News briefly

Saracens shock champs Quins

SARACENS ended Harlequins' unbeaten start to the season with a 18-16 win at the Stoop on Sunday. Owen Farrell's form with the boot proved the difference as he kicked six penalties for the Men in Black. Premiership champions Harlequins rued costly misses from Nick Evans as they let a 13-9 halftime lead slip.

Bonus-point win for Harrow

HARROW RFC scored six tries in their 45-28 win at West London in Herts Middlesex One, Chris West, Christian Witney, Hylan Proctor, Julialus Sihaloho, a penalty try and Gary Conroy were all on target for Harrow. The team are on the road again this weekend when they look to cash in on a trip to Bank of England.

Stones youngsters beaten in cup

WEALDSTONE Under-18s lost 2-0 at home to Enfield 1893 in the second qualifying round of the FA Youth Cup. Rvan Williams fired the visitors into the lead after 32 minutes. But the Stones had an immediate chance to level as Ayomide Noble lobbed his effort narrowly wide of the post. Substitute Joseph Wright netted Enfield's second to fire them into the next round.

Trophy win for Stones

WEALDSTONE came from behind to complete a 3-1 win over Chertsey Town in the FA Trophy at Grosvenor Vale.

The Stones' reward for their comeback is a second qualifying round tie at South Merstham on Saturday, October 27.

Wealdstone had a major setback before the game after goalkeeper Rikki Banks was stuck in traffic.

This meant that with no back up available defender Sean Cronin was forced to fill in between the posts.

The visitors tried to take advantage of

this with some long distance efforts which Cronin was initially equal to.

But Chertsey made the breakthrough after 13 minutes when Jermiele Johnson set up Gavin Quintyre for the close-range

Gordon Bartlett's side thought they had equalised midway through the half but Richard Jolly's effort was ruled out for offside.

But the deserved goal for the hosts eventually came six minutes before halftime when Jolly side-footed past Jordan Kennedy.

The Stones nearly grabbed a quick second but Alex Dyer's low strike was well saved by the goalkeeper.

Chertsey nearly regained the lead at the start of the second half but Michael Blount fired over from the edge of the penalty area.

Wealdstone took the lead for the first time when Kurtney Brooks sent in a cross and striker Jolly headed home from close range

Wealdstone had a number of opportunities to kill off the tie but Chris O'Leary headed over the bar and Peter Dean miskicked an effort.

But the third goal for the home side arrived after 90 minutes when Dean rounded the goalkeeper and tucked the ball home.

Bartlett's side return to league matters this weekend when they visit Bognor Regis Town in the Ryman Premier Division.

Meanwhile, Wealdstone Ladies beat Buckingham Athletic 9-0.

Natalie Osman scored a hat-trick and there were further goals netted from Chloe Jarman (2), Danielle Forde, Katie Harling, Cadey Rowe-Morrison and Rosie Watts.

Harrow Borough suffer cup exit

HARROW BOROUGH were knocked out of the FA Trophy after a 2-0 defeat at Whitstable Town.

A dismal first-half showing enabled the hosts to take control and gave the Reds too much to do in the second period.

It took just five minutes for Whitstable to open the scoring when a cross was only half cleared and Damian Abel thumped in the Oystermen's first goal.

Dave Anderson's side found themselves under the cosh and were indebted to Elvijs Putnins for making excellent saves to deny Jake Beecroft and Abel.

Boro conceded a second goal just before the break when Gary Burrell lost the ball in midfield and Beecroft took full advantage to fire

past Putnins.

The Reds wasted a golden chance to get back in the match straight after the restart.

Dane Luchford brought down Burrell in the area but Garry Jones penalty was palmed away by Nick Shaw.

Boro improved in the second half and at least threatened to get a goal back

Joakim Ehui cut in from the right and forced Shaw into another important save.

Shaw made his best stop of the natch when the shot stopper match when the shot stopper denied substitute Alwayne Jones. But it was another game to forget

for the Boro faithful as they were left to concentrate on the league.

Meanwhile, their Ryman Premier clash with Metropolitan Police, which was scheduled for this weekend, has been moved to Tuesday.



Chris O'Leary attacks the ball during the Stones' FA Trophy win.

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