



# “84 -85 : THE DOUBLE YEAR”

A PICTORIAL SOUVENIR OF  
WEALDSTONE'S GLORY YEAR



# GLORY DAYS

FOLLOWING THE SUCCESSES OF LAST SEASON THE SUPPORTERS CLUB HAVE PRODUCED THIS SOUVENIR BROCHURE TO COMMEMORATE THE FAMOUS NON-LEAGUE DOUBLE : F.A.TROPHY WINNERS & GOLA LEAGUE CHAMPIONS. WEALDSTONE FOOTBALL CLUB - WE SALUTE YOU.

The main idea behind this publication was to provide a pictorial record of the triumphs of Wealdstone F.C. With this in mind I will purposely keep this Editorial short as it will then be possible to slot an extra photograph in. However I must record my very sincere thanks to the following persons and organisations who have kindly assisted in one way or another with this venture:-

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PETER WORBY  
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the Football Club or of the  
Supporters Club.**



**IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE**  
that I write an introduction  
to this brochure at the  
beginning of a new season  
that will bring many new and  
exciting challenges to our  
Club.

Wealdstone F.C. is now,  
without doubt, one of the  
top Non-League clubs in the  
country. It has become great  
through the devoted and  
loyal support of its'  
members and supporters. I  
congratulate you all on our  
fantastic achievements last  
season, a truly memorable  
year for all of us connected  
with Wealdstone F.C.

At the beginning of last season I publicly stated that it was going to be "our year". An unrelenting commitment to the tasks ahead from Management, Players and Supporters, and above all a POSITIVE belief in our abilities, did indeed make it "our year".

We must, however, strive to maintain our position at the top of Non-League soccer and we accept that it will not be easy; we must continue with our positive outlook. This season my aim is to do a "Telford" and go for a good run in the F.A.Cup. Quite apart from the National Publicity created by a good Cup run I make no apologies for being more than interested in the financial rewards that can result.

On the subject of financial matters, it is important that we at Wealdstone continue to take a realistic attitude. Above all else, and to ensure that the future of our Club remains bright, we must make ourselves financially viable. We have achieved much over the past few years; much however remains to be done and we must look to the future. I am particularly keen to attract many more young people to our Club as we must look to these people as the next generation of loyal Supporters.

A vitally important part of the future of Wealdstone F.C. are the proposals relating to relocating and the building of a new stadium. Ultimately this must be achieved to turn us into realistic candidates for Football League entry and to achieve financial security.

In closing I would again like to place on record my thanks to the London Borough of Harrow for the wonderful Civic Reception provided for us in celebration of our "Double" success. Thank you Supporters for making our Club great.

**DAVID MORRITT  
CHAIRMAN WEALDSTONE F.C.**

# Stones Statistics 1784-85

DATE	OPPONENTS	COMP	VENUE & RES.	H/T	GOALSCORERS	ATT.
4.8.84	READING	Fr	H W	3-0 1-0	Bowgett,Cordice(A),Greenaway	
7.8.84	CRYSTAL PALACE	Fr	H W	2-0 1-0	Cordice(N) 2	
11.8.84	Slough	Fr	A W	5-2 2-1	Graves 2,Donellan 3	
14.8.84	TOOTING & M.	Fr	H W	4-1 1-0	Greenaway,Graves,Donellan 2	
18.8.84	Northwich Vic	GL	A W	2-0 0-0	Graves,Holmes	1015
21.8.84	DARTFORD	GL	H D	0-0 0-0		881
25.8.84	KIDDERMINSTER H.	GL	H W	5-2 1-0	Wainwright,Holmes,Graves 3	653
27.8.84	Dagenham	GL	A W	2-1 0-1	Graves,Donnellan	878
1.9.84	GATESHEAD	GL	H W	4-2 3-2	Graves 2,Cordice(N),Holmes	702
8.9.84	Boston Utd	GL	A D	1-1 0-0	Greenaway	1084
11.9.84	NUNEATON BORO	GL	H W	3-1 2-0	McCargo,Graves(pen),Bowgett	811
15.9.84	Hounslow	FAC1Q	A W	5-2 1-0	Holmes,Greenaway,Donnellan,Cordice(N), Bowgett	456
19.9.84	Yeovil Town	GL	A W	2-0 1-0	Graves,Byatt	1041
22.9.84	Worcester City	GL	A W	4-0 0-0	Donnellan,Cordice(A),Graves,Greenaway	1641
25.9.84	BOSTON UTD	GL	H L	0-1 0-0		807
29.9.84	DUNSTABLE	FAC2Q	H W	6-0 1-0	Graves(pen),Donnellan,Cordice(N), Holmes 2,McCargo	551
2.10.84	Dartford	GL	A W	3-2 1-1	McCargo,Cordice(N),Graves	662
6.10.84	TELFORD UTD	GL	H D	2-2 2-1	McCargo,Graves	776
9.10.84	Bath City	GL	A L	1-3 0-2	Johnson	692
13.10.84	Grays Athletic	FAC3Q	A L	1-2 1-0	Cordice(A)	700
16.10.84	BRENTFORD	MHCL	H W	10-0 3-0	Holmes 3(1 pen),Dibble 2,Donnellan 2, Johnson,Jones,Graves	
20.10.84	WORCESTER CITY	GL	H D	3-3 2-2	Cordice(A) 3	761
27.10.84	BARROW	GL	H D	2-2 1-0	Cordice(A),Donnellan	769
30.10.84	WIMBLEDON	MHCL	H W	3-1 3-0	Cordice(N),Jones 2	
3.11.84	Telford Utd	GL	A L	2-4 1-1	Graves,Wainwright	948
6.11.84	ENFIELD	BLT	H L	1-2 1-2	Bowgett	750
10.11.84	Enfield	GL	A L	0-2 0-0		1074
17.11.84	Rayners Lane	MSC 2	A W	3-2 2-1	Graves 2(1 pen),Donnellan	550
24.11.84	BATH CITY	GL	H L	0-1 0-0		698
26.11.84	ORIENT	MHCL	H W	1-0 0-0	Cordice(N)	
1.12.84	Weymouth	GL	A W	3-0 2-0	Holmes,Graves 2	799
15.12.84	Frickley Ath	GL	A W	2-0 1-0	Cordice(N),Greenaway	331
22.12.84	ALTRINCHAM	GL	H W	1-0 0-0	Cordice(A)	1002
29.12.84	MAIDSTONE UTD	GL	H D	1-1 0-0	Donnellan	803
1.1.85	BARNET	GL	H L	1-2 0-1	Cordice(A)	920
5.1.85	Scarborough	GL	A D	1-1 0-0	Johnson	761
28.1.85	Harlow Town	FAT 1	A D	0-0 0-0		151
30.1.85	HARLOW TOWN	FAT1R	H W	5-0 3-0	Greenaway,Graves 3,Cordice(A)	350
2.2.85	WYCOMBE Wand.	FAT 2	H W	2-1 1-0	Bowgett,Greenaway(pen)	852
7.2.85	HILLINGDON BORO	MSC 3	H W	3-2 0-1	Cordice(N),Holmes,Davies	236
23.2.85	WELLING UTD	FAT 3	H W	3-1 1-1	Graham,Johnson,Cordice(A)	760
26.2.85	Harrow Borough	MSCsf	A W	1-0 0-0	Holmes	1000
2.3.85	Barrow	GL	A L	1-2 0-1	Holmes	846
7.3.85	GILLINGHAM	MHCL	H W	3-0 1-0	Jones,Bowgett(pen),Graves	
9.3.85	Maidstone Utd	GL	A W	1-0 0-0	Graham	801
16.3.85	FRICKLEY ATH	FAT 4	H W	3-1 2-0	Graham,Cordice(A) 2	962
19.3.85	YEOVIL TOWN	GL	H L	0-3 0-0		698
23.3.85	WEYMOUTH	GL	H W	3-2 2-1	Johnson,Cordice(N),Donnellan	760
25.3.85	Altrincham	GL	A W	2-1 0-0	Graham,Cordice(A)	1454
27.3.85	Gateshead	GL	A W	2-1 1-1	Cordice(N) 2	295
30.3.85	RUNCORN	GL	H W	1-0 1-0	Cordice(A)	802
31.3.85	SCARBOROUGH	GL	H W	1-0 1-0	Cordice(A)	903
2.4.85	Runcorn	GL	A L	0-2 0-0		436
6.4.85	Enfield	FATsf	A W	2-0 1-0	Cordice(N),Graham	1655
10.4.85	Dagenham	MHCL	A L	2-3 0-2	O'Brien,Pedlar	
13.4.85	ENFIELD	FATsf	H L	0-1 0-1		2009

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16.4.85	NORTHWICH VIC	GL	H D 1-1 1-1	Cordice(A)	756
18.4.85	ENFIELD	GL	H L 1-2 0-0	Cordice(N)	1078
20.4.85	Nuneaton Boro	GL	A L 0-1 0-0		1059
22.4.85	KETTERING TOWN	GL	H W 1-0 1-0	Thrower(o.g)	760
27.4.85	DAGENHAM	GL	H D 0-0 0-0		908
29.4.85	Kidderminster H.	GL	A W 3-0 2-0	Holmes,Graham,Richards(o.g)	607
1.5.85	FRICKLEY ATH	GL	H D 1-1 1-1	Holmes	1004
4.5.85	Kettering Town	GL	A W 1-0 0-0	Graham	1212
6.5.85	Barnet	GL	A L 0-7 0-2		1291
7.5.85	BARNET	MHCL	H W 5-0 1-0	McKay,Pedlar 3,Allen	
11.5.85	Boston	FAT FINAL	W W 2-1 2-0	Graham,Holmes	20775
16.5.85	ENFIELD	MHCL	H W 5-1 4-0	Tonge 3,Graham,Greenaway	

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APPEARANCES - ALL MATCHES EXCLUDING FRIENDLIES  
(SUBSTITUTES WHO ACTUALLY PLAYED ARE SHOWN IN BRACKETS)

	GL	BLT	FAC	FAT	MSC	MHCL	TOTAL
MAX. POSSIBLE	42	1	3	8	3	7	64
Paul Bowgett	39	1	3	8	2	4	57
Alan Cordice	38(1)	-	3	8	2	3	54(1)
Gary Donnellan	38(1)	1	3	6	3	3	54(1)
Robin Wainwright	39	1	3	8	2	-	53
Roy Davies	37(2)	1	2	5(2)	3	2(1)	50(5)
Lee Holmes	34(1)	-(1)	3	5	3	5	50(2)
Dennis Byatt	34	1	3	6	1	4	49
Brian Greenaway	33(1)	-	3	5	1	4(1)	46(2)
Mark Graves	31(5)	1	3	3	1	1(1)	40(6)
Bob Iles	27	-	-	8	2	2	39
Steve McCargo	26	-	3	5	2	1	37
Neil Cordice	22(8)	1	-(2)	3(2)	2(1)	4	32(13)
Steve Perkins	16	-	-	8	1	4	29
Andy Graham	11(2)	-	-	5	2	2(1)	20(3)
Vince Jones	8(4)	1	-	2	2(1)	2(3)	15(8)
Ray Goddard	8	-	2	-	1	4	15
Nigel Johnson	7(8)	-	-(1)	3(3)	1(1)	3	14(13)
Kevin Baddeley	4	1	-	-	1	2	8
Chris Dibble	2(1)	1	1	-	-	3	7(1)
Paul Cotter	4	-	-	-	-	1	5
Wilf McGuinness	3	1	1	-	-	-	5
Hughie Dowe	1	-	-	-	-	3	4
Lance Pedlar	-	-	-	-	-	2(1)	2(1)
Donald Cross	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Gordon McKay	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Justin O'Brien	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
John Taffel	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Paul Williams	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Martin Allen	-	-	-	-	-	1(1)	1(1)
Tim Parkes	-	-	-	-	-	1(1)	1(1)
Jose Marques Ascensao	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Terry Bunce	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Mark Chamberlain	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Neale Harvey	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Brian Kelly	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Keith Tonge	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Paul Waites	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Trevor Davies	-	-	-	-	-	-(1)	-(1)
Dennis Hoare	-	-	-	-	-	-(1)	-(1)
Graham Jones	-	-	-	-	-	-(1)	-(1)
Kevin Wedderburn	-(1)	-	-	-	-	-	-(1)

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	GL	BLT	FAC	FAT	MSC	MHCL	Fr	TOTAL
Mark Graves	15(1)	-	1(1)	3	2(1)	2	3	26(3 pens)
Alan Cordice	11	-	1	4	-	-	1	17
Lee Holmes	7	-	3	1	2	3(1)	-	16(1 pen)
Gary Donnellan	5	-	2	-	1	2	5	15
Neil Cordice	7	-	2	1	1	2	2	15
Andy Graham	4	-	-	4	-	1	-	9
Brian Greenaway	3	-	1	2(1)	-	1	2	9(1 pen)
Paul Bowgett	1	1	1	1	-	1(1)	1	6(1 pen)
Nigel Johnson	3	-	-	1	-	1	-	5
Steve McCargo	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	4
Vince Jones	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
Lance Pedlar	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	4
Keith Tonge	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
Chris Dibble	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
Robin Wainwright	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Dennis Byatt	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Roy Davies	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Justin O'Brien	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Gordon McKay	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Martin Allen	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Own Goals	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>64(1)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12(1)</b>	<b>17(1)</b>	<b>7(1)</b>	<b>29(2)</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>144(6 pens)</b>

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**FINAL TABLE - GOLA LEAGUE**

	P		HOME				GOALS				AWAY				GOALS		RESULTS	
	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Home	Away			
<b>WEALDSTONE</b>	42	8	8	5	31	26	12	2	7	33	28	62						
Nuneaton Boro	42	13	8	0	55	23	6	6	9	30	30	58	W3-1	L0-1				
Dartford	42	7	7	7	28	25	10	6	5	29	23	57	DO-0	W3-2				
Bath City	42	15	1	5	30	22	6	8	7	22	27	57	L0-1	L1-3				
Altrincham	42	13	2	6	39	21	8	4	9	24	26	56	W1-0	W2-1				
Scarborough	42	10	7	4	35	20	7	6	8	34	42	54	W1-0	D1-1				
Enfield	42	11	7	3	48	27	6	6	9	36	34	53	L1-2	L0-2				
Kidderminster H.	42	8	4	9	40	38	9	4	8	39	39	51	W5-2	W3-0				
Northwich Vic	42	9	4	8	22	19	7	7	7	28	27	50	D1-1	W2-0				
Telford Utd	42	10	7	4	36	24	5	7	9	23	30	49	D2-2	L2-4				
Frickley Ath	42	12	3	6	38	25	6	4	11	27	46	49	D1-1	W2-0				
Kettering Town	42	9	6	6	37	22	6	6	9	31	37	48	W1-0	W1-0				
Maidstone Utd	42	10	7	4	38	24	5	6	10	20	27	48	D1-1	W1-0				
Runcorn	42	6	9	6	27	21	7	6	8	21	26	48	W1-0	L0-2				
Barnet	42	9	7	5	36	20	6	4	11	23	32	47	L1-2	L0-7				
Weymouth	42	13	1	7	41	32	2	12	7	29	34	45	W3-2	W3-0				
Boston Utd	42	10	5	6	43	32	5	5	11	26	37	45	L0-1	D1-1				
Barrow	42	6	9	6	25	22	5	7	9	22	35	43	D2-2	L1-2				
Dagenham	42	8	6	7	28	27	5	4	12	19	40	41	DO-0	W2-1				
Worcester City	42	7	4	10	29	36	5	5	11	26	48	38	D3-3	W4-0				
Gateshead	42	5	6	10	27	42	4	6	11	24	40	34	W4-2	W2-1				
Yeovil Town	42	4	7	10	26	36	2	4	15	18	51	25	L0-3	W2-0				

**KEY:** GL = Gola League  
 BLT = Bob Lord Trophy  
 FAC = F.A. Challenge Cup  
 FAT = F.A. Challenge Trophy  
 MSC = Middlesex Senior Cup  
 MHCL = Morrith Homes Capital League  
 Fr = Friendly  
 Q = Qualifying Round, R = Replay

**STOP PRESS:**  
 Wealdstone 4 Enfield 2  
 Middlesex Senior Cup Final played  
 at Hendon 26.8.85  
 Wealdstone: Isles, Tapley, McCargo,  
 Byatt, Bowgett, Wainwright,  
 Greenaway, Holmes, A.Cordice,  
 Graves, Donnellan.  
 Subs: N. Cordice, Perkins  
 Scorers: Holmes, A Cordice,  
 N. Cordice, Graves



Neil Cordice (out of picture) Scores against Weymouth 23.3.85



Stone's Nigel Johnson & Andy Graham celebrate

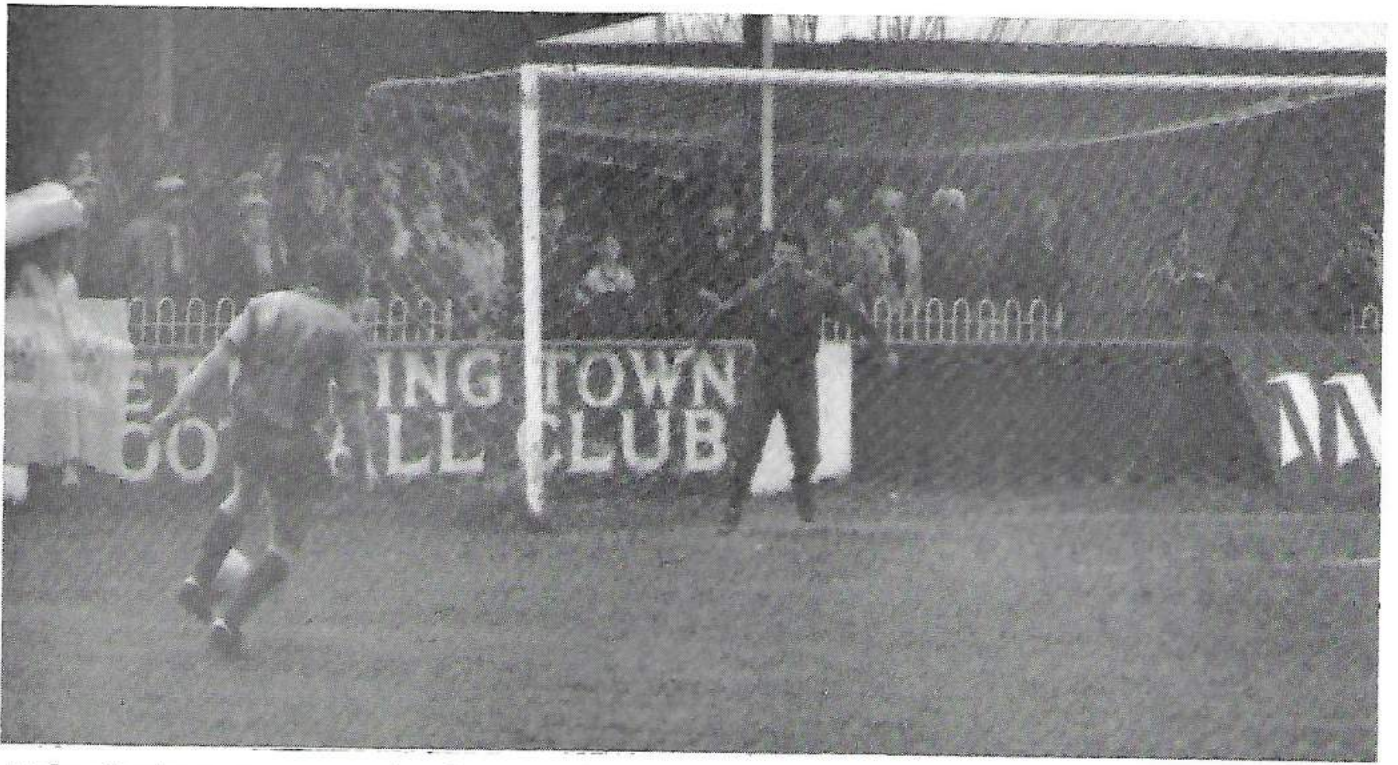


Andy Graham foiled by Weymouth keeper. 23.3.85



Goalmouth Action v Dagenham. 27.4.85 Mark Graves & Lee Holmes





Andy Graham scores winning goal at Kettering. 4.5.85



Scenes of triumph at Kettering



# FA TROPHY '85

WEALDSTONE F.C.'S TRIUMPH RECALLED IN THE WORDS OF THE PRESS.....



## Hall slams his players

Harlow 0, Wealdstone 0  
**WEALDSTONE** manager Brian Hall launched a bitter attack on his players after Monday night's appalling FA Trophy display at Harlow.

In one of the most boring games ever seen at the Sports Centre, Wealdstone's highly-paid stars could manage only three serious attempts on goal.

Stones' inept performance prompted this outburst from the normally placid Hall:

"I have racked my brains trying to find excuses for not doing the job at the first bite of the cherry, but there are none.

"The truth is that maybe the playing staff at this club have become stale. Quite frankly, I could have pulled five players off and when five players are not performing in our side we struggle.

"I was disappointed with the result and I was very disappointed with the character shown by some people. I am not going to name names. If the

cap fits they will have to wear it. "I hear excuses about the way we play, but the method which we have adopted has been quite successful. That is the method we are going to play and if some people do not like it there is only one answer — they had better go and start playing somewhere else."

Hall added: "All credit to Harlow for holding us, but I am disappointed we could not do the job immediately. I felt the same as Don Howe must have felt after the result at York — embarrassed."

Hall planned to give the same side the chance of redeeming themselves in Wednesday night's replay, but added:

"I did consider changes, but I suppose they did do half the job and may get the opportunity to finish it off. But that will not cloud my decisions for the next few games."

Wealdstone: Hes, Davies, McCargo, Perkins, Bowgett, Wainwright, Greenaway, Holmes, A Cordice; Graves, Donnellan. Sub: Johnson.

## ROAD TO GLORY

ROUND	OPPONENTS	RESULT	ATT
1st Proper	Harlow Town (ISTH)	A 0-0	151
Replay	Harlow Town	H 5-0	350
2nd Proper	Wycombe W. (ISTH)	H 2-1	852
3rd Proper	Welling Utd (SL)	H 3-1	760
4th Proper	Frickley (GOLA)	H 3-1	962
Semi-Final			
1st Leg	Enfield (GOLA)	A 2-0	1655
2nd Leg	Enfield	H 0-1	2009
Final	Boston Utd (GOLA)	W 2-1	20775

**Let's talk**  
**WEALDSTONE** made amends for Monday night's terrible performance at Harlow with a 5-0 win in Wednesday's replay at Lower Mead.

Stones raced into a three goal lead in the opening 15 minutes through Brian Greenaway and Mark Graves, who hit two, but had to wait until the 52nd minute for their fourth when Graves completed his hat-trick.

Alan Cordice rubbed salt into Harlow's wounds with the fifth two minutes from time.

Wealdstone now entertain Wycombe Wanderers on Saturday in the 2nd round.

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 Football Club

THE GOLA LEAGUE

WEDNESDAY 30 JANUARY  
**v HARLOW TOWN** 30p  
 F.A. TROPHY 1st ROUND REPLAY



# A MOMENT OF MADNESS ENDS TROPHY DREAM

Wealdstone 2, Wycombe Wanderers 1



A SINGLE moment of madness from Gary Lester shattered Wycombe's FA Trophy dreams in the second round on Saturday.

The big keeper gave away a needless second-half penalty to present Wealdstone with the luxury of a two-goal lead which they gratefully accepted.

It was the only blot on an otherwise impeccable performance by Lester, but it left Blue's hopes of a third round place in tatters.

Even a dramatic rally at the end of a gruelling tie could not prevent Wycombe from losing a match that by rights should have gone to a replay.

Lady luck deserted manager Paul Bence and his men for a second successive week and although they lost they can take some consolation from another spirited performance.

Had it not been for their present pathetic form in front of goal, Wycombe might well have sent a second Gola League side packing in the Trophy.

## Hung on

Simon Read's goal after 87 minutes had the adrenalin flowing again but Wealdstone hung grimly to their undeserved victory.

With all hopes dashed in the FA Cup, FA Trophy and Isthmian Premier Division, Bence can only hope for a good run in the Hitachi Cup to salvage something from a

## By Roif Niven

disappointing first season at Loakes Park.

There is little doubt that his side is finally coming together and on current form should win more than they should lose in the second half of the season.

Wealdstone, supposedly one of the crack non-league outfits in England, were given a rough ride by Bence's boys.

Apart from their coloured wizard Alan Cordice, they offered little in the way of skill and their kick and rush tactics were greeted with chants of "boring, boring" by Wycombe's faithful.

Blues striker Declan Link tested Stone's keeper Bob Iles as early as the first minute with a firmly struck effort from the edge of the box.

Read glanced a header wide from Dave Russell's cross after seven minutes and minutes later he raced onto a high hanging ball only to deliver a weak effort into the arms of Iles.

## Curled it

Wealdstone's Paul Bowgett showed Read the way to goal after 20 minutes. Bad defensive work allowed Brian Greenaway to slide the ball to Paul Bowgett who curled his shot over the helpless Lester.

With the wind at their back, the Gola club took a firm grip of the first half, but the Blues' back four held solid with Anton Vircavs and Dave

Burgess particularly outstanding.

For all their possession, Wealdstone rarely worried Lester. At the other end Read came close to slamming in an equaliser after 36 minutes. Turning superbly he unleashed a shot that Iles needed two attempts to hold.

With the wind, Blues started the second half with an immediate assault and only the agility of keeper Iles foiled Link after Read had touched on a long free-kick from defender Kevin Tilley.

Just as Wycombe appeared set to turn the tide they were rocked by a stupid penalty after 58 minutes.

Wealdstone's Gary Donellan raced onto a loose ball and although he carried it wide of goal Lester had committed himself and slid into the striker.

Greenaway tucked away the spot kick even though Lester guessed correctly.

The lanky keeper was involved again after 68 minutes when he stretched well to hold on to a looping header from substitute Nigel Johnson.

## Magic

A piece of magic between Read and Link almost produced a goal after 76 minutes when Iles scrambled away another scorcher from Link.

A jinking, twisting run by Cordice sliced apart Wycombe after 80 minutes but he shot over and a minute later Lester blocked a shot from Lee Holmes.

Blues struck back after 83 minutes with a typical Read goal. Like a praying mantis he pounced on a loose ball, turned and hammered it past Iles.

It was the Gola side that had to withstand some heart-stopping moments inside their area in the closing stages but the ball refused to go in.

Their cup plans in shambles, Wycombe must now pick themselves up for tonight's Isthmian Premier Division match against Hayes at Loakes Park.

**Wealdstone:** B. Iles, S. Perkins, R. Davies, D. Byatt, P. Bowgett, R. Wainwright, B. Greenaway, L. Holmes, A. Cordice, M. Graves (sub: N. Johnson, 45 mins), G. Donellan.



Robin Wainwright in action versus Wycombe



Wycombe Wanderers try unsuccessfully to break through Stones' defence.





# Welling boss warns 'don't get booked'

WELLING United's hopes of FA Trophy glory crashed in a blood and thunder third round tie away to Gola League side Wealdstone to whom they lost 3-1 last Saturday, and on Tuesday they suffered their third successive defeat when they went down 2-0 at Bedworth in the Southern League.

But manager Graham Hobbins won't write off their title chances. He declared: "These set-backs have made us all the more determined and we can still win the league if we can avoid too many injuries and suspensions."

"The four bookings we received at Wealdstone took our season's total to 30 and that is very worrying."

Adrian Foley and Stuart White are at present serving two-match bans after already reaching 21 disciplinary points. They missed the mid-week league encounter at Bedworth, and are also ruled out of this Saturday's vital home game against title rivals Kings Lynn.

Now Nigel Ransom, one of the players cautioned at Wealdstone, is only one booking away from a suspension.

Hobbins commented: "I am telling all our players to make sure they don't retaliate or show any sort of dissent to referees, but it would be stupid to tell them to curb their tackling."

"Of the 30 cautions we have received this season 21 have been in away games. I believe that home crowds can sway referees' decisions and I felt this was the case last Saturday."

"The attendance may have been only 760 but the home fans made their presence felt, and one of our supporters was beaten up at half-time."

This was Welling's second successive defeat following a record unbeaten run of 22 games. And although Hobbins admits that Wealdstone were the better side, he feels injuries were partly

to blame for Welling's Trophy exit.

Terry Warren and John Parry were both nursing knocks, Parry's having been picked up the previous Tuesday in a 2-1 defeat at Southall in the London Senior Cup second round on a rutted and frozen pitch. Ray Burgess was ruled out against Wealdstone after twisting his knee so badly at Southall that he had to be substituted by debutante Danny Lee.

Welling's task at Wealdstone was not helped by the bookings to Ransom, Adrian Lemoine, Paul Summersby and Colin Ford, three of them being for fouls on the home side's elusive striker Alan Cordice, who also joined them in the referee's book for blatant retaliation on Lemoine.

The visitors fell behind in the 21st minute to a glorious goal from Andy Graham. The Wealdstone striker took a Roy Davies pass on his chest, turned and volleyed an unstoppable shot into the top corner of Terry Jessop's net.

Ten minutes later Welling were gifted an equaliser by Wealdstone keeper Bob Iles. Stuart White, the scorer at Southall, saw his cross squirm out of Iles's hands and the ball fell invitingly to John Bartley who netted from close range.

But Wealdstone regained control in the second-half and Robin Wainwright, Gary Donnellan and Graham all went close before Nigel Johnson restored the home side's lead in the 68th minute. Cordice knocked back a Dennis Byatt free-kick for Johnson to rifle the ball home.

Welling switched Ransom to attack and went close to snatching an equaliser ten minutes from time when Bartley latched on to a Terry Warren flick but shot wide with only Iles to beat.

The third Wealdstone goal came in injury time. Cordice raced on to a long clearance and rounded Jessop to slip the ball home.





# Frickley in trophy exit

**STUNNED** by a 16 seconds goal, Frickley saw their hopes of Wembley disappear at the Lower Mead Stadium where Wealdstone, inspired by the early bonus, hung on to win this F.A. Trophy quarter-final.

It was a bitter disappointment to the Blues, who were delighted at the large number of fans who made the long journey to support them, and they tried everything possible in the second half to try and snatch a replay.

Stevie Daniels was brought in to fill the vacancy caused by a groin injury to player-manager Sean Marshall, and played well until being replaced after 70 minutes by Ian Smith as Frickley threw everything into attack.

Wealdstone.....	3
Frickley Athletic .....	1

Russ Wilcox worked hard in the middle of the Athletic defence, while Graham Reed, Paul Wilson and Gary Hooley tried hard to punch some gaps in the home defence.

Trouble started for the Blues when a clearance by Stevie Myles hit another player and the ball fell to Alan Cordice who crossed for Graham to head past Tommy Meehan with less than a minute on the clock.

Meehan saved well from Cordice and Daniels headed away a drive by Bowgett as Wealdstone tried to swamp the visiting goal, but the Blues weathered the storm and Reed had a free-kick well saved.

Barry Gill put the ball in the net for Frickley after 28 minutes, but was ruled off-side and Reed and Wilson both had shots saved by Iles.

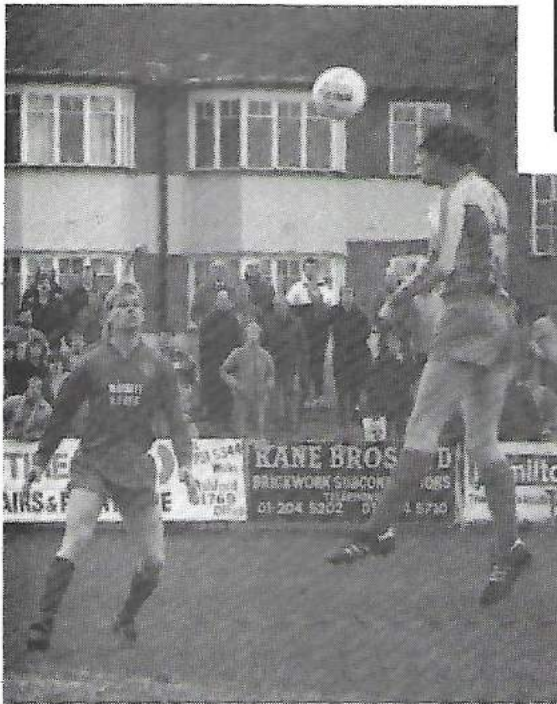
In the 38th minute, Graham headed on a

Wealdstone clearance and it was seized\* by Alan Cordice who raced through and drove a low shot into the net.

Frickley pushed forward after the interval and, after some narrow escapes, Hooley and Reed combined to set up a chance which Wilson lashed in from 12 yards after 67 minutes.

Two minutes later, Cordice struck again for Wealdstone, and they packed their defence to hold onto the margin until the final whistle.

Frickley's team was: Meehan, Daniels, Myles, (Smith 70 min), Wakefield, Wright, Gill, Wilcox, Hooley, Reed, Wilson, Hooley.



Andy Graham nets against Frickley in 16th Second





Action - Wealdstone v Frickley



IT WAS the biggest freak since the Elephant Man.

With Saturday's FA Trophy semi-final first leg 37 minutes old, and Enfield looking "on a different plane to Wealdstone" to quote the Harrow Observer reporter behind me, the visitors snatched the sort of goal that breaks hearts . . . and Wembley dreams.

Neil Cordice picked up a half-clearance from Brian Greenaway's corner and volleyed hopefully from some 35 yards. The ball was headed towards the Gazette advertisement hoarding 10 yards to the left of John Jacob's goal before Andy Graham, running out to avoid being caught offside, deflected it into the opposite corner to leave the goalkeeper rooted.

### Lucky

"I meant to flick it on but it was very, very lucky" admitted the honest Graham after the game. But what puzzled the 1,600 crowd was why Jacobs — although wrong-footed — failed to get across to save the snail's pace deflection.

People were comparing it to the Dave Bas-

sett own goal which saw Leeds United to their famous 1-0 FA Cup replay victory over Wimbledon 10 years ago — but Johnny Giles' shot on that occasion had a lot more sting.

Whatever the whys and wherefores, it was a goal. A goal that Enfield did not deserve to concede and a goal which Wealdstone — up to that point — had never threatened.

The Es had run out to the "Rocky" theme tune in a sparkling all-white strip, and looked the part of 2-1 FA Trophy favourites until that bizarre goal.

They won four corners in the opening eight minutes with some inventive, penetrative football that had Wealdstone gasping.

Paul Taylor banged in a near-post shot after

Enfield .....0  
Wealdstone .....2  
FA Trophy semi  
final first leg



just three minutes that Bob Iles palmed for a corner, and soon after Dennis Byatt was fortunate to win a goalkick as he stepped across Carl Richards' path as the striker raced on to John Docker's pass. The slightest contact and it would surely have been a penalty.

Then Nicky Ironton chipped a free-kick in to Noel Ashford's feet and, after collecting the one-two, the midfielder was only denied by Iles' bravery at his near post.

On the 22-minute mark, however, Enfield's best chance of the half came and went as Dave Flint hopelessly miscued from 18 yards with Iles stranded after punching the ball off Taylor's head.

Wealdstone had only offered the occasional breakaway through the lightning pace of Alan Cordice, but somehow held a 1-0 half-time lead thanks to Mr Graham's deflection.

And if the first 20 minutes of the game was a tale of Enfield possession unrewarded so was the first 20 minutes of the second half — and this time the chances were just begging to be converted.

Paul Taylor was twice the culprit. So often he has been Enfield's saviour in cup ties with a goal or two at a vital moment . . . and what the Es could have done with two goals in the 54th and 56th minutes!

He first failed to head the ball into a gaping net at the far post after Richards had crossed brilliantly from the left. Then, when Flint and Ashford worked the ball over from the right, he leaped again, unchallenged just five yards out only to hook it over the bar at full stretch.

The fight seemed to ebb out of Enfield after that. Their passing and covering became sloppy and Wealdstone were given the time in mid-



Steve McCargo

field to set Alan Cordice free on a series of penetrating runs.

Yet when the second goal arrived in the 72nd minute it was created by a forward gallop from centre half and skipper Paul Bowgett. Nigel Johnson sent him clear on the left after John Docker — who was sadly unable to reproduce his Maidstone Trophy form — had given the ball away, and when Bowgett's driven cross rebounded off Dave Howell's knees Graham was the first to the loose ball to angle his shot beyond Jacobs to the far corner.

The Wealdstone fans danced in jubilation. Enfield's supporters hung their heads and headed for home — and they might have been left without even hope for the second leg as Neil Cordice and Bowgett both missed the target from good positions in the closing minutes.

### MATCH FACTS

Enfield: Jacobs, Savage, Hayzeiden, Cooper, Howell, Flint, Docker, Taylor, Ironton, Richards, Ashford. Sub. Atkins (for Taylor, 84 mins).

Wealdstone: Iles, Perkins, McCargo, Byatt, Bowgett, Greenaway, N. Cordice, Wainwright, Johnson, A. Cordice, Graham. Sub. Davies (for Johnson, 77 mins).

Attendance: 1,655. Referee: Tom Buns (Berks).

Corners: Enfield 10, Wealdstone 4. Goal attempts on target (off target): Enfield 1 (9), Wealdstone 2 (4). Enfield attempts by: Taylor 1 (2), Ironton (3), Flint (2), Cooper (1), Savage (1).



Robin Wainwright & Steve Perkins Celebrate.



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**SATURDAY'S** heart-wrenching result must go down as surely the saddest victory in Enfield's long history.

They couldn't have played better. Their attitude couldn't have been better. The football they produced was of First or Second Division standard . . . but they couldn't quite hurdle the hole they had dug for themselves by losing the first leg 2-0 at Southbury Road.

If it was of any consolation, Nicky Iron-ton's superbly-struck 17th-minute goal ended a losing run of seven successive games. But how ironic and frustrating it was to win and yet still lose overall! "We did everything except score the goals," said Enfield's disappointed manager Eddie McCluskey. "But I think we proved over the two legs that we are far and away the better team. It's just a great pity that the inferior side will be going to Wembley."

Wealdstone, inferior or not, certainly appeared acutely the more nervous of the two teams as the Es threw caution to the wind from the start.

They were desperate for an early goal — and were desperately unlucky in only the fourth minute. Noel Ashford latched on to a Steve King overhead kick on the left of the box and thumped a fabulous volley which Bob Iles

**Wealdstone..... 0**  
**Enfield ..... 1**  
FA Trophy semi-final 2nd leg  
(Wealdstone win 2-1 on aggregate)



**TIM PARKS**  
Reports

somehow fingertipped on to the underside of the bar and away.

Despite frantic appeals that the ball had crossed the line, referee, Brian Stevens (Stonehouse) waved play on!

As the game continued at break-neck speed in squally rain, Enfield poured down the slope with the wind at their backs like a demented army.

Peter Hindses, a surprise choice on the left of midfield in place of John Docker, leaped to head a Dermot Drummy cross wide before Ashford brought Iles to his knees with a shot arrowed for the near post.

Then Dave Howell, supreme in the air, roamed upfield only to be denied by the 'keeper twice in as many minutes. First Iles grabbed his shot as it deflected

off defender Steve Perkins — and then was superbly positioned to cling on to the centre-half's volley following Drummy's 16th minute corner and King's near-post flick-on.

### Glorious

But the goal, which had to come, finally came a minute later.

Wealdstone's Vince Jones dropped not his first clanger of the afternoon by losing the ball to Hindses by the left corner flag; the youngster whipped over a deep cross and when King laid it back Iron-ton smacked a glorious 22-yarder low into the net off Iles' right hand post.

Now we started to believe it!

Wealdstone hadn't been taken apart like this since Enfield's 3-1 win at Lower Mead two years ago, and a repeat looked a distinct possibility as Keith Barrett and Drummy buzzed down the right; Keith Hayzelden and Hindses exposed Jones and Perkins down the left and Ashford, Iron-ton and Dave Flint were first to the ball every time down the middle.

For 25 minutes Enfield looked unstoppable. Wealdstone retreated into a blue and yellow shell and only stuck their heads out to

nod the occasional shot off the goalline!

Barrett flashed a 25-yarder too high; Iron-ton smashed a long range free-kick wide and then saw Iles hold a more accurate, but less powerful shot at the foot of a post.

Then Hindses, gliding in from the left past Perkins, cracked a right-footer that just missed the angle.

No one in the packed 2,000 - plus crowd thought Wealdstone would survive until half-time with their aggregate lead intact — but survive they did as Iles again came to the rescue with a smothering save to keep out Drummy's powerful downward header seconds from the break.

A goal then would have made a game of it. Wealdstone would have had to come forward and the fans might have seen a match to remember.

But as it turned out, Wealdstone — despite the twin advantage of wind and slope in the second half — sat on their lead with all the wit and invention of a sack of spuds.

Full-back Steve McCargo and Alan Cordice — who was brilliantly chaperoned on his rare breaks — had a couple of shots that weren't too far away, but most of the action was again at the other end as Ashford toiled tirelessly into the teeth of the gale.

Drummy set him up on the right in the 48th minute for a far-post cross which King, running in, headed badly wide. Then Ashford returned the compliment with a crossfield pass to Drummy — and the winger's dangerous centre saw Dennis Byatt

That set up a string of three successive corners. Hindses saw a wicked shot deflected behind off Perkins for another and Howell, climbing above first-leg hero Andy Graham, watched his header from the flag-kick held under the crossbar by Iles.

It was about then you began to sense Enfield, for all their guts and character, weren't going to do it.

Both sides were looking leg-weary and as the Es pushed forward for that second, elusive goal they left huge gaps at the back. They escaped after 83 minutes when Alan Cordice, clean through, saw his cross kicked away by Cooper.

But with two minutes remaining the 'Stones England striker was left all alone again as Robin Wainwright booted clear from an Enfield corner.

He waited for John Jacobs to come charging 25 yards out of his goal before pushing the ball past him — and the 'keeper brought Cordice crashing down with a crude challenge that saw him promptly sent off by referee Stevens!

It was a sorry end to a sorry day. Paul Taylor took over the green jersey for the final seconds and was submerged, like the rest of the players, under a sea of blue-and-yellow-clad supporters when the final whistle declared Wealdstone — the losers — the winners.

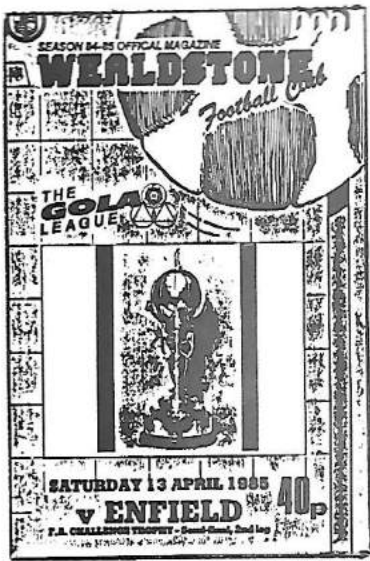
### MATCH FACTS

Wealdstone: Iles; Perkins, McCargo, Byatt, Bowgett; Jones, N. Cordice, Wainwright, Donnellan; Graham, A. Cordice. Sub: Johnson (for Jones 68 mins.).

Enfield: Jacobs; Barrett, Hayzelden, Cooper, Howell; Drummy, Flint, Iron-ton, Hindses; Ashford, King. Sub: Taylor (for Hindses 74).

Attendance: 2,009. Corners: Wealdstone 4, Enfield 6. Goal attempts on target (off target): Wealdstone 0 (4), Enfield 7(9). Enfield attempts by: Howell 3, Iron-ton 2 (1), Ashford 1 (1) Drummy 1 (1), Hindses (2), Barrett (1), Hayzelden (1), Flint (1), King (1). Bookings: Hayzelden (En-





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In the dressing room



In the dressing room



Match the bottom to the face

# Brave Pilgrims dream fades . . .

**BOSTON** United's bid to win the FA Challenge Trophy ended bravely at Wembley this afternoon.

Despite a brave fightback and splendid Cook goal the Pilgrims went down fighting 2-1.

United player/manager Arthur Mannopted for a 4-4-2 formation and the disappointed players to be left out of the team included Gary Mallender and Domonico Genevese.

Genevese was actually named as substitute in the programme but was replaced by midfielder Mallender in that spot.

Mallender's name had also appeared in the programme but he gave way to the experience of Mick Laverick who had answered the call on previous trophy occasions this season.

He lined up in midfield alongside skipper Gary Simpson, Brian Thomson and David Gilbert.

This left the striking responsibility to Chris Cook and Bob Lee, who was fit to play after a midweek injury scare.

It was this doubt that led many supporters to believe that Genevese, whose goals had helped United reach Wembley, would have been given the substitutes role.

## Disaster

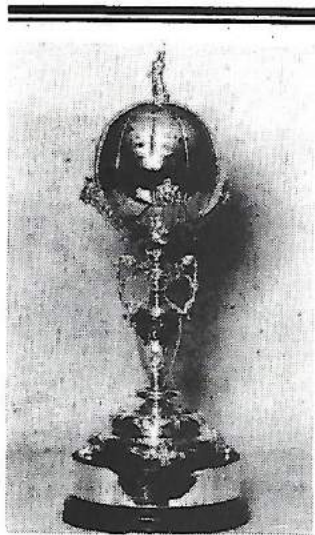
Disaster struck for Boston United after only 2 minutes when Wealdstone took the lead.

The first attack had belonged to Boston when Simpson and Gilbert combined to set O'Brien free down the left but when his centre came over Lee was adjudged to have fouled goalkeeper Iles and from the free-kick Wealdstone broke away and Ladd could stop Cordice only by conceding a corner on the right.

Greenaway took the kick which was controlled by GRAHAM who scored with a spectacular overhead shot that gave Blackwell no chance.

## Good voice

Boston hit back immediately and Ladd was within inches of equalising in the very next minute when after a foul on Cook the Boston central defender was just a whisker away from Laverick's free-kick.



## WEMBLEY LINE-UP

**BOSTON UNITED:** Kevin Blackwell, Paul Casey, Ray O'Brien, Mick Laverick, Ian Ladd, Gerard Creane, Brian Thomson, Gary Simpson, Bob Lee, Chris Cook, David Gilbert. Sub. Gary Mallender.

**WEALDSTONE:** Bob Iles, Steve Perkins, Roy Davies, Dennis Byatt, Paul Bowgett, Robin Wainwright, Brian Greenaway, Lee Holmes, Alan Cordice, Andy Graham, Gary Donnellan. Sub. Neil Cordice.

**REFEREE:** Mr. J. E. Bray (Leicester).

The 10,000 contingent of Boston supporters were in good voice to greet their team onto the billiard-like surface of Wembley and the Wealdstone goal kept them quiet only briefly.

They were soon urging their side back into action but nerves had obviously got to some of the Boston players and play was scappy and frenzied.

Soon after taking the lead Wealdstone forced another corner down the right and again it was Cordice who did the damage by causing Ladd to turn the ball behind — but this time Greenaway put his kick behind.

## Penalty save

Full of confidence from their Gola League championship win Wealdstone were giving Boston little time to settle and the high bounce of the ball was causing problems.

Luckily for United Ian Ladd, on his second Wembley appearance was in good form, but in the 20th minute Wealdstone forced another corner and a header by Bowgett was kept out of the net only by O'Brien's hand.

But Byatt's penalty was brilliantly saved by

Blackwell, diving to his left and Boston eventually survived the danger of another Greenaway corner.

In the 25th minute a Boston attack broke down and Davies carried the ball forward to put Cordice clear.

Blackwell raced out of goal beyond the penalty area and put off the striker who pulled his chance wide.

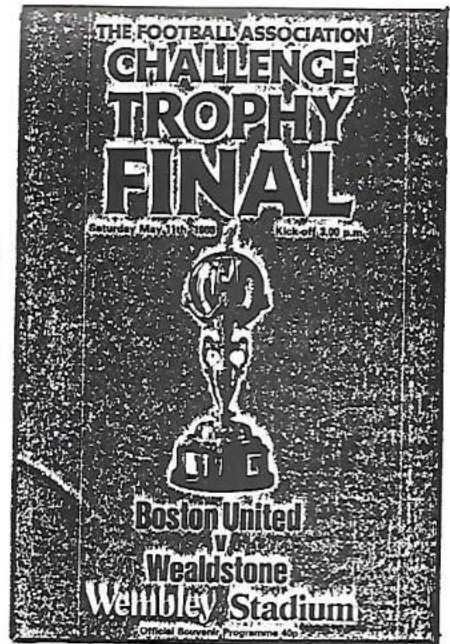
Boston were now fighting to say in the game and Wealdstone were totally committed to victory.

Only a great tackle by Ladd halted the double threat of Greenaway and Cordice and he recovered the ball to set up a Boston attack down the left but this petered out when Gilbert turned the ball over the by-line.

In the 29th minute Boston fell a second goal behind and again the damage was done from a Greenaway corner on the right.

This time it was a powerful header from HOLMES which took a deflection off Graham before finding the net.

After this setback the Police intervened as trouble broke out in a section of the ground where Boston supporters were.



Boston had been unable to put their game together and were allowed no time to dwell on the ball by a Wealdstone side that was hard and positive in the tackle.

The game was littered with free kicks, a lot of them going against Boston, and the Pilgrims always appeared at full stretch, and the Wealdstone tactic of the high centre from both wings was causing problems.

Luckily for United Creane and Ladd were in good form at the heart of the defence.

United were able to put few attacks together and although Cook was battling away gamely he had little support and got no change at all out of the uncompromising Byatt and Bowgett.

He did, however, force Boston's first corner of the match in the 37th minute and when Gilbert's kick came over from the right Lee saw a first time shot turned into the side netting. It was Boston's first attempt at goal.

From the second corner on the left the ball was cleared

only as far as Gary Simpson whose volley flew wide.

On the stroke of half-time Wealdstone missed a great chance of a third goal when following a centre from the left by Davies, Wainwright, from a suspiciously offside position, headed over the bar.

#### HALF-TIME

Boston Utd. .... 0  
Wealdstone ..... 2

The halftime break presented manager Arthur Mann and player/coach Ray O'Brien with their toughest managerial test for in truth Boston had not played at all well in the first half and the different in League positions was being shown on the Wembley turf.

Boston had been playing like the team that had won only two of their previous 15 Gola League matches while Wealdstone had the confidence of champions.

They had added a touch streak to their undoubted ability but it was only Boston's defensive power

that had kept them from falling more than two goals behind and they were so busy trying to stop Wimbledon going forward that they had been unable to build-up attacks of their own.

#### Cook scores

Boston's hopes were raised five minutes into the second half when Chris COOK scored a brilliant goal as the Pilgrims launched an all out assault.

He held off the challenge of Bowgett to lift the ball past Iles after Casey had hit a long ball down the middle.

It was Wealdstone's turn to live on a knife edge now and their tackling became even more ruthless than in the first half.

Donnellan was lucky to escape a booking when he flattened Casey but the Boston full-back, after lengthy treatment, was quickly in action as he broke down the right only to be impeded by Davies and from the free-kick Ian Ladd put his header to high.

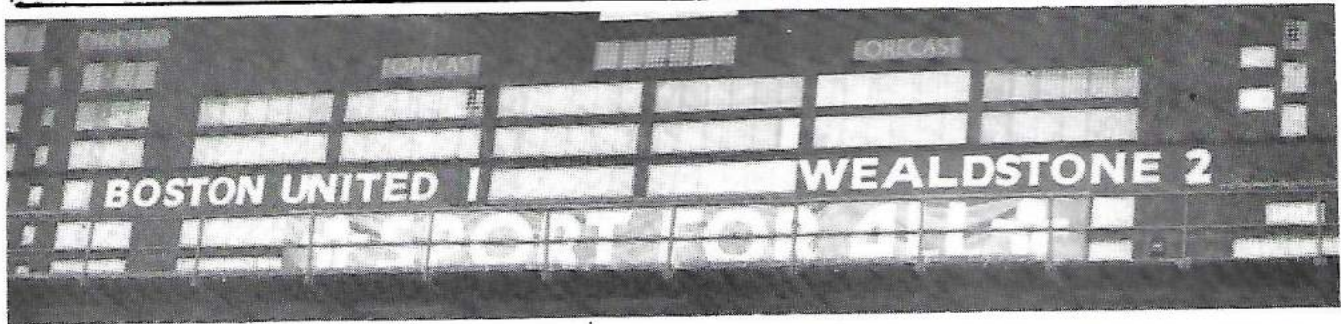
The Boston attack was revitalised and Cook was again within inches of forcing his way through.

The young blond Boston striker was the man who seemed most likely to bring the equaliser.

But Wealdstone still proved capable of launching an attack and Casey was in the wars again when he took a knock after clearing a dangerous situation from Greenaway.

Boston were not far off target again with a long free-kick from Thomson but gradually that early second half onslaught began to fade and Wealdstone were given time to breathe again.

attendance; 20,775



Skipper Paul Bowgett receives the Trophy



Boston keeper dives in vain to save Andy Graham's shot



Dennis Byatt's penalty is saved





Andy Grahams shot is successful



Some of the many Wealdstone fans



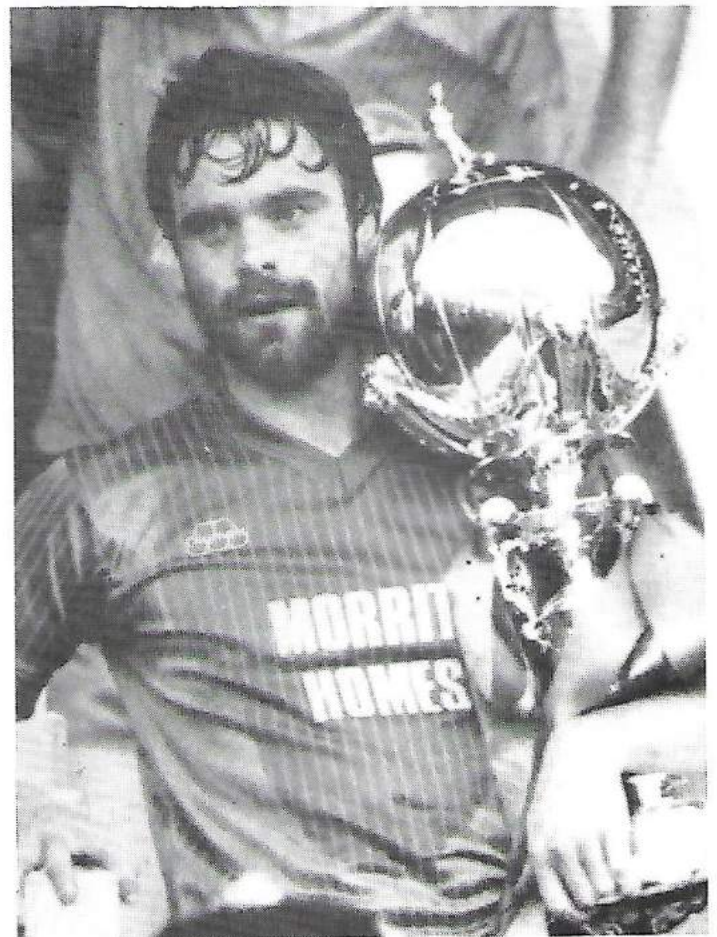
Brian Hall



Steve Perkins



Roy Davies



Paul Bowgett

# INTERVIEW.....

## BRIAN HALL TALKS

PETER. Although you've had a highly successful 2 years as Manager of Wealdstone F.C. your career prior to 1983 is something of a mystery to many people.

BRIAN. Well, I spent the majority of my playing career, apart from a 1 year spell at Dunstable in the Southern League, with the Metropolitan Police competing in the Greater London League & the Metropolitan League. I captained the Met. Police 2nd Eleven between 1965 and 1970.

In 1968, prompted by my Manager Jack Goodwin - an F.A. Staff Coach, I took the F.A. Preliminary Coaching Badge under John Lyall (now Manager of West Ham Utd). PASSED. I took the F.A. Full Badge Course at Exeter University in 1972 but failed, although I PASSED when I re-took the Badge at Loughborough College in 1973.

My first Coaching appointment was at Walton & Hersham when Allen Batsford who was Manager took me on. This only lasted 3 months as we both moved on to Wimbledon where we enjoyed several successful years. Our partnership was renewed in November 1980 when we both came to Wealdstone - the rest, of course, is history.

PETER. You've mentioned Allen Batsford, who is a familiar name to us at Wealdstone. How, in particular, has he influenced you?

BRIAN. Allen has been a tremendous influence to me. Amongst other things he has taught me to know how to defend, and how to WIN games when not necessarily having the better players. Total organisation, discipline and fitness training are also factors that have rubbed off on me. As I'm a physical training instructor I would like to think that Allen learned something from me also on organisation and conditioning training.

PETER. How did your partnership with Allen work?

BRIAN. Normally my responsibilities were :-

- 1) Training of the Squad
- 2) Coaching of the Squad
- 3) Watching/spying on the opposition - especially for F.A. Cup and F.A. Trophy
- 4) Watching or scouting players

PETER. Since your appointment as Manager of Wealdstone F.C. you've obviously picked your own staff. How did you choose your "team"?

BRIAN. I've known Tony Caruana for about 12 years and when I was appointed Coach at Slough Town in 1977-78 he was my General Assistant. I moved on to Walton & Hersham as manager in 1978 (or was it 1979?) and I appointed him as my Assistant for my brief 6 months there. He has an excellent standard of loyalty, presentation, good manners, administrative organisation and is also an F.A. Preliminary Badge Coach.

I met Les Reed on several Coaching courses and



I felt the action on the pitch was good for the spectators it wasn't so much fun for the Manager. Incidentally, the whole weekend passed by so quickly - I'd like to go back to Wembley to enjoy it again.

PETER. Finally, last year was so successful - how do you expect to follow it?

BRIAN. Obviously it will be extremely difficult to follow but this will be the test of good management. Can I re-motivate the players into wanting to do it again? Can I motivate the Club, including Directors & Supporters into wanting to do it again? It's not impossible, but extremely difficult now as 2nd, 3rd, 4th or whatever doesn't mean quite as much, even though we will still have been successful in a highly competitive league. Let's hope for the best!

PETER. Thank you very much for your thoughts.

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BACK ROW: Alan Cordice, Steve Perkins, Bob Iles, Mark Graves, Neil Cordice.

MIDDLE ROW: Robin Wainwright, Vince Jones, Lee Holmes, Steve McCargo, Andy Graham.

FRONT ROW: Roy Davies, Brian Greenaway, Paul Bowgett, Brian Hall (Manager),  
Dennis Byatt, Nigel Johnson, Gary Donnellan.



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