances against the three pro sides and some mediocre ones against the so called lesser sides. The ability is clearly there it's about getting the levels of consistency required at this level. Today's visitors have seen big changes in the off season, with a familiar face back at the helm and numerous additions on the playing front and will prove a tough nut to crack as they strive to improve on a disappointing campaign last time around.

Work on the ground has continued throughout the summer both on and off the pitch and the efforts of those labours are clear for all to see. A huge pat on the back to all of those involved. I've said on many occasions the work that you, the supporters, give to us, on the playing front in so many different ways, is never taken for granted and is always hugely appreciated. We are a unique Football Club in that sense and it's one that I, and the rest of the management team, are hugely proud of being a part of. It's that togetherness that makes us what we are and makes us more determined than ever to give you a team that can deliver what you deserve.

Anyway, enough from me and onto the game. Thanks for your time and support,

Here's to the first three points. Up The Stones.

Cheers

Gilly

Alex Dyer to stay at Stones

Wealdstone's dynamic midfielder Alex Dyer, 21, has signed a contract to keep him at the Stones despite interest from a number of professional clubs this summer and being capped by Montserrat a few weeks ago.

Dyer had an excellent campaign last season following his release from Northampton Town just over a year ago and has again looked in very good form this close season, linking up well with new striker Richard Jolly.

Wealdstone Manager

Gordon Bartlett said: 'I am delighted that Alex has committed himself to us after lots of interest from professional clubs. He is a young midfielder player with an excellent footballing brain, with vision and a range of passing to match. He could well be another to go on to bigger and better things and we want to help him fulfill his ambition to become a full time player'

In a week when other key players have signed for the Stones, Bartlett went on to say: 'This good news follows the re-signing of the majority of last seasons squad and the recent additions of Scott McCubbin, Jake Parsons, Kieron Knight and David Hicks. We are gradually putting the pieces of the jigsaw together this close season and I am pleased with progress so far'

Facts and figures

Two years ago Roy Couch produced a 44 page booklet, *Wealdstone Football Club Facts and Figures*. It included our Club history, officials, previous grounds, major honours and Player of the Year awards. For the period 1971-2009 there was also a *Summary of Results, Record Against Other Clubs and Appearances & Goalscorers*.

An updated version has been produced that includes the last two seasons and copies are now on sale in the Club Shop price £3.50. If you want to know our record against the 322 different clubs we've met since we turned professional in 1971, or the names of the 971 players who have played in a league or cup match for us during that time, then you will surely want to buy one.

All proceeds from the sale of these booklets will go to the Football Club. Only a limited number have been printed so if you would like a copy it might be advisable to visit the shop, sooner rather than later.

Predicta Score is here, again

Remember 3pm today is the deadline for getting your entries in today. I'll be standing close to Mim 'Golden Goals' not 'Golden Balls' by the turnstiles. Last season's winner's were:

£350 Derek Goss
£175 Bob Hall
£100 Steve Yearley
£50 Shared by Neil Rands and Dave Ward.

I hope you're able to support this years competition, last year with 110 people we passed to the club just on £1000 and we hope that we can raise the same amount this year.

Final prize money is determined by the number of people that enter so to be able to keep the prizes at last years level we need to get 110 people entering again this year. Entry remains at £15.

Good Predicting to all who enter.

Tony

INJURY NEWS: JAMES SMITH

INJURY NEWS

Good afternoon and welcome to our first league game of the season. I hope you have enjoyed what seems a short break from football. Pre-season has gone well in the main, with one or two great performances and some not so but that is that pre-season is about, getting fitness back, minutes on the pitch and to iron out anything that could be done better.

The close season has seen the return of Fitzy to full training and game play after his cartilage operation at the end of May. He is making steady progress and building up his fitness every week.

We have picked up a few injuries in recent weeks with Alan Massey not being able to start pre-season training due to a back problem, which left him a little way behind the rest with regards

to fitness.

Eddie Adjei received ankle ligament damage at Kentish Town and is still recovering but we hope he will be able to train soon. Nicky Ahmed is still struggling with his injury received at Biggleswade Town.

Peter Dean, who was on the end of a tackle you wouldn't like to see in a competitive game let alone a friendly, suffered severe bruising to his shin bone and was rested against Enfield because of this.

Ian Uranga has a groin problem, received in the Enfield game, which will be assessed this week (pre-Margate). Chris O'Leary is now back in training after his knee and hernia operations. Enjoy the game.



James

Match day sponsorship

What better way to celebrate a special occasion or advertise your company's support of Wealdstone FC? The package gives you:

- Four Admission Tickets that also include seats in the Director's Area of the Main Stand
- Four Complimentary match day programmes
- Nibbles and drinks prior, during (half time) and post the game in the Board Room
- Your name, or the name of your organisation, will feature prominently in the programme and will be announced over the

PA system to the crowd

- Your name, or the name of your organisation, will also feature prominently on the Club Website in the lead up to the game
- Meet Gordon Bartlett before the game and nominate the 'Man of the Match' at full time

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SUPPORTERS CLUB: CLIVE LEAPER

Join the Supporters Club and have fun, Lewes, fun!

Here we go again! A new season, hopes and dreams alive, everyone wants this season to be as good as it can. I'm sure that Margate will be also hoping for an improvement on their league placing from last year. Having been on the wrong end of 1-0 games against them last time around we hope that they enjoy a great season but obviously not at our expense today! A very warm welcome to those here today from the seaside.

As supporters we know how much we can play a part in the success on the pitch by getting behind the team and offering our vocal support, off the pitch we continue to aspire to better things as we move forward on lots of fronts with different threads of the club coming together to build for the present and future. Over the summer there's been a hive of activity around the ground with the improvement work that's taken place a testament to the many dedicated volunteers offering their time and expertise to get the work done and done well.

The much anticipated (and talked about) new kits are now in stock at the megastore. The shirt will be the fashion garment of choice around the streets of Ruislip with the Wealdstone youth players all signing up for wearing the same kits this season. The www.wfcmegastore.co.uk website will be incorporating the old wfcsc website this season. So it's worth checking out the site regularly for news as well as new stock always arriving.

Mim is kindly doing the 'golden goals' competition at home games again this

season. £1 buys you the chance to win £50 if you have the correct time of the first goal and a handy tenner if you have the time of the last goal scored. This is one of the ways that the supporters club steadily raise money for the club.

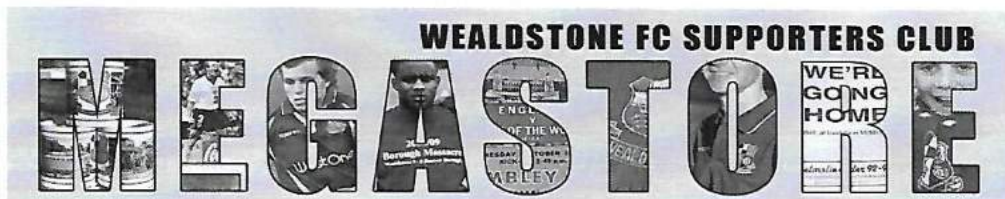
To compete with some of the bigger spenders in the division this year we will need to be able to have some finance available when the Manager and board of directors come a knocking. We'll be organising events during the season and would value your support. We hope to revisit some of the great days out of last season—those that went on the train trips to Lowestoft and Bury Town will tell you how enjoyable they were. Lewes this season is the talking point of choice to visit it seems, with the date likely to be changed due to our involvement in the FA cup still (please) then this could be a midweek excursion so pencil in a need to book a day off work for a visit to the town/brewery/football ground.

Our game on 3rd September v Bury Town will be played with no premiership or championship games to contend with, we'll be hoping to put on a good show and attract a fair crowd. As ever if anyone would like to assist us on the day please let us know and you will be welcomed with open arms.

All it remains for me to say is enjoy the game, let's get behind the team and let's see where we are come April.

Up the Stones.

Clive



MATCH BALL DONORS



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The cost involved is £75 and you get your name mentioned in the programme and website grid for the season.**

Again for this year is the chance to donate the ball for our Capital League games. The price is £35.

MARGATE



HOOPLA! A new look Margate

Margate Football Club was founded in 1896/7 as an amateur club, playing friendly matches on school grounds, with the club colours being black & white.

The Club moved around the Margate area and played at various grounds but in 1924/5 was reformed and moved to the Lower Pitch at Dreamland in Margate and competed in the Kent League Division One.

In 1929 the Club once again reformed and moved to its present home at Hartsdown Park, Margate, and its playing colours changed to amber & black.

1934 saw the club become the nursery side to Arsenal Football Club, with the Hartsdown Park pitch being reduced in size to match Highbury. The Club started its impressive FA

Cup pedigree by reaching the 3rd round proper of the FA Cup, losing 3-1 to Blackpool, having defeated Q.P.R. and Crystal Palace in the earlier rounds.

In 1949/50 the Club changed its playing colours to the present blue & white. On 23 September 1959 floodlights were used for the first time at Hartsdown Park. The Club reached the 1st round of the FA Cup before losing a replay at Selhurst Park against Crystal Palace in front of a current record crowd to watch Margate of 29,300. The Club officially opened the Floodlights with a game against West Ham United in front of 4,216 spectators.

1961/62 saw the players tunnel constructed at Hartsdown Park. The Club also purchased their own coach

in September 1961 with the aim of being able to save money on travel expenses. In the FA Cup Margate defeated Third Division leaders Bournemouth away 3-0.

1964/65 season saw the Club go full time professional with the team finishing 6th in the Premier Division. In the following season the team failed to win a single away game, and finished bottom of the Premier Division being relegated to Division One. The full time policy was scrapped and the team returned to a semi professional status.

1966/67 saw the Club as runners up in Division One, securing promotion back to the Premier Division. In the early part of the season the Clubhouse on the Hartsdown Road terrace was opened.

OPPOSITION

WEALDSTONE'S RECORD v MARGATE
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Southern League	Home	Away
1974/75 (Premier Div.)	L0-3	L1-2
1975/76 (Premier Div.)	L1-4	L1-2
1976/77 (Premier Div.)	D1-1	W2-0
1978/79 (Premier Div.)	W1-0	L0-1
1981/82 (Sthn. Div.)	W6-1	W2-0
1992/93 (Sthn. Div.)	L1-4	W2-1
1993/94 (Sthn. Div.)	L1-3	L1-4
1994/95 (Sthn. Div.)	L0-1	L1-3

Isthmian League	Home	Away
2005/06 (Premier Div.)	L0-4	L0-1
2007/08 (Premier Div.)	L2-4	D3-3
2008/09 (Premier Div.)	W2-0	W1-0
2009/10 (Premier Div.)	W1-0	D1-1
2010/11 (Premier Div.)	L0-1	L0-1

F.A. Trophy (1st Qfy Round)
2009/10 Home W3-1

1972/3 saw the mighty Tottenham Hotspur visit Hartsdown Park for a 3rd round FA Cup game, which Margate lost 6-0 in front of allegedly over 14,000 spectators being a home ground record.

1981/2 saw the Club become a Limited Company and changed names to Thanet United, but this was reversed back to Margate Football Club in 1989/90 when the Club was taken over by Keith Piper & Gordon Wallis.

In 1996/7 Chris Kinnear was appointed as manager. In November 1997 the Club were beaten 2-1 in the 1st round of the FA Cup by Mohamed Al Fayed's Fulham, who were managed at that time by Kevin Keegan and Ray Wilkins in front of

'Sky TV' cameras for a live televised game at Hartsdown Park. By 1999 the Club had achieved promotion to The Dr Martens Premier Division.

2000/01 saw the Club win The Dr Martens Premier Division title and promotion to the pinnacle of non-league football into the Nationwide Conference.

The first day of the Nationwide Conference saw Margate Football Club highlighted as relegation candidates, but the players thought otherwise and secured an opening day away win at Boston United 1-0 and eventually finished the season in a highly credible 8th position.

During that first season playing in the Nationwide Conference at our 'home' of

Hartsdown Park, Margate, attendances climbed to see an average for the season of 1,700 per game, with the highest single attendance being just under 4,000 for the Boxing Day game against local rivals Dover Athletic.

The Club set out a five-year plan to develop both on and off the field of play and this has led to the football club becoming tied down in negotiations to deliver a new stadium fully compliant to Football League 'Grade A Standard' to enable the Club to maintain its Nationwide Conference status.

The second season of Nationwide Conference football saw the Club ground-sharing at Dover Athletic FC, having secured planning permission for the redevelopment of Hartsdown Park. Despite playing all their games 'away from home' the Club finished the league in a respectable 10th position. The season also saw the Club defeat Leyton Orient in the 1st round of the FA Cup, they then went on to draw 2nd Division Cardiff City at 'home' for the 2nd Round, but eventually lost 3-1 after a brave battle. This game was featured on the BBC's Match of The Day.

August 2003 and the commencement of the 2003-2004 season saw the Club once again ground-sharing due to the delays on the redevelopment project, highlighting the fact that whilst the Club has performed 'on the pitch', delays and problems 'off the pitch'

have meant that the Club's goals have not as yet been achieved.

In June 2004 the club despite finishing 16th in The Nationwide Conference were demoted one division due to the ongoing delays and problems with the redevelopment plans for the club's home at Hartsdown Park, Margate and played the 2004/5 season in the Nationwide South division, ground-sharing at Ashford Town FC. Finishing the season inside the relegation zone, Margate were relegated to the Ryman League Premier Division.

Margate Football Club started the Ryman League Premier Division on 20th August 2005 back at Hartsdown Park with a temporary stadium. Another indifferent season saw Margate, at times, flirting with relegation and with a handful of games remaining Chris Kinnear was relieved of duties after ten years in charge.

Defender Robin Trott was put in temporary charge and with the team remaining unbeaten for the remainder of the campaign he secured the job full-time. An impressive array of signings were brought in but despite some of the most entertaining football played by a Margate side in a long time they fell away at the death and just missed out on the play-offs.

Over the summer a number of players, including some long-standing members of the squad, left the club as Trott started his second full term in charge.

But, despite threatening in patches during the season, the club fell short of the play-offs and Trott was released with two games to go.

In summer 2008, in the biggest overhaul the club has seen in years, former Gillingham defender Barry Ashby became Margate's new manager with his former Gills team-mate Paul Smith joining him as player-coach. A comprehensive restructuring plan also saw locally-based ex-Everton and Wales goalkeeper Neville Southall become the club's Football Development Officer whilst former Wales manager Terry Yorath was announced as Margate's Director of Football at the start of June 2008. The emphasis was now to be on development and the club were to field a young side made up of former reserve and youth players for the 2008/09 Ryman League Premier Division campaign.

The campaign started badly and Ashby departed in October; Terry Yorath taking charge temporarily, with Neville Southall assisting. Improved performances looked as though they may pull the side out of the relegation zone but a final day defeat at Staines Town saw Margate finish in the final relegation slot.

Talk of clubs being demoted and resigning from various Leagues led to a nervous summer as Margate waited to see if they would be reprieved thanks to another club's misfortune.

The good news came in June as it was announced that Margate would remain in the Ryman League Premier Division for the 2009/10 season and with the best of last season's squad remaining under Yorath's leadership, hopes were higher for the new season.

Early silverware came in the form of the re-launched 'Isle of Thanet Gazette Cup', a two legged battle with rivals Ramsgate. A 1-0 win at Hartsdown and a 1-1 draw at Southwood was enough to win the cup, being contested for the first time since 1992, and move clear of the Rams on outright wins.

An indifferent start to the campaign saw the side once again battling for points at the wrong end of the table and in October Yorath resigned. Southall took over as caretaker but failed to seal the job on a permanent basis.

In the weeks that followed three new board members were appointed; former Chairman Gordon Wallis, former Commercial Manager Cliff Egan and veteran supporter and club helper Richard Piper. Their first task was to appoint former Ashford Town (MX) manager Mark Butler as Manager with Steve Beeks as his assistant.

In February 2010 Mark Butler resigned after only 2 wins in 16 games, although performances on the pitch had vastly improved. John Keister and Wayne Wilson

MARGATE FC

took charge for two games before former Margate legend Iain O'Connell was appointed manager at the end of February.

O'Connell signed former Margate legends Jay Saunders and James Pinnock as well as bringing several other players in and a run of nine games without defeat started giving hope of avoiding relegation but despite beating play-off chasing Hastings United in the last match of the season Margate finished fourth from bottom and another agonising wait until a reprieved was confirmed in May.

In the summer, O'Connell strengthened his squad further including some experience that had been seriously lacking over recent seasons and after impressive performances in the pre-season friendlies, hopes are again high for the coming season.

Off the pitch, after years of failed attempts, Margate received good news in early August as the planning application to re-build the North Stand was granted full planning consent (approved) subject to an Amended Deed of Variation, which was submitted to Thanet Planners by solicitors acting

for London & Margate for approval.

As well as providing a new covered terrace, the full width of the pitch designed to hold 1,500 supporters, the new stand once completed, will allow the 5-a-side centre to be completed, with permanent changing room facilities, together with a new bar and lounge and a 5,000 sq ft building to be used for educational purposes. The new stand will service both the existing five-a-side pitches and the new full sized all weather 3G pitch which was also approved by Thanet Planners the previous month.

Simon Overlord (25) was with Millwall as a trainee and lists Ebbsfleet United, Dagenham & Redbridge, Hayes and Yeading among his former clubs. He ended last season at Ryman League Division 1 Faversham Town.

Jack Smelt (20) locally-born Jack has played for Colchester United and Luton Town before dropping into non-league. He has played for Croydon Athletic, Guildford City, Cray Wanderers (for who he was brilliant against Margate in November 2009) and Ramsgate.

Until Margate's approach, he had look set to be manager Jim Ward's first choice at Southwood.

Laurence Ball Defender who signed from Dover Ath-



letic in the summer of 2010.

Started off as a youth with Gillingham, even playing taking over in goal when the 'keeper was injured in an FA Youth Cup tie against Manchester City.

First Joined Dover in 2003 but then went to University and played for several clubs in the north of England, including Altrincham.

Returned to Crabble in

2007 and starred in central defence for the reserves. Went on loan to Ramsgate before breaking into the first team in January 2008, securing a regular place in Whites' defence during their promotion winning campaign before scoring four goals as Dover took the Ryman Premier title the following season.

He rejoined Ramsgate in the summer of 2009 but as he was studying for Masters degree at Oxford his appearances were limited.

Also played for Oxford University during last season, scoring in a penalty shoot out after 1-1 draw to help Oxford win the 126th Varsity match in May. Was virtually ever-present in his first season with Margate until injury forced him to miss the final nine games.

Signed a new one-year deal in July 2011.

Craig Cloke A central defender who signed for Margate in summer 2010 after spending nine years with Dover Athletic

Started off in the youth programme at Crabble before captaining the reserves making his first team debut in 2001/02, winning all four of the club's player of the year awards in 2004-05. Injuries forced him to miss much of 2008/09 and 2009/10 but made his return to action whilst on loan at Ashford Town in February 2010. Craig made 37 appearances, three as substitute, in his first season and scored 4 goals before signing a new one-year deal in July 2011.

Mark Corneille (25) signed on a two year contract in the summer of 2011 after impressing at right-back in pre-season. He started his career at Gillingham for whom he debuted against Colchester United as a 20 year old. He also featured on loan at Folkestone Invicta and Eastbourne Borough. At the end of the 2005/06 season he was released by the Gills and went on to sign for Bromley.

After five years at Hayes Lane Mark made the switch to Maidstone United but missed the 2010/11 season due to work commitments.

Dean Pooley Versatile 6' 1" tall defender born in Sidcup

who was on Charlton's books as a youth before joining Millwall in 2003. Dean progressed through the Lions' youth ranks to the senior squad and in October 2005 he had a short spell on loan at Walton & Hersham.

During the 2005/06 season Dean made one first team appearance for Millwall—as a substitute in a 1-0 home win over Burnley in the Championship on 22.4.06 - and in September 2006 he was loaned to Beckenham. At the end of December 2006 Dean left Millwall by mutual consent.

At the start of 2007 he joined Bohemian of Ireland and made 19 appearances for the Bohs before being released in December 2007. In January 2008 Dean signed a short-term deal with Northern Irish club Ballymena but left the club in March 2008 having made only two first team appearances. He joined Conference outfit Ebbsfleet for the start of the 2008/09 campaign and played 78 times for the Fleet before being released in May 2011. In June 2011 Dean signed for Margate and became manager Chris Kinnear's first capture since his return to the club.

Curtis Robinson signed for Margate in the summer of 2008 and gradually became a regular and reliable part of the defence with calmness that belied his young age.

Started off with Ramsgate in their Youth and Reserve sides before leaving for

Greenwich University and featured for Dover Athletic Reserves before moving to Hartsdown Park. After three seasons at Margate, he is now one of the longest-standing players at the club and has been scouted by football league sides.

Curtis also possesses a impressively long throw and younger brother Courteney made the first team in 2009/10.

Matt Bodkin Chatham born defender who started his career off as a trainee at Nottingham Forest before joining Gillingham in August 2004. He made three appearances for the Gills before joining Welling United in August 2005. His performances at the Park View Road club saw Gillingham give him an invitation to move back to for pre-season training just a year after releasing him, but a move back to Priestfield never materialised and he stayed at Welling until December 2006 when he moved to FA Trophy holders Grays Athletic who were struggling in the Conference.

In three seasons at Grays, Matt only made 14 appearances for his home club but spent spells at Thurrock (twice), Dartford and Eastleigh before moving to Dover in February 2009. Despite being a regular as Dover took the Ryman League title, he was not offered a new and in the summer joined Thurrock for

a third time, but this time permanently.

After 16 goals in 79 appearances for the Conference South side he joined Margate in July 2010, despite being rumoured to be wanted by Welling United. After signing a one-year deal, he signed an extension four days later that will keep him at the club until 2013.

Adam Burchell

Adam impressed while on trial at Hartsdown Park during pre-season with his lively displays on the wing. He also weighed in with two goals; both against Folkestone Invicta. Originally with Gillingham, he joined Dartford in March 2009 on work experience but signed permanently for the Darts following his release by the Gills in the summer of the same year. He struggled to get a starting place in Tony Burman's side and was loaned to Tonbridge Angels in 2010 and Maidstone United in March 2011.

The 21-year old was released by Dartford in May, and while he was interesting other clubs, has opted to join Chris Kinnear's side.

Liam Coleman

Midfielder who signed on a one year contract after impressing in pre-season.

The 25 year old midfielder started his career at Colchester United then went on to play at Torquay United and Forest Green Rovers on loan.

After being released by the

Gulls, Liam signed for Ebbsfleet United. He has also played for Northwich Victoria, Heybridge Swifts and Aveley.

Wayne Wilson

Australian born midfielder who joined from Blue Square South side Bromley in the summer of 2008.

Originally with Sorrento under 18's, based in his home town of Perth he moved to England to join Charlton Athletic's academy, playing for their youth side, in 2002/03.

Wayne went on the play for Bishop's Stortford, Stevenage Borough, Thurrock and Basingstoke.

Played in all but two of Margate's Ryman Premier games in his first season, finished the season as second top scorer and won the Supporters Player of Year but saw his second season hit by injuries.

Took temporary charge of the side, with John Keister, for two matches after Mark Butlers resignation in February 2010 and then again in February 2011 after Iain O'Connells departure.

In June 2011 Wayne was named as Head of Margate FC's Football in the Community programme

Kwesi Appiah

Former Ebbsfleet Utd striker who signed on a two year contract in July 2011 after scoring four goals in three pre-season friendlies.

As a youngster, Kwesi was a product of the Ebbsfleet United PASE youth system,

making his first team debut in August 2008. He then moved to Peterborough United in October but was loaned out to Weymouth in February 2009, returning to Posh a month later.

He went on to play at Kings Lynn and Kettering on loan before making a permanent move to Blue Square Bet South Thurrock in 2010.

Tom Bradbrook

Striker who started his senior career with Dartford, joining the club for the 07/08 season having previously been prolific in Sunday League football in the Sevenoaks area of Kent.

Tom was part of the Darts squad that won the Ryman League Division One North and he was chosen as the club's 'Young Player of the Year' having scored six goals in all competitions.

He moved on to Sittingbourne in the summer of 2008 and scored 13 goals during 08/09.

Tom then found the net 14 times for the Brickies during 09/10 and his goals included one in a Ryman League Cup win over Margate and another in the Kent Senior Cup Final as Sittingbourne beat Folkestone to take the trophy.

Tom was Sittingbourne's captain during the first half of the 10/11 campaign and scored 15 goals before signing for Margate in January 2011 and went on to score 7 goals in 18 starts.

FRIENDLY ROUND-UP



Dean wins our first pen of the season

This was easily Stones best performance of the pre-season programme so far and a win by a margin of two or three goals would not have flattered the home side against a strong League One outfit.

Gordon Bartlett's policy of consistently playing the majority of his starting eleven rather than the myriad trialists and squad players of last summers experimental strategy seems to be paying real dividends on the evidence of Tuesday night's performance.

Wealdstone nevertheless did bring in several new faces including Scott McCubbin who had a fine game out wide and Nathan Webb in defence who was with Hayes & Yeading in the Conference last season. Both added skill and slickness to the side and fitted in comfortably.

Wanderers looked the more settled and dangerous in the early stages and former Stones loanee Matt McClure had a decent effort. But Stones soon hit back with a firm strike from Danny Spendlove that was blocked by Chairboys giant keeper Steve Arnold

Stones movement and

Biggleswade Town 3 Wealdstone 3

Wealdstone continued their early pre season preparations on Saturday with a 3-3 draw at Evo-Stick League Division One side Biggleswade Town. The match was summed up by Stones Manager Gordon Bartlett as a 'very useful but sloppy performance'.

Whilst it was another good workout for Stones there was more bad news on the injury front with Lee Chappell going off with a groin problem, and then Nikki Ahamed being carried off with a serious looking ankle injury that could keep him sidelined for several weeks. Stones

were already without centre backs Sean Cronin, who took a knee in the back at the Watford match, and Alan Massey who is still recovering from a spinal injury.

A strong looking home side had the better of the first half and went in two goals up at the break through Harry Hunt and Ashley Fuller.

Wealdstone improved after the break though, and they pulled one back through a penalty from Peter Dean. They then equalised when central defender Wes Parker

prodded home from close range. Stones then thought they'd won it late on when Richard Jolly fired home with five minutes to play, however they were undone when Fuller scored his second of the afternoon just a minute later.

Jonathan North, James Hammond, Lee Chappell, Wes Parker, Darren Locke, Alex Dyer, Nikki Ahamed, David Hicks, Kieran Knight, Richard Jolly, Danny Spendlove. (Subs):- Peter Dean, Kurtney Brooks, Nathan Webb, Tashan Jordan, Denzil Conteh, Dean Wallace, Jordan Lumsden. Not Used - Sam Beagle

Wealdstone 1 Wycombe Wanderers 1

Marvin McCoy lines up with Lee Chappell



FRIENDLY ROUND-UP



The Stones Stars had a half time shootout and proudly pose with the shirt

passing was improving all the time and causing problems for the Pro side who looked unsettled particularly in the midfield where David Hicks tenacious tackling and pressing was doing the damage.

But the away side took the lead on 16 minutes when Peter Dean lost possession in the midfield and a sharp counter attack allowed Matt Bloomfield to slot past Jonathan North.

From that point on in this entertaining friendly it was all Wealdstone who dominated proceedings and frankly played the better football all over the park with great solidity at the back.

It came as no surprise when Stones equalised on the stroke of half time following a break out of defence by Sean Cronin and a great cross into the box by Richard Jolly allowed Hicks to smash the ball past Arnold.

The second half at times was a master class in passing by Stones who should have found the net on several occasions but for once marksman Jolly was out of luck although he was within the

width of a post with one excellent strike that came on the end of a great following move. Alex Dyer and Peter Dean were also thwarted by Arnold as the home side piled on the pressure.

North saved well from Bloomfield and parity was assured on a night when Stones preparation for the new campaign stepped up some impressive notches.

North, Webb, Chappell, Parker, Cronin, Dyer, McCubbin, Hicks, Dean, Jolly, Spendlove. Subs used: Brooks, Jordan, Hammond, Wallace, Beardsworth, Massey.

This season's first picture of Spendy in full flow...

Photos: Steve Foster



Wealdstone 2 Crewe Alexandra 3

Wealdstone continued their pre-season preparations with a useful workout against a youthful Crewe Alexandra side on a Monday evening. Despite letting slip a two goal lead, there were again many positives to take from this game, and Stones fans will be impressed with the football their side is producing.

The game started with both sides moving the ball around quickly on an excellent playing surface, and a swift passing move from Stones resulted in Danny Spendlove drilling the ball across from the right hand side where Crewe keeper Alan Martin could only parry the ball into the path of David Hicks, whose powerful goal bound effort was blocked by Danny Ting.

The home side then took the lead on 13 minutes. Alex Dyer won possession in the middle of the park and the ball broke to Kieran Knight. The experienced striker then threaded the ball through to Richard Jolly who took a touch before finishing smartly off the outside of his boot.

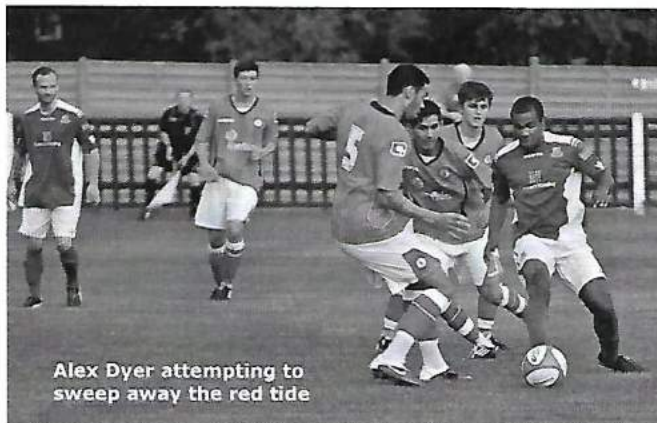
FRIENDLY ROUND-UP

The front pairing of Jolly and Knight was certainly linking up well, and some great play from Knight nearly saw Jolly through again only for Jordan Rose to intercept. Knight then had a chance of his own after Spendlove had won the ball, Alex Dyer picked it up and found Knight who hesitated for a moment inside the box, allowing Rose come across and intercept.

Nathan Webb was certainly enjoying a solid game at right back, and some superb play from him nearly saw Stones increase their lead in spectacular fashion on 36 minutes. Webb played a neat one two with Scott McCubbin down the right hand side before going past Crewe's Danny Ting with ease. He then sent over a dangerous cross to Jolly who met it with an acrobatic effort that crashed off the post.

The second half began with Stones again on the front foot, and McCubbin managed to break away down the right hand side before finding Spendlove at the back post with a great ball. The winger took a touch before seeing his effort blocked en route to goal. Crewe then came close when Stones failed to clear their lines properly, and the ball broke to Ajay Leitch-Smith who fired a low effort onto the post with North well beaten. An uncharacteristic slip from Webb then presented Kyle Vassell with a chance; however his effort was easily gathered by North.

Despite all the neat football they had been playing, it was the simplest of moves which saw Wealdstone increase their lead on 56 minutes. Dyer played a long ball for-



Alex Dyer attempting to sweep away the red tide

ward from the back which found Knight and the former Maidenhead striker was able to hold off his man before side footing past Martin.

A well worked set piece saw Crewe pull one back almost immediately though. Vassell shaped to shoot from a free kick, instead opting to lay the ball into the channel for Leith-Smith whose cross found Darren Sarcevic at the far post. The Crewe midfielder didn't need to take a touch, smashing the ball in on the volley first time.

The league Two side were then level just two minutes later. Lee Chappell was caught napping at the back allowing substitute Michael Korel to square the ball to Vassell who made no mistake from close range.

The game was now being played at a lightning pace, and Stones almost regained the lead instantly. Webb managed to get in behind the full back where he was able to cross to Spendlove. Spendlove hit the ball first time, making a good connection however Martin showed great reflexes to palm away.

Martin then did well to keep out McCubbin on 75 minutes, when the midfielders cross-shot nearly caught him out, however he managed to recover just in time, fisting the ball away to safety.

Both sides then had chances to take the lead in the final ten minutes, with Chappell having to be alert to block an effort from Max Clayton, and then Kurtney Brooks hitting a powerful effort from distance just wide.

Wealdstone substitute Jake Parsons then nearly grabbed a late winner, skipping past two defenders on the outside of the box; his finish though lacked power.

It was the visitors however who snatched a winner very late on though. A ball to the far post was chested into the path of Brendon Daniels by George Ray, with the former bundling the ball home from close range.

Wealdstone: North, Webb, Chappell, Parker, Massey, Dyer, McCubbin, Hicks, Knight, Jolly, Spendlove. *Subs used:* Locke, Parsons, Brooks, Fitzgerald, Lumsden.

FIXTURES & RESULTS 2011/12

OPPONENTS RES ATT POS 1 2 3 4 5 6

AUGUST

20 MARGATE
23 Carshalton Athletic
27 E. Thurrock United
29 WINGATE & FINCHLEY

SEPTEMBER

3 BURY TOWN
10 Kingstonian
12 LEATHERHEAD
17 NORTHWOOD/BEACONSF'LD SYCOB FAC 1Q
24 AFC Hornchurch
26 HENDON

OCTOBER

1 Lewes
4 Cray Wanderers
8 LOWESTOFT TOWN
15 HASTINGS UNITED
18 Leatherhead
22 TOOTING & MITCHAM
29 Aveley

RLC2
FAT1Q

NOVEMBER

8 Ashford Town mddx
12 Billericay Town
19 CANVEY ISLAND
26 Horsham

MSC 1

DECEMBER

3 Concord Rangers
10 MET POLICE
17 Leatherhead
26 HARROW BOROUGH
31 CARSHALTON ATHLETIC

JANUARY 2012

2 Wingate & Finchley
7 LEWES
14 Hendon
21 CRAY WANDERERS
28 Lowestoft Town

FEBRUARY

4 Canvey Island
11 HORSHAM
18 AVELEY
25 Hastings United

MARCH

3 BILLERICAY TOWN
10 Tooting & Mitcham
17 Margate
24 E. THURROCK UTD
31 Bury Town

APRIL

7 KINGSTONIAN
9 Harrow Borough
14 AFC Hornchurch
21 Met Police
28 CONCORD RGRS

TBA

TOOTING & MITCHAM
ASHFORD TN mddx
Staines Town

MCC2
GRS

Alan Boon

It is with great sadness that we report that Staines Town chairman Alan Boon, an Honorary Vice-President of the Isthmian League and a former Board Member, died on Saturday night at the age of 65. He had been ill for some time.

Alan had been associated with Staines for well over 30 years and was one of the most popular men in non-league football.

Everyone associated with the Isthmian League extends their sympathy to Alan's family.

Today's home game at Staines will be free entry to all and any donations to Alan's chosen charity. A fitting tribute for the man.

Wealdstone friendly matches 2011/12 (First team)

Jul 16th Midenhead 2-3 Wealdstone -Jolly, Armit
Jul 16th Kentish Town 1-1 Wealdstone -Harewood
Jul 19th Wealdstone 1-3 Watford (809) -Jolly
Jul 23rd Biggleswade 3-3 Wealdstone -Dean(p),Parker,Jolly
Jul 26th Wealdstone 1-1 Wycombe Wanderers- Hicks
Jul 30th Tring Athletic 1-0 Wealdstone -Brooks
Jul 30th Rayners Lane 4-0 Wealdstone- P.Martin(2),Keita,Saleh
Aug 1st Wealdstone 2-1 Crewe Alexandra -Jolly,Knight
Aug 6th Aylesbury 1-0 Wealdstone -Knight
Aug 9th Potters Bar 2-2 Wealdstone -Uranga, Fitzgerald(p)
Aug 13th Wealdstone 1-4 Enfield -Knight

Other games: Ryman Premier Division

Aveley v. Kingstonian
Billericay Town v. Leatherhead
Canvey Island v. Carshalton Athletic
Hastings United v. Wingate & Finchley
Hendon v. Concord Rangers
Horsham v. Bury Town
Lowestoft Town v. Lewes
Metropolitan Police v. Harrow Borough
Tooting & Mitcham v. East Thurrock United

FIXTURES & RESULTS 2011/12

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Wealdstone FC Team Draw Results - July 2011

1 Miriam Goodman-£100 2 Rob Nothman £50 3 Sarin Rawal £30
4 Justin Miles-£20 5 Tony Waller £10 6 Tony Dawson £10
7 Neale Harvey £10 8 Adam Gloor £10 9 Roy Couch £10

TeamDraw has now in its 12th year and remains a crucial element of the club's income. The club's need of funds is as great as ever. We will shortly be running a campaign to hopefully increase the number of participants but if you are not yet a member or are already a member and want to take out another entry, please see me or any Board member. Thanks for your loyal support of this scheme and well done this month's winners!

Thank you, Andrew Lane

RYMAN LEAGUE PREMIER (Final Table 2010/2011 season)

	Home						Away						PTS	GD	H	A
	PL	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A					
Sutton United	42	17	4	0	48	16	9	5	7	28	17	87	+43	W2-1	L3-4	
Tonbridge Ang.	42	12	5	4	41	24	10	5	6	30	21	76	+26	D0-0	L0-2	
Bury Town	42	11	5	5	33	25	11	5	5	34	24	76	+18	D0-0	L0-1	
Lowestoft Town	42	9	10	2	37	12	11	5	5	31	18	75	+38	L0-2	D0-0	
Harrow Borough	42	12	5	4	40	18	10	2	9	37	33	73	+26	D1-1	W4-2	
Canvey Island	42	13	4	4	39	24	8	6	7	30	27	73	+18	D3-3	D1-1	
Kingstonian	42	13	2	6	36	25	8	7	6	30	25	72	+16	W2-1	W3-1	
Concord Rangers	42	11	5	5	33	25	10	3	8	39	30	71	+17	L1-3	W6-1	
Cray Wanderers	42	12	2	7	35	20	8	7	6	37	26	69	+26	L0-1	L0-1	
AFC Hornchurch	42	12	6	3	32	16	7	6	8	26	30	69	+12	L0-3	L1-2	
Billericay Town	42	14	2	5	31	17	6	7	8	25	28	69	+11	W1-0	L0-1	
Wealdstone	42	9	6	6	27	25	7	4	10	31	29	58	+4			
Carshalton Ath.	42	7	6	8	24	28	7	4	10	25	29	52	-8	L0-3	W3-2	
Tooting & Mitcham	42	9	4	8	36	43	4	6	11	27	42	49	-22	W3-0	L0-1	
Hendon	42	7	5	9	32	35	5	5	11	29	46	46	-20	W1-0	W1-0	
Margate	42	6	6	9	31	33	5	6	10	21	31	45	-12	L0-1	L0-1	
Horsham	42	4	8	9	21	37	7	3	11	22	40	44	-34	W3-0	L1-2	
Hastings United	42	6	4	11	27	30	3	7	11	23	35	38	-15	W2-1	L0-2	
Aveley	42	4	5	12	17	34	6	3	12	18	28	38	-27	W2-0	W1-0	
Maidstone Utd	42	2	5	14	17	37	7	5	9	26	38	37	-32	D1-1	W4-2	
Croydon Athletic*	42	5	2	14	24	49	5	2	14	20	46	31	-51	W4-3	D2-2	
Folkestone Invicta	42	3	7	11	19	31	2	5	14	15	37	27	-34	D1-1	D1-1	

*3 points deducted for playing ineligible player

WEALDSTONE FC STATS

GOALSCORERS (All Matches including Friendly games)

(Penalties scored are shown in brackets) * Player no longer with the Club

	RL	RLC	FAC	FAT	MSC	MCC	GRS	FR	TOTAL	CAREER
Richard Jolly	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	121(10)
Kieran Knight	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	4
Peter Martin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	2
Lee Armitt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Kurtney Brooks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	4
Peter Dean	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1(1)	1(1)	44(6)
Scott Fitzgerald	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1(1)	1(1)	15(3)
Andrew Harewood	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
David Hicks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	6
Danny Keita	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Mohamed Saleh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Wes Parker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	3
Ian Uranga	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Totals:-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19(2)	19(2)	



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On this Day...

with Tim Parks

SIX YEARS AGO...
Saturday August 20th 2005,
Ryman Premier League:
Wealdstone 2 Worthing 1
Photos: Adam Williams

SIX years ago saw the sun rise on a new Wealdstone. We all get pretty excited at the start of a new season, but summer 2005 held genuine promise and potential as Gordon Bartlett – frustrated by a club he felt was going backwards at the end of the previous season – was joined at the helm by ex Cheshunt and Boreham Wood boss Andy Leese.

Not only would we have the motivation and experience provided by Leese and his coaches John Meeke and Steve Hurd, but we also inherited the nucleus of his excellent Cheshunt team including stars like Ross White, Dean Harding, Paul Adolphe, Ryan Harris, Liam Baptiste and keeper Russell Ling. An outfit that had turned us over regularly in previous seasons.

And we still had Jermaine Beckford and Richard Jolly!

The balance of the team looked right: The imposing Ling (6ft 4ins and 16 stone) in goal with two wings-backs in ex-Spurs youth Harding and Carl Ashton, while Baptiste, Andy Keepence and captain Harris took the back three spots. Adolphe, an industrious ball player in the Jason Shaw mould, started wide right and Gary Burrell wide left, with Jermaine and Jolls creating a bit of mayhem up front. Young Paul Burton, who had played in the League for Oxford Utd the previous season, was the playmaker as the season kicked off... at least until the

wily White and Gary McKeown reached full fitness.

And we had a new ground! Not Prince Edward Playing Fields sadly, as developers Scarborough had pulled out and Harrow Council were (at that time) searching for new investors. No, it was Northwood FC's Chestnut Avenue - or Cheshunt Avenue as it quickly became known, with the large influx from Andy Leese's old club. It was certainly a great improvement on the increasingly run-down surroundings at Edgware, and even its lack of atmosphere wasn't an issue as the Stones hit the ground running in their new environment.

Yes, this was genuinely encouraging. We were kicking off the season with another visit from the highly-fancied Worthing (who

Captain Ryan Harris started manfully for the Stones



REWIND



Above: This Jermaine penalty shout was harshly ignored.

Below: A young Jolly joins the celebrations as Jermaine finally puts Stones ahead at their new home

had been our opponents at the White Lion to open the previous campaign) and, as Steve Paull mentioned in his match report, as soon as we got the ball flowing around the park, attacking the clubhouse end and



winning a spate of early corners "The crowd got into voice and, from that moment on the unique atmosphere at Wealdstone games transferred itself to the new surroundings".

Worthing's Stafford Browne and Nko Ekoku tested Ling early on but the Stones were really rolling. After referee Mitchell turned down two strong appeals for penalties for fouls on Beckford and Harris, the sweeper came up for another corner and was adjudged to have been pushed as he homed in on the cross. Penalty! In pre-season three different penalty takers had all missed, so now was Jermaine's turn... and he buried the ball emphatically past keeper Chris May for a 41st-minute lead.

Going up the slope, Stones kept possession well and were rewarded with a second goal 12 minutes into the half, Jolly darting into space as Mark Knee and Marc Pullen dithered, toe-poking past the advancing May for 2-0. Burrrell and Beckford both missed good chances and when skipper Marc Cable was sent off for yet another foul on Beckford the Stones fans celebrated long and loud.

Not so fast! The Sussex side pulled one back in the dying moments, Browne's 20-yard freekick beating the unsuspecting Ling, and there was a rather nervy finish as the towering Ling stood up to a torrent of late Worthing pressure. Maximum points though, and a beaming Bartlett and Leese walked off the pitch to huge applause from the home supporters, convinced that good times were just around the corner...

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT?

Well, this correspondent for one is convinced that the next 11 days might have seen this clearly talented, but ultimately fragile Wealdstone team emerge as real contenders for promotion from the Ryman Prem. Okay, nearly all our rivals had much bigger budgets but the confidence gained from five wins out of five, as so nearly happened, might have carried us into the Autumn on a huge wave of optimism.

What happened, though, was a bit of

farce, a lot of tragedy. We followed up the Worthing victory with a trip to Redbridge, already earmarked as real strugglers at this level, and we duly raced into a 3-0 lead thanks to Jolls, Jermaine and Paul Adolphe goals. They hit back but we clung on for a 3-2 win. Then it was off to Chelmsford, a tough, tough side at home but with our tails up we should have won.. and surely would have but for the non-appearance of Jermaine who apparently set off the wrong way round the M25. We ended up drawing 0-0 after missing a host of chances and hitting the crossbar twice, Phil Turner filling Jermaine's boots but alas possessing one quarter of his goal threat.

Nevertheless, a point gained. I remember getting quite excited at the prospect of facing Hendon the following Tuesday night... and there was a buzz of anticipation around our new home as 412 people (up 100 on the crowd for the Worthing game) filed into Cheshunt Avenue to see us take on the Greens, who had lost their opening three games. A hint of dismay when it was revealed that Beckford would again be missing, disciplined for his absence at Chelmsford.. ..but all seemed sweetness and light as the impressive Stones raced into a 4-1 lead after half an hour.

Jolls was uber-sharp, grabbing two goals, with Baptiste scoring a great volley and the diminutive Adolphe meeting a back-post cross to beat keeper Dave King with a soaring header.

Hendon had pulled one back at 3-1 ,but the (as then unrealised) turning point came when they grabbed a second goal on the stroke of half time. The Stones suddenly looked nervous and, to our astonishment, completely folded in the second half as Gary McCann's side ran riot. The blues were unable to compete as Hendon made it 4-3 and then levelled as the tricky Wayne O'Sullivan tormented full-backs Harding and (particularly) Carl Ashton to set up goals for John Frendo and Eugene Ofori. Our misery was complete when left-back James Parker floated an aimless cross to the back post in the last few minutes and saw the ball drop into the net over the flailing Ling. We had somehow been beaten 5-4.

The crisis of confidence was not immediately apparent: The Stones then went to newly-promoted Maldon Town and won 4-2. But the wheels were wobbling as we survived an FA Cup replay against little Stanway Rovers, and finally fell off as we embarrassingly crashed out of that lucrative competition 4-2 at home to Burnham. And the league defeats started stacking up: 0-3 at Hampton, 3-4 at home to Heybridge, 0-2 at home to East Thurrock.

The whole point of bringing across the new coaching staff was to refresh and rejuvenate the Stones but suddenly, as the results started going wrong, the players split into factions and morale plummeted. Gordon & Leo waved farewell to Leese & Co, Jermaine and Jolls were sold to fund another season, the Cheshunt contingent drifted away and we were back in the relegation pack once more, needing victory at Harrow Borough in the third-from-last game and getting it with goals from Chris Zoricich and Matt Holland.

So that was the story of 2005-2006. Promised so much, delivered so little. But I honestly think that the sheer quality of those opening-game performances have not been repeated until, probably, the Cup run of 2009 or the Jolls-inspired Spring of this year. Be great to see it happen again this season. Maybe for eight months though please lads, rather than eight days!



History makes this a very forlorn image

ALAN PALMER'S PROGRAMMES

Below is a selection of past programmes for this fixture provided by Alan. The right most edition being the first visit of our Thanet opponents. It is believed Paul Fairclough & Chris Kinnear featured in this match. Chris went on to manage Margate of



Ryman Football League Statistical Review 2010-2011 Season

The above publication has now been published and is available. It includes all the results, goalscorers and attendances of league, Championship Manager Cup, Youth League, Lucas Fettes Youth Cup, Veterans Cup, Womens Cup, FA Cup, FA Trophy and County Senior Cups of each member club with listed player appearances for league matches including regular playing position. An index of players in alphabetical format is also included. The booklet is available at %5.50 + £1.09 (1st) or 92p (2nd) postage & packing each or alternatively if five (5) or more copies are ordered for clubs or club shops etc, each book would cost only £4.50 including postage & packing. If interested contact Mike Wilson, Ryman Football League Statistician, 71 Elm Road, Slade Green, Kent. DA8 2NN

NON LEAGUE DAY SEPTEMBER 3RD

Non League Day - Saturday 3rd September 2011: Wealdstone v Bury Town FC

Half price admission to all Football League, Championship, Premier League Season Ticket holders and Hillingdon First Card holders!

Non League Day at Wealdstone will again be an important community event this season following the enormous success of it's launch last year.

With England playing Bulgaria on Friday 2nd September, there are no Premier League or Championship fixtures on the corresponding weekend, meaning hundreds of thousands of fans are without a game to attend. Rather than miss out on a live match, Non-League Day aims to encourage fans of these clubs to watch their local non-league side play, providing a much needed boost to grass roots football and an alternative match day experience which many may be unfamiliar with.

Wealdstone will be at the home at The Vale, Ruislip, playing Bury Town on 3rd September, kick-off 3pm in an important Ryman League Premier Division match and will be hoping to welcome many supporters of professional clubs and local residents who will be without a game. On production of their current season ticket at the turnstiles they will be able to get into the match for half price normal admission—that's only a fiver for Adults!

Additionally this year, Wealdstone FC will also offer holders of a Hillingdon First Card half price admission for this match—just show your card at the turnstiles.

For more information visit:

www.wealdstone-fc.com
and **www.nonleagueday.co.uk**

and see also below for more information from the organisers

Following the success of last year's campaign, the Non-League Day (NLD) team are delighted to announce that this year's event will be held on Saturday September 3rd 2011.

NLD is a celebration of the semi-professional and amateur game, and a chance for fans of bigger clubs to experience football at a level they may be otherwise unfamiliar with. Moreover, it is a chance to shine a light on the hundreds of clubs in this country who are almost exclusively volunteer run, and do so much good for the local community, be it through coaching, fund raising or providing opportunities for local people.

This year we aim to make the day bigger and better than ever. Macmillan Cancer Support have come on board as our official charity, ex England international Chris Waddle is our official ambassador, and we have now secured the backing of the All Party Football Group. In addition, Blue Square have organised a special three game hop, with countless other clubs

running special events all over the country.

A lot of work is going into promoting this year's events behind the scenes, but onus falls on clubs to help raise the profile of the event as they see fit; it is no coincidence that those who saw the biggest increases in attendance last season were the most proactive in marketing their games.

We want to make September 3rd a celebration of football and a celebration of community spirit. Grass roots football is the bedrock of our national game: let's all get behind it.

Further information can be found on our newly launched website at

www.nonleagueday.co.uk

Boys from the blue stuff

Over the summer a few hardcore volunteers led by Mickey Kane and Adam 'Attic' Williams came forward to keep The Vale up to scratch and also make improvements to it. Despite the numbers being relatively modest a lot of hard graft has gone in. To some there may not seem a lot of difference to last season but believe me a lot of sweat and back breaking has been put in to making our home as presentable as possible.

The most obvious thing is the development of the terrace behind the dugouts. This was crumbling away and had become a health and safety issue. With the brains of Kaney he has come up with the design and I must say how highly impressed I am with his technical know how and commitment to the cause. He has often spent many a day and night down here making sure things go the way he wants and making sure he is around for delivery of materials.

The terrace has been brought forward to become parallel with the pitch and which will create extra capacity also. There are two steps in place with crush barriers and an improved ramp for wheelchair access. Mickey has also put in place a new pitch access gate and there will also be a new emergency access gate in place of the old temporary one. There are a few people who have worked exceptionally hard on this part of the ground and they all deserve a medal. The graft they have put in has been immense and they should be very proud of what they have done.

Next, on to the tea bar. As you know it was in a bit of a state previously through lack of TLC but it has now been transformed into a respectable looking establishment! The exterior has been painted blue and a new floor put down along with interior decoration, a new sink and cupboards it is now a pleasure to work in, so I am told!

The home dressing room has been painted a brighter shade of blue at the

request of Fingers. The players tunnel supports have been wood stained as well as a gate installed to allow easier access from the kit room to the dressing rooms. The tunnel is also being concreted and astroturfed as I write and hopefully will be ready for use today.

The double doors to the turnstiles has received a new frame, the wooden fire exit has been wood stained and the exterior to the clubhouse on the ground side has been painted white. The white and yellow safety lines have also been re-painted.

You will also see the fence around the perimeter of the pitch has new blue fence toppers, which was pain stakingly painted by a number of people, I think you will agree it looks much better and I am told it will last a lot longer than the old ones.

One thing you probably won't notice is that the concrete fencing to the right of the main stand as you look at it has been re-set with new posts and new gates at each end of it. One of the gates was not being used and in a state of non repair, so the fence was moved along to allow for the gate near the stand.

There will be more to do during the season no doubt and there are things that will need doing next season as well due to lack of time. There are a few people who need to be mentioned for there hard work, from those who put days in and to those who spared a few hours and I apologise immensely to those who I missed, mainly due to bad memory or just that I wasn't down at the same time as them!

The volunteers: Kaney, Attic, Ginge, 'Nottingham' Stuart, John Lloyd, Bappo, Tony Maidment, Peter Edwards, Nick Young, Miriam Goodman, Mark McManus, Mark Lloyd, Clive Leaper, Mark Hyde, Sateesh Khanna, Peter & Pauline Worby, Mark Barton, Steve & Shane Foster, Victor Klarfeld & Gordon McKay.

OFFICIAL RYMAN LEAGUE PREVIEW

Ryman

football league

MUCH of the pre-season talk in the Premier Division has been about Carshalton Athletic. The south London club's owner-manager Paul Dipre has recruited heavily during the summer writes Peter Butcher.

His new-look attack includes former Kingstonian winger Dean Lodge, who will be supplying the ammunition for marksmen such as Paul Vines, who played for Kingstonian and Bromley last season, Laurent Hamici, who netted 22 Premier goals for Cray, and Dean McDonald, a prolific scorer for Conference South play-off finalists Farnborough.

There are plenty of other new faces at Colston Avenue and if the Robins get off to a good start they will expect to maintain a strong title challenge.

Even so, they are far from being favourites. That status is generally being accorded to Lewes, just relegated from Conference South and preparing to play at Step 3 level for the first time in their history. During their 13-year climb from next-to-bottom of the old Isthmian Division Three to the Conference Premier, they managed to skip that level altogether.

Steve King is the manager who took them into the Conference Premier but left before they played a game in that division. Now he is back at the helm, having been at Farnborough last season, and most people expect him to work similar magic.

Lowestoft Town are likely to be there or thereabouts, though they will want a warm winter. They faded badly towards the end of last season as long midweek trips for rearranged matches took their toll, but still reached the play-off final before going down 4-3 in a thriller at Tonbridge.

The sides beaten in the play-off semi-finals were Bury Town and Harrow Borough. Bury will no doubt be up with the leaders again, but Harrow will find it harder after the departure of long-serving manager David Howells. But maybe, just maybe, this will be Kingstonian's year. Beaten play-off finalists in 2010, they somehow threw away a play-off place on the final day of last season when, 3-0 up in 30 minutes at Margate, they finished on what can only be described as the wrong end of a 3-3 scoreline. Bobby Traynor, the Golden Boot winner for the past two years (and in Division One South a year before that) remains to spearhead their attack.

The Essex quartet of AFC Hornchurch, Billericay Town, Canvey Island and Concord Rangers all finished within four points of the play-offs in last season's hotly-contested race and are all likely to be there or thereabouts once more. Cray Wanderers were the other side in the play-off hunt but then came a big gap to the rest of the field, led by Wealdstone, who will be looking to improve, and Carshalton, already mentioned.

The four promoted clubs—East Thurrock United, Leatherhead, Metropolitan Police and Wingate & Finchley - all have a mid-table air about them, so no doubt one of them will be strong contenders at the top and one will struggle to survive. But which ones?

Favourites for relegation are homeless Horsham, whose financial difficulties forced them to part company with legendary manager John Maggs during the summer. His replacement, former Faversham boss Justin Luchford, faces a thankless task.

Sussex opinion seems to be that Hastings United are also likely to find the going tough while Aveley gained a relegation reprieve last season after finishing 19th and, despite signing veteran midfielder Micah Hyde from Billericay, may not find it easy to do better. Unmentioned so far: Tooting & Mitcham United, Hendon and Margate, with the latter, perhaps, the most likely of the trio to make progress up the table.

Welcome to Season 2011-12

I wish to extend best wishes to all Member Clubs of the Ryman Football League in season 2011/12. As always, last season the three Divisions were particularly competitive, and I see no reason that 2011/12 will be any different.

Once again our good friends at Ryman Ltd. are sponsoring the League, Lucas Fettes & Partners will continue their sponsorship of the Youth Cup and the Macron Dealers will once again sponsor the monthly awards (Manager of the Month, Team of the Month and Golden Boot awards,

Season 2011/12 sees us warmly welcome the five new member clubs to our League – Crawley Down, Hythe Town, Leiston, Lewes and Soham Town Rangers—competing in a very strong Premier Division and two regional First Divisions.

At the same time we have had to say goodbye to a number of clubs—Horsham

YMCA, Fleet Town, Sutton United, Tonbridge Angels, and we wish them every success and enjoyment in their respective new Leagues this season.

Hopefully, we will also see success for our Clubs in the FA Cup competitions, as well as in the respective County Cup games.

I also look forward with much anticipation to the fifth season for our Youth League, now with thirty-six clubs competing in four Divisions, together with our ever-growing Youth Cup, Veterans Cup and Women's Cup competitions.

The Ryman Football League is fully committed in its support of The FA's "Respect Programme", and look to the full co-operation of all Member Clubs of the League with this initiative to enhance our game.

Good luck to every Club in our League, and thank you for your support.

Alan Turvey – Chairman

Safety Notice

Please note the terracing behind the dugouts is currently undergoing construction (at the time of going to press). Although some parts may be accessible some may not be by the time the game comes around.

Should this be the case please take extra care when walking around that area of the ground and do not enter any cordoned off areas.

Please note that spectators are not allowed to play ball games in any part of the ground, especially the grass area behind the bottom goal. Due to spectator safety and to avoid interruption in play on the main pitch, ball games of any type are prohibited from spectator areas.

Any spectator found to be playing ball games will be politely asked by a club official or steward to stop doing so. Should a further warning be issued the ball may be confiscated but it will be returned at the end of the match.

Please respect the safety of fellow spectators at all times.

Many thanks, WFC Board

Introducing the 'new' Stones

Clearly some of these players are more than familiar, some have played here in the past on loan or even signed. All have pledged their time with us this season so here is a brief background on who they are. We wish all these lads the very best in their time with Wealdstone.

Denzil Conteh (Midfield): Age 19. Joined Wealdstone in February 2011 having previously been with Enfield 1893 and Stevenage Borough.

David Hicks (Midfield): Age 25. A former Spurs trainee he had Football League experience with Northampton Town where he made five first team appearances before being transferred to Stevenage Borough. Had a spell with Hornchurch and Cheshunt before joining Wealdstone for the first time in July 2008. Made 33 first team appearances for us before leaving a year later to subsequently play for Chesham United and for a second time Cheshunt. Started a second spell with us in July 2011.

Richard Jolly (Forward): Age 28. Now in his third spell with Wealdstone, having first joined us from Hayes in January 2003. By the time he left us in February 2006 to join Heybridge Swifts he had played 170 times in our first team's league & cup matches and scored 107 goals in those games plus friendlies. Last

season he was a Sutton United player and during January and February 2011 they loaned him to us during which time he made a further 8 appearances and scored another 10 goals. Following his release by the Surrey club in May 2011 we were successful in persuading him to rejoin us for the 2011/12 season.

Tashan Jordan (Midfield): Age 19. Signed Ryman League forms for Wealdstone in July 2011 having previously been a member of the QPR youth set-up. Has also played football for St. Mary's University, Twickenham.

Kieran Knight (Forward): Age 30. Was with Wealdstone in January & February 2011 on a dual registration from Maidenhead United. Had previously joined the Conference club in August 2009 from Hampton after making his name in a four and a half year spell with Hayes spanning their merger with Yeading. Has now left Maidenhead and in August 2011 signed Ryman League forms once again with Wealdstone. Lists North-

wood, Enfield, Chertsey, Southall, Aylesbury and Edgware among his former clubs.

Scott McCubbin (Midfield): Age 24. Joined Chelsea as a 10 year old and spent six years there before playing for Burton Albion, England Universities and Great Britain Universities. Between September 2009 and May 2011 he played in Florida USA in the Sunshine State Conference League with both Lynn University and Baton Rouge Capitals. Signed Ryman League forms for Wealdstone in July 2011.

Jake Parsons (Forward): Age 24. Signed Ryman League forms with Wealdstone in August 2011 having previously been with Hemel Hempstead Town.

Ian Uranga (Midfield): Age 24. Joined Wealdstone in August 2011 having previously played in the Spanish third division with Barakaldo CF. Started his career with Deportivo Alaves and has also had a spell with Real Union Club de Irun and SD Lemona.

Match day car parking @ The Vale

Supporters visiting The Vale in the last couple of weeks of the old season would have noticed that NEW WOODEN POSTS have been put in around the perimeter of the car park and driveway leading onto the grass areas. This is in order to stop vehicles driving onto the pitches and training areas during watery weather and causing damage to the surface.

There are three areas which vehicles can gain access onto the grass areas and these will have lockable drop down metal posts in place.

With the weather warmer we are once again able to park vehicles on the grass

areas.

We will be operating a One Way On – One Way Off system and our stewards will be on hand to assist with parking.

So on match days once the main car park is full, supporters will be asked to drive their vehicles onto the grass via Far End of the car park. This area will be clearly marked with cones.

Our stewards will be on hand to show you where to park. Please do not abuse them, they are there to assist you and the football club.

The Way Off will also be clearly marked with cones/barriers and this will be via the Lower End of the Driveway .

These measures are being put in place to make parking easier for supporters on a match day

Paul Fruin
Director/Club Secretary
Wealdstone Football Club

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Ruislip Social Club

RSC lies at the hear of the Ruislip community. A host of regular activities continues throughout the year including: Jazzercise, Pinner Theatre Dance, Rock 'n' Roll, Sunday Jazz, Over 50s Keep Fit, Archery. Full details can be found on the website.

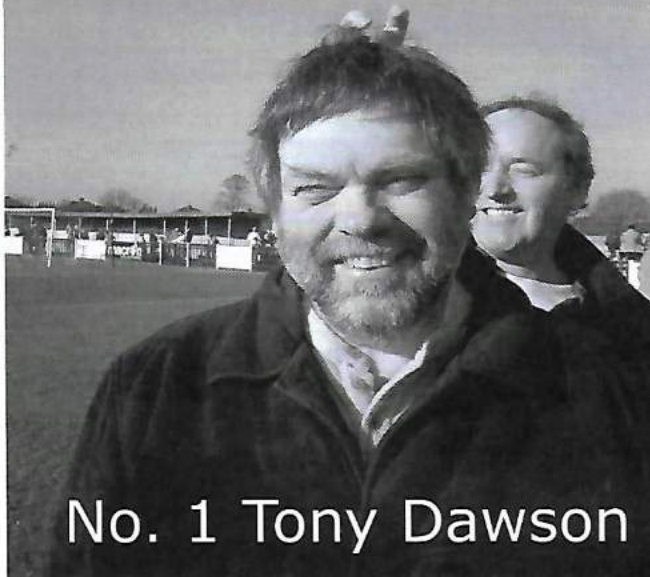
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Situated in 12 acres of greenery, Ruislip Social Club is the perfect venue for hosting your function. Wehther it is a wedding, birthday cleberation, gig, drama production, business meeting or presentation, we can help.

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Don't forget that in addition to our three separate bar areas, we can accommodate large scale tented events, fun fairs and BBQs. Visit the website or contact Leo Morris on 01895 637 487 for more details.

Fan in the stand



No. 1 Tony Dawson

Name: Tony Dawson

Where you live :
Shefford, Bedfordshire

Where you work (and occupation): IT Systems Manager, based in Cockfosters.

First Stones game:
I am afraid I don't remember the match, but it was in the 1980/81 season. The only thing I remember is a Wealdstone player called Clevere Forde.... and he was only memorable because of his extraordinarily short, stocky legs. I started watching regularly in 81/82.

How you came to be watching Wealdstone:

I moved to Wealdstone in 1980 to start a new job. My friend Nicky Clark (pictured behind me, above) dragged me to Lower Mead one Saturday.

What are the advantages, and joys, of non-League football?

You get all of the same enjoyment without the hassle. More importantly I like the feeling that I am part of the club which I don't think you get with bigger clubs.

Any disadvantages?

I can't think of any disadvan-

tages. Although I find it strange when you talk to fans of premier league clubs - they don't understand that the emotions experienced when you supporting a team are no less intense just because it's a non league team

Have you regularly watched other clubs, or the national team?

I was a Watford season ticket holder for over ten years and watched Wealdstone and Watford on alternate weeks. I became disillusioned with Watford over a number of things (especially the way they treated the Stones) and when I moved from Watford in 1996 I became a full time Wealdstone fan.

How do you fit watching Wealdstone into your family/working life?

Saturdays during the season are generally dedicated to watching Wealdstone. Mid week games are difficult for me to get to because I am not sure where I am going to be working.

How big a part of your life is the club? Big!

Most memorable Stones game/s It has to be the playoff game at Dulwich seven years ago. One of the most emotional games I can remember.

What is your favourite season, Wealdstone-wise, and why? Has to be 84/85.

Most memorable game EVER seen?

England v Germany in 1990

FAN IN THE STAND

World Cup (1-1 draw after extra time with Germany winning on penalties, of course)

What really gets your goat watching football?

Teams of hammer-throwers from Essex who show no ambition to play football.

Have you ever played the game yourself and most memorable moments? Not since school and that's a long time ago.

Any suggestions to improve your Stones - watching experience?

More cover would be nice but given our current situation I can put up with getting wet for a few more seasons.

Favourite all-time Wealdstone XI with reasons

A difficult selection and I have changed my mind a dozen times. A fading memory doesn't help. It is probably more a case of who do you leave out rather than who to include.

- 1 Jonathan North
- 2 Marvin Mcoy
- 3 Stuart Pearce
- 4 Alan Massey
- 5 Paul Bowgett(Captain)
- 6 Neil Cordice
- 7 Kieron Forbes
- 8 Lee Holmes
- 9 Jermaine Beckford
- 10 Alan Cordice
- 11 Brian Jones

Best current Stones lineup, in your opinion?

Based on what I have seen from the pre-season games I have watched.

- 1 Jonathon North
- 2 Hammond

- 3 Chappell
- 4 Parker
- 5 Massey
- 6 Dyer
- 7 Uranga
- 8 Hicks
- 9 Knight
- 10 Jolly
- 11 Spendlove

I haven't seen play McCubbin so I can't pass judgement. Kurtney Brooks and Peter Dean are also very close to a starting position

Favourite all-time Wealdstone strip? Blue and white quarters, but it is not something I get really excited about.

Favourite current Stones strip? Argentine stripes

Best away trip this season? Biggleswade as it is close to where I live.

Best away trip in the past? Probably the Dulwich game

Best non-League ground you've visited? The more a ground looks like a league ground the less I like it - so Hemel Hempstead.

Best stadium you've EVER visited? I went to the MK Dons stadium this year and was very impressed with the facilities.

What are your expectations for this season? I would be happy with "mid table mediocrity" but a play-off place would be excellent.

Who is your favourite Stones celebrity fan? Vinnie Jones. I never thought he

would become a league footballer never mind a Hollywood superstar.

How does Grosvenor Vale compare to our other grounds? It's like a pair of old slippers, comfortable but a bit tatty.

What do you think of our programme? I think it is one of the best.

Have you any ideas for improvements? No

Are you a regular social club user? What do you think of it? Not really as I live over an hour's drive away, so opportunities are limited.

How do you think the club can improve its awareness with the people of Ruislip? I would like to see us encourage links with more 'non football' sports organisations. It would be good to see the ground and social club used more during the summer.

Where, and at what level of football, do you think the Stones will be playing in five years' time?

I would be happy to be where we are now. I know that does sound very ambitious, but I enjoy this level of football. Also we have a number of challenges ahead, not least of which is the situation with the ground, and we should be concentrating on resolving those.

Tony was speaking to Tim Parks

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If you are interested in sponsoring one of the players or staff please speak to Pete Worby (07967 698370) or Paul Rumens (07710929692) to help you through the process. The contribution this makes to the club is very valuable indeed. The cost this season is frozen at £100. If you want your photograph taken with the player whose kit you have sponsored then that can be arranged. Thank you to all those listed below who have already come forward, your name will also be listed in the Club website.

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Stuart Pearce

Scott Fitzgerald



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Keiron Knight



Toby Jackson

David Hicks



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Jake Parsons



Nikki Ahameed



Stones continue to work hard off the pitch

Welcome to another season at The Vale where expectations are high and everyone is looking forward to the twists and turns that inevitably accompany a Wealdstone campaign. Hopefully as well as a successful season on the pitch we can have an equally successful season off the pitch commercially and socially.

Over the Summer we have concluded some positive discussions around the ownership of Ruislip Social Club to better support Wealdstone FC's development in our new home. Howard and the WFC Board will provide more details of this at the forthcoming AGM however it's as important as ever to reiterate that every pound spent in the bar, and any support people can offer is all directly benefitting Wealdstone FC.

Under the stewardship of Leo Morris, everyone involved at RSC has worked hard over the Summer to ensure that the social side of the club works as well as possible. Like many businesses, we've suffered from the impact of people having less money to spend and going out less. We've also had to deal with a tough cost environment with rising energy prices, a VAT increase and higher prices from the brewery. All of this before our scheduled rent review later this year!

Despite a generally tough environment we have benefited from a couple of hugely successful Wembley visits from Manchester City and Cardiff since the season ended and the Friday night Tropic at Ruislip continues to be a great night out with some terrific bands playing every week.

We have also successfully hosted the Wealdstone Youth six-a-side tournament and three soccer fun weeks over the school holidays.

As ever, if anyone feels they are able to help out with the every growing task of running Ruislip Social Club then please feel free to speak to Leo, myself, or any other club official. The social side of things is an exciting part of the club, open 365 days a year hosting a whole range of events there is always an enormous amount to do.

From sparing a few hours a week to help deliver leaflets or helping with our website and online marketing or our financial reporting and analysis to simply offering your help on busy events, all these things help take the pressure of Leo and allow us to get more done to promote and manage the club. There is also a significant amount of maintenance work required on the site for anyone with some spare time and the right skills!

Equally as important for those who simply want to come to football and enjoy themselves, enjoy a pint or two before and after the game, watch live Premiership football on the big screens and take advantage of our regular monthly bar promotions.

In August you can buy a bottle of wine for just £10 along with the RSC loyalty card where it is buy 9 get 1 free on draught lager, cider, bitter and Guinness throughout the month. It would be great if you can encourage others to come down and use the facilities over the season

Thanks as always to everyone who has helped out over the past 12 months and to all of you who uses the social club. Hopefully we'll have plenty of good football and good results to discuss over a drink during the next 9 months!

Dominic

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