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# Written in Stone

would like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors from Welling United including Manager Steve King, his back room team, their Players and supporters.

Thanks to all our sponsors this afternoon, your generosity is a vital part of our funding. Please enjoy your day and we look forward to welcoming you back in the near future.

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along with player kit sponsorships are listed on the appropriate pages within this programme and as ever Paul Rumens will be happy to advise you at paulrumens59@gmail.com or on 07710 929692

Fingers crossed I get to keep my 'Lucky 2019 Beard' at the end of todays game. I am sure nobody would have guessed it would still be with me in March.

Mark

# **Match Sponsors** In Memory of Darren Hooker

n January 22nd 2016 we lost a great man, partner, father and friend in Darren Hooker. It is over 3 years ago now but the memories don't fade and he continues to be a big part of all the lives he touched.

He was a devoted man and football was one of his big loves . As has become a tradition every year since he left us , we again want to remember Darren at the home match closest to his Birthday and proud to sponsor Wealdstone in his memory on behalf of his family and friends .

Although a Blackpool fan , man and boy , he followed both Tottenham and Wealdstone after making the move south and was always passionate about the game . So there is no better event to get together , share stories and raise a glass in memory of Darren . Cheers Big man , Always  ${\bf x}{\bf x}$ 

# **Ball Sponsor Arthur Rogers - Happy 90th Birthday**

odav's match ball donor is Arthur Rogers from Rayners Lane who has been a lifetime Stones fan and recently celebrated his 90th Birthday. Whilst not being a name that might be known to many he will be instantly remembered by a number of our longstanding fans as the man with the pipe particularly those who had the misfortune of standing downwind when he lit up on the terraces! Arthur first started watching the stones in 1946 and other than for two years spent on national service, has seen games every season since. He lists his highlights of the last 73 years as being the Athenian League championship of 1951-2, in his view Wealdstone's best team, the Amateur Cup win, the 1984-85 double and the recent promotions. Over the years he has witnessed most of Wealdstone's greatest players however his favourites were Henryk Wegrzck, Phil White and Bert Dyke in the 50's, Matt Farrell, Charlie Townsend and Hughie Lyndsey in the 60's and more latterly Robin Wainwright and Stuart Pearce . Despite his years Arthur still attends matches whenever he can and is still an active agent for Teamdraw, having at one time had over 100 workmates, friends and family signed up in the 1990's.

Enjoy the day Arthur -

living proof that once a Stone always a Stone.



# The Elmslie Ender



# EE looks at booking his tickets early for next seasons away game in Blvth.

wo differing games since we were last at the Vale (these notes are written before we play Weston) that delivered the same result in a draw. Billericay saw an exciting game in front of nearly a four figure crowd, with Wealdstone dominating the first forty five minutes but only having a goal to show for it, then Billericay coming back stronger in the second half, levelling the score, before a final ten minute onslaught by the Stones nearly securing a winner. Freddie Grant, playing his first game in over four months, had a fantastic game, showing some incredible levels of fitness and was almost the hero in those final minutes with a header off the line and then a volley which hit the post in the final moments of the game. Maybe a side foot rather than the feet off the ground volley might have paid better dividends, but at the end of the day, the result was probably fair.

Following on from there was a visit to Evesham for the match verses Gloucester.

As lovely a town Evesham is, I fail to see how the ground makes the ground grading with a smallish-seated stand, a covered area over flat terracing and not much else. The pitch was awful, akin to Harrow Weald Rec back in the days of SFC Wealdstone, where a roller didn't appear to have gone near the surface in quite a while. Add the fact that there was a gale blowing and playing football was obviously going to be difficult against a side which hasn't lost since the turn of the year and whose previous three home games had all finished goalless. It does take two teams to have a match and Gloucester did seem content in simply not losing and rarely troubled Johnny North in goal. Rarely have I seen Stones have so much possession in an away game. The Opta stats must have been over 70% Stones possession but we rarely troubled the west country side's goal until the final minutes of the match when we could have scored three or four times with head in hands moments. Two points dropped no doubt but remarkably we gained a point over a number of teams as nobody in the top half of the table won at all! If there was ever a game that lived up to most people's opinion of what a nil nil draw would be like, this was it. The drive through some beautiful Cotswold towns and villages and an online twitter spat

between two of our well-known fans proving much more entertaining.

Whilst Stones are still in the hunt for a play off spot, should we fail or not make it through the play-offs even if we qualify. attention starts being drawn to whom we may find in our division next season. Only Chesterfield of the bottom nine teams in the Conference are northern, so there is a very strong likelihood that all four teams coming down will be southern, of which Braintree are likely to be moved north. Whilst there is the complication of the extra division at the level below, the basic dynamics of the old southern league is that all of the teams potentially

coming up are south of the River Thames.
The same applies to the former Isthmian
League with only Haringey Borough north of

the Thames, but firmly ensconced in London, so there is a very good likelihood that teams from the Conference South will move North. The natural teams are Gloucester City and Oxford City who have been there before.

but previously clubs that get moved across from North or South or vice versa are given a three year quarantee that they will not be moved again to allow the club to plan, so this means there could well be other teams now in play to move up North. Whilst geography is important, the Conference will also look at motorway links for the ease of travel so those teams close to the M1 or M40 would be in contention. That brings into play the likes of St Albans City, Hemel Hempstead, in theory Chelmsford City and even us. Yes. a team in a London Borough could find themselves in the Conference Northern division, as ludicrous

as it may sound. Truro midweek was a challenge, how about Blyth Spartans on a wintery Tuesday night? SUD

# 'a team in a London Borough could be in the Conference North next season'



# STONES INTERVIEW BY DAN FINILL

#### **WEALDSTONE v WELLING UNITED 09.03.2019**

'I look back at my time at Wealdstone with immense pride.. If I'd not come over on loan from Watford I wouldn't be living the dream now!"

Luke O'Nien

Luke came to play at the Stones on loan from Watford as a teenager five years ago, turning out 35 times for the club before being transferred by his parent club to Wycombe Wanderers. And after some all-action displays for the Adams Park boys he was snapped up by Sunderland - and has since been a leading light in the Black Cats' bid to return to the Championship. Wearside fans have accepted him as one of their own... here DAN FINILL of the Stones' media team catches up with the popular midfielder

f you ever meet Luke O'Nien, not only does his passion and dedication to football shine through but also the warmth and respect that he has for people.

It came as no surprise that after three successful seasons at Adams Park, a bigger club came knocking in the form of Sunderland. Some might be put off by uprooting their life and moving north - but not O'Nien.

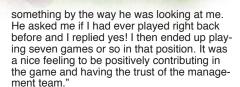
"My move up north has been incredible. The decision to come here [to Sunderland] when the initial interest was made was the easiest decision I could ever have made my car was packed and ready to go! Jack

Ross, the Sunderland manager, was patient with my transition to a new environment and new league. I'm in a good place improving week by week and also scoring a few

24-vear-old O'Nien has quickly made an impression on the Sunderland faithful by demonstrating he is a man of the people and determined to play whatever position... even filling in at right back.

"We have had a few injuries at right back and when the first team coach came to speak to me ahead of a Friday training session, I could see he wanted to ask me





Luke celebrates a

Stones goal with

the slightly less popular Matt Ball .

Pic: Steve Foster

Sunderland stripes

Below: Luke In

But despite currently carving a career for himself in League One, many Stones fans will fondly remember O'Nien's introduction to senior football during his two loan spells with the club.

**∠ ⊆** remember my time at Wealdstone very fondly", he said. It was just the other week I was talking about my debut for the Stones at East Thurrock in March 2014 with Carl McCluskey, a game in which he scored two wonderful goals. He chipped the keeper and scored a unbelievable header!

"Wealdstone gave me some invaluable experience and crucially my first taste of mens football. The supporters were also fantastic with me and that taught me how important it was to give 100% effort every week for fans

who travelled great distances to support their team.

"I can't thank Wealdstone FC enough for the giving me the chance of playing men's football, I wouldn't be living my dream now!"

Over the course of his season-long loan (from Watford) at The Vale, O'Nien made 35 appearances and scored five goals. But are there any particular moments that stood out?

"Stand out moments for me would my debut goal at home to Hemel Hempstead, and a 1-0 win away at Whitehawk once we'd been promoted to the National League South. We needed a win to offset a poor run of results and we did just that - a great night!

Whitehawk were strong favourites to win but thanks to a special Luke Pigden free kick we grabbed the

only goal of the game. I will never forget the joy at the final whistle. The boys gave everything to not concede and go home with the three points!"

■ t's clear that O'Nien values the opportunity and experience he had at Non-League. All too

often we hear the media report the excessive wages young players can earn at U23 level at Premiership clubs which can often impact their longevity in the game.

"My advice for young players who want to progress through the leagues is to go out on loan and play men's football as soon as possible. Take a step out of the comfort zone and go and play with your heart on your sleeve for a club.

"Help them achieve their goals and in return, gain a valuable experience that will hopefully be the foundation of a long and prosperous career"

Despite it being five years since O'Nien pulled on the blue jersey, his affection for the club and the fans is clear.

"I look back at my time with Wealdstone FC with immense pride. The young inexperienced boy that walked out to an incredible 1,000 fans at The Vale. I thank you all so much and I am still a huge fan of Wealdstone FC and look out for your results regularly."

We wish Luke the very best of luck for the rest of the season.

# Supporters' Scene

The last time I wrote an original article in this programme was around 12 years ago. It was truly a different era back then with our beloved football club in survival mode and with a long-term Outlook being uncertain at best. Crowds rarely rose above 300 and the we faced a series of relegation battles on a budget you would struggle to feed a cat on!

Even during those darker days, there were always those fleeting moments that would temporarily raise your spirits to justify the continued investment of your love, time and money. There was also the glimmer of hope that we would acquire our own ground, achieve promotion to the Conference South and regularly attract crowds of around 1000. This, for many people was their perfect vision for Wealdstone Football Club. Being on the cusp of the professional game yet still retaining the core values and benefits of following a non-league football club. So now we are here....where to now? Football and life in general is all about opinions and differing levels of expectation. Some will be happy to consolidate and primarily aim to provide a stable environment. Others no doubt, will want to push hard for the next level. There are without doubt merits in both outlooks. However, it's probably fairly safe to say overall opinion of ambition sits somewhere in the middle of these two differing visions.

Whether of course, a club at this level can prosper without major sponsorship or a benefactor's donations is unclear. One thing that is transparent though, is that entities such as ourselves will perennially require volunteers. These range from matchday stewards to press officers. From fundraising agents to planners and executors of ground improvements. No need to be modest here... its safe to say some of the efforts from our volunteer army have been above and beyond the call of duty.

A long-established bastion of our volunteer force has been the Supporters Club. For as long as I have known they have provided merchandise, organised events and have provided the main club with a reliable source of revenue. There have even been a few occasions where a successful player was procured with finances made available by the



Supporters Club. The obvious focal point of their activities is the WFC Megastore of which is usually busy on matchdays and maintains a healthy online presence. In spite of increasing work and family commitments those administering this facility have done an immense job of which we should all be proud.

Given my birth sign there maybe needs to be a very minor sting in the tail to all of the positivity listed above. That is that the Supporters Club are desperate for new blood and ideas from our diverse and very capable supporter base. With extra support they can continue to grow and to diversify the range of activities that they presently undertake. After years of talking the talk I decided to submit my interest to the Supporters Club and was invited to a couple of committee meetings to see exactly what goes on. All I can say is that there's some serious business conducted at these meetings! It really does give you an insight into current club affairs. There is now a clear interface to the main club given the Supporters Club chairman is now also on the Executive Board. This means that those who are involved in the Supporters Club can potentially have some influence in how the main club is governed. You are encouraged to think out of the box and there is usually a lot of planning going on in the background. I can only thank Mark Randall for inviting me onto the committee and hope that I can assist in some way. We need more though. Whatever your abilities are, young or old, I can personally assure that you will be made welcome. If this interests you then please make your presence known in the Megastore. Alternatively, you can contact the supporters club on

wfcscsecretary@gmail.com or tweet to @WFCSC1

Thanks for reading.

Adam

# Fan in the Stand With the passing a couple of weeks ago is off-repeated phrase of John Knight, a pative of

With the passing, a couple of weeks ago, of long-time supporter John Knight we thought we'd repeat his Fan in the Stand feature which appeared in the Rotherham FA Cup issue ten years ago. His pal Lew Sheppard (aided by Mick Fishman) has penned this short tribute...

"Old age doesn't come alone". That was the

oft-repeated phrase of John Knight, a native of West Harrow, although his parents hailed from South Shields leaving left John with a lifelong desire to follow Newcastle United's progress. He became a regular attendee at Stones matches following his demobilisation from his stint of national service in the late 1950s. It was a long running sore within the club that it failed

# **JOHN KNIGHT, RIP**

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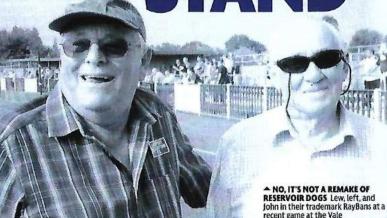
to make any real impact on the FA Amateur Cup until 1966 when Wealdstone famously won the much coveted trophy defeating Hendon 3-1 at the old Wembley. It coincided with John's one year as a Club Committee member and he was never slow in offering his view that his brief involvement in club affairs and winning the Cup was no coincidence!

During the 1960s and 1970s the Lower

Mead Social Club ran its own coach to away matches, known by other supporters as the boozers' special. John was a regular. Current Stones fans may well have seen John watching games with me – a sort of Statler and Waldorf coupling on the side-lines. His sardonic humour and dead pan delivery delighted those fortunate enough to be around him... he'll be sadly missed by us all.

**NO.9 OF THIS CRITICALLY-ACCLAIMED SERIES** 





How apt, considering their FA Cup tales, that two of our oldest fans - Lew Sheppard and John Knight - feature in today's bumper programme...

Names: Lew Sheppard, 79 and John Knight, 72

#### How you first came to meet?

Not sure why they were wearing shades on an overcast afternoon at the Vale but as John said, 'It adds a touch of glamour'

John was touched to be featured in the bumper FA Cup programme for the Rotherham game, along with his friend Lew.

**John:** We've known each other since we were kids in West Harrow during the war. I, lived in Butler Road and Lew in Drury Road.

Why did you first go to watch Wealdstone? Lew: There used to be good coverage in the papers and on the radio, I think that's why we became aware of Wealdstone. I said to my dad I wanted to go and the Stones were the nearest club, so used to walk to Lower Mead from home. To start with I went with Monty Smith

and his brother and their dad – football was suspended for a season when the War began up but the Herts & Middx League soon started up and it wasa good stardard of football. Players used to guest for the clubs depending on where they were stationed, doing their national service.

Have you regularly watched other teams?

John: We used to go to pro games together. There was the "6-5 Special" game at Stamford Bridge when Chelsea beat Newcastle 6-5, that was amazing. My parents were from Newcastle so they are my other team, apart from Wealdstone

Lew: We also went to watch Newcastle at Spurs around the same time, and as we drove past the Manor Tavern on the North Circular I joked to John: If Newcastle win I'll buy the drinks all night (not thinking they would, because Spurs were a great side then) but Newcastle DID win! We had a few that night and then drove home... different days.

Lew: I had a soft spot for Portsmouth then, in the 50s. A great side, League Champions around that time with players like Jack Froggatt and

Favourite ground? Lew: Lower Mead for atmosphere. We went there before they put in the concrete terracing. The open side, the High Mead side, was just wooden duckboards filled in with clinker. Amazing crowds in those days. Over 13,000 for the Leytonstone cup match but there would regularly be 4 or 5,000, especially for the Christmas matches against Hendon.

Most memorable game from that era? Lew: It was a game I never actually saw! I was on national service at Colchester Barracks in Essex when the Stones were drawn at home to Colchester United in the FA Cup - talk about irony!

I slapped in a request for a weekend pass but it was refused... I was pretty upset but the game was shown live on the BBC because they were experimenting with live outside broadcasts in those days.

So I rushed to the NAAFI (canteen) after my shift and there were dozens of blokes all crowded round the 9-inch TV. Black and white of course. In those days you had a big magnifying glass to put over the TV screen to make the picture bigger, so that is how I saw our great 1-0 win. And Colchester were a damn fine side in those days, a strong professional Southern League outfit while we were amateurs in the Athenian League. I'd seen some of their home games while I was stationed at Colchester and knew how good they were... funnily, enough, on the morning of the Cup game I was on duty at the gate of the barracks when quite a few of the Colchester players came past with their kit bags, on the way to the station. I called out: "You're up against it today lads" as a joke, but it turned

What's your best all-time team: Lew and John: Danny Wiltshire (excellent

out to be true!

keeper), Roy Marshall (very composed, good leader). Johnny Ashworth (FA Amateur Cup captain, great centre half), Tommy McGhee (was at Portsmouth before Stones, excellent). Stuart Pearce (fantastic player), Charlie Townsend (very accomplished, great shot too), Fred Barwick (very tenacious, great tackler), Robin Walnwright (superb passer, stylish), Ray Fulton (excellent left foot, gives balance), George Duck (amazing goalscorer), Alan Cordice (unstoppable).

In the squad we'd have Richard Jolly and Jermaine Beckford (very dangerous), Paul Bowgett, (Trophy-winning captain), Carl Martin (very talented), Peter Parfitt (also Middlesex & England cricketer and hard as nails, played quite a few times for the Stones.

Parfitt put a player through the railings one afternoon at Walton & Hersham and they had to lock the changing room door when the Walton players came after him. — got a bit ugly but he would have taken them all on single handed. Hard b\*\*\*er!

Most memorable Stones games: The 1-0 win at Braintree ten years ago when our promotion chances were slipping away, Dennis Greene got the goal. Plus: The semi-final of the Amateur Cup at Stanford Bridge when we beat Alvechurch: not a great game but the realisation that we were going be playing at Wembley in the final was fantastic. Can still remember that feeling. Oh, and the 6-5 Stevenage game in 1965... sensational stuff with us 5-3 down in the final stages. Then the play-off game at Dulwich a few years ago. The dramal

Best Wealdstone teams: The double side of 1984-5 was very well-organised with some great talents. But possibly my favourite side was the Athenian League Championship side of 1951-52 with the two Poles, Henryk Mikrut and Henryk Wgrzyk - a great partnership in attack. (Editor's note: I looked up this period in Roger's historical book and the attendances are mind-boggling: 7,300 at Lower Mead for a Christmas Day match against Hendon, when several women at the match passed on messages to find out the score (!), and 9,200 for an Amateur Cup replay against Walthamstow Avenue when their goalkeeper, another Pole called Gerula, saved the day. There were a lot of good Polish players serving inthe forces in the London area at the time, many of whom stayed on in England)

Next time: It's the man behind the lens...

# Opposition in focus



Pelling United Football Club were founded in 1963. An incredible journey in the early years has seen the club rise from an under-15 Sunday youth team to the heights of the Football Conference where the Wings remained for a remarkable 14 years. History has proved this to be one of the most astonishing journeys in the modern football era.

The Wings are now in their eighth season in the Nationwide Conference South, now named the Blue Square Bet South, following that unbroken spell in the original Conference between1986-2000. Originally formed in 1963 with just one youth team playing in local league football on a nearby park pitch, the club expanded its youth system before embarking on a period of Saturday football in the London Spartan League. Membership of the Athenian League and Southern League (South) followed. For the first fifteen years Welling played on a sports ground at nearby Butterfly Lane, Eltham, beforetaking their present ground at Park View Road, after the demise of Bexley United who at the time were members of the Southern League. After progressing from park football to senior football in a relatively short space of time, success was to continue withthree promotions within five years. Initially winning the Spartan League and then after three more seasons in the

Athenian League, progression and election to Southern League rounded off a marvellous period of success. This continued after just one more season when promotion to the Southern League Premier Division was secured after the league was re-organised. In the Fifth season in this division the Wings romped to the title by a record 23 points after an incredibly exciting season and were promptly promoted to the Conference.

The Wings dropped out of the top flight when they were relegated on the last day of the season in 1999/2000.

After four years back in the Southern League Premier, Welling finished just high enough to qualify for the inaugural season of the newly formed Conference South as the FA restructured the leagues so that two fed into the Conference which became Conference National. Welling's first foray in the league in 2004 was a struggle under the guidance of former England defender Paul Parker. With the Wings languishing near the bottom for the first three months of the season Parker left the club by mutual consent. Adrian Pennock took charge of the struggling Wings and guided the Wings to safety in

The next season was onewhere it was exciting to be following Welling again with notable success in the FA Cup where they lost in the First Round away to Huddersfield Town. The FA Trophy also proved rewarding where Welling drew Woking away and after a thrilling match narrowly missed out on a place in the Fourth Round when they let a 2 goal lead slip and finally went down 3-2. The Wings spent most of the season in the play-off places but a succession of draws, and a few defeats at the end of the campaign saw Welling finish the season in ninth place. They continued their improvement with an 8th place finish, missing out on a playoff spot by four points. In that season the Wings reached the Quarter Final of the FA Trophy, which had only been managed once before in the clubs history.

2008-2009 saw Welling United becomea real force in the Blue Square South. Highlights

of the season included a 1-0 defeat of AFC Wimbledon, ending the eventual champions 18 game unbeaten streak, a 4-0 win over promotion hopefuls Hampton & Richmond Borough and winning the Kent Senior Cup with a 6-1 defeat of Whitstable Town in the final, the Wings' first trophy for ten years.

At the start of the 2010-11 season, the Wings were rocked by the news of a winding up order by HRMC on the 12th August. Given 14 weeks to pay the outstanding debt the Wings' fans showed their devotion to the club raising almost all the £60,000 needed to avoid the club going bust. Despite this they were still deducted five points by the Conference and were handed a transfer embargo lasting until March 2011. Against all the odds, Jamie Day's side held a place in the playoff positions for the majority of the season playing wonderful attacking football. A fantastic run of results against the Wings' main rivals looked to have secured their place in the top five. However fatique eventually caught up on the small squad and dropped points at the end of the season proved costly as the Wings missed out on the playoffs by one point. They still finished sixth, their highest position in the Conference South ever andtheir highest league position for ten years.2011/12 saw the Wings climb to their highest league position for 26 years finishing third in the table and earning their first ever (and so far only) venture into post-season football. After reaching the playoff final with a 2-1 aggregate win over Sutton United, the Wings were defeated by their arch rivals Dartford by a score of 1-0 at Princes Park meaning another year in the Conference South.

Welling United finally regain their place in the Conference Premier after Jamie Day's team set a new Conference South league record of 12 consecutive wins and overcame a 10 point deficit by runaway leaders Salisbury City to win the league by four clear points.

In their first season back the enjoyed a comfortable season and would have finished higher had they not had a poor run at the end of the season with safety already guaranteed.

#### **WINGS FACTS**

GROUND - Park View Road FOUNDED- 1963 MANAGER - Steve King 2017/18 - National League South 10th

However, that proved to be the pinnacle. After all seemed to be moving along nicely, a vacancy arose at Ebbsfleet and Day, along with his management team of Barry Ashby and Dean Frost, found the lure too great and departed. Jody Brown came and went, then Loui Fazakerley took over the reins. Although Welling survived that season by the skin of their teeth there was no escape the following season and they finished rock bottom. Towards the end of that season Mark Goldberg bought into the club and also took on the role as team manager. Back in the Conference South, but now known as the National League South. Welling again struggledand Goldberg stood down to concentrate on off field affairs as he looked to re-build the whole structure of the club. Having finished a disappointing season but safe from relegation, and with Goldberg now chairman, former player Jamie Covle was appointed manager. Last season was a vast improvement although it tailed off towards the end and Welling missed out on a play-off position. Following a board meeting, Coyle was relieved of his post and Steve King was invited to be the manager for what is hopedto bea new dawn for the club



WEALDSTONE'S RECORD v WELLING UNITED

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#### WINGS WHO'S WHO..

#### **MONTEL AGYEMANG - MIDFIELD**

Came up through the ranks of Leyton Orient and made his debut for them in February 2015. He went on loan spells to Royston Town and Grays Athletic before moving on to Colchester United. He then moved to Maldon and Tiptree. Last season he played for East Thurrock United.

#### **JULIEN ANAU - MIDFIELD**

Having started in his native country with Paris FC, he moved to England to try his luck with Fareham. He then moved to Spain for a season with Ontinyent.Last season he travelled again and played for two clubs there. He started the season at Larne before finishing the season at Carrick Rangers.

#### **THIERRY AUDEL- DEFENDER**

Having played as a youth player in France and Italy he joined Macclesfield Town where he was part of their best ever F.A. Cup under Steve King. He then moved to Crewe Alexandra for an undisclosed fee where he spent two years. After a short spell back at Macclesfield, he joined Notts County making forty plus appearance before signing for Barrow where he was captain last season. He reunited with King at Welling in the summer.

# CRAIG BRAHAM-BARRETT - DEFENDER

Since first playing for Welling in 2008, he has played for a number of clubs. He was signed by Peterborough United before moving on to Grays Athletic. He then joined Farnborough before spells at Havant and Waterlooville, Sutton United then Macclesfield Town and was part of their best ever F.A. Cup run. He has since played for Cheltenham Town, Ebbsfleet United, Dover Athletic, Braintree Town. He is a current Montserrat full international.

#### **JORDAN GIBBONS - DEFENDER**

Came up through the ranks at Queens Park Rangers from where he had a loan spell at Inverness Caledonian Thistle before moving on to Yeovil Town. He then went on to Wingate and Finchley before playing for Phoenix Rising in Arizona. Upon his return to England, he signed for Whitehawk before moving to Welling in the summer.

#### **BRADLEY GOLDBERG - STRIKER**

He is a proven goal-scorer who won the Golden Boot in Bromley's promotion winning season to the National League. Earlier in his career he had spells at Hastings United and Dagenham and Redbridge (which included loansat Bromley and Bristol Rovers) before a permanent move to the Rayens.

#### **JOSH HILL - DEFENDER**

Very experienced at National League South level, he joined Welling United in September having been released by Braintree Town. Last season he won promotion with the Iron through the playoffs, a feat previously experienced at WEALDSTONE & Boreham Wood.

#### **DAVID IJAHA - MIDFIELD**

Having served an apprenticeship at Chelsea he moved on to Wolverhampton Wanderers to finish his youth development. He then had spells at Harrow Borough, St Albans City, Tonbridge Angels and Hayes and Yeading before signing for Whitehawk. It was there, under Steve King that he flourished and that got him a move to Plymouth Argyle. He then had a short spell with WEALDSTONE before re-uniting with King at Whitehawk last season.

#### **BRENDAN KIERNAN - MIDFIELD**

Although a former Crystal Palace youth team player, he left them to join AFC Wimbledon where he made 17 first team appearances over two seasons. He then moved on to Bromley before brief spells with Staines Town, Ebbsfleet United, Lingfield and Hayes and Yeading followed. After a short return to Bromley, he moved to Hampton and Richmond Borough where he made fifty appearances, scoring twenty goals before leaving them in the summer.

#### **GAVIN MCCALLUM - MIDFIELD**



He spent the last four seasons at Eastbourne Borough and was player of the year term having scored fifteen goals from out wide in a struggling team. Previously, his clubs have included Yeovil Town, Weymouth, Sutton United (two spells), Hereford United, Lincoln City and Woking. He scored on his debut for the Canada national team.

#### **ARNAUD MENDY - DEFENDER**

After having played professional football in France, he crossed the channel to sign for Derby County before joining Macclesfield Town where he was a member of Steve King's team in their best ever F.A Cup run. Following a loan spell, Luton Town bought him for £50k. He then went to Lincoln Town before joining up with King again at Whitehawk. Spells at Hemel Hempstead Town and Naxxar Lions in Malta followed before he returned to England and joined up with King again at Whitehawk. He is a current full international for Guinea-Bissau.

#### **DANNY MILLS - FORWARD**

He is on a season long loan from Ebbsfleet Town and has re-united with his former Whitehawk manager Steve King. Whilst at the Brighton based club he earned himself legendary status by scoring over 100 goals in all competitions and helping King's team reach the play-offs for two consecutive seasons, scoring 60 goals in the process. He ended last season on loan at Dartford.

He started his career at Crawley Town before moving to Peterborough United from whom he went on a number of loans.

#### **ZACK NEWTON -FORWARD**

A late starter who had never played competitive football until aged sixteen, he had a successful season at Worthing scoring eleven goals in twenty games which prompted his signing for Welling in the summer.He has also played for Metropolitan Police. Had an early season loan spell at Horsham and is now back at Worthing, also on loan.

#### RICHARD ORLU - DEFENDER

Following four seasons at Dover Athletic he joined Woking last season where he wore the captain's armband. Whilst at Dover he won promotion with the Whites when they beat Ebbsfleet United in the play-off decider. He then played in the National League play-offs with them

#### **DANIEL WILKS -GOALKEEPER**

As a youngster he played for Watford before moving to St. Mirren. He returned to England to play for Maldon and Tiptree from where he was loaned to Colchester United, playing every game for their under twenty-threes. Following a one month loan at Whitehawk last season, the move was made permanent and he went on to gain England C honours. Steve King brought him with him to Welling in the summer.

The History Boys
Wealdstone FC..
WEALDSTONE FOR THALL CLUB

Wealdstone FC..
founded 1900, 1899,
1898, 1896 or maybe
1887....When did it
really all begin?

It's been a bone of contention for years. When I was growing up, Wealdstone FC headed notepaper and even some forms of the club badge had 'Founded 1989' or even 'Founded 1900' writ large. See picture below.

It prompted Stones' historian ROGER SLATER to go all Dan Brown and delve even deeper into the club's 19th century history than he had managed when writing that epic tome about the club nearly 30 years ago.

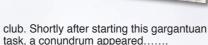
This is the Wealdstone version of the Da Vinci code. Mary Magdalene may not have been the founding mother of the club but Roge's findings are almost as sensational...

n 1950 Wealdstone FC celebrated their Golden Jubilee. Fifty-years of Wealdstone FC celebrated in an age where records were primarily memories.

There was limited access to anything that had gone before, minimal access to newspaper

archives, no internet, not even any microfiche record copies of old newspapers.

1n 1998, preparing for the Centenary, I decided that it would be good to use all of the modern technology and all the records now available to fully document this great



Jubilee Handbook

1900 - 1950

The Golden Jubilee Handbook (pictured above) made reference to earlier foundations of 'the club' and various earlier incarnations, but only in passing, almost dismissing these earlier sides as they weren't part of that club.

The Handbook also included extracts from the match report of the 'first' friendly match played by Wealdstone FC, in October 1899, versus Northwood FC.

With access now to more records, newspapers, reports and details of those early matches, we can establish the continuous link from 1887 to the present day.

Lets start with that 'first' match report of October 7th 1899. It mentioned that 'Wealdstone played several new men.' Therefore, several had played for the club before....

Local commentator and columnist 'Referee' made reference in the same issue to the fact that 'the same colours were worn...' **The same as what?** 

he search was on. Going back through time, week by week, using the local Harrow Archive and British Library and the microfiche records of the local newspapers, slowly a picture was built of the real formation of Wealdstone FC.

# **BY ROGER SLATER**

WEALDSTONE v WELLING 09.03.19

The first thing found was that the 1899-1900 season wasn't the foundation, nor indeed was it even the first season in which the club competed in a League as the previous year, then known as Wealdstone Albion, the club competed in the inaugural season of the Willesden and District League.

Sadly, the AGM records that preceded the 1899-1900 season and would have no doubt included the vote to drop 'Albion' from the name no longer exist, nor were they recorded in the local paper. What does exist are a great number of match reports from the previous and following seasons, that establish that the two clubs, Wealdstone Albion and Wealdstone FC were one and the same....

I have an image (sadly, too old to be reproduced here) that shows the last 12 matches of Wealdstone Albion, and the first 12 of Wealdstone FC (both where teams are known). In the matches shown, 27 players were used by each club, and 20 of those played for both clubs. We can also see that of the seven new players that appeared for Wealdstone FC in 1899-1900, five were former players of Wealdstone Wanderers who ceased playing at the end of the 1898-1899 season the club informally joining the Wealdstone side

Continuing the search back in time, it was apparent that Wealdstone Albion was a new name for an existing club also......Wealdstone Juniors, formed a couple of years previously changed their name as they were accepted into the league, and merged with Wealdstone Rovers.

Wealdstone Rovers and Wealdstone Wanderers had both formed in 1896. Both clubs had formed as a direct result of the demise of the Wealdstone Athletic Club and it's Football Section, the majority of players and officials continuing the dynasty with Wealdstone Rovers. In-

deed, eight of the players in each of the first two recorded 'Rovers' matches played in the initial new Wealdstone FC matches in 1899

Wealdstone Athletic Club had ceased play-

Roger watches the game at Gloucester last Saturday ing after just one season because of poor facilities in what was then a village. The poor condition of the pitches was reported, but the promised 'new field' for the forthcoming season did not materialise and the Athletic Club folded, the football section becoming Wealdstone Rovers.

It was the previous summer, 1895,that had seen the formation of Wealdstone Athletic Club and the football players returning to 'their own country' to play. Where did they return home from? The Harrow Athletic Club who they had joined in September 1894!

he merger was intended to produce a single local team capable of winning County Cups, as neither Wealdstone or Harrow Athletic had recorded much previous success.

It was the first Wealdstone FC that had merged with Harrow Athletic, but as research continued, even this was proved to be a progression of another side....

In 1887 Edgar Harrison of gunmakers
Cogswell and Harrison,
based in Wealdstone wished
to provide a football team in
the area for his workers. He
actually provided two; Cogswell
& Harrison were the white collar
team, and The Oaks who were his
blue collar workers team... (Both
are mentioned as forerunners of
Wealdstone FC in the Cogswell
& Harrison Centenary Brochure

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# The History Boys continued

from the 1980's). On 1st October 1887 The Oaks were the first to play, losing 0-1 to another local side called Grosvenor. The second match was a victory by 8-0 against Harrow Rovers who were in fact forerunners of the Harrow Athletic Club mentioned above.

The Oaks and Cogswell and Harrison first played each other on 19th Nov. 1887. In the match report of 1st December 1888, another against Harrow Rovers, The Oaks were once again listed as The Oaks (Wealdstone) FC.

The following season, the club was first referred to as The Wealdstone side and Wealdstone FC, The Oaks having disappeared from the name.

Wealdstone FC continued under that name until the merger with Harrow

Athletic (above), whilst Cogswell & Harrison remained representatives of the company until their factory was destroyed by fire in July 1894.

If you're still with me, this is a summary of the club's history going backwards in time during those formative years, with the newspaper cuttings proving that while the earliest incarnation of the club (The Oaks) was formed in 1887, the first 'Wealdstone FC' match was played in October 1889...

01.10.1887 - First match of The Oaks 16.03.1889 - First match of The Oaks (Wealdstone) FC

12.10.1889 - First match Wealdstone FC, The Oaks having been dropped from the name.

14.09.1894 - The merger between Wealdstone FC and Harrow Athletic.

1895 July - The AGM Minutes of Harrow Athletic Club reference the formation of the new Wealdstone Athletic Club and players

WEALDSTONE v. NORTHWOOD.

This match took place on Saturday at Northwood in fine weather. Wealdstone were playing several new men. Cozens won the toss, and elected to play with the sun at his back, Northwood having the benefit of a slight decline. The Stones got possession immediately from the kick-off, and Cozens opened the scoring with a fine shot from the extreme right, and S Dear scored a second a few minutes later, from a neat pass from his partner. The game was now very fast. Northwood getting down occasionally, although not allowed to become really daugerous. E Dear next scored goal Mo 3, with a fast shot, which the goalkeeper fumbled, and a few minutes later S Dear scored again from a corner from the left.

These reverses woke the homesters up, and they attacked, several chances being thrown away by had shooting, Bellohambers clearing finely on one occasion, however; but the visitors scoring once more, S Dear again doing the needful, the whistle sounded briftime, Wealdstone 5, Northwood o.

Immediately on the re-start the Stones got down through Livey, but the homesters now seemed more organised and repulsed them, and each side in turn pressed, but from some smart work by the whole of the forwards, Cozens was enabled to score the sixth goal. Give and take play ensued, Bellchambers bringing off several smart clearances, but at length from a rebound, after hitting the upright, Northwood were enabled to score their only goal, and shortly after the whistle went, leaving Wealdstone winners by 6—1

Report of the Stones' 'first ever game' against Northwood in 1999 when they field 'several new men' returning home to play for their own 'country.'

27.03.1896 - Harrow Athletic AGM Minutes – refers to the foundation of the original Harrow Rovers, Harrow Athletic and the merger with Wealdstone FC.

17.04.1896 - Wealdstone Athletic Club AGM Minutes – refers to the poor condition of pitches for the football section, which lead to its demise.

05.09.1896 - First match report of the Wealdstone Rovers

09.10.1897 - References Wealdstone Rovers and the newly formed Wealdstone Wanderers.

02.09.1898 - The name change from Wealdstone Juniors (merge with Wealdstone Rovers) to Wealdstone Albion & confirma-

tion of Wealdstone Albion in the inaugural season of the Willesden & District League

1899 July - Albion dropped from the name, Wealdstone FC playing in the Willesden & District League

I hope Wealdstone will be able to raise a decent team. Are all the Wealdstone players who were in last year's Harrow team going to play for their "own country?" They certainly strengthened the H. A. C. ranks last season; but one mixed those stirring matches that used to be played two years ago at Greenhill. I, for one, shall be heartily glad to hear the old cry again... "Play up, Stones!"

Can anyone tell me what became of the balance that was in hand when the Wealdstone Football Club decided not to fix any more matches? To the best of my recollection it was placed in the Bank until such time as a club was revived in the district. Would not the Wealdstone Athletic Club be justified in claiming it?

PROOF! This cutting from 1895 shows that Wealdstone FC were an established club .. at least five years earlier than its supposed founding





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|   | CONCORD RANGERS<br>Saturday, 25th August<br>Vanarama National League South         | Barry Eynon – in memory of John O'Connor |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | TRURO CITY<br>Saturday, 1st September<br>Vanarama National League South            | Optima Sit                               | e Solutions                   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | CHELMSFORD CITY<br>Saturday, 15th September<br>Vanarama National League South      | Optima Site Solutions                    |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | CREAT WAKERING ROVERS Saturday, 22nd September FA Cup 2nd Qualifying Round         | Dominic Whyley                           |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| HRBFC   | HAMPTON & RICHMOND<br>Saturday, 13th October<br>Vanarama National League South     | David Leigh                              |                               |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | <b>SUTTON UNITED</b><br>Saturday, 20th October<br>FA Cup 4th Qualifying Round      | Sent                                     | inel7                         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| À   | EASTBOURNE BOROUGH Saturday, 1st December Vanarama National League South           | Preston Manor                            | Century Boys                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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|   | <b>BILLERICAY TOWN</b><br>Saturday, 2nd February<br>Vanarama National League South    | Wealdstone<br>FC Ladies   |                |                    |                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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# RESULTS & FIXTURES 2018/2019

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| = Red Card         | = Penalty                  |  | FAC = FA Cup                |                             |
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| 1   | Hungerford Town         | NLS        | 1-1        |            |      | North          | Tyler          |  | Stevens            | Okimo<br>Okimo  | Poku<br>Poku |                                      |                    | Pratt    | I Green<br>White | → Hudson-Odoi<br>Hudson-Odoi |   | Mambo        | Brown             |                   | Monakana          |                   |
| 11  |                         | NLS        |            | 1,152      |      |                | Tyler          | Grant  | Stevens            |   |              | Monakana ∃                           |                    | Pratt    |                  |                              |   |              |                   | Wilson            | Clark<br>Mitchell | _                 |
| 13  |                         | NLS        |            | 1,323      |      | North          | Tyler          | Grant  | Stevens            | Okimo   | Poku         |                                      | Ahmidi             | Pratt    | Green            |                              |   | Mambo        |                   | Clark             |                   |                   |
| 18  |                         | NLS        | 3-0        | 981        |      | North          | Tyler          | Grant  | Stevens            | Okimo   | Poku<br>Poku | Monakana I -                         |                    | Pratt    | Green            |                              |   | Mambo        |                   | Clark             | Lench             |                   |
| 25  |                         | NLS        | 1-1        | 786<br>466 |      | North          | Tyler          |  | Okimo              | Mambo   |              | Monakana ⇒                           |                    | Pratt    | Green            |                              | → Wilson                                |              |                   | White             | Lench<br>Clark    |                   |
|     | Oxford City             | NLS        | 0-3        | 400        | 8    | North          | Tyler          | Grant  | Stevens            | Okimo   | Poku         | White ⇒                              | Lench              | Pratt    | Green            | ∃ Hudson-Odoi -              | → White                                 | Bubb ←       | Sheppard          | Monakana ⊭        | Clark =           |                   |
| -   | SEPTEMBER<br>TRURO CITY | NLS        | 3-0        | 743        | -    | North          | Tyler          | Grant  | Stevens            | Okimo   | Poku         | Bubb → II                            | Ahmidi =           | Pratt    | Green            | Hudson-Odoi =                | 1 Mamba                                 | Monakana     | Mitchell =        | Loneh ←           | Sheppard +        |                   |
| I   | Dulwich Hamlet          |            |            | 1.103      |      | North          |                |  |                    | Okimo   | Poku         | Monakana →                           |                    | Pratt    | Lench            | Hudson-Odoi                  | Wilson                                  |              | Green             |                   | Brown #           | _                 |
| 8   | CHELMSFORD CITY         | NLS<br>NLS | 1-1<br>2-3 | 856        |      | North          | Tyler<br>Tyler | Grant<br>Grant   | Stevens<br>Stevens | Okimo   | Poku         | Bubb                                 |                    |          | → Green          | Hudson-Odoi =                |   | Sheppard -   | Brown I ←         |                   |                   |                   |
|     | GREAT WAKERING ROVERS   |            | 2-3        | 402        |      | North          |                |  |                    | Okimo   | Poku         |                                      | Ahmidi =           | Brown    | Bubb             | → Shomotun                   |   | Mambo        |                   | Monakana ←        |                   |                   |
|     | East Thurrock United    | NLS        |            |            |      |                | Tyler          | Grant  | Stevens            | Okimo   | Poku         |                                      |                    | Brown    | → Shomotun       |                              | Wilson                                  |              | Monakana <b>≡</b> |                   |                   | =                 |
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Monakana, Own Goal

ABOVE: Action from our draw last Saturday against Gloucester City. Pictures courtesy @DfinillPhotos





# The World of Ball Victorian

Victorian era clubs as musical acts

Isewhere in today's programme there's news of Roger Slater having dated our great club's birth back to 1889 or even earlier. I'm already looking forward to the umpty-billionth club badge that Toby is surely concocting even now to mark the occasion. And think of it - 1889!

Non-league football has its fair share of wonderfully named clubs with great histories, and when you get into the weeds of our own origin story it's impossible not to be struck by the many wonderful club names that have long sinced been consigned to history. Names conjuring up the industrial and more deferential age of the time. A glance through the fixtures played by the then Wealdstone, Wealdstone Church Athletic or Harrow Athletic during the years in which our modern day club was coalescing into the single entity we know and worship today can paint an evocative picture of that sepia age.

Of course, people with actual talent and time could give you the actual histories of these long since defunct clubs, but sadly I have neither. Instead I've elected to tell you what kind of musical acts the names of our long lost Victorian opposition remind me of. (Look, it was either this or a history of Wealdstone in goalless draws, which in any event might be redundant now there's a few more years to consider, so please pay attention at the back...)

#### Willesden Radicals

(Season first played: 1903/1904. Club name at time: Wealdstone FC: Competition: Middlesex Junior Cup)

Jaunty second-summer-of-love beanie hat boy band brothers, prone to lip sync mishaps and an inability to time their recreational drug use against a brief but punishing tour schedule.



#### **Victoria Halls**

(1905/1906, Wealdstone Church Athletic, Willesden & District League)

Halls' ability as a classically trained flautist saw her through the X Factor's early rounds and success was guaranteed when her cover of 'Wuthering Heights' went viral. Has since struggled to 'define her sound'.

#### Ravensbourne

(1904/1905, Wealdstone FC, Friendly)

Shoegaze wannabe four-piece notorious for the spats between a 'mercurial' singer and 'temperamental' lead guitarist. These led to the band's early demise despite an album now seen as an archetype for late nineties trip-hop. Briefly reunited ten years ago in Ibiza, talk continues about a potential reunion.

#### Hyde & Kingsbury

(1898/1899, Wealdstone Albion, Willesden & District League)

Turn-of-the-20th century music hall duo whose pratfall japes and uncertain wash-board location routines led to a couple of well received 78s. (One half of the duo allegedly related to some programme editor or other.)

#### **Aptus**

(1899/1900, Harrow Athletic, London Cup)

Late sixties prog-rock masters whose seminal track 'Breakfast's Available' required a total of 38 musicians for it to be played in its full 27 minute glory. It was in touring this performance that the band was broken both artistically and financially.

# BY MARTIN READ



#### Clapton Clifton

(1896/1897, Harrow Athletic, London League)

Leicester-based fifties-style skiffle merchant whose '21st Century Bob Dylan' conceit was, following initial acceptance, spread woefully thin over two more poorly received albums. Has since turned up twice on *The Voice*; hasn't had a turn.

#### Cogswell & Harrison

(1890/1891, Wealdstone FC, Friendly)

Husband and best-man buddies from Harrow School who followed Mumford & Sons up the bland-as-anything folk-rock money tree. Now legally obliged to live in Shoreditch where they start each day with an 'ironio' bowl of cereal and demand alpaca milk to lace their achingly artisan coffees. (What, Roger told a different tale on page 18? Nonsense.)

#### **Holborn Circus**

(1892/1893, Wealdstone FC, Friendly)

Noisy Britpop three-piece whose brief dalliance with the charts in 1996 came to an abrupt halt when their bassist was asked to appear on Question Time.

#### **Pinner Gas**

(1893/1894, Wealdstone FC, League)

Former dad-rockers who were quick to trade corduroy and flares for safety pins and mohawks when the potential of punk became apparent in 1976. Never once accurately played an instrument, something that, ironically, they spent ages ensuring. Once toured briefly with the Sex Pistols.

# WEALDSTONE v WELLING WORLD OF BALL

#### Harlesden Victoria

(1893/1894, Wealdstone FC, Friendly)

Teenage grime goddess whose recordings with Lethal Bizzle saw her to a career high solo performance in the dance tent at Glastonbury a couple of years back. Has just amassed her ten millionth Instagram follower.

#### **Benjamin Brothers**

(1903/1904, Wealdstone FC, Willesden & District League)

Singer and dancer from an early new romantic group who were picked out by record company management to front a particularly insipid mid eighties jazz funk soul ensemble.

#### **Holly Park**

(1894/1895, Harrow Athletic, Friendly)

Feted as the British Joni Mitchell, Holly never fully reconciled her stultifying levels of stage fright with the obvious talent she had as a song writer. Now runs a commercial jingle production company in Hoxton.

#### Harlesden Primrose

(1899/1900, Wealdstone FC, Willesden & District League)

Harlesden Victoria's younger sister and nemesis; the 'rap beefs' between them have sustained both artists in the public eye despite a complete lack of new material in recent years.

#### **Vandals**

(1897/1898, Harrow Athletic, Middlesex Senior Cup)

Harrow's No.2 anarchist-punk revolutionaries, with a level of notoriety some considerable distance behind that of label mates *Crass*. (Also an actual punk band with Alison Moyet - straight up, that last bit is true.)

#### Mr Mott's XI

(1892/1893, Wealdstone FC, Friendly)

Victorian era 'Fishermans' Friends' whose take on eighteenth century folk ballads appealed to a public fixated by the past.

#### Mr R N Bosworth-Smith's XI

(1894/1895, Harrow Athletic, Friendly)

Multinational record company's poor attempt at creating their own Mr Motts XI for the 21st century.





BY MARK LLOYD STONES FANS GO DUTCH



s has become tradition in recent years a group of Stones fans have chosen one of our more low-key away fixtures to miss and do some scouting for the club in Europe. This year it was decided that we'd get the Eurostar to Brussels and decide where to go when we got there. It was a great surprise to all that the envelope containing the winning venue contained the name of the city of Rotterdam. Quick beer at Neil Rand's owned

Delerium bar and we were on our wav.

The rather cool accommodation (hats off John!) of a moored boat in the centre of the city served as base. Friday night saw the second division fixture of Sparta. the city's second club. host Waaliik at their tidy Brentford-

esque home ground. The home teams have an awful record when we do these trips, rarely winning, so it was no surprise when the visitors took the lead from a free header 10 mins before the break. Sparta

though rallied for the second half, as was anticipated from a team in the top 3 against a mid-table one, and they equalised with 20 to go. Our group had the novelty of staving the full 90 mins, a feat rarely known at these fixtures, and indeed not wholly unknown when watching our own team. and indeed were rewarded with a late home winner, sending the crowd of 9.000 into paroxysms of delight. We itemised zero players that would be suitable for The Stones for next season.

> Saturday was designated culture day. The impressivé Market is worth a visit. There may have been museums in the area but the clamour to find a decent bar to watch Spurs v Arsenal won out, and in truth. nothing screams European culture more than a faux

Irish bar populated by tourists, ex-pats, and local disciples of Spurs who are too voung to remember the Rotterdam riots of 1974. This then segued into the big event, Stones titanic clash against Gloucester

alued to the Twitter reports on their phones. The consensus seems to be a decent point. although there were other views. To continue the to some shockingly low quality games of darts, raucously delivered to openmouthed bemused locals. Wales Stones vanguished English Stones with the only

truth I'll never get so lucky again. (History will show a comprehensive 2-1 vistory to England..Ed.) Time slipped by meaning our chance

of a further scouting mission at Exelsior v PSV went begging. On the upside though we contended ourselves with a visit to an edge of town alternative music venue where 70s leftie punks Angelic Upstarts were playing their never-ending world tour before a crowd of around 100. They may have divided opinion if anyone could have deciphered the lyrics. As it was muchmoshing ensued with both Pottsy, and North Watford estate agent David Lloyd, a man that looks increasingly like the Hot Fuzz version of a white bearded Edward Woodward, taking an unseemly tumble and had to be helped up.

Sunday saw the journey south back to Brussels. The second division game between Union St Gallois and Tubize the destination. The ground is only a 10 minute taxi ride from Midi station so very handy.

A load of bars outside, Leffe on tap at Sunday lunchtime, the Stones boys were in heaven. From the outside the ground has a Highburyesque façade to the main stand, albeit much smaller, Inside it's interesting, with a big terrace opposite when the voluble home fans congregate. replete with a big old house at the top that puts our gun-turret to shame - and bolted down seats on terraces behind each goal. The ground had a capacity of 8000, with only 1500 in attendance. Their chairman is also the Brighton chairman, and the bar has great English pub signage. Game wasn't great, a 1-0 win for USG and an end-of-season feel. We made it through 80 minutes. Our self-appointed scouts agreed that there were no players the Stones could be interested in.

**WEALDSTONE v WELLING UNITED** 

**STONES ON TOUR** 

So another successful Stones escape was complete. We'll do another one next season. If you'd like to come along next time, well you can't, it's invite only.

Mark





# **REWIND: ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY**

# BY TIM PARKS

WEALDSTONES .. BIDEFORD



#### Henderson attack the Elmslie End against Bideford and (right) the Harry O's usual expansive report been intrigued that any team would travel that far to compete

in Southern League football...

the town is practically in Corn-

I was apprehensive about

our chances of winning the

league, having slipped below

Poole Town and Waterlooville

in the table, but reckoned the

their feet after that journey. And

minutes through Bill Byrne. But

penalty had put us ahead again

the last 15 minutes my teenage

Bideford quickly levelled, and

at the Elmslie End going into

nerves were jangling as our

Mackenzie seemed about as

confident as me. flapping at

equaliser. Luckily, Bideford

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crosses and spilling the ball as

the visitors looked for another

normally-safe keeper Roy

Devonians would be out on

I was feeling smug when we

took the lead after just two

even after a George Duck

wall and the journey in those

pre-M4 and M5 days took

about six hours in our old

Austin Wolsev.

# Those defining moments.. will today be one for Bobby's boys?

Saturday March 9 1974. Southern League Div One South: Wealdstone 3 Bideford Town 1

■ t seems that every successful Wealdstone season can be traced back to one defining moment when, arguably, the fates are tipped in our direction.

In 2004 the Stones were going nowhere, mid-table in the Ryman Div One North when Richard Jolly's wind-assisted strike saw us win 1-0 at Heybridge Swifts and then - nine wins out of 11 games later - end up in the play-offs and eventual promotion.

Five years ago we were chasing promotion from the Ryman Prem but successive defeats against Hampton & Richmond, and Canvey Island, saw us slip to third in the table as two games were rained off. We faced a tricky match at the Vale against Bury Town but after Scott McGleish gave us the lead in monsoon conditions the referee took the teams off and considered abandoning the match - happily he didn't; we

guieted the nerves with a 3-0 win and a subsequent 11 wins and four draws in the next 15 games catapulted us to the title.

And what of 1974 and Bideford, I hear you ask? Hadn't we crushed all-comers that year, eventually winning the title by 11 points?

Well yes we did. But on March 9th it was in the balance - we hadn't scored a league goal all year, apart from the 4-1 win over Ashford on New Year's Day

Our much-vaunted Byrne-Duck-Henderson strike force had fired blanks in four successive league games when we settled for goalless draws against Hastings, Bognor and Waterlooville and a 1-0 reverse to Ramsgate.

And the previous two weeks had seen us desperately crash out of the FA Trophy in the last 16, held at home by Northern Leaguers South Shields and then losing the replay on Tyneside 2-1 after extra time.

I remember the Bideford game very clearly especially as we'd visited North Devon on a family holiday only the previous year and I'd

# 'Stones close the gap, but are made to fight

By Phil Sugden

Wealdstone 3, Bideford 1

ON PAPER this was a very good result for Wealdstone. Bideford could be among the challengers for promotion with seven games in hand over the current leaders, Poole Town. And as Poole were beaten, Waterlooville could only draw and third placed Minchead also went down, the Lower Mead club is in a very strong position.

Those are the statistics, but the facts are that Wealdstone struggled hard for much of this game, were far below what we know to be their best and again showed shocking

And if the midfield men have gone off the boil, then it would be fair to say the front runners are little better. George Duck is but a shadow of his old self, Bill Byrne worked hard but lacked support and John Henderson is suffering from over-tight marking by every defence he runs up against.

All this might sort itself out if the midfield men were doing their jobs as efficiently as earlier in the season. Unhappily, they are not. Fairclough showed occasional flashes, but was never consistent.

Fulton appears to have lost his confidence and Godfrey, who was said to have performed brilliantly in his comeback game at South Shields, played ed brilliantly in his comeback game at South Shields, played n this one like a man out of

touch until the latter stages. Thanks be, the back four generally, had another excellent game. Presland was outstand-ing with firm tackling, cool clearances and occasionally superb distribution. Burgess swept up with almost nonchalent ease and used the ball well and McCormick, apart from a couple of lapses, was strong in the air and on the

Add to that "Mac" made three of the best scoring attempts provided by the home side, and he can be reckoned to have had a good game.

Kinnear, switched into the back-line to replace the injured Watson, had what can best be described as a sketchy game He did much that was good and several things which were apfailed to inspire the confidence of recent weeks.

braved a bitterly cold aftenoon o watch the proceedings.
It may sound churlish to crit cise a team which wins 3-1 against a hard tackling, but

Stones were too often se-A LOT TO DO

We may learn much from next Sunday's fixture against Poole, the leaders, down in Dorset. If Wealdstone can find their form there and win just one point, we may all take a different view.

Wealdstone could hardly have had a better start. They had won two corners in the first minute before they went a goal ahead after only 120 seconds.

Kinnear started the assault on an unsettled Devon defence, Duck flicked on and Byrne poitioned himself well to shoot Duck flicked on and Byrne positioned himself well to shoot past goalkeeper Lee.

Bideford needed just a minute to get on terms and home goalkeeper MacKenzie must take the blame for the score Stones were caught by a quick one-two passing movement but MacKenzie appeared to be in position to stop Gauntlett's shot which went through his hands after a bewildering comedy of errors in the six yard

At this stage Wealdstone were still making the running, with Byrne leading Snell a merry dance, mainly by virtue of taking him to the line, beating

him and then getting thumped in the back to earn a free-kick. Snell, indeed, gave away frees with all the energy of a youngster eating sweeties, but none of these awards proved

Bideford, with Derek May and John Gauntlett dominating began to put their football together and several times ex-posed Wealdstones' midfield weaknesses, before Henderson relieved an anxious period by racing on to a Fulton cross to head inches wide.

At this stage one thing must have puzzled every Wealdstone follower. Bideford goalkeeper David Lee always looked in trouble with the high crosses to either post. He dropped several and fumbled a few, but was never put under real pressure at a time when a goal might easily

#### BAD MOMENT

McKenzie had a bad mo-ment when Moch broke through a square defence and hammered a low drive which the 'keeper saved at the second attempt, but the best shot of the game came a few minutes from

the break. Duck, who had been strangley quiet, picked up a short pass on the edge of the box, ran a few yards and unleashed a tremendous drive which hit Lee's body and was frantically Lee's body and was frantically grabbed at the second attempt Had the shot been a foot either side of the Bideford keeper he

would not have seen it. Wealdstone re-opened quite brightly with Henderson providing two dazzling runs and Byrne twice earning free-kicks out on the left.

Bideford, however, were still having the better of the midfield and so it continued until the 52nd minute. Then Byrne broke on the left, from what looked to be a suspiciously off-side posi-tion. As he turned into the box he was tripped by Hillson and good referee G. M. Campbell. right on the spot, awarded a pe-

George Duck stepped up to send the ball hard and low past Lee for his 47th goal of the

season. McCormick joined the attack ing spree only to see his header cleared from the line and then in the 70th minute 'Stones clinched the game. Fairclough took one of a series of corners from the left, the suspect Lee failed to reach the ball with his attemped punch and saw Fairclough's efort swing into the net.

fort swing into the net.

Minutes later Lee partially atoned with a splendid save from Fulton and Wealdstone had a let off in the dying minutes when McKenzie made an error of judgement but the sound Presland was on hand to kick-off his goal-line.

Two points, but too many

Wealdstone: McKenzie: Presiand, Kinnear, Burgess, McCormick: Fulton, Fair-clough, Godfrey: Byrne, Duck, Henderson: Sub: Bristowe.

One or two misjudgeme

or ought hearts into the mouths of the 780 or so spectators who

good footballing side, but anyone who is honest will admit

One can only feel that with 16 hard games to come the Lower Mead club, despite a massive six games in hand on the leaders, has a great deal to

keeper David Lee was worse. Anything in the air was causing him palpitations and I was standing right behind the goal, jammed in against the railings as he waved a fist hopefully towards Paul Fairclough's left-wing corner. The ball wafted across from in front of the Supporters Club shop, under the shadow of the Elmslie Stand and then, wonderfully, arced over the flailing keeper and into the net at the far post. 3-1!

I had no doubt, as I made my way home to Pinner on the 182 bus, that the league title was now firmly in our grasp - and 14 wins in the last 17 games made all those dreams come true.

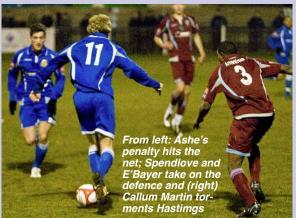


The programme line-ups that afternoon



Bill Byrne challenges Bideford keeper David Lee for this loose ball







# One in the eye for Hastings

Tuesday March 9 2010, Ryman Prem: Wealdstone 1 Hastings Utd 0

ealdstone were in a funk. The brilliant unbeaten autumn of 2009 (with its FA Cup run culminating in the epic 3-2 defeat by Rotherham) was a distant memory as Gordon Bartlett's team somehow lost its mojo... just one win in 11 games and no victory at the Vale in the New Year.

The previous three home games saw a 4-2 defeat by strugglers Waltham Abbey, 2-3 to Hornchurch and 0-2 to Hendon. I remember the forum's rallying cries to the depressed supporters who were watching a promising season peter out into mid-table obscurity - and suddenly the team responded.

Three days before this Tuesday night clash with high-fliers Hastings, we went to Cary Wanderers and chalked up a 3-1 win. And on the day of the game there were exhortations for the fans to stand together and get behind the team - together as one!

Well, it worked. There was a marked increase in energy and optimism on and off the pitch as the Stones flew at Hastings from the first

whistle with Callum Martin and Danny Spendlove - backed up by the midfield trio of Ashe, O'Leary and E'Bayer - working the openings that might have seen us four up at the interval, kicking towards the gun turret end.

In the end we had to settle for just 1-0, courtesy of a Ryan Ashe penalty given for handball. Ashey blasted in via the underside of the bar and, quite frankly, it was astonishing that that was how it finished as we had a dozen good chances spurned mainly by Jamie Osborne.

But the WFC train was back on track for the Ryman Prem play-offs... only to be derailed by the weather. We had to cram NINE matches into the final NINETEEN days of the season and ended up dead on our feet, losing the final match 4-1 to Richard Jolly & Co of Carshalton and finishing eighth.

Wealdstone line-up v Hastings: Sean Thomas, Marvin McCoy, Lee Chappell, James Gray, Dean Smith, Ryan Ashe, Mark E'Beyer, Chris O'Leary, Jamie Osborne, Carl Martin, Danny Spendlove. Subs: Logie, Fitzgerald, Mpi, Lavers, Beagle. Att: 329 Saturday March 9 2013, Ryman League Premier Division Whitehawk 1 Wealdstone 1

H, National Wealdstone Raider Day! This was the afternoon when 300 Stones fans descended on the south coast for the clash with big-spending table-toppers Whitehawk, and Gordon Hill had his famous run-in with 'Them Awks' followers.

That only came to light after the game of course - going viral on You Tube - while on the pitch the Stones stayed on line for the play-offs with a dominant performance.

with a dominant performance.
On a sunny afternoon the well-lubricated fans turned the Enclosed Ground into a home match - despite the shock of conceding first to the Hawks' towering Hakeem Araba, who bundled in a corner. With Araba and fellow striker Danny Mills both 6ft 5ins tall it was a tough ask for Sean Cronin and Wes Parker to nullify the threat of the endless high crosses, but we got a toehold back in the game with Peter Dean seeing his blast beaten away by home keeper Winterton. Parker and Chappell also stung his hands, and eventually the deserved leveller arrived (75 minutes) thanks to a moment of magic from Alex Dyer.

The silky midfielder cut inside from the left and bent a wonderful 20-yarder into the far corner to delight the visiting masses.

Only two minutes later, Stones sub Chris Moore was sent off without even touching the ball for a lunge on a home defender - but before long, it was 10 v 10 as Whitehawk's Mark Knee appeared to elbow another Stones sub, Nathan Webb, in the face. We piled into the attack in the final minutes but eventual champions Whitehawk hung on to claim the draw.

Wealdstone: Rikki Banks, Scott McCubbin, Lee Chappell, Wes Parker, Sean Cronin, Alex Dyer, Kurtney Brooks, Chris O'Leary, Peter Dean, Richard Jolly, Tom Pett. Subs: Webb, Moore, Godrey, Locke. Att: 587 (320 Wealdstone)

# ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY CONTINUED



# 1985... What might have happened if we'd not won at Maidstone?

YEARS AGO



Saturday March 9 1985, Gola (National) League: Maidstone Utd 0 Wealdstone 1

alking of defining moments...wind the clock back to 1985 and possibly the biggest defining moment in Wealdstone FC history occurred at the home of reigning National League champions Maidstone.

This was in the days before automatic promotion to the Football League and it's mind-boggling now to think that (if that was the case since the top non-league level was formed in 1979) Altrincham (twice), Runcorn, Enfield (twice), Maidstone, and yes, Wealdstone would all have been playing League Two football before Scarborough became the first club to benefit from

the rule change in 1987.

We, of course, ended up winning both the National League and the FA Trophy that spring of 1985 but would it had happened but for this unexpected three points at Maidstone's old London Road ground?

Because of our Trophy exploits we had half a dozen games in hand on the League pace-setters but were back in 10th place on the morning of March 9. Our season was unremarkable - until this point. As Eddie McCluskey, the manager of main rivals Enfield, pointed out, "Wealdstone are just parasites, living off other team's mistakes" and how Brian Hall's team fed off that remark for the rest of the season!

We greedily gobbled up the three points on offer for away wins, and won enough home games (two points) to steam away with the title. And it all began on this afternoon in

Maidstone thanks to a last-minute goal from 'super sub' Andy Graham.

The Lancashire schoolteacher had moved South for job opportunities and saw football mainly as a chance to enjoy himself at weekends - but his eye for goal, balance, power and aerial presence transformed our season. He had arrived with a bang only a fortnight earlier, volleying a stunning goal to put Stones on the way to a Trophy last-16 win over Welling United, but had to sit on the bench for an hour at Maidstone while a stalemate emerged before his eyes.

Eventually hamstring victim Mark Graves was pulled off the pitch and Graham delivered with barely 60 seconds left on the clock, curling a trademark 25-yard

right-footed effort around home keeper Derek Richardson and just inside the far post.

Graham, of course, wrote his name into folklore with eight goals in 18

appearances that season, every single one of them memorable. This one was special at the time, but looking back it was even bigger the catalyst for the our magnificent run of five wins in eight days that followed shortly after, and jettisoned the Stones to the top of the table where we remained.

The game, it later transpired, was also memorable for the career of one Vincent Peter Jones. 19-year-old Vinny (pictured above on his debut) was on the fringes of the team, incurring the wrath of manager Hall for his wild ways and frequent non-appearances and was on a final warning by the time the trip to Maidstone came around. He had spent the

# Super sub Graham adds a winning touch



Maidstone 0 Wealdstone 1

UNTIL, perhaps, a month ago, even the most ardent Wealdstone supporter may not have known a 24-year-old squad member called Andy Graham.

Due to an injury to leading scorer Mark Graves, Manager Brian Hall thrust Graham into the FA Trophy match against Welling, whereupon he duly obliged with a stunning flash of brilliance to send the Stones a goal up and on route to the next round, writes Durid Free.

On Saturday, with Graves restored to the side, Graham enjoyed the first hour of the game at Maidstone from the substitutes bench.

Unfortunately for Graves, his comeback was hindered by a slight hamstring strain and he retired on the hour to be replaced by Graham.

A few deft touches ensued as did one or two timely runs — but 'le piece de resistance' was reserved for the final minute of the game when, after an interchange between Davies and McCargo, the ball was presented to Graham 20 yards from goal.

A swivvel, a swerve and then a glorious right foot curling shot that evaded goalkeeper Richardson and settled contently in the back of the net. As Steve McCargo said afterwards: "It was perfection — the ball missed the goalie's fingertips by an inch and then curled in."

The game itself was never a spectacle, both sides it appeared had half an eye on their respective Trophy quarter-finals next Saturday.

Maidstone certainly had the majority of the ball, but their use of it had their fans holding their heads in disbellef.

Time after time a move would break down with a poor final pass, or would culminate in the resultant shot being blazed high over the crossbar.

The worst offender of the latter was Mark Newson who, on no less than nine occasions, failed to get his shot on target.

Maidstone chairman, Jim Thompson
— not a man to mince his words — was
left speechless.

This should not deter, however, from Wealdstone's defensive play — a team can only play as well as the other team lets them.

The back four were resolute and their ability to hustle the opposing forwards was a telling factor.

In goal on Saturday was the former Dagenham, Enfield and Hendon keeper Paul Cotter, who was making his debut. Bob Iles injured a hand during last week's Morritt Homes Captial League victory against Gillingham and was not risked.

Cotter made a sound if not fortunate start to his Wealdstone career, combining several competent saves with one or two very lucky ones.

During a fairly even first half Wainwright and McCargo, each with 25yard shots, probably had the visitors best chances, whilst Sile and Pearson held similar honours for Maidstone.

Maidstone played more positively in the second half and their best chance of the match fell to substitute Lazarus — Byatt being deceived by a high ball but the resultant shot saved somewhat unceremoniously by Cotter's ample posterior.

Shortly afterwards Holmes lost possession — the ball falling kindly for ex-Wimbledon striker Phil Driver but his shot was saved by Cotter's outstretched foot.

With everyone settling for a 0-0 draw it was a great surprise when Graham scored the goal which moved Wealdstone five places up the Gola League table.

Weakdstone: Cotter, Perkins, McCargo, Byatt, Bowgett, Wainwright, Jones, Holmes, Cordice, Graves (Graham, 60), Davies.

previous night in a police cell for being involved in a punch-up at a Watford nightclub - and then raced home for his club blazer and boots, and then on to Lower Mead only to miss the 11am club coach by minutes.

Vinny was crazy with fear - he knew his dreams of professional football could be over if he failed to appear for the game. "I got to Waterloo station, and then just asked how to get to Maidstone - I was desperate" he wrote in his autobiography. "Fortunately the train arrived in time for me to get to the ground before the coach arrived - Brian Hall was very angry but just relieved, I think, that I had got there as we had injuries and suspensions."

Vinny filled in in midfield in that game alongside Robin Wainwright and Lee Holmes, and it's interesting to remember Andy Graham's recollections of often arriving early for training around that time and sitting in Mario's cafe in Station Road with the teenage Vinny who was killing time after working on the building sites. "He was utterly focused on becoming a pro and had such belief in

himself - even though he was one of the worst players I've every played with!" recalled Graham

f course Vinny had the last laugh. Within two years he was playing in Division One for Wimbledon, heading the winner against Manchester United, and a further year on he was instrumental in the Dons winning the FA Cup at Wembley against Liverpool. He is now an actor with homes in Hollywood and Hertfordshire, while Andy Graham is still a humble history teacher, based on the Wirral, Merseyside.

But when the 1985 double winners got together at The Vale four years ago to remember the good times, Andy was there. Nearly everyone was there. Even former chairman David Morritt was there. But Vinny's demons (he was proper miffed when he didn't get in the 12 for the Trophy final) wouldn't allow him to recall that amazing season, and instead he went to watch Watford, just eight miles up the road.

Not really a team player, our Vinny,

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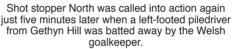


The game could not have started any better for the away side, it took just six minutes for midfielder Simon Mensah to break the deadlock when his deflected edge-of-the-box strike found the net via the post.

Weston reacted positively to going behind, a dangerous free-kick from Jennison Myrie-Williams seven minutes after conceding was well-cleared by Stones striker David Pratt.

The game began to settle down after 20 minutes, but a heavy downpour restricted the Stones to playing off the floor.

Myrie-Williams was causing problems on the right-hand side, he cut onto his left foot and struck a goalward shot which was caught by Jonathan North on the 28th minute.



Wealdstone were able to soak up the Seagulls pressure before doubling their lead when a leftfooted Danny Green corner was met powerfully by Connor Stevens in the 37th minute.

Jake Lee almost responded well for the Seagulls just before half-time, the long-range effort went just wide of North's far post.



# **SECOND HALF**

It took just two minutes of the second half for Weston full-back Jason Pope to see his shot go into the side-netting.

Mensah was able to double his goal tally just seven minutes into the second half when he calmly converted a loose ball low into the corner of the net.

Crawley loanee Tarryn Allarakhia then got himself on the scoresheet just after the hour mark when he

latched on a defence-splitting pass from Christian Smith meant Allarakhia could complete a simply finish past Purnell at his near-post.

Wealdstone were able to silence the Seagulls for most of the second half, stopping any potential counter-attacks from the home side.

Mensah was clumsily-fouled by Purnell in the box which was spotted by referee Scott Jackson. Just under 15 minutes to go and the Stones were awarded a penalty.

Smith was elected for the spot-kick and slammed the ball into the net from 12-vards in the 79th minute.

Alex Bray latched onto a Naby Diallo cross with five minutes to go but could only find the hands of a confident North.

Efforts from Seagulls substitutes Eli Phillips and George Nurse in the final few minutes were lacking the target to secure North's clean sheet.



#### LINE-UP

Purnell Pope **Byrne** Lee Parsons Harrison Welch Diallo Hill Myrie-Williams Bray Subs:

> Nurse Cane **Phipps**

Jackson Lucas



Mensah (x2) Stevens, Smith, Allarakhia

#### LINE-UP

North Tyler Grant Stevens Okimo Poku Allarakhia Mensah Pratt Green Smith Subs:

Sheppard **Paterson** McKeown **Brown** 

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| Ahmidi, Wadah *       | 11                          |   |   | 3 |           |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 14     |    |     | 14                   |    |    |
| Allarakhia, Tarryn    | 4                           |   | 1 |   |           |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 4      |    | - 1 | 4                    |    | 1  |
| Azeez, Femi           |                             | 3 |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 2   |                     | - 1 |                         |   |   | 2      | 3  | - 1 | 2                    | 3  | 1  |
| Bridgeman, Josiah     |                             |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 1      |    |     | 1                    |    |    |
| Brown, Stefan         | 1                           | 2 | 1 | 1 |           |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 2      | 2  | - 1 | 2                    | 2  | 1  |
| Bubb, Bradley         | 11                          | 5 | 6 | 3 |           | 2 |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 14     | 5  | 8   | 26                   | 7  | 13 |
| Charles, Elliott *    |                             | 5 | 3 |   | 1         |   |   | - 1          |   | - 1 |                     | 1   |                         |   |   | 1      | 7  | 4   | 1                    | 7  | 4  |
| Clark, James          | 1                           | 1 |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 2   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 3      | 1  |     | 3                    | 1  |    |
| Grant, Freddie        | 11                          |   |   | 3 |           |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 14     |    |     | 14                   |    |    |
| Green, Danny          | 22                          | 5 | 2 | 2 |           |   | 1 | 1            |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 26     | 6  | 2   | 122                  | 14 | 27 |
| Hudson-Odoi, Bradley  | 13                          | 4 | 3 | 1 |           |   | 2 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 16     | 4  | 3   | 54                   | 12 | 18 |
| Kowalkowski, Pawel    | 1                           | 2 |   |   |           |   |   | 1            |   |     | 1                   |     |                         |   |   | 1      | 4  |     | 1                    | 4  |    |
| Lench, Matt *         | 5                           | 8 | 1 | 1 | - 1       |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 6      | 9  | - 1 | 6                    | 9  | 1  |
| Mambo, Yado *         | 1                           | 1 |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 2      | 1  |     | 2                    | 1  |    |
| Massingham, Luke      |                             |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 1      |    |     | 1                    |    |    |
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| Medford-Smith, Ramarn |                             |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 9      |    |     | 9                    |    |    |
| Mensah, Simon         | 10                          | 3 |   |   |           |   | 1 | 1            |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 11     | 4  |     | 11                   | 4  |    |
| Mitchell, Reece       | 2                           | 7 | _ |   |           |   |   |              |   | - 1 | - 1                 |     |                         |   |   | 3      | 8  |     | 3                    | 8  |    |
| Monakana, Jeffrey     | 10                          | 8 | 1 |   | 2         |   |   |              |   |     | 1                   |     |                         |   |   | 10     | 11 | 1   | 16                   | 13 | 2  |
| North, Jonathan       | 27                          |   |   | 3 |           |   | 2 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 32     |    |     | 375                  | 1  |    |
| Obi, Ogo              | 1                           | 2 |   |   |           |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 1      | 2  |     | 1                    | 2  |    |
| Okimo, Jerome         | 27                          |   |   | 3 |           |   | 2 |              | 1 |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 32     |    | - 1 | 129                  | 5  | 2  |
| Payne, Joe            | 5                           |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 6      |    |     | 6                    |    |    |
| Poku, Godrey          | 28                          |   |   | 3 |           |   | 2 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 33     |    |     | 33                   |    |    |
| Pratt, David          | 26                          |   | 9 | 1 |           |   | 2 |              | 1 |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 29     |    | 10  | 50                   | 1  | 16 |
| Regis, Christopher    | 1                           |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | - 1 |                     |     |                         |   |   | 2      |    |     | 2                    |    |    |
| Roberts, Myles        | 1                           |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 1      |    |     | 1                    |    |    |
| Rodgers, Anton        |                             |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 2   |                     | 2   |                         |   |   | 2      |    | 2   | 2                    |    | 2  |
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| Sheppard, Jake        | 13                          | 3 |   | 2 | 1         |   | 1 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 16     | 4  |     | 28                   | 5  | 1  |
| Shomotun, Fumnaya *   | 5                           | 4 |   | 3 |           | 2 | 1 |              | 1 |     | 1                   |     |                         |   |   | 9      | 5  | 3   | 9                    | 5  | 3  |
| Slew, Jorome *        | _                           | 1 | 1 |   | 1         |   |   |              |   | 1   |                     | - 1 |                         |   |   | 1      | 2  | 2   | 1                    | 2  | 2  |
| Smith, Christian      | 5                           | 2 | 1 | _ |           |   | 2 |              | 1 | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 8      | 2  | 2   | 8                    | 2  | 2  |
| Stevens, Connor       | 26                          |   | 3 | 3 |           | 1 | 2 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 31     |    | 4   | 31                   |    | 4  |
| Tyler, Rhys           | 18                          |   |   | 1 | 1         |   | 1 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 20     | 1  |     | 20                   | 1  |    |
| Wheeler, Sonny        | -                           |   | 4 |   |           |   |   |              |   | 2   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 2      |    |     | 2                    | -  | 0  |
| White, Joe *          | 5                           | 1 | 1 |   |           |   | 2 |              |   |     |                     |     |                         |   |   | 5      | 1  | 1   | 22                   | 5  | 9  |
| Wilson, Glenn *       | 7                           |   |   |   |           |   | 2 |              |   | 1   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 10     |    |     | 30                   | 1  | 1  |
| Yala-Bolasie, Glenn   |                             |   |   |   |           |   |   |              |   | 2   |                     |     |                         |   |   | 2      |    |     | 2                    |    |    |



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| 4 Billericay Town       | 33   | 17    | 7  | 9    | 60 | 48 | 16  | 9  | 3   | 4  | 28 | 23 | 17 | 8 | 4 | 5   | 32 | 25 | 12  | 58  | 1-1 | 0-1 |      |
| 5 Welling United        | 33   | 17    | 6  | 10   | 53 | 37 | 17  | 12 | 3   | 2  | 34 | 18 | 16 | 5 | 3 | 8   | 19 | 19 | 16  | 57  |     | 1-1 |      |
| 6 Dartford              | 33   | 16    | 8  | 9    | 43 | 40 | 16  | 10 | 4   | 2  | 25 | 16 | 17 | 6 | 4 | 7   | 18 | 24 | 3   | 56  | 1-1 | 3-0 |      |
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| 9 Concord Rangers       | 33   | 14    | 12 | 7    | 51 | 39 | 16  | 9  | 6   | 1  | 32 | 14 | 17 | 5 | 6 | 6   | 19 | 25 | 12  | 51  | 1-1 | 2-2 |      |
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| 13 Oxford City          | 32   | 12    | 5  | 15   | 48 | 47 | 15  | 7  | 2   | 6  | 24 | 15 | 17 | 5 | 3 | 9   | 24 | 32 | 1   | 41  | 0-2 | 0-3 |      |
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| 17 Hampton & Richmond   | 32   | 9     | 8  | 15   | 32 | 45 | 17  | 5  | 3   | 9  | 15 | 23 | 15 | 4 | 5 | 6   | 17 | 22 | -13 | 35  | 2-1 |     |      |
| 18 Truro City           | 33   | 9     | 8  | 16   | 51 | 66 | 16  | 5  | 3   | 8  | 24 | 29 | 17 | 4 | 5 | 8   | 27 | 37 | -15 | 35  | 3-0 | 2-1 |      |
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