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WEALDSTONE back to winning ways at home



Wealdstone players celebrate scoring against Weymouth as they claimed three points for the first time in six matches

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Stones beat Weymouth

WEALDSTONE snapped a five-game winless run in the National League as they came from behind to beat Weymouth 2-1 at Grosvenor Vale. Weymouth goalkeeper Jack Bycroft

Weymouth goalkeeper Jack Bycroft produced two superb saves in the opening five minutes to prevent first Charlee Hughes and then Jacob Mendy from giving Wealdstone the lead.

Those stops proved all the more important when Weymouth went ahead in the 25th minute, Ben Thompson producing a calm finish after racing through one-onome with goalkeeper Stuart Moore to register his first goal of the season.

Bycroft pulled off another fantastic save from Michee Efete while Thomson was denied a second by a fine stop from Moore.

Wealdstone levelled on the stroke of half-time, Dennon Lewis heading in a Danny Green cross, and there was still time for Byrcroft to foil Mendy again.

The home side moved in front two minutes into the second half when substitute Jack Cawley met Green's corner with a By Ryan Gray

firm header.

Cawley struck the bar for Wealdstone and Bycroft thwarted Efete as Weymouth suffered a fourth successive defeat.

The win came in the wake of two departures from the club, with youngster Ashley Charles heading out on loan while midfielder Dean Parrett has departed permanently, joining National League strugglers Barnet, who sacked their manager at the weekend following their ninth consecutive game without a win.

Parrett had joined the Stones on a noncontract deal last month following his release by EFL League Two side Stevenage at the end of the 2019/20 season and made a total of four appearances.

Meanwhile Charles will be returning to Wealdstone after finishing a 28-day loan deal with National League South side Concord Rangers. The 21-year old has played just twice this season.

Borough lose again to Hanwell

3-1 AWAY LOSS FOLLOWS TUMULTUOUS FRIENDLIES



The Earlsmead Stadium

HARROW Borough lost 3-1 in their friendly away against Isthmian League South Central Division side Hanwell Town on Tuesday night, with a second half consolation goal from George Moore.

Harrow had lost their last fixture against the Geordies, a friendly in August, 2-0.

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This match came after a lockdown hiatus, with a 7-0 drubbing at the hands of Hemel Hempstead on December 8 but a 3-0 win against Chalfont St Peter on Saturday, replacing a postponed league match against Poole Town.

The team that started at the Powerday Stadium on Tuesday evening were Lincoln, Biler, C.Cole, Tricker, Jarra, L. Cole, Moore, Maloney, Ferdinand, Otudeko and Wynter, with Steve Baker keeping Charles-Smith, Preddie and Matthew on the bench.

Hanwell scored after 43 minutes, with a strike from Dan Carr the only goal of the first half.

Charles Smith was brought on for Ferdinand at the interval, with Griffiths replacing C.Cole and Preddie in place of Tricker.

A few minutes into the second half, it was Hanwell who scored again, this time with Gio making it 2-0.

George Moore brought Borough back in touch after 74 minutes, but Hanwell scored again after 84 minutes with Ogo making it 3-1 and putting the result beyond doubt.

Harrow, currently 16th in the Southern League Premier Division South, play a friendly against Bracknell Town on Saturday with kick-off at 12noon. Their next league action is a Boxing Day match against Hendon, also due to kick off at 3pm, and another 3pm kick-off on Saturday, January 2 against Walton Casuals.

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