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The team playing at Bletchley last Tuesday specifically asks us to thank those guys and gals who gave them so much vocal support. Even footballers are human and respond to appreciation, as they showed so superbly. You can give them almost a goal start today, so let's know you're here!

Good to see former assistant secretary Bill Roberts here at the last home match. Nice to know that these stalwarts are still drawn back even when they sever official connections.

A word of praise to supporter Bert Farmer, who does a marvellous voluntary job here clearing up the stand after matches, and generally keeping the ground tidy.

News of former 'Stones players: Ray Whittaker, John Barr and Bill Bailey are all playing for Dunstable, while Dave Cockell appears as a permit player with Staines Town.

We are competing again in the Mid Surrey Floodlight Professional League, which starts next month.

Diary date: Monday October 29th (7.30) we entertain Watford's full league side in a testimonial match for former skipper John Pearce. Let's give John a bumper night to remember!

There is a Silver Lining

At the annual meeting of the Club last night, the accounts showed a loss on the season's working of more than £11,000, of which just over £4,000 was incurred on the Pop Concert. It is stupid to pretend that this loss is anything but grievous, although the balance sheet does underline

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A Match We Hadn't Anticipated !

We are delighted to welcome to Lower Mead Stadium on a rare visit, the Officials, Players and Supporters of Chesham United for this F.A. Challenge Cup replay. Let us be honest, we did not anticipate being held to a 1-1 draw at Chesham on Saturday, so full marks to the Isthmian League side who recovered from a very nervous start to settle down and well earn a draw. Although we should have made the game safe when we had them on the rack in the first half, they themselves could have got a couple late in the game, and so we look forward to a keen battle tonight. For our part, we feel our team will produce more of the football they are capable of on our own better surface. But Chesham, of course, are doughty cup fighters, as we recall from a certain game at Craven Cottage a few seasons back! Tonight's winners travel to Hertford, who beat Wokingham 5-1 on Saturday.

Our side tonight will depend on several factors, not the least of which is the injury situation. Chris Kinnear was not fully fit on Saturday because of ligament trouble and a decision to play him was obviously a gamble that there would be no replay. He must be doubtful therefore, as are Eddie Presland and Eric Burgess. Eddie is suffering from bad vein trouble in the right thigh, while Eric got a nasty kick on a knee. If they are all passed fit, the team will be unchanged, so fingers crossed please!

Midfield man Barry Barnes has now been released following his trial and Jim Godfrey retained.

For those who haven't yet read the Harrow Observer today, George Duck got our goal, following a good run by Alick Brown, to take his goal tally to 15.

Next Saturday we make the long trip to Ramsgate for a League game. Relegated from the Premier Division last season, the Kent side have not opened too brilliantly and we are looking for at least one point which will keep us ahead of what is generally regarded as a promotion schedule, two points at home and one away. Supporters coaches leave at 9 a.m.—obviously they are going to have a paddle first !

Incidentally, if any of you here tonight happen to be witch doctors, you might bring down the rain! The lads are sick and tired of iron-hard pitches, which makes the possession game, at which they excel, so difficult.

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Our pitch has had 72 hours watering in an effort to make entertaining football possible tonight.

Attendance at Chesham was just under 1,000 and we hope to better that tonight. At least the two clubs' treasurers didn't mind the draw!

COLIN POPE

Supporters Club Notes

We welcome this evening the Supporters of Chesham United from the Rothmans Isthmian League for this F.A. Cup replay following the 1-1 draw at Chesham last Saturday.

This coming Saturday 22nd September we visit Ramsgate Athletic in a League match and the usual Supporters Club coach service will operate leaving from Bovis House, South Harrow at 8.45 a.m. and from the Ground at 9.00 a.m. For the information of Supporters making their own way by car Ramsgate's ground is called "Southwood Ground". Next Monday of course we are at White Hart Lane to meet Spurs in the London Challenge Cup and we hope to see an extra large contingent of Stones fans there. Any information regarding away matches can be obtained by visiting the Club Office or by phoning Barbara Robson at 422 0799.

Would all members of the Supporters Club please note that the club A.G.M. will be held on Friday 5th October in the Social Club Hall at 8.00 p.m.

Now lets get down to the matter in hand and let us all really get behind the team with some real vocal support, and help them into the next round.

UP THE STONES!

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News from Round and About

According to press reports, former Wealdstone striker Mickey Brown has had his contract cancelled by Maidstone, and has joined Tonbridge.

Sincere congratulations to Harrow Borough, who beat Tooting and Mitcham 2-1 in the F.A. Cup here on Saturday.

As one or two people have mentioned it, you might like to know this information! Even when lamps have blown on several of the floodlight towers, the total wattage is far above the League's official requirements. In other words, we have a big margin to play with . . .

We visit White Hart Lane to meet Spurs next Monday night (7.30) in the second round of the London Challenge Cup and look forward to good support at this famous Stadium. Terry Dyson can't wait to get back there !

John Henderson's suspension ends after Saturday's match and he will be available for the match against Spurs on Monday.

Raffle tickets in aid of John Pearce's benefit match against Watford on Oct. 29th will be on sale shortly. Please have a few books to sell to swell the fund.

The new issue of Non League Football is on sale tonight, 10p.

Social Club News

A very pleasant day out is planned for Sunday October 4th. Coaches will leave the Club at 2 p.m. for Berkhamsted where a canal barge will be boarded for a three hour trip before returning to pick up the coach back home. All for £1.25 and early booking is essential.

Next Friday a dance, cabaret and buffet evening will be held, with an extension until 1 a.m. and admission is a modest 50p.

Danny Galvin, who was with us some years ago, has taken up duties as Social Club Steward.

The Lower Mead Singers are in urgent need of a pianist interested in variety shows of the Black and White Minstrel type. The lack of one is holding up the next production, so if you can tickle the old ivories a bit, Ken Witshire would love to hear from you !

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Basingstoke Town	5	3	2	0	11	5	8
Trowbridge Town	5	4	0	1	11	7	8
Poole Town	5	3	1	1	7	2	7
Canterbury City	5	3	0	2	7	4	6
Bognor Regis Town	5	3	0	2	10	7	6
Wealdstone	4	3	0	1	6	5	6
Dorchester Town	4	2	1	1	3	1	5
Ramsgate	4	2	1	1	10	6	5
Crawley Town	6	1	3	2	9	9	5
Gravesend & Northfleet	5	2	1	2	12	12	5
Salisbury	5	2	1	2	6	6	5
Waterlooville	4	2	1	1	2	3	5
Ashford Town	5	1	2	2	12	11	4
Hastings United	5	1	2	2	2	3	4
Bideford	5	1	2	2	12	13	4
Minehead	5	1	2	2	5	8	4
Andover	5	1	1	3	5	10	3
Bexley United	5	1	1	3	3	7	3
Metropolitan Police	4	0	2	2	3	10	2
Bath City	5	0	1	4	4	11	1

Wealdstone Statistics

Leading scorers: George Duck 15 (5 pens); E. Presland, J. Henderson, B. Byrne 2 each.

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