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BY MARK HYDE

Here's to three points tonight and see you all in Hemel Hempstead on Saturday

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Supporters' Scene

ood evening one and all. May I start on a personal note by thanking the many Wealdstone family members that congratulated me and my long-suffering non-football fan Neil on our recent 50th anniversary, which goes someway to explain my whitening hair! It was greatly appreciated by us both. I should like to re-iterate Mark Randall's request in the last Supporters' Committee programme notes for some more volunteers to assist the committee in providing much needed fund raising events and travel to away matches for those who have no alternate method of travel. These tasks can easily be shared so that they do not become chores. Please contact Mark on m c randall@hotmail.com to discuss or pop into the Megastore. Remember, many hands make light work.

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STONES INTERVIEW BY TIM PARKS

Ross Lafayette

'I was scoring goals for Welling as they provided me with the tools.. here at Wealdstone we have the wide players & the quality to do the same thing'

OSS Lafavette went so under the radar the first time he pulled on a Stones shirt that we even got his name wrong in the programme!

Ten years ago, the then-23-year-old was "so excited' to be signing for the Stones that he could overlook the misspelling for the prestigious home friendly with Leeds United's Championship side. That game was arranged as part of the deal that took Wealdstone's star striker Jermaine Beckford to Elland Road in an £80,000 move - and the summer's evening ended with Ross grabbing the deciding goal in a 2-1 win in front of a 1,400 crowd at The Vale.

> 'Yeah, that whole evening was unreal" laughed the target man, who was the first capture of this close season and the first name on Dean Brennan's wanted list. "I was talking about those days only the other night with Northy, who caught the tail end of the Lee Chappell-Chris O'Leary-Jimmy Gray era.

It was a crazy time - such a good dressing room with the banter flying about and some unreal things happening. The Superman pants thing and the whole autumn leading up to the Rotherham FA Cup game - I'm not as outgoing as some of the others but that was a special time for everyone."

Ross was on the periphery that autumn of 2009, only appearing six times as manager Gordon Bartlett went with the dynamic Greg Ngoyi-Charlie Mpi combination up front. "Looking back with reflection, I wasn't at my strongest back then - just recovering from

an anterior cruciate ligament injury that had stopped me playing for 18 months. I was just desperate to get some game time and thought the move to the Stones would be brilliant

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for me. It's a big club - I grew up in Rickmansworth and Croxley Green so I know all about the history of the club - but it was all too soon and I needed more recovery time."

He was only on the losing side once (a Middlesex Cup defeat to Uxbridge) and was influential coming off the bench with his solitary goal in Wealdstone blue coming in a 3-1 FA Trophy win over Margate at the Vale.

He also made a late appearance in the epic FA Cup game with Rotherham here. coming on in a double substitu-

ition with Danny Spendlove that so nearly saved the game at 3-2 behind.

"Spendy was brilliant and nearly scored a after a solo run, and then I was played in on goal but it was just too far ahead of me and the keeper saved. It might have been alorious!"

"In the end I felt I wouldn't break back into the side and went back to Aylesbury, where I'd played my early football, and then Burnham."

was a move to Southern Leaguers Hemel Hempstead in 2010 that really sparked the career of the 6ft 2in striker. "I was playing up front with Dennis Fennemore and it was a great partnership. My goals there earned me a move to Welling in the Conference South, and we blasted our way to the title in 2013. That was probably the best period of my career - so far! Jamie Day was the manager and he really believed in me, giving me the tools to score lots of goals. We had quick wingers who got the ball into great areas, giving me the chance to finish... and Dean Brennan. the boss here has a similar philosophy. He likes to keep the ball on the floor, getting the ball wide and at speed and we have the rapid, clever players to really make it work this season.

"The club kept the strong core from

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last year - Northy, Jerome, Shepp and Greenie - and brought in some seriously talented new players. Dejon and Dennon will score goals while Jacob Mendy is brilliant and slightly unpredictable! We may not have the biggest names but it's a good changing room, lots of joking and laughter and real competition for places. I was at Billericav with Connor Smith last season and I know what a good character he is, and a great box-to-box midfielder who can pick a pass. And he's got that Irish humour!"

oss scored an impressive 36 goals in 79 games at Welling, including a couple of stellar displays against Luton Town (on their way back into League Two in 2014 as Conference champions).

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Above: Ross leaps to score for Welling and (above right) he celebrates a goal against Dartford on opening day. Foot of page: Ross pictured in 2009 (far left) with RyanAshe and Chris O'Leary celebrating a goal againt Margate in the FA Trophy

"I got one goal against them and the crowd was saying 'sign him up, sign him up!' says Ross.

"And that summer that's just what happened. John Still was the manager and he brought me in, my first full-time contract, on a promise that I would replace the veteran Paul Benson as the season progressed. But he sold me the dream. I only made one start, in a 2-0 win over Cheltenham at Kenilworth Road in front of 9,000 and I played pretty well I thought. But back came Benson after that game and that was it, my Football League days were over".

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Sutton United, with a ten-game spell at Maidstone last year before a move to Billericay that tested the endurance of the Rickmansworth-based striker who hated the endless treks around the M25.

"Wealdstone is a great fit for me, just 15 minutes from home for matches and training and they match my ambitions, to score goals and get promoted. Meeting Rory was the clincher. And since then I've been impressed by the signings and the club as a whole."

Ross has worked in digital media for eight years, originally with the Independent and the Evening Standard but now for the new startup Flash Talking platform that hopes to make its mark in the field. And if you understood that you're clearly not an old print-media dinosaur like me!

He can tailor his office hours around football but confesses that the workload has become really tough now the games have started. "We've got EIGHT league matches in August and I really can't fathom why it's so many, so soon. It seems like we've only had a two week break this close season and it makes the first month

hugely important. But we're gelling well as a squad and winning... we're ready for anything!"

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Where vou live. Paul? Chalfont St Giles. Buckinghamshire - 9 years

Where do you work? London Bridge for the British Transport Police

First Stones game attended (and when): | have seen sporadic Stones games over the years but my first one as a supporter was v Hungerford in season 2017/18. I watched a few more games that season including the Bracklev FA Trophy ties.

What or who persuaded you to become a Stones fan? My little lad Joe persuaded my Dad and I. My Dad Nigel was lucky to play for the Stones in the 70's and the club featured him in a matchday programme 2 seasons ago. As guests of the club that day Joe got to watch the Stones for the first time and enjoyed it so much he wanted to go back - and we weren't going to argue. I have since found out that both my Grandads watched the Stones at Lower Mead, My Grandad Joe McCaul drove the team bus to the Amateur Cup Final in 1966, my Mum, who grew up in Wealdstone, worked as a barmaid at Lower Mead and one of the directors of Wealdstone chauffeured my Mum and Dad to their wedding day at St Joseph's Church in Wealdstone! So the club is linked to the family and I am happy we are now able to support the Stones.

Do you prefer lower-League football? Yes, without a doubt. I grew up watching lower league football. I spent a period away from it watching Arsenal in the mid 2000's. Having come back to watching lower league football, I can't believe I ever felt the need to go away from it. Watching the Stones has really ignited my enjoyment for everything about it. I think my Dad is very happy that I felt the 'love' of lower league football and I know we are both chuffed to bits that my kids and nephews are liking the Stones and lower league experience with us now.

Any disadvantages? Its difficult to wax lyrical to all about lower league football due to the lack of interest in it or the complete ignorance to it. I often find myself wanting to talk to them about the Stones and their results at the weekend but find that it is lost on people!!!!

How do you fit watching football, and Wealdstone, into your family/working life? Do the kids enjoy watching games? The kids enjoy watching football although they are still at an age where their attention span is tested! Amelia who is 12 prefers the bright lights and crowds of big games although she is softening to the Stones after their run in the play offs. Joe who is 8

PAUL FRANKLIN

Keeping it in the family: Paul (right) with his dad Nigel, and (below) it's grandad with

looking the part!

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Joe and Connie (and latest convert Amelia)

is a regular at the Stones matches and many

recognise him now and say hello and Connie

who is five comes when she isn't out at one

ing and playing football. Their preferred choice of clothing is invariably a football shirt and trainers!

Have you noticed more under-18s at Stones games? Is the demographic about right? I think the Stones are very lucky with the fan base they have and part of that is the strong number of 'Youth' that attend both home and away. It should be encouraged and built on as they are ultimately the future of the club. I go to many lower league games and it is worrving the lack of vounger fans that are coming along. It's a difficult conundrum to solve as marketing and selling the club takes time and money, commodities precious to many lower league clubs. The Stones certainly need to embrace the youth coming through the door, manage any negativity around them and work together to keep that vital part of the fan base interested and growina for the lona term.

Do you follow any other team? I grew up in Chesham so I watched Chesham United home and



away for many vears with mv Dad and still take an interest in their results. Dad and I gave Joe the choice to watch Chesham Utd or the Stones and he chose the Stones. From that point on we were hooked and have enjoyed become part of the passionate Stones fan base. Most memorable game/s vou've EVER seen?

The World Cup Semi Final in Moscow last vear. To be able to be in Moscow was something very surreal and special and I will always be grateful

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I I had the opportunity to be there even if the result wasn't what we wanted as England fans.

And most memorable Wealdstone game?

Being a Johnny Come Lately to the Stones the one that sticks out for me was Bath in the Play Off eliminator. Absolute scenes as Jeff stole in on the back post to go 2-0 up and then having to hang on with Northy injured and players limping all over the park. That one match epitomised everything good about the Stones as a team and fans.

What really gets your goat watching football? There are several gripes. Half and Half scarves, The Mexican Wave, the imbalance of finances throughout the footballing pyramid are just some, but I would have to say the biggest one is the inconsistency of officials at all levels of the game from grassroots through to the Premier League. It's a multi-million pound industry, with many livelihoods, trophies, survivals statuses of football clubs etc. at stake and it is refereed by people who have invariably never played the game causing them to not understand or appreciate the game situation on the that pitch for that 90 minutes like the players would. It leads to inconsistency of decisions and sometimes decisions not made at all effecting results and ultimately everything that comes with that.

Have you ever played the game yourself (to any level?) and most memorable moments? I was lucky enough to progress through youth football and play for Chesham United U/18's in the Allied Counties League. I then took a Soccer Scholarship at Harris

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Stowe State College in St Louis, Missouri for a year before returning to the UK and plaving for another 7 years in the Suburban League, Isthmian League and Spartan League. I spent my favourite years plaving for Ruislip Manor at the Vale. I think I will always remember with fondness the fact that I always had my Mum and Dad to come and watch me play whenever and wherever it was. Their encouragement and support was never unwavering and positive. They always encouraged my brother and I to be the best players we could be and supported any decisions we made giving constructive opinions to help us make those decisions. I can honestly say I have never come across a set of parents as supportive as my Mum and Dad when it comes to making sure I got to play and enjoy football. I was also fortunate enough to play in the same team as my brother many times and on one occasion we were able to play in the same team as my Dad, which was great. We also have the nice fact that we have all played in an FA Cup tie!

Any suggestions to improve your Stones -watching experience at the Vale? It would be nice to have more terracing on the Wenzel Stand side of the pitch which is where we prefer to stand. The kids find it hard

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to see over the pitch perimeter barrier and at times it can be more than one person deep so it can difficult for people to see. Favourite current Wealdstone line-up (1-11, with **reasons)?** With the new squad being built it is a hard one to finalise but I am very pleased to see the backbone of last year's team – Northy, Connor, Jerome, Jake and Greeny – being retained along with the recruitment of NL South experience especially in the forward positions.

Favourite all-time Stones line-up (with reasons)? I have to pass on this as being a new supporter it is difficult for me to comment on the past players but I am aware they have had some absolute pearlers represent the club. I suppose I must at least say my Dad would be in it if I picked one (as he will read this!!!)

Best away trips to watch football? Anywhere I can go with my Dad and the kids and experience the highs and lows with them and the rest of the Stones on the Road. The anticipation of the game, seeing new grounds, bumping into familiar faces and dissecting where it went right or wrong on the way home all add up to a great away day.

Best non-League ground you've visited? I love non - league grounds with history and character and I have been lucky to visit many of those over the years both watching at and playing at. I am not keen on the new identikit stadia with 4G turf that are popping up. I understand they serve a purpose but for a fan watching football they can be appalling. I have a fondness for The Meadow, Chesham United's ground (pictured left), for the very reasons I highlighted. But in the not too distance future it could be replaced with a new ground somewhere else in the town.

Best stadium you've EVER visited?

I genuinely enjoy all stadiums I visit. I am a bit of a geek when it comes to stadiums and like the fact they are all different. I would have to say it is easier to say the ones I haven't liked and that is Southend United and

Chelmsford City.

What are your expectations for the Stones for this season? To compete every week to the level that Stones fans expect. If they compete then the chances of doing very well are there. It is going to be a season that starts off with some with some excitement as well as apprehension due to the change of manager and the overhaul of the squad that was so well appreciated last season. I personally feel very confident that Dean Brennan and his squad will do well this season.

How does the current programme compare with others you see? It is by far the best I've seen and quite rightly gets the recognition it deserves. Well done and thank you to all those responsible for putting together something so good whilst other clubs are now no longer even bothering with a matchday programme.

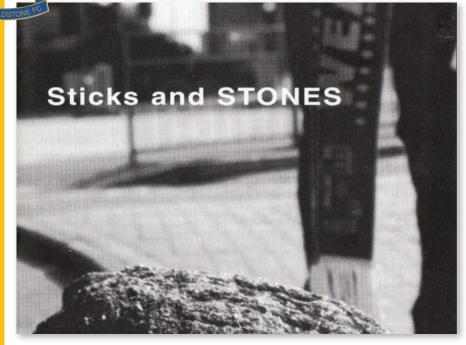
What has been the most readable/ least readable Fan in the Stand so far? The Fan in the Stand is a nice way to introduce fans to others. We are a passionate and committed bunch and the one thing that endeared me to the Stones was the unwavering, partisan attitude the fan base have for their club. It is a special club to be a fan of and I can completely see how you can be bitten by the Stones bug. So knowing more of them through this feature is a good thing! What do you think of the bars and catering at The Vale? I think they are more than adequate, offering a good range of food and drink at reasonable prices. I know the kids and friends they bring along love their 'Football Chips'

Have you visited the clubshop? Yes, we visit every home match so that Joe can get his Junior Stones loyalty card stamped.

Finally, where do you see the club in ONE year's time? I think the Holy Grail is progressing out of the National League South and into the National Conference. We must compete to the best level we can under a sensible financial model and showing progress, however little that is.



WEALDSTONE v CHIPPENHAM TOWN STICKS & STONES



On Saturday August the 14th 1999 at Edgware's White Lion ground, Wealdstone beat Harlow Town 3-1 in a Ryman League Division One match. On the same day the Wealdstone CD "Sticks & STONES' was released. Today we celebrate it's 20th anniversary......

Ver the years, especially prominent in the 70's to 90's, many football clubs released club songs released as singles and of course some of the bigger clubs like Spurs, Chelsea, Arsenal etc have charted. Indeed, Wealdstone's very own Roy Davies along with Steve McCargo, going under the guise of The Defenders (for defenders they were), released the classic Down At The Wealdstone/We Are The Stones on vinyl back in the early 80's. However, Sticks

and STONES, the Wealdstone music CD was probably the first full length CD Album issued by a non-league club so was pretty pioneering for its' time. In amongst the Quiz Nights, Race Nights, Sponsored Walks and other stuff, it was designed as a fund-raiser for the Wealdstone's impending move to the Prince Edward Playing Fields. It featured mostly Wealdstone Supporters in bands at the time who provided an eclectic mix of genres to create the music compilation. It also featured the return of Roy Davies himself who provided the sombre finale to the collective track listing. It's important to note that a lot of those fans still come to games today. A fun project it went on to spawn 5 StonesAid gigs over the years as well as a mention in the Times no less.

A lot of water has passed under the bridge 20 years on. The actual Wealdstone itself which graced the front cover is still there of course but the Red Lion Pub it used to stand outside is not. Sadly, as we know, Wealdstone F.C. never got to Prince Edward Playing Fields so the photo at the back of the CD booklet (yes that's Prince Edward Playing Fields before Barnet got it) proved ironic. Furthermore, some of the people involved in the original CD, notably Richard Little (drummer with Metal Mode) and Ian Spicer (bassist from Ginger Whine) have passed away in somewhat tragic circumstances. Although she didn't appear on the CD, Lisa McKane, who sang for us as lead singer for Grassy Knoll at StonesAid 2, was also tragically taken away from us by cancer a year or so after the gig.

For the record (no pun intended) 1000 copies of the CD were pressed in a standard format. A further 100 copies were pressed as a Special Collector's Item Numbered Edition numerically sequenced from 1 to 100 which were all snapped up within 3 days of release. What isn't known is that the manufacturers actually made a cock-up with the original numbered editions and instead of sending in the numbered batch they sent in a batch of "Promotional Copy Not For Resale" editions which were supposed to be returned but never were. These special promo CD's remain as they were but to re-create that Special Numbered Edition Feel are being distributed with today's Matchday Programme in a limited to 100 Numbered Sleeve and are seeing the light for the first time 20 years after they were supposed to be returned to the manufacturer.

If you weren't there 20 years ago please find a free copy with today's programme to re-capture those moments in time! Those not in receipt of the special edition will receive a standard format edition.



CHIPPENHAM TOWN

Opposition in focus

hippenham Town Football Club has been in existence since 1873 although the present structure was formed in 1996.

In more recent times, a historic cup run in season 1999/2000 saw the Club appear in the last FA Vase game at the old Wembley Stadium in May 2000 in front of over 20,000 supporters. Although the Bluebirds failed to lift the trophy, this acted as a springboard for future growth both on and off the field. Back to back promotions, from the Western League and Southern Leagues and then into the Southern League Premier Division, followed. Progress faltered in 2003/2004 when the Bluebirds failed to gain promotion to the new Conference South following a reorganisation of Grass Roots football. This, together with a general change in leadership at the club both on and off the pitch, meant that for a while consolidation was the name of the game. The following season, however, things settled down and the team topped the Premier Division almost all year. Gates reflected this success with an average attendance of 634 and a spectacular local derby game against Bath City attracted over 1,600 people. The final play-off at Hardenhuish Park saw almost 2,000 people watch the Bluebirds narrowly miss promotion by the odd goal.

Season 2005/2006 saw a change of managers and almost a new team. Despite this the Club had an unprecedented season reaching the first-round proper of the FA Cup for the first time since 1951. Although the replay with Worcester City was lost and with it a chance to entertain Huddersfield at home in the second round with TV rights guaranteed, the Bluebirds still attracted a capacity crowd of over 2,800 most of whom were home supporters. Once again, the side was in the top five of the league all year and only denied promotion to the next step by a last-minute goal in the play-off final.

The Club encountered a few hurdles in the 2006/2007 season but the next saw a very young side again reach the play-offs only to

lose once more by the odd goal, this time to Halesowen after the original tie was abandoned due to the wet conditions with the Bluebirds leading 3-2. In season 2009-2010, a superb end of season run (including a final day victory over champions Farnborough) saw the Bluebirds finish third. A 2-0 play off semi-final victory over Hednesford Town saw yet another final play-off, this time at Nuneaton where the Bluebirds took a 1-0 lead. The hosts equalised, however, from a wrongly awarded corner and in extra time grabbed a 2-1 victory in front of over 3,000 fans. Thus, Chippenham Town had reached the play-offs four times in six seasons but had yet to win promotion. In 2010-2011 the Bluebirds finished seventh whilst in 2011-2012, a disappointing eleventh place was achieved.

Season 2012-2013 brought exciting changes to Hardenhuish Park with the formation of development side, Chippenham Park. Manager of the previous six seasons, Adie Mings, became Director of Football and Nathan Rudge was appointed player-manager along with assistant Richard Fey. Mings left his position before Christmas to take up a scouting role with Chelsea FC. On the field, the team had a mixed season. A late goal at Gloucester City saw them miss out on a possible first round FA Cup tie with Leyton Orient whilst a 17-match winless run threatened relegation until six victories in their last seven matches saw the Bluebirds finish nine points above the relegation area and in fifteenth place. The season was also notable for goalkeeper Conor Thompson moving to Torguay United and Tyrone Mings being snapped up by Ipswich Town.

The 2013-14 season began disappointingly with manager, Nathan Rudge, resigning after defeats in the first two games. Steve Winter took charge but as results did not improve, it was decided to seek a new manager and, in November 2013, the Board appointed Mark Collier with Tom Jones as his assistant. The team then settled down with Mark making various team changes but after such a very

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difficult start, it was hard to pick up desperately needed points and the Bluebirds always hovered just above the relegation zone. Matters were made even worse when Rob Dean suffered a horrific knee injury at Hungerford Town towards the end of the season.

Season 2014-15 saw further rebuilding of the Bluebirds' squad and, later in the season, the return of past Club favourite, Charlie Griffin, marking his third spell with the Club. Player injuries affected league position in the first half of the season but a better second half meant an eventual eleventh place finish, a considerable improvement on the previous two seasons when relegation threatened.

Season 2015-2016 saw another improvement with Newport County's skipper, Andy Sandell, joining the Bluebirds in close season. Sandell went on to become the Southern Premier Division's golden boot winner and was joined up front mid-season by the returning Alan Griffin. The Bluebirds recorded an early morale boosting victory at eventual champions Poole Town and their good form continued into the New Year where they headed the table. They also reached the fourth gualifying round of the FA Cup where they went out 0-2 at home to Maidstone United who themselves went on to win promotion from the National League South. However, a very poor March where only three points from six games were won, saw the Bluebirds fade to eighth place albeit an improvement on the previous season. The 2016-2017 season saw most of the previous year's squad retained with Mark Collier and Tom Jones adding some impressive close season additions. A superb run of twenty-three unbeaten games from November to Easter saw the Bluebirds crowned champions on Good Friday without even kicking a ball as rivals, Learnington, failed to win at Biggleswade. The following day, Easter Saturday, saw 1146 fans celebrate promotion to National League South after sixteen seasons in the Southern League, fifteen of them in the Premier Division.

Season 2018-2019 was the Bluebirds second season in the National League South

with consolidation and avoiding 'second season syndrome' the main aim. Things were not helped with injuries or unavailability to eight key players, several of them long term but despite that we again finished 13th in the League with one more point than our inaugural season. The biggest disappointment occurred in the FA Cup. Having held National League side Maidenhead United to a 1-1 fourth gualifying round draw, we lost the replay in Berkshire 1-0 after seeing two goals harshly ruled out for offside and being reduced to ten players. Hence, we also missed out on a lucrative televised home tie against high flying Portsmouth in the First Round Proper. This 2019/20 season sees our 100th season at Hardenhuish Park having first kicked off here on 20 September 1919 when we played Spencer Moulton, the game ending in a 2-2



BLUEBIRDS FACTS

GROUND - Hardenhuish Park Capacity - 3,000 (300 Seated) 2018/19 - National League South 13th Last Season H 23/03/19 W 1-0 A 17/11/18 L 1-3

CHIPPENHAM TOWN

OPPOSITION IN FOCUS

WHO'S WHO?

CONOR THOMPSON GOALKEEPER

Originally signed for Chippenham Town in September 2018 dual registered with Royal Wootton Bassett Town. Has re-signed for season 2019/20.

WILL PUDDY - GOALKEEPER

Previous club was Hereford FC but has also played for Bristol Rovers, Salisbury City and Sutton United. Re-joining Chippenham Town on contract for season 2018/19, he also played for the Club in the 2011/12 season prior to then joining Salisbury City.

JAY FOULSTON - DEFENDER

Joined Chippenham Town close season on a long loan from Newport County AFC. A professional, previous clubs include Merthyr Town.

LUKE HAINES - DEFENDER

Joined Chippenham Town close season on a six-month Youth Loan from Swindon Town

CURTIS MCDONALD - DEFENDER

Originally signed for Chippenham Town in December 2017 previously with Merthyr Town. He has re-signed on contract terms for season 2019/20.

KIERAN PARSELLE - DEFENDER

Joined Chippenham Town for season 2018/19. Previously with Gloucester City and prior to that Newport County, he has resigned on contract terms for season 2019/20.

WILL RICHARDS - DEFENDER

Originally signed for Chippenham Town in July 2016 previously with Redditch Utd. A regular in the side since joining the Club, he has been re-engaged on contract terms for the 2019/20 season.

GEORGE RIGG - DEFENDER

Originally signed for Chippenham Town

in 2018/19, he has been re-engaged on contract terms for season 2018/19. Previous club was Bath City.

RHYS TYLER - DEFENDER

Joined Chippenham Town on contract terms for season 2109/20. Previously with **WEALDSTONE**, he's also spent time with German sides Rott-Weiss-Erfurt and Rot-Weiss-Oberhausen.

AARON WITCHELL - DEFENDER

An academy signing for Chippenham Town for season 2019/20.

CAINE BRADBURY - MIDFIELD

An academy product, Caine originally signed for Chippenham Town in season 2018/19 and has re-signed for 2019/20.

DEAN EVANS - MIDFIELD

Signed in May 2017 from Weymouth. His previous clubs include Plymouth Argyle, Paulton Rovers, Welton Rovers and Frome Town and has re-signed for the 2019/20 season.

CALLUM GUNNER- MIDFIELD

Joined Chippenham Town in November 2018 on loan from Bradford City. He has resigned on non-contract terms for the 2019/20 season.

JAMES GUTHRIE - MIDFIELD

Signed for Chippenham Town January 2011. He was previously with Highworth Town and has re-signed for the 2019/20 season.

LUKE HOPPER - MIDFIELD

His signing for season 2019/20 sees his third spell with the Club. Last with Salisbury, he's also had past time with Australian sides, South Melbourne and Dandenong Thunder.

HARRISON LEA - MIDFIELD

An academy product, Harrison originally signed for Chippenham Town in season

2018/19 and has re-signed for 2019/20.

TARIQ OSSAI - MIDFIELD

Previously with Crystal Palace, signed for Chippenham Town in season 2018/19 and has re-joined for season 2019/20.

HARRY RUTTY - MIDFIELD

An academy product, Harry made his debut for Chippenham Town late in season 2018/19 impressing in defence. He has been reengaged on contract terms for 2019/20.

ELIAS YOUSSEF- MIDFIELD

Signed for Chippenham Town for season 2019/20. Previously with Forest Green Rovers, he's also played for Cardiff.

ADRIEL GEORGE -MIDFIELD / FORWARD

Signed for Chippenham Town January 2011. He was previously with Highworth Town and has re-signed for the 2019/20 season.

KARNELL CHAMBERS- FORWARD

Originally signed for Chippenham Town in March 2018 from Gloucester City. He had a previous spell in Sweden. He has re-signed on contract terms for season 2019/20.

NATT JARVIS - FORWARD

Joined Chippenham Town for season 2018/19 and has re-signed on contract terms

for 2019/20. His last club was Bath City and has previously played for Hungerford Town, Brackley Town, Cardiff City, Southend United and Forest Green Rovers. He has also been capped by Antigua and Barbuda.

YAN KLUKOWSKI - FORWARD

Joined Chippenham Town for season 2018/19 on contract terms. Previous clubs include Torquay Utd, Forest Green Rovers, Newport County and York City.

DAVID PRATT - FORWARD

Having played a significant part in the Club's promotion season to the National League South, he subsequently departed for **WEALDSTONE** from where he re-joins Chippenham Town on contract terms for season 2019/20.

GARY HORGAN - HEAD COACH

Gary joined Chippenham Town for a second spell from Hungerford Town in September 2016. He joined the coaching staff for the 2017/18 season and was appointed Head Coach in January 2018.

MARK COLLIER - MANAGER

Ex-Swindon Supermarine manager. Mark has been managing for 9 years and previously coached at Swindon Town Academy for 7 years. He took Chippenham Town to the National League South as Southern League Premier Division Champions in Season 2016/17 with a record 103 points total.



STONES ON THE ROAD

DULWICH HAMLET

Tuesday 6th August 2019 - Champion Hill National League South - Attendance 1484





LINE-UP

Maynard-Brewer Case Barnes Monlouis Orlu Taylor Clunis Smith Mills Akinyemi Monikana Subs: Yusuff White Ambroisine Vose Morris



Wealdstone dominated possession for the first five minutes and found their first opportunity when Phillips' dangerous cross in from the left was touched down by Lafayette in the box and collected by Billy Clifford who struck first time, but Quade Taylor blocked the strike. Three minutes later and the Stones had another opportunity. It was Lafayette from 18-yards on his left foot but Hamlet 'keeper batted the effort clear. It seemed all one-way traffic in the first 20 minutes before Dipo Akinyemi forced Oxborough into a splendid save to prevent Dulwich taking the lead. The reputiting corner was converted by Orly who

resulting corner was converted by Orlu who comfortably side-footed the ball into the bottom of the net. The Stones went on the front-foot again in the 33rd minute, Phillips' ball through to Lafayette initially looked a goal-scoring opportunity but the chance petered out. Phillips' looked to find the equaliser with a looping long-range effort four minutes later but the audacious attempt did not threaten Maynard-Brewer as the goalkeeper made an easy collection. Wealdstone had most of the possession in the first half but a lack of clearcut efforts left the away side one-goal behind at the half-time interval.



The second half started much like the first for the Stones, plenty of ball-dominance but without a dangerous chance to show for it. Dulwich were creating problems for Wealdstone down the left channel and Monakana was the catalyst, his corner found Orlu again but his attempt smashed the post. In-form Stones striker Lafayette took another attempt to draw Wealdstone level but his long-range effort in the 64th minute held too much power and flew wide. The Hamlet on the other hand were searching for a crucial second goal, Monakana almost obliged when his shot from the left was well-saved by Oxborough at the front-post.



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LINE-UP

Oxborough Arnold Efete Clifford Stevens Okimo Phillips Smith Lafayette Green Watt Subs: Lewis Ringer **Beckles-Richards** Sheppard Mendv

The impact substitution of Dennon Lewis almost paid for the second game in a row in 72nd minute when Phillips' looping through-ball found the speedster running through on-goal. Maynard-Brewer was forced to stop and gather Lewis' goal-bound effort. Lewis was causing Dulwich problems in the 76th minute, as the forward cut in from the left and curled a beautiful strike wide of Maynard-Brewer's far-post.

Dulwich Hamlet were putting their bodies on the line for three points throughout the game. Eight minutes from full-time, both Lewis and Danny Green had goal-bound strikes blocked by Hamlet defenders in the penalty area. It just did not seem like it was going to be Wealdstone's evening as chances would not find the back of the net and the Stones could not equalise. The game eventually drew to a close as the Stones were beaten away from home on a frustrating evening in South London.

WEALDSTONE U18's SAVE THE CHILDREN - BOSTIK ISTHMIAN YOUTH LEAGUE 2019/20

2019 / 2020 FIXTURES

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Wednesday 25th	Hampton & Richmond Borough	League	
OCTOBER			
Wednesday 9th	CAMBERLEY TOWN	League	
NOVEMBER			
Monday 4th	Staines Town	League	
Wednesday 25th	NORTHWOOD	League	
DECEMBER			
Wednesday 4th	ALDERSHOT TOWN	League	
Wednesday 11th	Hayes & Yeading United	League	
Wednesday 18th	BRACKNELL TOWN	League	
JANUARY			
Monday 6th	Uxbridge	League	
Monday 13th	Bedfont Sports	League	
Wednesday 22nd	HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH	League	
Thursday 30th	Camberley Town	League	
FEBRUARY			
Wednesday 5th	STAINES TOWN	League	
Thursday 13th	Northwood	League	
Monday 17th	Aldershot Town	League	
Wednesday 26th	HAYES & YEADING UNITED	League	
MARCH			
Wednesday 4th	Bracknell Town	League	
Wednesday 11th	UXBRIDGE	League	



NEXT MATCH

Wednesday 28th August v Bedfont Sports 7.30 Kick Off - HOME

RESULTS & FIXTURES 2019/2020

KEY TO SYMBOLS

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Pictures from our win at the weekend away versus Braintree Town courtesy of Adam Williams



July 27, home vs. Brentford 'B' - W 2-0 (Lafayette 2)

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Subs not used: Paterson, Ringer

July 18, away vs. Chesham United – L 2-3 (Watt, Clifford)

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July 20, home vs. Watford Under 23s - W 4-0 (Green, Noel-Williams, Mendy, Lewis)

 Visiting fans feature

 That experience of

 reaching Wembley

 19 years ago was

 the catalyst of the

 club we are now

SAYS SIMON LAWRENCE

THIS WEEK'S opposition supporter feature focuses on Chippenham Town and their superfan Simon Lawrence. The 31-vear-old lives in Portmouth and works in London, but he arew up in Chippenham (seeing his first game at the age of 10) and fell in love with his local team.

This is his story .. .

y first Bluebirds game was 1998 at home to Brislington in the Screwfix Premier Division. I was hooked instantly and was on the bus to Barnstaple for a dead rubber game the following week, a game that ended 0-0 in the roaring sunshine.

Aside from the obvious memorable games in the FA Vase run in 2000 culminating in a Wemblev appearance against Deal Town under the towers I would say there have been many memorable games for me down the years. Beating Bath City 5-2 in our maiden season in the National League South at Twerton Park (Dave Pratt. above, scoring twice) was a considerable favourite considering the rivalry element. But for the sheer day out, result and implications Hitchin Town away in the



SPL winning season was just an amazing experience for any fan. The day I think we finally allowed ourselves to believe that we were going to win the league and that little Chippenham were going to be a National League South side. We won 3-1 on the day with a sensational bicvcle kick from our centre half Will Richards no less completing the scoring.

No, I don't follow any other club, only Chippenham. I have lived in Portsmouth

since the age of 16 since growing up in Chippenham so I do tend to keep an eye on their results, but that is mostly for the fact 99% of my peer group follow Pompey. Interestingly Chippenham were a result in a replay against Maidenhead away from a home tie with Portsmouth in last seasons FA Cup! Alas we lost the

replay 1-0 at York Road and sadly the dream of my team playing against Portsmouth was not realised. As you can imagine I got a lot of pity from my so-called friends!

Yes, I was present at the Vale last season for the 1-1 draw.... Sorry, the 1-0 defeat after Nick McCootie's effort was ruled

CHIPPENHAM

THE VASE FINAL in 2000 was incredible.

I was 10 years old at the time and it was just an unbelievable experience. The team, managers and board just connected with the fans on the kind of journey clubs of our size and stature can only dream of.

The run started at Wimborne before beating Supermarine, Northwood, Wroxham, Glossop, Bedlington Terriers and Vauxhall in the semi.

Each game was as incredible as the last, you could never pick a clear-cut winner but the away game at Bedlington (who hadn't been defeated at home in some seven years when we touched down) was fairly special.

The final against Deal was about the only game we went into as favourites I believe - and were undone by an 87th minute wonder strike from one Roly Graham (never forgetting that name).

Just an absolutely wonderful day out for the town, biggest attendance in a Vase final for many years and many years after I believe at 13,000 or there about. Deal were not a massive fan presence on the day so really spoke volumes for the town of Chippenham and surrounding areas. Sparked our run up the leagues as well and really the catalyst of the club we are now in many ways I quess.

out rather contentiously for a challenge on Jonathan North. I guite enjoyed Wealdstone as an away day though, lovely bar and good selection of well-priced drinks and a lovely outdoor area to enjoy the sunshine.

Yes for my sins I support Chippenham, live in Portsmouth and work in London so our game being on a Tuesday night is actually a bit of a blessing this year as it means I can shoot over to Wealdstone from work and make it in very comfortable time to enjoy the game. Might be a bit of a late night and a long day by the time I make it home, but here's hoping the lads send me home happy.

By a comparison I think our two clubs have very different expectations. With the arrival of Brennan and the business he has done in close season I think playoffs will be an expectation for Wealdstone and will start the season as one of the "Ones to Watch" how-

Chippenham State And State Town's final dream is shattered by late goal



ever, in a league dubbed the strongest it's ever been in terms of the NLS. I think Chippenham and most of our fans share the view that to achieve a steady mid table finish would be more than enough to deem the campaign successful. We have proven with results last term that we can make a big impact on the league. particularly the other participants. competing against the very best in the division, doing the double over Torguay, Billericay and picking up results against Woking at home and of course the 3-1 defeat of the Stones at Hardenhuish Park, fingers crossed Mark and Gary can keep the lads fit, momentum strong and put a little run of results together early, it's definitely going to be a long season with the quality in the division this year.



Rhys Tyler has looked good in pre-season and has a touch of class about him, so we are very excited by his signature. He has done the rounds at this level so an experienced head who hopefully will bring that little extra to an already stable back four.

Pratty? Well, what needs to be said? Would improve any side with his workrate and ability, on his day completely unplayable and just doesn't recognise a lost cause when pressing defenders.

A huge part, some would argue the most influential part, of our championship winning season. His partnership with Andy Sandell and the goals that partnership chalked up was vital to our success and many would say we lost our way a little in the league campaign the season that Pratty departed.

He is welcomed back with open arms and many supporters are very excited about the prospect of linking him with our goal machine Nat Jarvis and new signing Luke Hopper. Huge fan favourite and he will be adored on the terraces again no doubt.

We have a very consistent team coming into the season, of course Wealdstone fans will know all about Pratt and Tyler, but Nat Jarvis is a constant threat going forward, great eye for goal, tricky on the deck and great in the air.

Will Richards (right) is one of the best ballplaying defenders in the National League in my opinion and again this season will be key to our success. With returning players like Curtis McDonald and my player of the season last year Kieran Parselle and Jay Foulston coming in from Newport, defensively I think we are going to be a very tough team to break down.

Promotion-wise, this year I think is going to be very hard to disagree with the bookies.... Havant have made improvements to a squad that were relegated from the National League with the lads from Ebbsfleet and Straker in from Bath City and are likely going to be where my obligatory twenty quid go. I wouldn't disregard Billericay either this season, they look to have made some very strong signings pre-season and if they can achieve that same swagger that saw them come to public attention, coupled with their budget I think they are going to be there when push comes to shove.

The usual faces will be there as well of course so tough season ahead and one guarantee is whoever achieves promotion this year is going to have done it in a very hard National League South.

• We eald stone are always going to be a good side to keep an eye on. Last year taking Bath City out in the playoffs and just falling short in the semi-final is no mean feat.

What impressed me most with Wealdstone is they seemed to go about their season fairly quiet and efficient. They weren't spoken about by many until right at the very end which shows that they went about it the right way, picking up results and being there when it mattered.

> This season with the arrival of Dean Brennan and the signings that he has made, they are going to fancy the playoffs again I am sure. Ross Lafayette is a touch of quality and when

Chippenham came up against Bath at their place last season Michee Efete ran us absolutely ragged so two quality signings to add to the fold there is a real statement of intent. I wish the Stones all the very best for the upcoming season (except against Chippenham of course)

As for our ambition. We are flanked by Swindon, Bristol and only a short trip up the M4 from a lot of football league clubs so attracting support and sponsorship from a commercial aspect is always going to be an uphill struggle. The board and the current management team have done wonderful things taking us this far and we have complete faith in their ambition should that wish to stretch to a push into the National League, however for now I am very happy with where Chippenham is at.

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BRAINTREE TOWN

STONES ON THE ROAD

Saturday 10th August 2019 - Cressing Road National League South - Attendance 428





LINE-UP

Johnson Harvety Saunders Urquahart Clark Hutchings Cole Bonnet-Johnson Manesio Richardson Akinwande Subs: Cerulli

Mills Gipson Folarin Barker



Wealdstone cruised to an impressive 4-0 victory against Braintree Town at Cressing Road on Saturday afternoon. The Stones started the more dominant of the two sides in the early periods. Defender Connor Stevens was presented the first chance of the afternoon after nine minutes when

his guided header forced a fingertip-save. Wealdstone took the lead on the 20th minute when Dennon Lewis delivered a fierce low-cross which cannoned off Iron full-back Saunders into the net. The Stones could have doubled their lead less than a minute later when Lewis forced a strong save. There was no letting up from the Stones asRoss Lafavette twisted-and-turned on the edge of the box before hammering a left-footed strike into the palms of Johnson. Lewis was becoming a creative catalyst as the game progressed. The former Watford forward almost found his scoring touch 10 minutes before the interval but again Johnson denied the Stones. Dean Brennan said after Tuesday's defeat at Dulwich Hamlet that the Stones didn't create enough goal-scoring opportunities, that was certainly not the case this time around. Five minutes before the half-time break, Lewis became the provider on the right-hand side and squared the ball low to Lafayette in the area before former Stone Josh Urguhart cut-out Lewis' dangerous pass. Stones, everything positive in attack was going through the winger. Lewis almost found his scoring touch before the break but curled an effort wide of Johnson's far-post.



An even start to the second half gifted the home side with an opportunity to draw level five minutes after the break. Saunders tried to redeem

earlier wrongs, he jetted past Arnold but sliced his left-footed shot wide. Braintree again looked the find the equaliser just before the hour-mark, substitute Alfie Cerulli controlled the ball in the penalty area before Tom Richardson fired straight at Norwich City loanee Aston Oxborough. Just as the Iron began to create a couple of chances, Green doubled Wealdstone's lead in the 73rd minute.

Green collected the ball from Lafayette's back-heel on the edge of the box; two touches later Green had skimmed defender Jake Hutchings and 'keeper Johnson before slotting into an empty net.A chance for a dramatic Braintree comeback became less likely in the 83rd minute when Stevens slid a through ball into substitute Mendy, who cleverly flicked the ball over the defender before his half-volley rustled the back of the net.

Two minutes later, the Stones concluded the contest in emphatic fashion. Full-back Michee Efete's header found Clifford on the edge of the box; after composing himself, Clifford delightfully guided the ball past Johnson into the bottom corner.





OG (20), Green (72), Mendy (83), Clifford (84)

LINE-UP

Oxborough Arnold Efete Clifford Stevens Okimo Phillips Smith Lafayette Green Lewis Subs: Mendy Mendy Ringer **Beckles-Richards** Sheppard **Roberts**

REMEMBER WHEN? BY TIM PARKS

an you believe it's 40 years since the Stones took the plunge into the financial unknown and became a founding member of the Alliance Premier League (since known as the Gola League, Conference and the Vanarama National League)?

Next Saturday, August 17 marks the anniversarv of the first-ever round of matches according to the League - although the pedant within me is shouting "Actually it was August 18".

But no matter. Not really.

It gives the opportunity to give a different slant on tonight's Rewind feature and reflect on what a different world it was back in August 1979.

The average wage bills for the National League clubs were revealed at the annual meeting at the end of July and it makes sobering reading, bearing in mind that the Stones verv nearly didn't take up the opportunity to join the

'Premier Leagues Alliance' way back then.

Here are the figures: the average National League South club forked out £273,000 on wages last year, the average NL North club paid £297.000 and the average National League outfit splashed an astonishing £840,000!

The National League, with its raft of fulltime ex-League clubs, is a different beast from the APL of 1979. But even then our club's secretary Bill Emerson warned that it was 'financial suicide' to join a league that would involve much greater travelling and associated costs.

Celebrating 40 years of the Conference... and celebrating the fact we were even in it!

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SATURDAY, IBth AUGUST, 1979

FOOTBALL

LEAGUE

He couldn't see the excitement and potential of stepping into a division that involved the likes of Bangor City. Boston United, Barrow, Altrincham and Stafford Rangers. He couldn't see the fact that remaining in a weaker Southern League - in fact, putting us in a worse competition than local Isthmian rivals like Enfield. Hendon and Harrow Borough - would betrav our club's proud, progressive reputation.

In fact it took a petition, passed around during a home match against Bridgend in April to persuade the board that passing up the chance to join a forward-looking league

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TODAY'S BALL SPONSOR: BOB MANN S ISTH ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE

Wealdstone so close

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AFTER being outplayed for the bulk of the match, Wealdstone came within inches of salvaging a point from this opening Alliance Premier League match of the season at Worcester on Saturday. With Worcester, last season's Southern League season's Southern League champions, apparently cruising to victory. Weald-tone's coloured striker Neil Cordice reduced the arrears with a superbly taken 83rd minute goal — and panic minute goal — and panic immediately broke out in the home camp. The 'Stones tore the home defence to shreds and Nigel Johnson, Bobby Moss and

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Paul Brannigan all went close to salvaging a point. But Wealdstone manager Alan Fogarty was the first to admit afterwards that a draw would have been a travesty of justice. He said: The result was about right. We played well for the first 20 minutes and the last ten but Worcester dominated in

beat Ian Cranstone. Gary Stevens threw himself forward to head against an

with hopes of becoming a Fifth Division of the Football League was the worst possible decision.

appily the renegades in the supporters club - led by Ray Kemp and Mark Chamberlain - managed to poll over 400 signatures in the 500 crowd.

And there was a debt of gratitude towards long-term fans like Roy Couch,

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was forced to defend grimly for the rest of the match. Two players were booked and two taken to Worcester Royal Infirmary. The booked players were Bobby Moss and Selvy.

Kevin Tudor, Worcester's central defender, had seven stitches inserted in a cut above his right eye after a first-half clash with Cordice. Colin Johnson was taken to hospital with a leg injury in the 72nd minute but X-rays revealed no breakage.

Brannigan, Fursdon, Wainright, Horgan, Barwick, Moss, James, Johnson (N), Cordice. Johnson (C)

whose long and considered letter to the Harrow Observer (shown overpage) was instrumental in effecting a sea-change. As you can see from the other attached reports. the Stones took the plunge. It was definitely challenging.

We had that core support of around 500 but there was a general apathy among the Harrow public towards the Stones that

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between'

After Nigel Johnson had tested Chris Ward in the home goal, City took the lead after 12 minutes. Graham Allner beat two defenders in a draffing defenders in a dazzling run down the left and his cross

Cranstone.

rob Steve Crompton of goals Then Cordie reduced the

derton went down low to head home the rebound. There was no further scoring before the interval - but City needed only three minutes of the second half to increase their lead. Graham Selvy put in a cross from the right and, after the ball had broken

loose, Stevens whacked a close range shot past Nigel Johnson shot just wide before Cranstone produced two brilliant saves to

arrears with a superb 83rd left-footed shot - and City



REMEMBER WHEN? CONTINUED

prevented us from competing with the top APL clubs - Yeovil, Altrincham, Boston and the like all pulled in crowds of 2-3,000 and had thriving lottery schemes.

Nobody dreamed of turning full-time though, and it wasn't until a further eight years down the line that promotion to the FL was secured, and the cross-fertilisation of non League and Football League began.

Stones reverse Alliance League decision

40 years ago, the Harrow Observer reported weekly on the machinations of the Stones. The club were certain they couldn't afford to join the new APL and the fans were equally adamant that Stones MUST be a part of the brave new 'Fitfh Division'

Below, Roy Couch writes to the letters page of the Harry O and (right) the club's Commercial Director Johnny Johns writes in the programme outlining his moneymaking ideas. The floodlit cricket match was heading for disaster, with poor publicity and a distinct lack of appetite ... but it was rained off and happily the club had insured the event! Ker-ching!

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CHIPPENHAM REWIND 13.08.2019

Open Forum

No comments or suggestions received so far, so here's a little news on the Commercial Front.

We regret any upset caused by our selling our programmes at 5p above the printed price, but unfortunately increased printing costs and a new 16 pager made it necessary to increase our planned price. Unfortunately we were too late to stop the presses. Sorry about that, but I have to **make** money for the Club — not lose it. With the double-header out of the way — how do you like the format of the new programme? It is my wish to foster a total involvement and togetherness of Board, Management, Supporters, Social Club and those who just come to see us play. If all cooperate, the programme will be the Meeting Place of minds for all who sincerely want to see Wealdstone F.C.

As you will see, advertising has been greatly increased, and as soon as we can get the signwriter busy, you will see a positive blooming of boards around the pitchwhich should increase the big-time atmosphere.

I've managed to arrange a Floodlit Cricket Match on Wednesday 19th September between a Middlesex C.C.C. Past and Present XI and a Harrow A.M.C.C. XI (7.15 p.m. start) and this will receive wide publicity, so come early. In traditional Lords style, there will be bars on the terraces. Keep your eyes open for further information, on posters; in the Press; on Radio - who knows where else !?!

Future Promotions include a match against a Munich XI on the 1st October with a suggested 'curtain-raiser' - but more of that later.

Talking of raising money - and when aren't I? The Supporters Club operate a Lottery Scheme (instant winnings) and I'm sure Barbara would be delighted to let you have some tickets to sell if you visit the Clubroom.

Don't forget! Bring a friend (or more if you have them) and above all be enthuslastic about our team - that's what being a supporter really means.



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VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE SOUTH Saturday, 31st August, 3:00pm £9 entry for Premier / EFL season ticket holders

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10 Havant & Waterlooville	3	1	2	0	6	5	1	0	1	0	1	1	2	1	1	0	5	4	1	5			
11 Eastbourne Borough	3	1	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	0	3	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	4			
12 Welling United	3	1	1	1	2	4	2	1	0	1	1	3	1	0	1	0	1	1	-2	4			
13 Maidstone United	3	1	0	2	4	4	1	0	0	1	1	2	2	1	0	1	3	2	0	3			
14 Chelmsford City	3	1	0	2	6	7	1	1	0	0	4	1	2	0	0	2	2	6	-1	3			
15 Hungerford Town	3	1	0	2	3	7	2	1	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	1	4	-4	3			
16 St Albans City	3	0	2	1	2	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	2	3	-1	2			
17 Dartford	3	0	2	1	3	6	2	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	4	-3	2	4-1		
18 Oxford City	3	0	2	1	2	5	1	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	2	0	2	2	-3	2			
19 Slough Town	3	0	0	3	1	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	1	3	-3	0			
20 Hampton & Richmond	3	0	0	3	5	10	2	0	0	2	4	6	1	0	0	1	1	4	-5	0			
21 Tonbridge Angels	3	0	0	3	2	7	1	0	0	1	1	2	2	0	0	2	1	5	-5	0			
22 Braintree Town	3	0	0	3	2	9	2	0	0	2	2	7	1	0	0	1	0	2	-7	0	4-0		

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