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Written in Stone

elcome to Grosvenor Vale this afternoon for our National League South meeting with Tonbridge Angels.

We extend a very warm welcome to our visitors their management team, officials, players and supporters. We hope you enjoy your brief stay with us.

Thanks also to Barry Evnon and everyone remembering John O'Connor by sponsoring todays Game.

Further thanks to our second match sponsors Keith Davies, Andy Evans and all the players and management of AFC Lightning U16's.

Lastly and by no means least thanks also to life long Stones fan Gordon McKay for donating this afternoons Match Ball.

We hope you all enjoy your day of hospitality.

Enjoy the game

Mark

MATCH SPONSOR FRIENDS OF JOHN O'CONNOR

t was in the late winter of 2018 that "O.C" and I first watched The Stones and met Paul Rumens, Peter Marsden and The Wealdstone Raider – and what a great day we had! After O.C passed away in June last year, four of us sponsored the match v Concord Rangers In memory of John O'Connor and I had the pleasure of presenting the Man of the Match award to Danny Green. It was another great day.

Today there are seven of us sponsoring as Friends of John O'Connor and I am sure it will, once again be a great afternoon. Barry Evnon

MATCH SPONSOR - AFC LIGHTNING

Earlier in the season Keith Davies and Andy Evans, became new investors in the club. They are longstanding local fans from the 1980's that now attend games more regularly with their sons. The pair bring a wealth of experience to the club with Keith having held Executive roles with leading financial service firms for the past decade and Andy, being co-founder and chairman of World in Motion Sports agency. Keith is an Associate Director of the club and has followed the team since seeing George Duck score when taken to see the Stones V Yeovil at Lower Mead in the mid 1970s. His son, Rory's, football team AFC Lightning U16 are in attendance and helping to sponsor today's game. The team is based in Great Missenden. Buckinghamshire and has been together from the age of six and is currently second in the South Bucks League. They have been managed and coached throughout this period by Alex Finch, supported by Dave Cherry - along with Rob Hare and Andy Meichtry who coach the team's second side 'The Bolts' .

Full AFC Lightning squad pic on Pg 14





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FIND

Its stuart Maynara 'Good recruitment is not just about signing players.. they must fit our strategy for the football club' Dean Brennan (fourth left) is shown a yellow card by the referee at Chelmsford watched by the stern-faced Stuart (2nd left) and Tony ® Waugh... and the not-sostern-faced Kirk Rayment!

Tou'd think that someone who played through two decades - indeed, the 19th and 20th centuries - for Wealdstone might have racked up more than just 11 appearances.

Stuart Maynard is now, of course, the Stones' assistant manager but 20 years ago he was with us briefly as a player in that awkward 1999-2000 season.

Trying to perform in that Wealdstone side must have been about as far removed as you can get from the current smoothpassing team!

"I'd just been released from pro football, from Watford who'd just been promoted into the Premier League.... but I guickly worked out what non-League was all about" said Stuart when I nabbed him for a chat last week. "I'd actually gone to play for Groningen in the Dutch league in pre-season but I was 19 years old and homesick

and was back in two months. In Holland it was all very technical, lots of ball work but then suddenly I'm back in England, playing for Isthmian Prem St Albans in a midfield that was pretty much by-passed. We were just picking up scraps - nobody would pass to you".

Bob Dowie was the Saints boss, and he allowed Stuart to dual-sign for the Stones after he'd been out injured for a few months. He was working as a builder and stood on a nail - and the wound became infected.

"If you look at that Wealdstone team now - it was the one that should have been promoted to the Ryman Prem the year before - there were some decent players. Rocky Baptiste, Lamby, Jonah, Dom Sterling. Noel Imber... I remember thinking that the squad was as good as St Albans.

"Maybe fitness levels were a bit lower, but that was the only difference".

midfielder, scored just one goal in his seven starts (and four appearances off the bench) in a 1-1 draw at Worthing but it was a long stale run of a dozen games without a win for Gordon Bartlett's side and soon he would be rejoining St Albans

"I then had some good years at Aylesbury United, including a good FA Cup run which ended in an unlucky 3-0 defeat at Port Vale (details above). In the aftermath of that, the manager Cliff Hercules was forced out and his assistant Terry Back asked me over to play for Enfield. It was a bit of a shambles there with the chairman pulling the plug after just six games. There were just six of us on contract and the rest were kids so we just muddled through - but the best thing about my time there was meeting Deano (Brennan) for the first time.

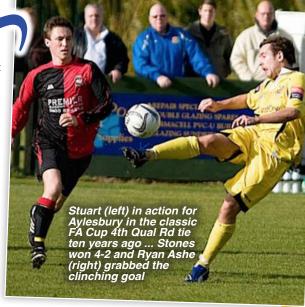
"He was playing against us for Hitchin and had scored a hat trick, but we had a bit of banter on the pitch and he said 'you should come and play for us'.

"So we had a beer after the game and I went and signed for them. Robbie O'Keefe and then Kerry Dixon were the managers".

o did you learn anything from Kerry Dixon to take into management? "Absolutely nothing!" he laughed. "Well to be fair he was a big character but he'd earned his money at Chelsea and was really just in it for the enjoyment. He had our respect but tactically, no he wasn't the best!"

I suggested that he probably didn't have the sort of commitment that you need, watching football four or five times a week to keep on top of the game.

"Well that's true. Deano and I watch more like five or six games a week - tonight for example Dean's at Corby and I'm at Farnborough. Always checking out players.



clubs all know what we're up to and these days most of them at Isthmian and Southern League level don't have players on contract, so you can come in on a seven day approach. We also have 'Scout Seven' which is full-match video of National League games so we can work things out tactically."

Stuart and his family live in North Watford - and Deano not far away in Leighton Buzzard - so they're pretty much in each others pockets.

"We were on the same wavelength even when we were players" says Stuart. "In the dressing room we were talking about containing other teams and the ways to exploit them - then when we were together at Hemel Hempstead seven or eight years ago the chairman Dave Boggins asked us to take over

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STUART MAYNARD CONTD

temporarily when the manager left. "We did okay - kept Hemel up in the Southern Prem by getting ex-Watford mates like Paolo Vernazza and Jamie Hand to sign, and Luther Blissett in as coach - but he appointed Colin Payne that summer. Payne lasted two years and then we were asked again - on a permanent basis. And it kicked on from there".

he new management team has obviously had specular success since pitching up at Grosvenor Vale.

So what is the magic ingredient when it comes to player recruitment?

"Hard work" says Stuart. "Getting out there to watch players. And realising that the players you sign have to fit our strategy for the club, and have the right character".

Me and Deano were technical players and we wanted to bring that philosophy into management. If you look at the Conference National now, it has definitely become more physical.

"People say that clever players like Billy Clifford and Greenie wouldn't cut it but they can play anywhere - a lot of our players could play in the Football League, I'm convinced of it.

"And Michael Phillips - I was so happy he signed for us from Maidstone. Crazy really

that he's at this level. That took a lot of work, but he makes the team tick. He allows people like Billy to play - in that very first pre season game when Michael made his debut, we noticed that no-one was running at our back four any more. He's hugely important to us.

"The danger of course is that League clubs will come in and try to take players off us. But this is such a good group - great togetherness and no cliques - that they are really enjoying what is happening here. They want to be a part of it"

And is the management philosophy a non-favouritism one? "Absolutely. You saw that Sanchez (Watt) started the season and then Mendy came in. And Dennon started the season on the bench. If you play well you keep the shirt, it's as simple as that".

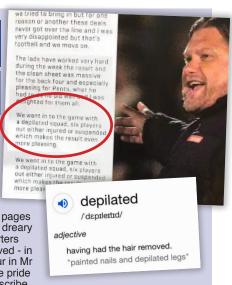
It's a philosophy that has extended to the No.1 shirt, with Aston Oxborough retaining the gloves from Jonathan North despite being a loan signing.

"The Ox has been outstanding and although Northy is a legend and a terrific keeper he's not been able to get back in. Now he's out on loan and getting match fit again - the Ox made that one mistake against Havant, taking one too many touches but he's learned from that. He's a one-touch player now!"

THINGS WOT WE LIKED THIS WEEK

t was a whole world of fun - and disap-

pointment - at Chelmsford two weeks ago. Fun because it's always great to put one over Rod Stringer & Co, but disappointing because this programme enthusiast was looking forward to seeing how good their publication (voted top in the independent awards last season) is. It was City's usual fat, glossy production but in its 68 pagese were just eight pages of original content, and that included the usual dreary notes from the chairman, manager and supporters club. Yet this disappointing publication was saved - in my eyes, at least - by the unintentional humour in Mr Stringer's column (right). We're all aware of the pride Essex Men take in their appearance, but to describe his squad as 'depilated' was priceless.



NEXT UP TO BE INTERVIEWED: IT'S BILLY CLIFFORD!



Supporters' Scene

HELP US TO HELP YOU...

ood afternoon one and all. By the time you read this, we shall know if we won on Tuesday and whether we shall be playing Rotherham United again in the next round, hopefully with a different result from last time! I found it very tense watching the draw, dreading some teams and wishing for the bye.

There were plenty of column inches devoted to racial abuse at international and FA Cup level. Opinions differ as to whether the team should leave the field of play or halt proceedings whilst reporting the abuse and leaving it to the officials to decide the appropriate reaction. I am not qualified to pontificate one way or the other but there surely has to be a universally defined plan of action. It has now been announced that the Haringey/Yeovil match will be replayed. We all need to be vigilant and stand up to any abuse from fellow crowd members (I won't call them fans).

I should like to re-iterate Mark Randall's request early in the season 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. We should like to express our gratitude to Dave

Reader for volunteering to run some of the coaches. 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.

No trip to The Vale would be complete without a visit to the Megastore. There are a wide range of items available including replica shirts, a new range of polo shirts, mugs, fridge magnets and stacks of programmes from various clubs for all the collectors out there. The Megastore can be found behind the dug-outs and orders can also be given on-line at www.wfcmegastore.co.uk.

I will be performing my usual Golden Goal duties just inside the turnstiles. Tickets are £1 each, time of the first goal wins £50, time of the last goal wins £10 unless it ends 1 nil. I shall be in the Megastore if you think you have a winning ticket.

Here's hoping for another entertaining performance on the pitch this afternoon, come on you Stones!

Enjoy the game!

Mim

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Your name and age? Andy Bennett, age 59

Whereabouts do you live Andy? Ruislip, near the Polish War Memorial

When was your first Wealdstone game? My first Wealdstone game was an away match against Aldershot in the FA Cup in 1975. I was actually supporting Aldershot, as my sister used to live there! My first match at Lower Mead, I was also supporting the opposition, West Ham, in a testimonial game, I

think it was Willie Watson's, and ended up a 0-0 draw around 1977 or 78. I actually liked the passion of the Stones supporters, and as I lived in Kingsbury at the time, I decided to come again.

Are you working, and where? I work at RAF Northolt, I have been there since 1999. I am the In-Flight Catering Manager. I look after all the food for Royals and VIPs that fly out from there.

'The first two Stones games that I saw, I was actually supporting the opposition!

Who or what persuaded you to come to a game? After my first visit to Lower Mead, I met some friends, John Fairman, and I worked with two other Stones supporters, Colin & Roger in National Westminster Bank, and after a bit of banter I decided to go to a few games with them.

Do you follow another team? I had a season ticket for West Ham up until 2000, and followed them all over Europe. As I said earlier my

sister lived in Aldershot, so I also go to a few games a season, especially to grounds I have never been before. I also follow Wasps rugby and have done since their days at Sudbury. I still go to away games, but I can't bring myself to go to 'home' matches at Coventry.

Is it easy to fit football in with your work/ family commitments? I am lucky that my wife lets me go to any games I want to (I think she's glad to get rid of me) - the only stipulation is family come first at birthdays, Easter and Christmas.

Do your family follow another team? One of my sisters and my brother supported Arsenal. I went to a few games with them, but, I just didn't get the same buzz as West Ham.

What is the main attraction of watching the Stones? I love going to Stones games as it's easy to meet up with mates and supporting my local team. You actually feel part of the club rather than

just another statistic at Premiership teams.

Do you prefer non-League over League football? If you had asked me if I preferred Non League to League football ten years ago, I would have laughed But, I think I do now.

What is your all-time favourite Stones lineup (1-11)? Playing a 4-5-1- formation - lles, Perkins, Pearce, Bowgett, Connor Stevens, Massey, Green, Wainwright, Eisa, Alan Cordice, Beckford. I would love to see that team in their prime play together.

And your current favourite line-up? Playing a 4-4-2-formation - North, Arnold, Efete, Stevens, Okimo, Green, Clifford, Smith, Sheppard, Lafayette, Mendy.

Do you think the club can ever progress to the football league? It will be very difficult to play Football League here at Ruislip. I feel we need to get our own ground and be financially viable first.

Are your friends aware of Wealdstone? Are they surprised you don't follow a 'big' club? All my friends know I follow Wealdstone, and also come along. Most have a 'Premier' team.

What is your favourite stones game you've ever seen? Wembley in 1985, what a fantastic win and a great day out. The evening was a bit blurry the next day though.

What is the best game you've EVER seen? That's hard to pick, but I will have to go with West Ham v Arsenal 1980 FA Cup Final. Second Division underdogs, we scored early on,



and thoroughly deserved the win.

Who is your favourite current Stones player/s? North has to be high on the list, and Danny Green is getting there too.

Do you think more could be done to attract youngsters along to the Vale? I think we frightened a lot off with the price hike last season, which I think was a silly move. A lot of us older supporters seem to be 'scared' of the 'yoof' coming in. I think we should

welcome them, and show them the 'Wealdstone' way.

What do you think of the pricing for games at The Vale? Pricing at Wealdstone is very good, the season tickets are probably the best in the League.

Do you use the megastore or social club/catering etc? I buy a few things at the Megastore, I get a little miffed at having to buy the 5XL size but Macron is Italian, and they are smaller. I don't use the catering facilities, I never eat at any football/rugby/cricket grounds. As for the social club, yes I use that a fair bit.

Have you played the game yourself and any memorable moments?

I played football to County level at School, for Brent, Middlesex & North London Schools. I then found booze & women were more fun. I also played Sunday football, and managed a team called Apex Corner to 2 cup wins and their highest ever finish in the League (Hendon & District).

What's your favourite of the three kits this season? I have to be honest and say I do not like any of the kits this season. I am an old traditionalist, and prefer the plain Blue shirts of old.

And what do you think of the Stones programme? I think ours is superb, very good value and good quality.



Tuesday 22nd October 2019 - Grosvenor Vale FA Cup 4th QR Replay - Attendance 835



Oxborough

Mendy

Efete

Clifford

Stevens

Okimo

Phillips

Watt

Lafayette

Green

Lewis

Subs:

Smith

Ringer

Coker

Sheppard

Saunders

Arnold

Charles



Wealdstone were eliminated from the FA Cup in the Fourth Qualifying Round replay against Maidenhead United at The Vale on Tuesday evening.

Two goals from Josh Kelly, either side of a controversial Jacob Mendy red card and half-time, sent the Magpies into the First Round Proper.

The game began at a relatively slow pace and the visitors capitalised after 15 minutes when Kelly timed his run to perfection and slotted past Aston Oxborough.

One goal could have quickly become two for the Magpies when Remy Clerima headed James Comley's cross goal bound; Oxborough dived to his right to parry the ball away from danger.

After a strong Stones performance on Saturday, the recovery from going behind was almost instant but Dennon Lewis' left-footed drive was dragged wide following slick build-up play.

Wealdstone needed to find a response and it almost fell to Danny Green on the right, the narrow angle allowed Chris Dunn to save at the near-post.

Alan Devonshire's side restricted the home side to half-chances throughout the first half, with Green's effort being the highlight of the opening period for the Stones.

Mendy seemed to have headed a long-ball back

to Oxborough on the stroke of half-time, but referee Paul Howard deemed a foul on Remy Clerima and Mendy was sent off as the last man. The red card sucked the life out of the already-uninspiring game overall and the Stones' FA Cup campaign was in jeopardy of coming to an end.



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LINE-UP

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Smile Clerima Upward

Twumasi Cassidy Kelly

Subs: Davies

Steer

Twumasi

Grant Mensah

Whitehall



SECOND HALF

Wealdstone had to come out quickly in the second half and change the tempo, which would be difficult for any side that were down to ten-men.

The Magpies doubled their lead ten minutes after the interval as Kelly drilled a left-footed strike across goal, off the post and into the net.

It was an uphill climb for the Stones at this point, who battled hard for 180 minutes with no luck. The tie could have taken a twist when Wealdstone midfielder Billy Clifford's free-kick from 25-yards forced an acrobatic save from Chris Dunn in the final 20 minutes.

Wealdstone kept going even in the closing stages, substitute Ashley Charles struck an indirect free-kick low which was cleared off the line ten minutes from time.

The game eventually petered out, with the Stones unable to emulate the late heroics that their opponents pulled off in the previous fixture just three days earlier.

With ten-men, there was no doubting the home side's commitment. However, a packed and experienced Magpies side allowed their National League quality to shine through in the end.

Opposition in focus

onbridge Football Club were formed in October 1947 following the suggestion of local businessman and founder chairman Mr. Herbert Portch, and were one of four clubs to be elected to the Southern League for the 1948-49 season. 'Jock' Dunoon, a former Chelsea player, was the club's first manager. The club took out a lease on the Angel Ground, formerly the home of Kent County Cricket Club and named after the nearby pub 'The Angel'. Hence Tonbridge FC became known as 'The Angels'. A crowd of around 5,000 turned up for the club's opening league fixture against fellow newcomers Hastings United but the match was lost 2-1 with Albert Ronson scoring the club's first ever goal. Progress was slow in the early days with the club rock bottom at Christmas and with Harold Hobbis taking over as manager from Dunoon and Marshall Raybould, but the club would improve their form in the second half of the season to finish third from last.

Throughout the 1950s the Angels would struggle to make any progress in the Southern League and a peak of 11th place was reached in 1949/50, the club's second season, however Tonbridge would prove to be a strong side in cup competitions. In 1949/50, the club reached the semi-finals of the Southern League Cup, losing 3-2 to Colchester United. In three successive seasons, 1950-51, 1951-52 and 1952-53. Tonbridge reached the First Round Proper of the FA Cup, only to lose each of the three after a replay. The Angels' opponents were Chelmsford City, Aldershot and Norwich City respectively. The Aldershot tie at the Angel Ground saw a record attendance of 8,236, while the Norwich City game was shrouded in controversy with a late goal at Carrow Road settling the tie. The first

trophy to be lifted came in 1951/52 with the Angels winning the Kent Senior Shield. Tonbridge would go on to win this trophy a further four times, in 1956, 1958, 1959 and 1964. Two Southern League Cup finals were reached and lost, beaten in 1954/55 by Yeovil Town and two seasons later by Hereford United, and two Kent Senior Cup finals were also lost in 1956/57 and 1958/59. The club were relegated from the Premier Division in 1961/62, but were promoted two seasons later finishing in 4th place after narrowly missing out the year before. However the club were then relegated back to Division One in 1965-66. The notable success of the 1960s was the achievement of reaching the First Round Proper for a fourth time, this time being knocked out 1-0 by Dagenham. The club also won the Kent Senior Cup for the first time in 1964/65

In 1972/73 the Angels won promotion to the Premier Division by finishing as runners-up to Maidstone United. In the same season the First Round Proper of the FA Cup was reached once again as Charlton Athletic were the visitors to the Angel Ground. A crowd of 7,770 saw Charlton win 5-0. Tonbridge won the Kent Senior Cup in 1974/75 while managed by former World Cup winner George Cohen. After struggling to stay in the Premier Division, the club suffered financial troubles and went into voluntary liquidation in 1976. Tonbridge Angels FC was then formed and allowed to complete the fixture list on the understanding that relegation would result at the end of the 1975/76 season, wherever the club finished. Another major problem loomed soon after. The club's landlords, the local council, wanted the Angel Ground for development. A battle lasting up to three years that went as far as the High Courts ensued before the club was eventually offered a new

ground at Longmead, its present home. The appropriately named Micky Angel scored the last ever goal at the old Angel Ground in 1980.

During the club's Kent League days, Longmead Stadium's record attendance for a competitive match was remarkably beaten three times in ten days during a memorable FA Cup run. After an abandoned 3rd Qualifying Round replay with Hampton in front of over 800 fans, the game was rearranged and drew an impressive attendance of 1,274. Just five days later the 4th Qualifying Round tie against Yeovil drew a crowd of 1,483. Season 1997/98 saw an attendance of 2,412 when the full Crystal Palace first team squad appeared for a charity match in aid of two local hospices. making March 30th 1998 a memorable evening in the clubs history. Still on the topic of records, the Angels' biggest win came about in the FA Cup in 1951 when Worthing were beaten 11-1. Two seasons before that a 2-11 loss at Folkestone in the Kent Senior Cup had given the club its record defeat.

The Angels briefly topped the Southern Division on their return to Southern League football in the 1993/94 season but settled for a mid-table finish, which was to be repeated the following season. The club struggled in the 1995/96 season with Phil Emblen resigning as Manager in February 1996 to be replaced by Bill Roffev and the club finished in 18th position. In 1996-97 Tonbridge had an improved season finishing in 8th place and in the summer of 1997 Paul Emblen broke the club's record transfer fee, moving to Charlton Athletic for £7.000. He was later transferred to Wycombe Wanderers for £60,000. His brother, ex-Angel Neil, has appeared for Millwall, Wolves, Crystal Palace and Norwich

In 2008/09 the Angels finished third in the Ryman Premier but lost to Carshalton Athletic in the play-offs. The close season saw a major ground development. The old covered stand, which had been transported from the Angel Ground to Longmead in 1980, was a hollow shell except for a pathway and 200 temporary seats. It was completely refurbished and transformed into a smart 720 capacity all-seater stand.

Having defeated Harrow in the Semi's the

Angels won the play off final in 2011/12 v Lowestoft in front of a record competitive crowd of 2,411 4-3 to take their place for the first time in the Football Conference South Division - their highest ever place in the non-league pyramid. The Angels were to stay three seasons at that level, finishing as high as 9th in their first season.

Following relegation at the end of the 2013/14 season Steve McKimm who had been coach at Sutton United took over as manager and whilst his first season in charge saw a flirtation with relegation, there followed an immediate change in fortune with 4th place achieved in 2015/16 and a play off semi final appearance against East Thurrock United. Despite a 2-0 loss there was optimism for the 2016/17 season. That optimism was well founded with a 4th Qualifying round appearance in the FA Cup against Dartford and a promotion challenge that in the end saw the club one position and one point away from a play off place.



ANGELS FACTS

GROUND - Longmead Stadium CAPACITY - 3,000 (760 seated) MANAGER - Steve McKimm 2018/19 - Isthmian Premier Lg. 4th Previously H 7/03/11 D 0-0 A 26/03/11 L 0-2

WEALDSTONE'S RECORD v TONBRIDGE ANGELS

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WHO'S WHO?

JONNY HENLY - GOALKEEPER

Signed in August 2017 from Hemel Hempstead Town following a successful loan period at the end of 2016/17 during which he achieved some Man of the Match performances for the Angels. Previous clubs include Reading, Aldershot, Oxford Utd., Welling Utd and Ipswich Town and he has also represented Scotland at U19 and U21 levels. Runner up for the Supporters Player of the Year Award in 2017/18 and 2018/19.

ALEX BENTLEY - DEFENDER

Alex joined the Angels in May 2019 and is an experienced defender who has played at Dagenham & Redbridge, Cray Wanderers, and most recently (AFC) Hornchurch where he made 288 appearances and whilst there was twice voted Supporters Player of the Year and Players Player of the Year in 2012/13.

LIAM SMITH - DEFENDER

An exciting young prospect who broke into the Angels 1st team from the club's successful youth system. Enjoys attacking the opposition down the flank when operating at full back, yet shows great maturity for one so young.

JAMES FOLKES - MIDFIELD

Returning to Longmead in June 2018 this popular and versatile player can operate in defence or midfield. Was with the Angels for nearly three seasons making 128 appearances before a spel I with Grays Athletic. Up until the end of last season had clocked up 189 appearances.

JACK PARTER - DEFENDER

Originally joined the Angels in the summer of 2014 where a season later he was to form a formidable left flank partnership with then winger Nicky Wheeler. Departed the club during the summer of 2017, but when a left back vacancy arose, manager Steve Mckimm moved quickly to re-sign Jack in September 2017 whereupon he has forged an equally successful partnership with wideman Joe Turner. Voted Players' Player of the Year for last season.

SONNY MILES - DEFENDER

Came through the Angels youth system and apart from one season with local rivals Maidstone Utd from where he came back a stronger player, has stayed loyal to his spiritual Longmead home. Capable of scoring vital goals at set pieces and appointed 1st team vice-captain for season 2016/17. Captained the side with distinction for much of 2017/18 and part of 2018/19 due to injury to skipper Tom Parkinson. Awarded Managers' Player of the Year for 2018/19.

RIAN BRAY - DEFENDER

Rian joined the Angels in June 2019 from fellow club Hampton & Richmond Borough. He played youth football for Millwall which also included loan spells with Bishop's Stortford, Welling Utd., and Leatherhead. At the start of season 2017/18 Rian joined Hendon and a year later was to move on to Hampton & Richmond Borough where he made 45 appearances the most of any Beavers player. Voted Hampton's Young Player of the Year for 2018/19.

TOM PARKINSON - MIDFIELD

Our longest continuously serving 1st team player. Tom joined from Leatherhead in June 2014 with other previous clubs listed as Maidstone Utd and Ramsgate. Usually employed in the heart of midfield but equally capable of performing in central defence, he has an appetite for scoring goals from open play or at set pieces. Runner up three years in succession in the Supporters Player of the Year competition demonstrates 'Parky's' consistently high performances in which he lets his playing do the talking. Deservedly appointed 1st team captain in 2016/17. Has been unlucky with two serious injuries over the last three seasons but his determination to come back stronger in 2019/20 says much about the character of this player. Joint manager of the very successful Angels Academy team.

JARED SMALL- MIDFIELD

Impressed the Angels management team when Jared came visiting with Harlow Town in 2017/18 and consequently signed for us in June 2018. Jared comes with plenty of experience as a winger in Isthmian League football with previous spells at Brentwood Town and Enfield Town as well as Harlow Town. Provided the assist for the winning goal in last season's Super Play Off Final.

JOE TURNER - MIDFIELD

A talented left sided player who joined the Angels in August 2017 from Kingstonian. Enjoys playing either just behind the strikers or wide and will be integral to Steve McKimm's ambitions for 2019/20. Has previously won Managers Player of the Year, Players Player of the Year, and twice the Supporters Player of the Year which says everything about Joe's abilities. Top scored for the Angels in 2018/19.

TOM BEERE - MIDFIELD

A creative advance midfield player who was attached to AFC Wimbledon between 2013 and 2017 and will be best remembered by Dons fans as the scorer of an added time match winner in the home leg, first round of the 2016 League 2 Playoffs. First joined the Angels in 2017 and then following a spell at Leatherhead returned to Longmead for the start of the 2018/19 season. Sustained a serious injury at Potters Bar last season but now on the road to recovery.

D'SEAN THEOBALDS - MIDFIELD

Signed from then fellow Isthmian Premier club Leatherhead on Christmas Eve 2018. A playmaker who is comfortable with the ball at his feet, but equally capable of taking up great positions off the ball. Other clubs include, Aylesbury United, Redbridge and Barkingside. Scored a magnificent late solo goal in last season's Super Play Off Final to force extra time and eventual victory.

KHALE DA COSTA - MIDFIELD

Khale da Costa joined the club in June 2019 from St Albans City. Starting his football progression at Fulham and Luton Town academies, this pacy winger has played senior football at Ware Town, Hendon, Harlow Town and Concord Rangers before joining Saints at the start of last season. 2018/19 saw him make 25 starts, scoring five goals with nine assists. St Albans Manager, lan Allinson, described his goal against Chelmsford City in April as "One of the best I've seen down here".

JOSH STIRMAN - MIDFIELD

Signed 1st team forms in February 2019 and

a highly regarded prospect currently at the Tonbridge Angels Academy. He has played senior football at Hythe Town and took part in a trial at Premier League Leicester City in 2018. Middlesbrough & Millwall.

TOMMIE HESSION-HARRIS - MIDFIELD

His favoured position is central midfield but happy to play in central defence or full back. A dead ball specialist. Signed for the Angels in July 2019 folowing a successful pre-season with the club. Tommie has had three years of playing in the USA including a spell at Toros and last season was at 3rd place Isthmian League North club Maldon & Tiotree

CHINEDU MCKENZIE - FORWARD

Joined the Angels in January 2019 from Haringey Borough where he was part of the successful squad that reached the 1st Round Proper of the 2018/19 FA Cup. A genuine handful for defenders due to his range of movement

TOM DERRY - FORWARD

Signed from National South club East Thurrock Utd in February 2019 with money being put up by a group of Angels supporters. Comes to Longmead with a strong non-league CV including spells at Leatherhead, Kingstonian, Hayes & Yeading, and Chelmsford and having started his career with Gillingham. Scored the winning goal in last season's Super Play Off Final

STEVE MCKIMM - MANAGER

Appointed Tonbridge Angels manager in May 2014 from Sutton Utd where for the previous two years he had gained valuable managerial experience as Head Coach under Paul Doswell. As a central midfielder Steve represented with distinction Hayes, Kingstonian, and Ebbsfleet Utd before joining Sutton in May 2008. Guided the Angels to a Bostik (Ryman) Premier play-off semi-final spot in 2015/16,the Emirates FA Cup 4th qualifying round in 2016/17 and promotion to National South via the Bostik Premier play-offs in 2018/19.

ANGELS LAST 5













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Saturday, 26th October

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CHELMSFORD CITY Saturday, 11th January



Vanarama National League South

BATH CITY Saturday, 25th January

Vanarama National League South **BILLERICAY TOWN**

Saturday, 8th February



Vanarama National League South

Saturday, 22nd February



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Saturday, 7th March Vanarama National League South



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RESULTS & FIXTURES 2019/2020

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July 5, away vs. Bracknell Town - W 4-1 (Mendy, Lewis 2, Efete)

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July 9, away vs. Hayes & Yeading United - D 2-2 (Green, Lafayette (pen))

(Squad Friendly)

July 12, away vs. Reading U23 s - L 0-2

Paterson, Michee Efete, Sellars, Matt Saunders, Ed Cook, Yaw Ofuso, Dylan Switters, Sheppard, Noel-Williams, Jacob Mendy, Dennon Lewis Subs: Eric Lopes, Billy Clifford, Femi Azeez

July 13, away vs. Hitchin Town - W 3-2 (Lafayette 2, Lopez)

Theo Richardson, Nick Arnold, Sellars, Billy Clifford, Yaw Ofuso, Okimo, Beckles-Richards, Connor Smith, Lafayette, Green, Dennon Lewis Subs: Jacob Cook, Dylan Switters, Sanchez Watt, Eric Lopes

July 16, home vs. Colchester United - L 0-3

Theo Richardson, Michee Efete, Nick Arnold, Billy Clifford, Stevens, Okimo, Jacob Mendy, Connor Smith, Lafayette, Green, Dennon Lewis Subs: Sheppard, Matt Saunders, Afolabi Coker, Yaw Ofosu, Reece Beckles-Richards, Jacob Cook, Dejon Noel-Williams, Sanchez Watt, Eric Lopes, Sellars

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

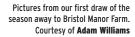
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July 20, home vs. Watford Under 23s - W 4-0 (Green, Noel-Williams, Mendy, Lewis)

Richardson, Arnold (Efete, 78), Sellers, Clifford (sheppard 61), Stevens, Okimo 9Coker 78), Trialist (Lewis 61), Smith (Cook 78), Noel-Williams (Beckles-Richards 45), Green (Saunders 89), Mendy (Watt 61), Subs not used: Paterson, Ringer

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

Ringer, Arnold, Efete, Clifford (Lewis, 74), Stevens, Okimo, Phillips, Smith, Lafayette (Richards, 87), Green (Trialist, 78), Watt (Mendy, 67)



26 Slough Town (1:00pm)

11 CHELMSFORD CITY

8 BILLERICAY TOWN

14 Chippenham Town

21 BRAINTREE TOWN

4 HAMPTON & RICHMOND

TO BE ARRANGED

25 HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN NLS

28 Concord Rangers

10 Hungerford Town 13 WEYMOUTH

18 Maidstone United

15 Eastbourne Borough

22 DORKING WANDERERS

18 Havant & Waterlooville

1 SLOUGH TOWN (1:00pm)

28 ST.ALBANS CITY

JANUARY

4 Oxford City

25 BATH CITY

29 Dartford

MARCH
7 DULWICH HAMLET

APRIL

FEBRUARY
1 Tonbridge Angels

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APPEARANCES

2019/2020 FIRST TEAM, up to & inc. @ 21/10/2019

A = STARTING APPEARANCES • S = APPEARANCE AS SUBSTITUTE • G = GOALS SCORED * = HAS NOW LEFT CLUB

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WEALDSTONE U18's SAMBA YOUTH LEAGUE 2019/20



2019 / 2020 FIXTURES & RESULTS

AUGUST	Opposition	Competition	Result
Wednesday 28th	BEDFONT SPORTS	League	W 3-0
SEPTEMBER			
Wednesday 4th	CB HOUNSLOW UNITED	FA Youth Cup P	W 2-1
Wednesday 11th	Hayes & Yeading United	League Cup P	0 - 0 W 5-4 Pens
Wednesday 18th	NORTHWOOD	FA Youth Cup 1Q	W 4-1
OCTOBER			
Thursday 10th	Northwood	League	D 2-2
Monday 14th	Hampton & Richmond Borough	League	L 2-1
Wednesday 23rd	BEDFONT SPORTS	FA Youth Cup 2Q	W 1-0
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	

MATCH REPORT

NORTHWOOD 2 - 2 WEALDSTONE

THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER

A good start by Wealdstone caught Northwood of guard as they took the lead 11 minutes in as a cross was failed to clear by Northwood and Crotty slotted it home into the bottom corner. However a quick response by Northwood meant it was all level again just one minute after Wealdstone's opener. With half time looming round the corner Wealdstone restored their lead with a close range finish from Morgan. After four minutes of the second half Northwood levelled it up again with a tidy finish from the

edge of the box. Only a handful of chances was given to Wealdstone in the second half to get the winner but after claims of what looked like a certain penalty were dismissed, it didn't look like it was gonna be their night. And so it ended 2-2 with both teams having to share the points. Wealdstone being far the more dominant team in terms of possession but just weren't clinical enough in the final third.

Match report Patrick Woulfe

NEXT HOME MATCH U18'S

Samba Youth League Wednesday 25th Nov Northwood

TONBRIDGE

P. Flood L. Prince

B. Kinsey

G. Lockley

K. Walsh 1 goal A. Thorburn

P. Stonebridge

D. Crush

10. T. Bimson

12. B. Smith

Mr. R. A. Anderson

Mr. F. J. Maddacks

(Carshelton) (Yellow Flag)

(Cerise Flag)

Tonbridge always remind me of Adriaan 'Coco' Eglite... and the Dutchman's eight-minute hat-trick

he memory of Geoff Hurst's World Cup winning hat-trick is indelibly printed on the brain of every sports-mad schoolboy who grew up in the 1960s. I am no different.

Even visiting Wembley for the very first time, for a schoolboy international a few vears after the Miracle of '66. my eyes were drawn to the goalposts, to the crossbar that had ricocheted Hurst's shot down onto the goalline and away, and to the net that famously billowed in the final moments of extra time as Sir Geoff belted in his third goal.

To this nine year old, the thought of even scoring one goal in a proper game was unbelievably exciting. To score a hat-trick was simply the stuff of dreams.

This mystical aura surrounding hat tricks has stayed with me throughout the intervening 53 years - and the most precious memories from my own modest footballing career in local leagues revolve around goalscoring. One hat-

trick for SFC Wealdstone (our excellent supporters team) in an end-of-season Marathon Sunday League game under the lights at Lower Mead against big rivals Greenford Royals - on a real mudbath of a pitch, amidst thunder and lightning -still gives me a tingle iust thinking about it.

No surprise then, that Wealdstone hat

tricks hold special importance for me. Add to

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Above: The programme and teams for the clash at Lower Mead in November 1975, with my own schoolboy scribblings. Main image: Eglite (on right of picture) lurks in wait for Tonbridge keeper Rodgers to drop the ball under pressure from George Duck before knocking in his hattrick goal and trotting off the pitch for his half time cuppa. Below: the balding Dutchman drives his second goal past the flailing keeper



that heady mix a hat trick scored in rapid succession and it's enough to make me go weak at the knees!

nd so, in a roundabout way, we come to Tonbridge Angels, our visitors today. Yes, I know they are a reformed club after the original Tonbridge FC reformed in

1976 - just one season after the game we'll be taking about today - but let's accept they are fundamentally the same club. We seem to have this conversation guite regularly these days!

Back in 1974, Tonbridge were a solid Southern League Prem outfit (having won promotion two years earlier) while the Stones under Eddie Presland were newlyarrived in the rarefied atmosphere of the SLP. We had made a solid start but goals were hard to come by - even for George Duck who had netted an astonishing 64 times the previous season- and it was a surprise to read in the Harrow Observer that the club had signed Dutch winger Adriaan Eglite to help create chances. Sceptics (myself included) scorned the additional

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After an extremely shaky start, when they looked in trouble for the first 20 minutes against a purposeful Tonbridge attack, spearheaded by the hard running Kevin Walsh who was well supported by Phil Stone-bridge, a fast moving winger. 'Stones settled down to some really good

football.
Stones were without strongman centre-back and skipper
John McCormick and that unsettled them from the kick-off. The defence was reshuffled with Derek Evans wearing the num-ber five shirt, and he did a man-

ful job.

But, he obviously lacks big
John's power in the air and
Kinnear, Watson, and particularly Paul Fairclough were forc-

ed into heroics many times.

Manager Eddie Presland's tactics of using Fairclot gh as a sweeper seem to be working.
The local schoolmaster appears
to have settled in his new role
and one feels that perseverance
will be research.

will be rewarded.
Fairclough has the natural ability to win and hold the ball and then move into attack. Cer-

tainly not all his moves come off, but given possession he can search out the depths of the opposing defence and crack in the telling shot or pass.

Tonbridge goalkeeper Rodg-ers learned this lesson at least twice, once in each half, when Fairclough moved through quickly to slam shots, one pushed over the bar and the other taken at considerable pain by the 'keeper low down by an up-

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So Wealdstone moved into seventh position in the table with 18 points from 16 games and their situation looks much happier. In fact, they are but eight points behind leaders Yeovil with two games in hand.

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That is a challenging position, but hardly a realistic one.

Never-the less it is a situation which could put them in contention should the newly proposed Football Alliance Division—to be drawn from the top clubs of the Southern Premier and the Northern League start next season. start next season.

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The Kent side had come into the game in a good run of form - as you can see from the report (left)

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but Eglite (just a couple of weeks on from his memorable debut) had the strength and low centre of gravity that was ideally suited to the glue pot pitches of the 1970s.

We were just mesmerised by his power and determination as he walked off the pitch at

halftime already clutching the match ball in jest - and as Tonbridge took to double-marking the Dutchman after the break it was left to fellow winger Johnny Henderson to add the clinching fourth goal.

Eglite stayed with the Stones for just 18

months, scoring 15 goals in 45 starts and 13 appearances off the bench... not a bad tally for a wide man. He signed for Kingstonian in the

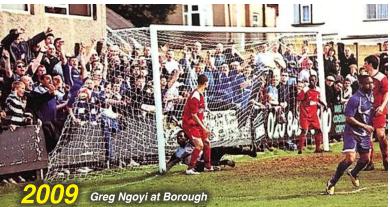
summer of 1976, but then seems to have disappear off football's radar. You wouldn't think it would be hard to Google or Facebook someone with as unusual a name.... but it is. The only references direct you to the Stones fans forum and a debate over the club's

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Football may have forgotten you, Adriaan Eglite, but we haven't.

fastest hat trick (strangely enough).

...and talking of quick-fire hat



tricks, what about these ones?



enfield 0 wealdstone 8 ...yes, it really happened!

o, was Eglite's eight-minute hat trick the fastest in Wealdstone FC history?
We don't have records covering all 130-odd years of WFC but in the professional era - since 1971 -

professional era - since 19/1 -Adriaan shares that honour with Messrs Jermaine Beckford and Richard Jolly, not a bad pair to be bracketed with.

Becks hit his eight-minute trio in the Ryman Div One North 8-0 win over Enfield in April 2004, in a game played at Boreham Wood FC on our late run to a famous play off victory over Dulwich.

They came between the 80th and 87th minutes, all the more memorable as he'd only come on as substitute a few minutes before!

Jolls' eight-minute moment of fame came at Concord Rangers in February 2011 (when he ended up with four and declined to take a late penalty that would have given him a record tally of five in a competitive

Stones match) although goals two and three came either side of the half time break so conceivably there was a minute or so of injury time to add to that.

It was a similar story for Greg Ngoyi whose brilliant hat trick at Harrow Borough in Easter 2009 came in nine minutes. His third goal came just after half time so again might have included some added time- but we didn't care about it then, and even less so now!

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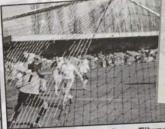
•When Ross Lafayette grabbed that terrific hat-trick at Weymouth on August 26, it WASN'T his first for the club as widely believed.

Pete Worby reminds us that Roscoe actually scored four goals at Ware in a friendly match in September 2009 when the young striker was struggling to break into the team.. and then-boss Gordon Bartlett turned to Pete and said: "I can't release him now, can I?"



2-0! Lucy Taffell captures the moment that Gary McKeown's 20-yarder beat keeper Collier all ends up

IF YOU are old enough to have enjoyed Enfield 0
Wealdstone 1 (Conference top-of-the-table clash,
January 1983) and Enfield 0 Wealdstone 2 (FA
Trophy Semi-Final, 1st leg, April 1985), how did
Saturday's 8-0 whitewash of the Es compare?
Pretty favourably, actually, was the general opinion
among the old lags on the Meadow Park terraces.
Maybe the game was not quite as important
(although the rampant scoreline was as good as an
exita point in our promotion quest) and clearly this
Enfield side weren't quite as good as Eddie
McCluskey's mid-1980s vintage but it still extraordi-



4-0! Jon Taffell captures Danny Tilbury's 5-yard strike from a Tommy Williams cross

narily satisfying to thump ANY Enfield side. For the record, after a goalless 1st half, Danny Tilbury cracked a glorious left-foot opener on the volley: Gary McKeown's 20-yarder made it 2-0; Richard Jolly's Thierry Henry-like strike made it three; Tommy Willillams whipped-in cross set up Tilbury for 4-0; Tommy himself saw a 25-yard shot bobble under the unfortunate Collier for five; then substitute Jermaine Beckford came on and promptly scored three smart goals to wrap it up.

Most extraordinary hat-trick ever? See Page 42

and finally...



I've got three! Becks signals his delight on Saturday. Picture: Jon Taffel

as Jermaine Beckford's stunning hat-trick against Enfield last Saturday – scored in the space of nine minutes after coming on as a late substitute – the most sensational in the history of Wealdstone FC?

In January 1973, the great George Duck scored a 1st half hat-trick against Bexley United on a Saturday, and repeated the feat against Salisbury City three days later. And in January 1975 our Dutch winger Adriaan Eglite scored three goals in (I think) 20 first half minutes against Tonbridge. But they weren't scored in such rapid succession as the "Becks" trio at Meadow Park.

His first, timed at 77 minutes, was a quick dart into space and a stroll around the onrushing Michael Collier, before rolling the ball into an empty net. Seven minutes later Brett Freeman crossed brilliantly from the left, just beating Collier to the ball, and Jermaine finished tidily from four yards out.

Collier was stretchered off, injured in that collision with Freeman – but his replacement Rob Munn was fishing another Beckford strike out of the net just two minutes later when he was beaten to the ball on the edge of the box and Jermaine had another open goal to shoot into. Fabulous!

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2004

These pages from the Stones programme illustrate Jermaine Beckford's remarkable hat trick against Enfield 15 years ago. Beckford went on to have quite a memorable career



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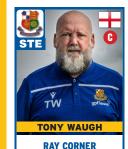
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6 Weymouth	13	6	5	2	25	14	6	4	1	1	15	7	7	2	4	1	10	7	11	23	4-3
7 Braintree Town	13	7	1	5	25	23	6	4	0	2	13	10	7	3	1	3	12	13	2	22	4-0
8 Bath City	14	5	5	4	20	14	7	3	3	1	11	6	7	2	2	3	9	8	6	20	
9 Billericay Town	13	5	5	3	20	20	6	4	2	0	12	6	7	1	3	3	8	14	0	20	
10 Maidstone United	13	5	4	4	20	14	6	2	3	1	12	6	7	3	1	3	8	8	6	19	2-1
11 Chelmsford City	14	5	4	5	24	22	7	3	3	1	15	9	7	2	1	4	9	13	2	19	3-1
12 Chippenham Town	13	4	5	4	14	13	6	3	2	1	9	6	7	1	3	3	5	7	1	17	1-0
13 Concord Rangers	14	5	2	7	18	20	8	3	1	4	9	10	6	2	1	3	9	10	-2	17	
14 Dulwich Hamlet	13	4	4	5	19	18	7	2	2	3	11	12	6	2	2	2	8	6	1	16	0-1
15 Welling United	13	4	3	6	14	18	7	3	1	3	9	9	6	1	2	3	5	9	-4	15	2-1
16 Eastbourne Borough	13	3	5	5	12	20	6	2	1	3	7	11	7	1	4	2	5	9	-8	14	
17 Dartford	13	3	4	6	19	27	6	1	3	2	10	11	7	2	1	4	9	16	-8	13	4-1
18 Hampton & Richmond	13	4	1	8	16	27	6	2	1	3	9	10	7	2	0	5	7	17	-11	13	
19 Tonbridge Angels	14	3	2	9	17	25	8	3	1	4	13	13	6	0	1	5	4	12	-8	11	
20 Hungerford Town	14	3	2	9	16	28	6	1	2	3	7	10	8	2	0	6	9	18	-12	- 11	3-1
21 Oxford City	13	2	4	7	11	21	7	1	2	4	6	13	6	1	2	3	5	8	-10	10	1-0
22 St Albans City	14	2	4	8	14	28	8	1	2	5	7	16	6	1	2	3	7	12	-14	10	3-2