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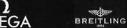


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Wealdstone FC

The valiant never taste of death but once

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen and a very warm welcome to The Vale for this eagerly awaited fixture with Rotherham. A packed-out crowd is the very least our young team deserve after starting this season off so well, not least with our storming through the FA Cup qualifiers. We are quite rightly underdogs against the full-time Millers but we have certainly earned the right to have a really good crack at upsetting the bookies this afternoon. If the scores are level after 90 minutes a replay will take place on Tuesday 17th November (Details p. 56)

This is a first ever meeting between the sides, and I sincerely hope all the Players, Officials and Supporters that have travelled down enjoy their stav with us and return to Yorkshire safely. The club has certainly been through it in recent seasons and makes some of our recent history almost straightforward. Not knowing where you'll be playing your home games or if money troubles are just around the corner had become the norm here at Wealdstone. Things can get better if our experiences can count for anything.

Avlesbury is covered further in the programme, and a brilliant day out it was. A huge Stones turnout making a real difference and lifting their team in the second half comeback. After being caught totally cold at the start the team just got better and better as the minutes ticked by. Great scenes at the end as the supporters sand their way out and into the early evening.

These notes were written just prior to our FA Trophy replay with Harrow Borough. The draw for the next round paired the winners away to Farnborough. A game that would whet the appetite of any Stones fan...

Back to today and well done on the club for getting this game on here today. Playing Leeds in the pre season friendly must be a decent practice for this game. Being an Official at this club has been a full time job at present, although it's a nice problem to have when your problems are caused by your team's success on the pitch.

It's going to be a fantastic moment for the many loyal Stones fans when the teams come out of the tunnel. Yes it's a huge game for our young players, but this game is truly a reward for all those fans who Our final qualifier at were here in the most horren-

Message of Support from the Club Patron

I so remember the great Stones year of yore but do you get the sense they are coming back but even better? To see two Middlesex sides, both of which I am privileged to be Patron, Staines Town and Wealdstone, in the FA Cup 1st Round Proper makes me feel so proud. I am currently in Berlin at the MTV European Music Awards so can't be supporting the lads today but what I can't do in body, with my powers, I can do in spirit! So a great deal of cosmic luck is being sent to Gordon - one of the finest Middlesex managers - and the team - hopefully I will be seeing on Dave Watters non league vidiprinter Stones won, Rotherham lost! Cheers all,

Mr Middlesex Russell Grant

dous low points of our history.

Those who saw Lower Mead pulled down, the proceeds of the sale squandered, only to come back stronger. The sponsored walk to Fisher, that goal at Wivenhoe, winning the old Division 3 Isthmian title at Northwood and the successive promotions after. Even when we were denied the promotion in 2000 due to a preposterous grading decision they stuck with it, finally reaching the league we are currently in via that magic night in the play-off final. For the fans who have stuck with the club through it all, you know who you are, this is finally the reward you really craved for.

For the club to go forward we do need new blood as well as more numerous support. With a steady improvement in attendances over the time we have been at Ruislip something must be going right on and off the pitch.

What will happen today on the pitch? Well I see a Wealdstone team with fair smattering of players who think they could follow Carl and Marvin into the professional Leagues. I think our supporters think it too. What

better way for them to show they can than today.

I'd like to thank Roger Slater of CAMS Associates for being Match ball Donor today. A fine gesture for a long time Stones fan who has already donated so much of his time to helping this club. I hope you and your quests enjoy the hospitality this afternoon.

I hope you enjoy the programme today. A variety of contributors including our very own Northern Correspondent Tim Green, who is a Rotherham supporter by day but sneaks off regularly to watch his Stones.

I know you won't need any reminding to get behind your team today.

Be brave today boys and fortune will smile on you

Adam

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HOWARD KRAIS

Proud of all our fine stalwarts who have got us here today

As Chairman of Wealdstone FC this is a very proud day for me, for all my Directors and for everyone involved with the Club.

We welcome the officials, players and supporters of League 2 Rotherham United to today's FA Cup 1st Round tie here at Grosvenor Vale. I'm sure there will be plenty of other contributors to this programme who will reminisce about the 23 years of non achievement and frustration we have endured in the Cup. Like so much that we see around us at Ruislip, our success this season in this year's FA Cup run is a hugely visible sign of the progress we are making at this Club, on and off the field. I hope our guests from South Yorkshire enjoy their day with us (whatever the result) and take away that we are a Club on the up, who do things properly and are a good advert for non league football.

The overwhelming emotion, as I observe the fevered activity going on at the Club at



present is pride. Pride in the way some of the Club's senior figures are taking control of the multitude of arrangements that need to be put in place for this game to take place to the standard that we expect (take a bow Peter Worby, Fingers, Paul Rumens and Gordon McKay in particular). Pride in the way our many volunteers and helpers are coming forward to play their part. Pride in the way the playing staff have responded-whether to the expectations that build after every good result or the response to finding us two down after 10 minutes in the last round at Aylesbury; and pride in the buzz and excitement this has all generated across our wide and growing support.

A special mention also for our manager Gordon Bartlett. We all know how bad his FA Cup record has been, especially given all his other tremendous achievements at this Club. So now in this, his testimonial year.

he has finally got this particular monkey off his back. I'm sure Gordon will have thrived over the last fortnight planning for today, and I am also sure he will enjoy mixing it with such a respected manager as Ronnie Moore. If anyone deserves this success it is Gordon.

Having Wealdstone's number in the televised draw for the First Round was unlike anything I think we have experienced before in terms of tension and excitement. I had Jeremy Albert commentate on the draw for me while I was having lunch in a restaurant in Bruges, Belgium having gone away with my wife for a couple of days—attracting increasingly weird looks from other diners with all the oohs and aaghs as the draw progressed. Then the phone didn't stop for the afternoon—so much for a quiet break!

Most people will know that the Club has already benefited considerably from a financial perspective from this Cup Run. This has been a massive 'shot in the arm' for us and

we hope there is more to come. It is not just the cash where we see the benefit. The interest from the press and media rises almost exponentially and this demonstrates how big the FA Cup remains and we know that should we manage a big 'giantkilling' result today that this will only grow.

There are a few of us old enough to enjoy the FA Cup runs of the 1970s and 1980s (or even earlier) who will have some increasingly fading memories of how exciting this all is. Now the new generation of fans are getting a taste for it and we have to hope more and more people will be attracted to what Wealdstone has to offer.

I hope that whatever the result we will remember this day as another great day in the history of Wealdstone FC and who knows maybe we will even enjoy a result that propels us into the next round of this great competition.

Howard

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Roger is a former Club Director and Club Secretary (and spent five years researching and writing the Club History published in 2002) who watched his first Wealdstone game on 12th August 1966—his Birthday—though for many years his loyalties were split between Wealdstone and QPR. He has watched Wealdstone 'full time' since early 1984.



Our moment in the sun

Good afternoon and I would like to extend a warm welcome to Ronnie Moore and his Rotherham team for this afternoon's FA Cup 1st round tie. This is the first time in 23 years that we have played Football League opposition in a competitive game and it's a privilege to be able to stage such an occasion at our own home.

To reach this stage of the FA Cup is a great achievement and after the difficulties we have faced over recent years, the finances have been an absolute God send. This run also gives our young players the chance of a little limelight, an opportunity of pitting themselves against full time opposition and an outside chance of creating a cup upset.

With so many of our young players moving on in recent years we have begun to build up a good reputation but the only way to gauge real progress is to be successful on pitch. It has been a long slow process rebuilding this club, but suddenly we have a chance to really put ourselves back on the footballing map. We are undoubtedly a club who owe so much too so many people over

the years and today is something we can share and feel proud of how far we have come. This is just another step to be enjoyed on the way and who knows where we will go from here,

The lead up to this game has hardly been easy. Thoughts couldn't have been further away from the 1st round proper when we found ourselves 2 down after only 11 minutes at Aylesbury a fortnight ago. I believe the expectations on the players' minds played a major part in our dismal opening spell. Greg's goal gave us the belief and the rest is history, as we totally dominated the rest of the proceedings and deservedly came out 4-2 winners. It obviously sparked great celebrations and the appearance of the now famous superman pants worn by Lee Chappell. His antics always raise a few eyebrows around the club, but he seems to have caught the media attention with his after match performance. I dread to think what he's got up his sleeve if he or we do anything special today.

It was my first experience of a live draw on TV and I couldn't believe how nervous I

was. I decided to watch it at home, but I know loads of the fans watched it at the club and shared the emotion along with Leo and many of their fellow supporters. Knowing we were number 72 made it even worse because every time seventy was mentioned, I thought it would be us. After coming out first and knowing we had a home draw, all you ask for Is a professional club and so it turned out.

My thought process went something like this. My initial reaction was how are they doing this season? Damn, near the top of Div 2. When can I get to see them? Another problem, they only had one game between the draw and our game, but the good news was it was against Aldershot. Maybe not so good...they were at home. Who had they played recently? Crewe! That's handy and a after a quick call, we gradually started to gain a little knowledge on today's opponents which hopefully will help us out this afternoon.

We will not have the opportunity to listens to today's live draw as it takes place during the first half and the potential winners will know their fate by half time.

The Ryman League were very good to us by allowing us to re-arrange our League Cup game against Boreham Wood on Tuesday to concentrate on preparations for this game. Then Saturday we promptly go and draw our Trophy game at Harrow Borough and have the replay instead. So much for the best laid plans! I don't want to whinge again, but after the allotted five minutes injury time, how on earth did that referee find an extra 3½ minutes on top of that when there hadn't been an injury or a booking?

I wasn't happy to say the least, but it happened and we had to deal with it. I am writing these notes on Monday evening, having now calmed down and approaching the replay in a very positive frame of mind, knowing Farnborough are awaiting the winners in the next round. I hope the lads have managed to do the business by the time you read these notes and they have all come through unscathed ready to do battle today.

I have just listened to an impressive interview with Howard on Radio London, but was a little concerned at the stick I got from Willie Wordsworth and Dave Anderson for not being there.. Sixteen games unbeaten and still in all cup competitions was a good time to go up there but hopefully, if we can continue our good start, I may get an invite later in the season.

Although I have not seen them personally, by all accounts Rotherham are a club geared to success and have set their sights on promotion. Despite a slight lapse in form recently, they are currently sitting in the play off places so we are fully aware of what a difficult tie this is going to be against a full time outfit. Ronnie Moore has taken over again after the recent departure of Mark Robins to Barnsley and is obviously looking to add his own influence and build on the solid start they have made. Actually, I spent some time with Ronnie on an FA Coaching Course at Lilleshall a few years ago, but I'm confident he won't remember me.

Spare a thought for poor old Greg today. Midst all the excitement for everybody around, he misses out due to a moment of madness at Aylesbury in the last round. I feel desperately sorry for him, but I'm afraid it's all part of the learning curve and hopefully he will gain valuable experience for the future.

Well that's all from me other than to say thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to reach this stage of the competition and to get the game played here at the Vale.

It's a special day in our history and I hope can we all look back on November 8th 2009 with a sense of pride and a great day to remember. Who knows, with a bit of luck, we could just possibly be celebrating a famous victory.

I believe you only get one chance against a professional club and we all need to pull together to give us a chance of making it happen today.

Enjoy the game.

Gordon



The Brotherhood beckons as this great club finally takes root

A big welcome to old and new today on Remembrance Sunday and hopefully a great FA cup encounter awaits you all. This game today is a measure of the success that this rejuvenated football club is currently enjoying along with sitting in 4th spot [as I write] in the Ryman Premier League, with games in hand.

It is no coincidence that the last 18 months of footballing progress has coincided with us having a home we can truly call our own at the Vale after 17 years of nomadic groundsharing. Couple this with the tremendous works that have been ongoing at improving our facilities both in the clubhouse and in the stadium literally week on week and you can see we are all moving along together. You need roots if you want to grow things and at last we have got them.

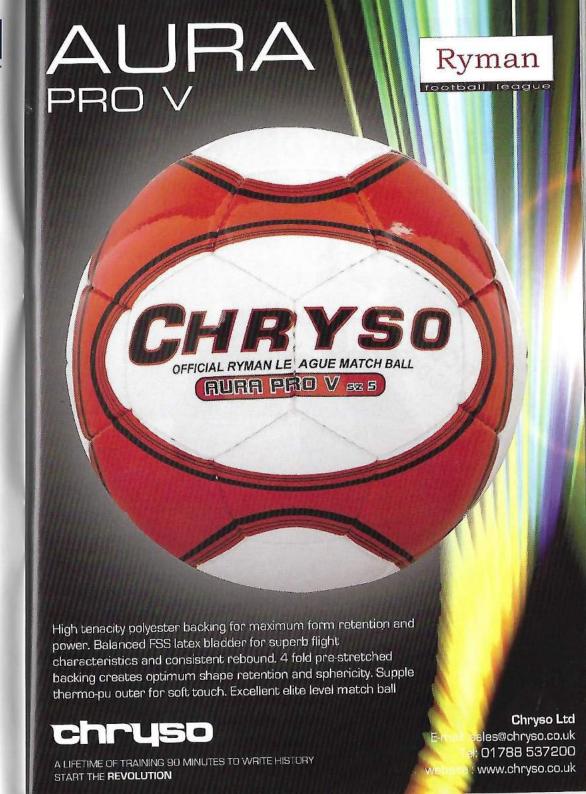
We do not have sugar daddies and wealthy backers to compete with richer clubs at our level, but we do have a brotherhood and sisterhood that is virtually unbreakable and is just getting stronger and stronger. Home attendances are very much on the up and taking nigh on 500 fans to Aylesbury in the last round just goes to show the potential that our club has, 'The

sum of its parts is greater than the whole' is certainly a saying that can be levelled at us!

Maybe we have won nothing yet on the pitch (it will come if we can keep this team together), but we are certainly winning over new hearts and minds be it local Ruislip people, the amalgam and expansion of the Wealdstone Juniors or disenchanted expremier league fans and the like who can see the honesty and purity that clubs like us can bring to the table. The media attention that this game brings is only going to resolve our cause further. Please know you can approach us, be it players, management or directors as we have a collective responsibility to entertain you and give you value for money and for as long as we do that then you will come again and maybe next time with a mate or three.

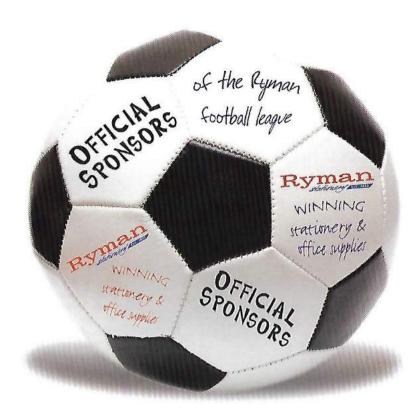
The brotherhood beckons you to be a part of what we are. Whatever the outcome of today's match brings, we will have made even more friends with the Vale packed to the rafters, long may it continue and "Up the Stones".....

Paul Rumens



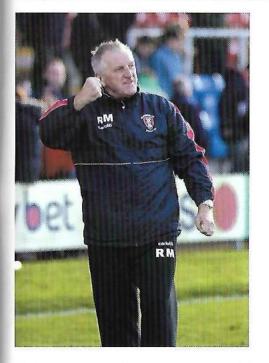
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The Miller's Tale

When the Football League was resumed in 1919, County applied successfully to join for the first time while Town's application was turned down but they were allowed back into the Midland League. The first league game took place at Millmoor and County beat Nottingham Forest 2-0 but it proved to be a season of struggle and they finished in 17th position out of 22. When it was decided to introduce Division Three, Town were hopeful of becoming Rotherham's second League club but they received just 13 votes, not enough to gain admittance. Rumours had already been spreading that the two clubs might amalgamate and when County were relegated in 1923, the move looked more likely.

With Town's outlook becoming more and more bleak with ever-mounting financial problems, a resolution was passed in March 1925 that Town would be wound up and a new club to be named Rotherham United was officially born on May 27, 1925. The new club was officially given League status

but the first season wasn't a particularly good one and they finished 14th. That was to be the pattern over the next few years as the lack of finances proved to be an ongoing problem and in an attempt to give a boost, greyhound racing was introduced in May 1931. But that was brought to an end a year later by the Football League and the next decade saw little improvement on the playing front with sixth in season 1937-38 being the best they achieved.

Football continued during the Second World War when teams had to introduce guest players but the last of those years brought some much awaited success for Rotherham as they won the Third Division Cup and the Division Three (East) league trophy. That set the scene for greatly improved fortunes and when normal playing resumed, United finished in the runner-up position for three successive season from 1946-47. In that first season Wally Ardron scored 38 league goals in 40 appearances and the attendances were regularly in five

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figures. After three narrow failures in their efforts to gain promotion with only one team going up to Division Two, Rotherham slipped down to sixth in 1949-50 but the following season they clinched the championship in superb style hitting 103 goals in 46 games.

That took them into a higher status and they quickly showed they were capable of coping with some outstanding performances including wins against Sheffield Wednesday, Leeds United, West Ham United and Southampton. They finished in ninth position but in 1953-54 they did even better as they moved up to fifth. Along the way, the team produced some outstanding results with none better than the 3-1 win at Newcastle United in the FA Cup third round in January 1953. The Magpies had won the cup in the previous two seasons and they were optimistic of making it a hat-trick—but Rotherham shattered those dreams.

However, the best was yet to come and in 1954-55 they missed promotion to Division

One—the current Premiership—by the narrowest of margins. They finished level on points with champions Birmingham City and Luton Town who both went up but they missed out on goal average. That was to be Rotherham's pinnacle and the next few seasons saw them struggle to make a similar impact.

In 1959-60 they were involved in some epic FA Cup battles with mighty Arsenal. The teams drew at Millmoor in a third round tie and against the odds they drew in the replay at Highbury in front of a crowd of 57,598, the highest ever for a Rotherham game. The Millers won the toss to stage the second replay, which was staged at Sheffield Wednesday's Hillsborough ground. where they pulled off a memorable 2-0 win. More success was to follow when Rotherham reached the first ever League Cup final but the two-legged final against Aston Villa was held over from the end of the1960-61 season to the beginning of the next campaign when they were beaten 3-2 on

aggregate after extra time. Rotherham were involved in another titanic cup game against the mighty Manchester United in 1965-66 when they drew 0-0 at Old Trafford only to suffer an agonising 1-0 win defeat in the replay at Millmoor. But in 1967-68 matters on the pitch worsened and they were facing the prospect of relegation when the famous Tommy Docherty was brought in as manager. He made a promise to get United out of Division Two and he was true to his word—although it was the wrong way, with relegation coming at the end of the season.

Matters got even worse when another relegation followed in 1972-73 with the team going down to the basement division. But two seasons later with Jim McGuigan now in charge, promotion was achieved and in 1976-77, the team came within a whisker of going up to Division Two, missing out on goal average again. Several seasons of mediocrity followed and off the field there were major upheavals when Anton Johnson took over the club from the Purshouse family.

The new chairman brought lan Porterfield in as manager and he guided the team away from the relegation area in 1979-80. The following season he brought in several newcomers and his signings reaped rich dividends as the team went on the win the Division Three title with an unbeaten home record which saw a mere eight goals conceded in 23 games at Millmoor. Unfortunately Porterfield was lured away to take charge of Sheffield United during the Summer, with former England international Emlyn Hughes taking over at Millmoor.

In his first season his team was struggling at the wrong end of the table before he guided them to a remarkable sequence of nine successive victories to shoot up the table and raise hopes of promotion. But they fell away again and finished in seventh spot before more dismal results the following season led to Hughes' dismissal with new boss George Kerr being unable to prevent relegation.

Behind the scenes the club was now in great turmoil with huge debts threatening to bring an end to the club's existence

after some shady dealings and, after the departure of Johnson, the club changed hands a couple of times before it was placed in the hands of the Administrator. Only the intervention of current chairman Ken Booth saved the club from folding but since May 1987, he has been faced with ever-increasing financial problems and has regularly had to keep the club going.

Rotherham dropped into Division Four again at the end of the 1987-88 season but manager Billy McEwan guided them back as champions at the first time of asking. But vet again the higher status couldn't be maintained and it was back down again in May 1991 with McEwan joining the list of sacked managers during the season. Assistant Phil Henson took over and he achieved immediate success with second place being good enough to take his team from Division Four straight into the newly formed Division Two. However, Henson's reign came to an end just into the 1994-95 season when he was replaced by Archie Gemmill and John McGovern but they were unable to bring league success to the club.

But they did take the Millers to Wembley for the one and only time in the club's history when they won the Auto Windscreens Shield in April 1996 by beating Shrewsbury Town. The duo joined the long list of sacked managers early into the 1996-97 season and Danny Bergara who wasn't able to prevent United's worst ever season and the inevitable relegation replaced them.

Former goalscoring heroin the successful 1980-81 season, Ronnie Moore, took over in May 1997 amid a blaze of publicity. He only had a handful of players under contract but gradually rebuilt the team and in his first season the new manager guided his squad to ninth position, just outside the play-offs, which were achieved the following season. But they were beaten in a penalty shoot-out by Leyton Orient.

That was to herald a remarkable climb up the Football League ladder and two successive promotions saw the team in Division One at the end of the 2000/01 season. They were clear favourites to make a speedy return to Division Two but they yet again

defied the odds by surviving even thought it was by the narrowest of margins, goal difference. The seemingly never ending progress continued once more and after flirting with the possibility of reaching the play-offs in 2002/03, they finished in a creditable 15th position, the lowest they had occupied all season.

Under the new ownership of Tony Stewart Rotherham kicked off their first game of the 2008-09 season at the Don Valley stadium with a 1-0 win against Lincoln City.

Despite the odds, the Millers had an impressive season under the new regime. quickly wiping out the point deficit and

being in contention for a play-off place until very late in the season. Rotherham were also involved in two cup runs, reaching the Johnstone's Paint Trophy Northern Final, and the Carling cup last 16. This included some very impressive victories over higher league opposition, such as Wolverhampton Wanderers, Southampton, local rivals Sheffield Wednesday, Leicester City and Leeds United.

Rotherham have started the 2009-10 season where they left off, winning 5 and drawing 1 of their opening 7 matches and are currently one of the favourites to get promoted into League 1.

1. WARRINGTON Andy

Andy made the move from Bury to the Millers in May 2007 and in his first season with us he proved to be a very reliable last line of defence. He played in every single league game of the 2007/08 campaign and his consistent performances made him a huge hit with the Millers fans. A very experienced 'keeper who boasts a professional career dating back to 1994. He started out at York City and made over 50 appearances for the Minstermen before moving to Doncaster Rovers in 1999. After nearly eight years at Belle Vue he made the switch to Bury, but his stay in Lancashire was short and after only 21 appearances he joined the Millers. Is firmly established as the Millers number one.

2. TONGE Dale

Since making his league debut for Barnsley in the 2003/04 season Dale found it hard to break into the Oakwell first team, and took the opportunity to sign for Rotherham in May 2007. In his

first full season at the club Dale became a first team regular making 31 starts at either full back or in a more advanced midfield role. Missed the first few games of last season but after injury to Mark Lynch he made the right-back position his own netting In the Johnstone's Paint Trophy success over Leicester City. Signed a two year contract in the summer

3. GREEN Jamie

Jamie broke into the Millers first team at the end of the 2007/08 season making some impressive displays at left back. Another product of the Rotherham youth set up and he looks to have a very bright future with the Millers. He scored his first senior goal on the last game of last season in the 1-0 win over Barnet, the last ever goal at Millmoor. Has made the left back position his own, whilst also proving effective in a more advanced role.

4. HARRISON Danny

Danny signed from Tranmere in May 2007 after making over 100 appearances for Rovers and made an instant impact at the heart of the Millers midfield. He scored his first Millers goal in a League Cup tle against Sheffield Wednesday and also netted a brace in the win at Dagenham and Redbridge. A consistently reliable performer he started 34 games last season scoring a wonder goal against Southampton in the Carling Cup which was voted Millers 'Goal of the Season'.

5. SHARPS Ian

Ian is a tall powerful central defender who has been a mainstay of the Millers defence. He joined the club from Tranmere Rovers in August 2006 and was made Captain in his first season. going on to make 38 league appearances. He scored his first Millers goal in a 3-2 win at Leyton Orient and formed a strong defensive partnership alongside Pablo Mills. Ian was one of few survivors of the 2006/07 team that was relegated to League Two, and he showed why he was kept on with solid and consistent performances. Last season was arguably his best yet and he was awarded the 'Player of

ROTHERHAM UNITED

the Year' trophy

6. FENTON Nick

Nick is an experienced de-

fender who signed for the Millers in August 2008. He started his career as a trainee with Manchester City and made 20 appearances in all competitions for City in just over four years at Maine Road. Nick was loaned out on a regular basis whilst at City and he played in a handful of games for Bournemouth and Notts County before moving permanently to Meadow Lane for £150,000 in November 2000. Nick became a regular for County and in a spell of just under four years he made 169 appearances, scoring 11 goals. In 2004 he signed for Doncaster on a free transfer and he played over 50 games but Nick moved on in 2006 to sign for Grimsby. He moved to Don Valley after a successful time at Blundell Park which saw Nick play in the 2008 Johnstone's Paint Trophy final. After over 50 games last season Nick was one of several players to sign fresh terms in the summer signing a two year extension.

7. CUMMINS Michael

The experienced former Port Vale and Darlington midfielder signed for the Millers in May 2008, after two years playing at Darlo. He began his career at Middlesbrough but made just two senior appearances for Boro in just under four years with the club. Micky left the Riverside to find regular first team football and signed for Port Vale on a free in March 2000. He made over 250 appearances for Vale in six years. Micky played a major role in the heart of the Millers midfield last season.

8. TAYLOR Jason

Mark Robins moved to sign former Oldham midfielder Jason Taylor in the 2009 January transfer window on a free transfer from Stockport County, Taylor is a tenacious and determined performer who is noted for his industrious work at the heart of the midfield. He was a regular for Stockport during their promotion season in the 2007/2008 campaign but moved to Don Valley after falling out of favour in the following season.

9. POPE Tom

Tom became the Millers joint record signing when he moved from Crewe in the summer for £150,000. He began his career at nonleague Biddulph before moving to Crewe in 2006. After being loaned out to Barrow he established himself in the Alex side, scoring 10 goals despite relegation to League Two. Tom is an all action centre forward who provides a threat in the air as well as being lethal on the ground.

10. LAW Nicky

Nicky moved to Don Valley in the close season after leaving Sheffield United. The midfielder made his debut for the Blades in a League Cup game at Reading but started his first league match in the Premier League at home to Manchester United. Nicky is a quality performer who can operate in the centre or on the right of midfield and also excels at dead ball situations.

11. BROGAN Stephen

A product of Rotherham United's impressive vouth system, Stephen is a highly rated versatile player, who

can occupy a number of different positions. In his short Millers career he has excelled playing full back, left wing and in central midfield. His 2007/2008 campaign was curtailed after he sustained a double leg fracture. Stephen spent most of last season recovering from his injury but figured in the final game of the season as a sub against Exeter. In the summer he penned a new two-year deal.

12. JOSEPH Marc

Marc is a very experienced and versatile defender who can operate anywhere across the backline. Signed for the Millers in July 2007 and slotted comfortably into the right back position. In total made 36 league appearances. Found a regular place hard to come by last season but once again filled in impressively when required, even trying his hand at a holding midfield role. Marc started his career with Cambridge United and has also played for Peterborough, Hull and Blackpool.

14. LYNCH Mark

Mark signed for the Millers in May 2008 after his release by Yeovil Town. The full back began his career as a trainee at Manchester United but failed to make the grade at Old Trafford and moved to Sunderland in 2004, Mark struggled to break into the first team there and moved to Hull after just one season, but after just 15 league appearances for the Tigers he joined Yeovil in 2006. Mark scored a brace in the away win at Morecambe last season but after an injury lost his place to Dale Tonge.

15. ELLISON Kevin

An experienced professional,

OPPOSITION

Kevin moved to the Millers from Chester City in the summer of 2009. After starting in non-league he began his league career with Leicester City before moving to Stockport in 2001. In 2004 he started his first spell with Chester and his impressive displays saw him move to Hull for £100,000 In 2005. After just a year he was on the move again this time to Tranmere before heading back to Chester in 2007. Last season he found the net against the Millers in both games and after Chester's relegation Mark Robins made him his first capture of the summer.

16. WARNE Paul

A hugely popular figure amongst Millers supporters, Paul is now in his second spell with the club. Paul first came on the scene at Wigan and signed for Rotherham in 1999. During the next six years he became an integral part of the Millers rise from the bottom division to the second tier making over 200 league appearances in the process. He left in 2005 and spent two years at Oldham before moving south to sign for Yeovil in 2007. He was voted Yeovil's 'Player of the Year' last season but left in the summer when his deal expired.

22. BROUGHTON Drewe

Drewe initially signed a one month contract with the Millers but impressed with several eye catching performances to earn himself an extended deal. The powerful striker made a good start to his Millers career scoring vital goals in the cup successes against Southampton, Leeds

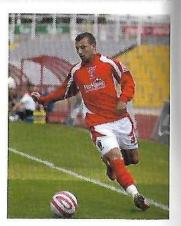
United and Leicester City. He finished the season with nine goals and was rewarded with a new one-year deal. An experienced forward Drewe has represented the likes of Norwich, Brentford, Peterborough, Kidderminster, Southend, MK Dons and Wrexham in a career spanning 13 years.

24. NICHOLAS Andy

Mark Robins moved to sign Andy after a spell without a club following his release from Swindon Town, Andy settled straight into the side making a number a solid displays and his long throw's have become a vital weapon in the Millers attacking armoury. The left back started as a trainee with Liverpool but left in 2003 for regular first team football with Swindon where he made over 125 appearances in a five year spell. A dependable defender, Andy can also operate as centre half.

25. MILLS Pablo

Pablo initially joined Rotherham as a central defender but played mostly in central midfield, with great success. He started his career at Derby County and made over 50 appearances in four years at Pride Park. After loan spells at MK Dons and Walsall he signed for the Millers in July 2006 and was a regular in his first full season with the club. At the start of the 2007/2008 season he was loaned out to Crawley Town but returned to play a vital role in the Millers season. He was awarded the Captaincy last season and started 42 games netting his only goal in the match against Chester-



29. LIDDELL Andy

The veteran winger signed for Rotherham on a one-month contract after leaving Oldham in the close season. Andy has 18 years experience in the professional game after spells at Barnsley, Wigan, Sheffield United and Oldham. He made his Millers debut coming off the bench against Accrington and also figured in the cup win over Derby. A dead ball specialist and expert from the penalty spot; Andy will be a vital supply line for the Millers this season.

39. LE FONDRE Adam

Adam signed from Rochdale in August 2009 for an undisclosed fee. He started his career at Stockport but after a successful loan spell at Spotland he signed for Dale in 2007. A proven goalscorer at this level Adam netted 21 goals in all competitions last season as Dale just missed out on promotion with a playoff defeat to Gillingham. Adam made his Rotherham debut after coming off the bench in the 1-0 defeat to Bournemouth at Dean Court.





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COMMERCIAL NEWS

Packages of Support

Good evening everyone and welcome to tonight's game. We would like to take this opportunity to give you details of some of the sponsorship packages available this season.

Match Day Sponsorship

By sponsoring a match your package will include:

- · Admission to the ground and complimentary programme
- · Your name/business mentioned in the programme
- · A mention in public address announce-
- · Refreshments (tea/coffee) at half time
- · Signed match ball
- · You choose the Wealdstone Man Of The Match
- Food and refreshment with the players after the game

Prices start from £150 per match and can be tailored to your requirements

Match Ball Donor

By donating the match ball your package will include:

- · Admission to the ground and complimentary programme
- · Your name/business in the programme
- · A mention in public address announcements
- · Signed match ball

Price is £70 per league game, and start at

£70 for FA Cup and FA Trophy games

Match Day Mascot

A match day mascot would typically be a young supporter and the package includes:

- · Admission to the ground for one child (Mascot) and an accompanying adult
- Complimentary match day programme
- · Your name and details in the match day programme
- Warming up on the pitch with the first team squad
- . Leading the teams onto the pitch and a photograph with both team captains and referee
- · An opportunity to meet the players and get their autographs Price is £50

Kit Sponsorship

If you would like to sponsor a player's or one of the management team's kit this season Your name/business will appear in every home game programme underneath the picture of the person you wish to sponsor. The price is £100

If you are interested in any of the above, or wish to discuss an individual requirement for any of the packages, please contact Paul Rumens on 07710929692

Don't Forget Golden Goals On sale today: £50 for the first, £10 for the last

PART IV... SUPERPANTS IS BACK!



BY STONES VICE-SKIPPER LEE CHAPPELL

FIRSTLY I would like to start by saying a massive goodbye to Luke Woods. For me, the team had two very good players for each position and with Woodsy leaving, Thommo now has to stay fit for the remainder of the season if we are to make the playoffs at the end of it all – that's how influential for me Thommo is. Woodsy needs and wants first team football and he has asked me to say goodbye and thank you to the fans and he'll always look out for our results as we progress through the campaign.

Its been a while since the last game at home but we've been flying recently in the FA Cup & FA Trophy, so below is a quick run through of each game and how I saw the games unfold......

FA Trophy, Stones 3 Margate 1

We went into this tie knowing another win would make it eight on the spin and another £2,300 for the club. For me Margate occasionally huffed and puffed but never put us under real threat. Three second half goals for us and that was the end of Margate's short stint in the trophy. At times we looked deadly and

the build up to Ebeyer's goal was class. Margate got back into the tie with a simple long ball which we are usually so strong at defending, but with Thommo picking up a slight knock we still managed to finish the game comfortably. Up next are 'the team who cannot be named' away. I'm sure the fans will look to cause some noise at the ground of our biggest rivals.

Ryman League, AFC Hornchurch 0 Stones 0

That was a game to forget. It was cold, the pitch was wet, changes were made, the BIG FA Cup game was on our minds and in the end, we dropped to their level. 90% of the squad can hold their hands up and say they didn't perform well, but a point away from home against a well organized and direct team was a point gained for me. Gordon decided to make changes and Ross, Locke, Jimmy & Spendy all got valuable minutes under their belts, with Ellers picking up another 20 odd minutes, which isn't enough for a player of his ability. They pumped the long balls in and we dealt with most of the aerial threat, a game we probably would have crumbled in last season. The

fans forum suggested we were under par but it was a point gained, and the players fully agree.

FA CUP 4th Qual Round, Aylesbury 2 Wealdstone 4

No player in the Wealdstone dressing room knew how much this game meant to the fans more than me, this being my 5th season trying to get into the First Round Proper with Gordon and Leo. So, sitting glued to the telly that morning in my Superman pants, watching Soccer AM and waiting impatiently as I do for the big match to come along, I start to

feel a few nerves. The warmup goes to plan and all management staff and players feel ready... Then all of a sudden, BANG BANG 2-0 down and I've only blinked once!?!?

The game was 11 minutes old and it's looking like Aylesbury have pulled off yet another scalp. But we managed to nick a goal the right side of half time and thankfully we ended up finding all the gears needed to put four past an excellent Aylesbury team. The scenes at the end with the fans coming onto the pitch was a bit too exciting for me so I

decided to strip to my Superman pants and show everyone... well, not much!

You fans were tremendous all throughout the day and you seemed to get louder the more you drunk, so I take my hat off to you. The one bit of sad news was Greg's sending off, and now he'll miss the game against Rotherham, no real need to throw a dig at someone when you're cruising to another win, but Greg will learn from this I hope.

So next up in the famous FA Cup is Rotherham FC who are very well placed in League Two, but anything could happen on our own turf, especially as the lucky Superman pants will be washed, ironed

LOOKYLIKEYS



A DARREN LOCKE

pivot of the 2000s

Small-chinned defensive

Lantern-jawed football guru of the 60s and 70s

and well placed on matchday.

FA Trophy, Harrow Boro 2 Wealdstone 2

The first of three (or maybe four?) games against our rivals this season and wow didn't the Referee add some time on. The freekick Baptiste hit was unstoppable – but the problem was that Forbesy's 98th minute tackle was superb. When you haven't played the game, though, sometimes the refs give decisions no-one can understand. But we didn't test the goallie enough and in the end a draw was a fair result. Rob did well to score with a neat flick and I

managed to nick another one for the scrap book. The replay at 'The Vale' could be a blessing in disguise as we now get one more game to sharpen up some of the players who haven't had alot of playing time recently.

Thank you

One big thankyou has to go to 'The Supporters Club' for funding a large chunk of the fancy surnames we're having on our shirts for the Rotherham game – the players are very grateful as this a special occasion for everyone, and looking that little bit more professional adds to the excitement of the day.

Goal competition latest

The players Annual goals competition is heating up with Grandad Kieron Forbes starting to score a few while Big Fat Ryan Ashe scored two more in the FA Cup. I have to keep scoring as Dan 'Can't-hit-a-barndoor' love seems to think the higher you kick the ball the more points you get, O'Leary seems to have the hunger of a forward and Greg 'Goals' Ngoyi is, well Greg...

So as that crazy bird from Norwich once said whilst clearly drunk, 'we need a 12th man here! Where are you? let's be having you! Let's show Rotherham, their fans and the onlooking neutrals what the non league is all about.

Over & Out... Chaps

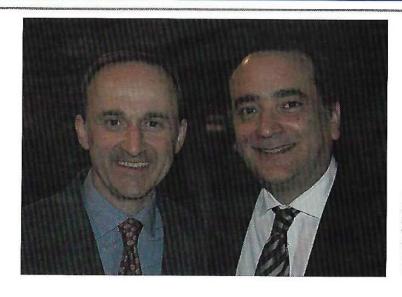
And Jimmy Gray would like to say..

I would just like to add a couple of things myself, firstly to congratulate everyone on the playing front for achieving this momentous day as it is about my 12th attempt at getting to Round One – the management and people behind the scenes have done a massive job already this season, all the way from the hierarchy to the tea room and we can all be very proud of what we have achieved. Hope-

fully there's more to come. I'd also like to say a massive thank you to Jez Albert and the supporters club for stumping up the cash for all the boys and management to keep our the shirts we are wearing today – it was not going to be possible until Jez stood up and made the kind gesture.

I have had a few interviews this week with two of the phone calls comin from the north, the south Yorkshire Saturday night sport paper calling for an insight into the game as well as a local Rotherham rag interested in my

involvement with both clubs. To be honest they were very knowledgeable of Wealdstone FC and they understand that Rotherham will not just turn up and turn us over— I think they can maybe smell an upset which is good 'cos I sure can! It will take a massive effort from us but I'm hoping for a massive FA Cup fairy tale - so get behind us and give us that 12th man effect, hope the supporters all enjoy the day as they really deserve it... Der der der der, der der der, der der der der Wealdstone till i die



David and our celebrity, Teamdraw winning Rob Nothman

Our man on the ground

Welcome to you all to for today's FA Cup 1st Round Tie and Wealdstone's first ever encounter with Rotherham United. We make a special welcome to all Rotherham supporters who have made the trip to West London this afternoon and we wish them a safe journey home after the match. Today sees the Stones reach the 1st Round Proper for the first time in 23 years.

Is it really 23 years ago that the Stones were drawn at home to Swansea City when we drew the first game at Lower Mead and then made three journeys to Wales? The first journey ended with the match being abandoned, the second was postponed just as the Supporters Club coach reached the outskirts of Swansea and when the third game was played we went down by four goals to one. Looking back, I would never have thought that we would have to wait another 23 years before reaching the 1st Round again.

We have had plenty of huge let downs in the FA Cup in recent years. We all remember Belper Town, Histon, Hertford Town and at 3.15 pm two weeks ago at Aylesbury it looked like the 4th Qualifying Round tie at Aylesbury was going to be one of the biggest let downs in Wealdstone's long and illustrious history. However a great comeback from the team from two goals down saw them score four goals to confirm our place in the 1st Round. Today in fact will be 14th time since the war that the Stones have appeared in the competition proper.

We have only twice gone further and have reached the third round on a single occasion. That was in 1977-78, when we knocked out Hereford United in the first round after a replay (remember the headline, "Ferry, Ferry Good") and Reading in the 2nd round—our only victories over Football League clubs before going down 4-0 to Queens Park Rangers at Loftus Road in the 3rd round.

In the event of today's tie being drawn the replay is set for Tuesday, 17th November for a 7.45 pm kick-off. The Supporters Club will be arranging coaches to the replay to travel the 166 miles to the Don Valley Stadium in Sheffield where Rotherham have been playing their home matches since July 2008. The cost of a seat on the coach will be £20 and £15 for concessions and coaches will depart from Grosvenor Vale at 2pm. Seats can be booked by either calling me on 07988 792716 or my brother Jez on 07903 805861. You can e-mail us on either david.albert@sky.com or jeremy.albert@jetsetflights.co.uk

Due to the size of the crowd expected today and the inevitable congestion, we have decided not to open the Club shop in the ground. Instead Adam, Mark and their helpers will be parading their wears outside the ground both at the entrance to the ground and close to the entrance to the social club. They will have for sale, replica shirts special commemorative Wealdstone v Rotherham mugs, bar scarves and flags. For you younger supporters out there you will also have the opportunity of having your face painted.

The usual Golden Goals tickets will also be on sale both outside and inside the ground. Golden Goals ticket costs £1 each. Supporters have the opportunity to win £50 if their ticket matches the time of the first goal scored and £10 if their ticket matches the time of the last goal scored. The times of the first and last goals of each match are announced on the public address system by Bappo but if supporters do not hear these announcements, the times are published on the Supporters Club website (www.wfcsc.co.uk). Therefore if supporters do not check their ticket during the match, they have the opportunity to check the website and see if they have the winning ticket. Miriam stands by the turnstile at full time to check tickets and distribute prize-money to Golden Goal ticket winners.

The players will be in a special commemorative shirt today with their names on the back. It was decided to do this immediately after the 1st Round draw was made. It was funded by the players, management and the Supporters Club. We also decided to give the opportunity for supporters to buy

this commemorative shirt for £100 each and all nine of these shirts were sold within 24-hours. Thanks to all the supporters who bought these shirts. All monies collected will benefit the main club.

Our good friend from Radio Five Live, Rob Nothman is here today and he will be keeping Radio Five Live updated via his mobile and give an end-of-match report. We welcome Rob to today's game together with his son, Ben who will be one of the mascots. Rob is a great Master of Ceremonies as was proven when he acted as our MC for the Supporters Club 50th Anniversary Dinner in 2008 and our Fundraising Barry Fry Dinner earlier this year in March.

Supporters should also note that the Annual General Meeting of the Supporters Club takes place tomorrow evening (Monday, 9th November) at 8pm in the Aquarium Bar of the Ruislip Social Club. Once the main business has been conducted both chairman Howard Krals and manager, Gordon Bartlett will be available to answer questions. This is your chance to have your say. So please make every effort to attend.

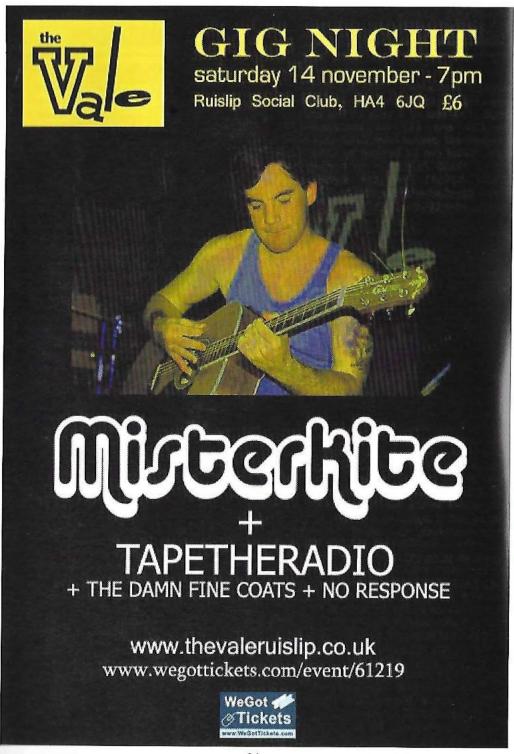
The Supporters Club will be holding a Race Night on Saturday, 5th December in the Aquarium Bar. This will take place after the Dartford home match that takes place that afternoon. The last Race Night took place last December raising over £700 and we hope to raise over a £1,000 this time. More details of this event will be provided shortly.

Here's hoping to a win today and a place in the 2nd Round of the FA Cup. If we do win we will know immediately who will be playing as the 2nd Round draw is taking place at 3.35 pm today.

For more information on the Supporters Club, please check out our website (www.wfcsc.co.uk) which is regularly updated.

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Well done to all of our October winners. If you would like to join Team draw and help fund the playing budget at the same time please call Nick DuGard on 01727 875245 or email: nickdugard@fsmail.net. There are still one or two outstanding prizes to be collected from previous month's draws so see me at a home game, call or email. Not a good idea to post out at present!

We are still intending to relaunch this draw soon - just a little busy at present... Good luck

Nick

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WEALDSTONE APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

(Up to & including Saturday October 31st 2009) APPEARANCES (All Matches excluding Friendlies)

(Substitutes who actually played are shown in brackets)

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| Alan Massey | 11 | | 4 | 2 | - | - | 17 | 87 |
| Kieron Forbes | 11 | - | 3(1) | 2 | - | 2 7 | 16(1) | 58(6) |
| Ryan Ashe | 10 | | 4 | 2 | - | - | 16 | 109(7) |
| Mark E'Beyer | 9(1) | - | 4 | 2 | - | - | 15(1) | 15(1) |
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| Sean Thomas | 9 | - | 4 | 2 | = | - | 15 | 63 |
| Chris O'Leary | 9 | | 4 | 1 | - | 1 - 01 | 14 | 143(5) |
| Rob Fitzgerald | 7(2) | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | 12(2) | 12(2) |
| James Gray | 5(3) | - | 2(1) | 1(1) | - | - | 8(5) | 83(7) |
| Charlie Mpi | 6(2) | - | 1(1) | 1(1) | - | - | 8(4) | 8(4) |
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| Ken During | -(3) | _ | (2) | -(1) | _ | 4 | -(6) | -(6) |
| Jamie Osborne | -(6) | - | - | - (-) | - | | -(6) | -(6) |

GOALSCORERS (All Matches including Friendly games)

(Penalties scored are shown in brackets)

| Totals:- | 15(2) | - | 13(1) | 5 | (+) | (* | 26(2) | 59(5) | |
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| Marvin McCoy | 1 | - | - | - | - | | - | 1 | 1 |
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TREATMENT ROOM

Good afternoon and welcome to this eagerly awaited fixture against Rotherham United. I know a lot of hard work has gone into making this day one to enjoy and I am sure we are grateful to those people who have worked so hard over the last two weeks.

On the injury front Gary and I have a had a reasonably quiet time with the first team over the past week or so, up until Saturday when some players took a couple of knocks. Most serious is Alan Massey who turned his ankle after a challenge with Rocky Baptiste on the touchline. Having spoken to him on Sunday he said at the time and during Saturday evening it didn't feel too bad but swelled up Sunday morning.

He was in for treatment with Gary on Monday and seems to have responded well to ice and compression. He will have a fitness test before the game on Tuesday to see if he can play a part in it.

Chaps and Marv suffered knocks in the first half of the Harrow game but these were only minor. We hope to come through unscathed from the replay but rest assured

we'll work hard to get any injuries cleared up as quickly as possible.

I'm sure Hughesy will be delighted with the effort the club is making to help pay towards his operation. I know there has been a bucket collection, selling of an away programme at the Harrow game and also the players and management have contributed towards the fund.

Lastly, we have made a link with a local consultant who specialises in knee and hip injuries. Ian McDermott is a highly regarded surgeon who has come forward to raise his profile in the local area and approached the club with the intention of offering his knowledge and contacts, which will know doubt help Gary and I should we need a second opinion, x-rays or scans.

Hopefully we can help each other and I believe Ian has already taken out programme advertisement and a board has gone up on the back of the new stand by the entrance. We look forward to working with him in the future and we are also able to see him at some games.

Enjoy the game, Regards

James

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Twitter, twitter, twitter, twitter Tweet, tweet, tweet



October is usually a safe month to go away on holiday. The football season has started and the early euphoria has faded away as the weekly grind sets in; Stones might still be in the Trophy but it is only the early rounds; and as for the FA Cup, that means 3rd or 4th Qualifying Rounds and, well, we have an allergic reaction to those and try our best to stay clear.

Well, the Stones of 2009 are made of sterner stuff. The league season has seen the Stones romp into second place, the early Trophy round was easily negotiated and as for the FA Cup, well, having had a fairly easy couple of ties, Stones breeze past a somewhat limp Conference South side, Lewes, to get into the 4th qual for only the third time in two decades. The draw could be cruel. Having got this far could we have just a little bit more luck and avoid one of the big guns from the Conference National.

The Lord, Alan Cordice himself, was certainly smiling upon us when the balls were pulled from the famous bag at FA Towers; we couldn't believe our luck when we were paired with the lowest ranked side still left in the competition. Euphoria all round. Surely the first round beckoned for the first time since 1987 and where was I was the biggest match since the play-off final, err on holiday in Florida. Bad timing or what?

In the golden days before modern communication became the norm, if you were ever abroad during the football season—yes, I know, heresy in the eyes of some (normally chaps without lady friends—the only way of finding out the score was a very expensive telephone call home—this is pre mobiles—or trying to find a quality newspaper which might carry the Stones result some three days later.

Naturally mobile phones have helped no end as texts fly around the world bringing you details of the latest scores, but it can be like watching paint dry as you wait for the latest update. The non-league vidpirinter certainly helps a little when you can't get to a game, but that still only gives you the score-flashes and is nothing more than a glorified text service.

Fortunately the advent of twitter has made all of that redundant, as long as someone is there at the game. The Harry O's own Tim Edwards was supposed to be twittering away at the Hayes/Yeading verses Staines game. Now, that would have been a waste of time as there were likely to be more Stones fans at Aylesbury than the gate at Church Road. Fortunately someone saw sense and Tim was heading to Ducksville.

So what is twitter? The official version is that "**Twitter** is without a doubt the best way to share and discover what is happen-

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ing right now." Another view might be that it is a bunch of sad nerds telling us about their day as it goes along. Who cares where you stand on this argument as it was my lifeline to the match.

10AM Eastern Time in hot and sunny Florida was kick-off time in rainy and cold Buckinghamshire. I had my lap-top by the pool having breakfast waiting for the updates of the journey there, pre-match atmosphere and the game itself. My fellow twitters didn't let me down as I was getting journey updates, photos of the pre-match scenes, updates on the atmosphere and then the game itself.

We all know what happened during the now legendary ninety minutes but three thousand miles away I was living every minute with you. One down brought howls of despair, two down was almost inevitable as I contemplated the greatest "Let Down of our Time". But the twitters were starting to bring hopeful messages as Stones came more into the game. Magic Hat brought us back into the game and a small yelp of joy was let-out.

Half-time came and went in a whiz and

then first Ashey and MP3 put us, unbelievably, ahead, the boys and I were doing laps of joy around the pool. Then Greg gets sent off and the tension rises once more. The bottle of champagne, which has been left on ice to celebrate our first visit to the first round proper, is starting to look very tantalising, but I daren't take the risk just yet. Ashey scores our fourth, we start singing "GB's Blue and White army" around the pool, and heaven knows what the neighbours think. The final whistle goes, get in there and the champers is opened!!! Boy, did it taste good!

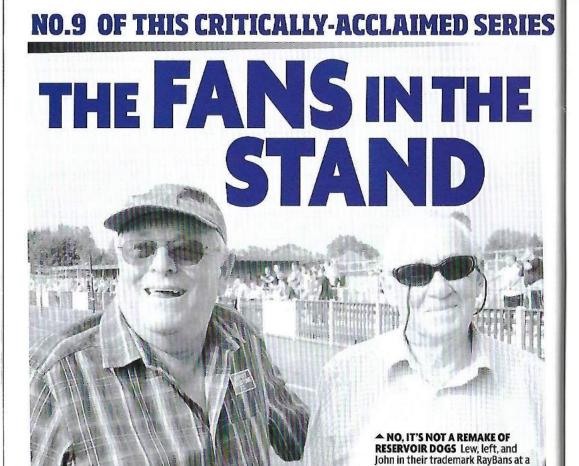
Whilst it obviously wasn't like being there with the 500 Stones fans at Haywood Road, we suffered every minute of the tension and the obvious joys as well. So, thanks to Simon, Neil, Tim, Darren, HeyMercedes for keeping me informed. As Judith Charmers would say "Wish I was there".

Oh, one thing, I am glad no-one sent a picture of Chaps' superman pants on twitter....

Sudhir Rawal

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How apt, considering their FA Cup tales, that two of our oldest fans - Lew Sheppard and John Knight - feature in today's bumper programme...

Names: Lew Sheppard, 79 and John Knight, 72

How you first came to meet?

John: We've known each other since we were kids in West Harrow during the war. I, lived in Butler Road and Lew in Drury Road.

Why did you first go to watch Wealdstone?

Lew: There used to be good coverage in the papers and on the radio, I think that's why we became aware of Wealdstone. I said to my dad I wanted to go and the Stones were the nearest club, so used to walk to Lower Mead from home. To start with I went with Monty Smith

and his brother and their dad – football was suspended for a season when the War began up but the Herts & Middx League soon started up and it was a good stardard of football. Players used to guest for the clubs depending on where they were stationed, doing their national service.

recent game at the Vale

Have you regularly watched other teams?

John: We used to go to pro games together. There was the "6-5 Special" game at Stamford Bridge when Chelsea beat Newcastle 6-5, that was amazing. My parents were from Newcastle so they are my other team, apart from Wealdstone.

Lew: We also went to watch Newcastle at 5purs around the same time, and as we drove past the Manor Tavern on the North Circular I joked to John: If Newcastle win I'll buy the drinks all night (not thinking they would, because Spurs were a great side then) but Newcastle DID win! We had a few that night and then drove home... different days.

Lew: I had a soft spot for Portsmouth then, in the 50s. A great side, League Champions around that time with players like Jack Froggatt and Redfern.

Favourite ground? Lew: Lower Mead for atmosphere. We went there before they put in the concrete terracing. The open side, the High Mead side, was just wooden duckboards filled in with clinker. Amazing crowds in those days. Over 13,000 for the Leytonstone cup match but there would regularly be 4 or 5,000, especially for the Christmas matches against Hendon.

Most memorable game from that era?

Lew: It was a game I never actually saw! I was on national service at Colchester Barracks in Issex when the Stones were drawn at home to Colchester United in the FA Cup - talk about irony!

I slapped in a request for a weekend pass but it was refused... I was pretty upset but the game was shown live on the BBC because they were experimenting with live outside broadcasts in those days.

So I rushed to the NAAFI (canteen) after my shift and there were dozens of blokes all crowded round the 9-inch TV. Black and white of course. In those days you had a big magnifying glass to put over the TV screen to make the picture bigger, so that is how I saw our great 1-0 win. And Colchester were a damn fine side in those days, a strong professional Southern League outfit while we were amateurs in the Athenian League.

I'd seen some of their home games while I was stationed at Colchester and knew how good they were... funnily, enough, on the morning of the Cup game I was on duty at the gate of the barracks when quite a few of the Colchester players came past with their kit bags, on the way to the station. I called out: "You're up against it today lads" as a joke, but it turned out to be true!

What's your best all-time team: Lew and John: Danny Wiltshire (excellent keeper), Roy Marshall (very composed, good leadèr), Johnny Ashworth (FA Amateur Cup captain, great centre half), Tommy McGhee (was at Portsmouth before Stones, excellent), Stuart Pearce (fantastic player), Charlie Townsend (very accomplished, great shot too), Fred Barwick (very tenacious, great tackler), Robin Wainwright (superb passer, stylish), Ray Fulton (excellent left foot, gives balance),

George Duck (amazing goalscorer), Alan

Cordice (unstoppable).

In the squad we'd have **Richard Jolly** and **Jermaine Beckford** (very dangerous), **Paul Bowgett**, (Trophy-winning captain), **Carl Martin** (very talented), **Peter Parfitt** (also Middlesex & England cricketer and hard as nails, played quite a few times for the Stones.

Parfitt put a player through the railings one afternoon at Walton & Hersham and they had to lock the changing room door when the Walton players came after him. — got a bit ugly but he would have taken them all on single handed. Hard b***er!

Most memorable Stones games: The 1-0 win at Braintree ten years ago when our promotion chances were slipping away, Dennis Greene got the goal. Plus: The semi-final of the Amateur Cup at Stanford Bridge when we beat Alvechurch: not a great game but the realisation that we were going be playing at Wembley in the final was fantastic. Can still remember that feeling. Oh, and the 6-5 Stevenage game in 1965... sensational stuff with us 5-3 down in the final stages. Then the play-off game at Dulwich a few years ago. The drama!

Best Wealdstone teams: The double side of 1984-5 was very well-organised with some great talents. But possibly my favourite side was the Athenian League Championship side of 1951-52 with the two Poles, Henryk Mikrut and Henryk Wgrzyk - a great partnership in attack. (Editor's note: I looked up this period in Roger's historical book and the attendances are mind-boggling: 7,300 at Lower Mead for a Christmas Day match against Hendon, when several women at the match passed on messages to find out the score (!), and 9,200 for an Amateur Cup replay against Walthamstow Avenue when their goalkeeper, another Pole called Gerula, saved the day. There were a lot of good Polish players serving inthe forces in the London area at the time, many of whom stayed on in England)

Next time: It's the man behind the lens...



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MATCH REPORT 24:10:09



Wealdstone achieved an astonishing turnaround in one of the most dramatic matches in their recent footballing history as the agony as the ecstasy of the FA Cup was witnessed by an enthralled crowd at Haywood Way on Saturday afternoon.

Incredibly Stones found themselves two goals down after only 11 minutes on the

clock and their massed and expectant faithful had every reason to think that they were about to witness an FA Cup exit of disastrous proportions with the huge prize of a first round proper place seemingly a distant hope. But a Greg Ngoyi strike midway through a torrid first half gave them a vital life line and the platform to take them into a dream second period with goals from Kieron Forbes and Ryan Ashe (2), this achieved with 10 men after Ngoyi was sent off harshly for retaliation with 25 minutes left to play.

FA Cup 4th Qual Aylesbury 2 Wealdstone 4

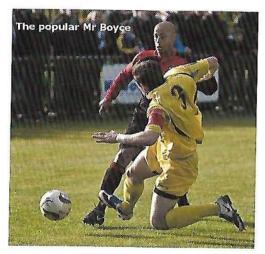
Report by Nick Dugard

With the rain stopped and with the wind against them Wealdstone made the worst possible start. After one minute's play they lost possession and Aylesbury's striker Gareth Price made ground on the right and put his early ground strike past Sean Thomas who should have made a routine save from 20 yards. Wealdstone

were stunned and looked on in shock as they continued to play with leaden boots and were all over the place as an eager and relaxed looked home side pressed forward.

On 11 minutes matters became far worse for Stones as the paralysis that gripped his team mates transferred to the normally super reliable Alan Massey who made a complete hash of a challenge in the area and he inexplicably gave away a stone wall penalty.

The dangerous Craig Henney added to his impressive goal tally with a coolly struck



spot kick. Stones were a mess and another goal would surely signal the end of their Cup adventure for this season.

Sean Thomas was almost caught out with a wicked deflected strike and there was palpable relief as the ball span away for only a corner kick, as the Moles totally dominated belying their league status.

But ever so gradually Wealdstone began to settle and shake off their quite obvious nerves. The midfield of Ryan Ashe, Chris O'Leary and Mark E'beyer who had struggled to retain any effective ball finally got their foot in and started to get some forward moves going to release Charlie Mpi and Greg Ngoyi.

Stones grabbed a crucial life line on 26 minutes, when from a knock down from Alan Massey, Greg Ngoyi did what he does best and a super strike flashed past home keeper Steve Smith high into the net.

Charlie Mpi then headed over as Wealdstone cranked up a couple of gears and the away crowd, in huge majority, could sense their side's self belief start to flood back.

Smith then saved brilliantly to prevent Wealdstone from drawing level as half time rapidly approached but still their was some scary defending as Aylesbury remained more than capable of further adding to their lead by breaking with speed and menace.

Stones came out early for the second

period no doubt having been given the hairdryer treatment by their management – and rightly so.

With the increasing wind at their backs Wealdstone looked a different team from the restart and their nervous and jittery shackles were now fully released.

After only 4 minutes it was now Stones turn to stun their hosts as an alert Ryan Ashe took a great through ball from Kieron Forbes. The diminutive playmaker appeared to scuff his shot but the ball gently rolled past a prone Smith and trickled over the line and into the net to cue massive celebrations.

Wealdstone were now on fire and with the tables turned it was the home side that now struggled and they rapidly collapsed into their shells. The Moles defence creaked and rocked as Stones seized the initiative and they began to give away free kicks – notably ex Stone Mark Boyce putting in several late and uncompromising challenges as the pressure told. Lee Chappell then tore down the left flank and put in a great cross that deserved more.

Wealdstone then demonstrated their undoubted class with a superb third effort and the goal of the match on 53 minutes. Kieron Forbes who had been increasingly a threat went on a trade mark 40 yard run with the ball seemingly glued to his foot, and in one glorious movement flicked the ball past Smith and the great fight back was in full flow.

Still the Moles refused to lie down and under mounting pressure they gained some possession back and continued to move the ball around well but without any real edge as Stones defenders tightened their grip.

Following more pressure around the home side's box, Mark Boyce again hacked down a Stones forward. Unfortunately a naïve piece of petulance from Greg Ngoyi was spotted by an alert assistant referee and after consulting with the main official decided that a red card was the correct punishment. Ngoyi will miss the next round and must be gutted. His team mates were now a man down and with 25 minutes left this was a further test of their character. But this Stones team

are made of stern and steadfast stuff and it hardly noticed as their spirit shone through.

Within minutes Stones were on the attack again, this time Mark E'Beyer was released and his firm strike was brilliantly turned over by Steve Smith for possibly the save of the match.

Wealdstone reshuffled their shape and now dropped back a little to

defend their lead with Mpi the lone outlet. The Moles came back and gained a couple of corners and forced Thomas into a great partied save but the away side still looked to break out and settle the tie.

The tireless Ryan Ashe then wrapped up the match and the scoring with an opportunist poached goal 13 minutes from time as the home defence thought that play would stop as they appeared to concede a foul outside the area in an almost surreal passage of play.

Charlie Mpi who had run his socks off was replaced by Chris Ellerbeck and then Danny Spendlove came on for Mark E'Beyer, both to warm applause.

Stones had won the match in a remarkable turnaround of their fortunes when all



had seemed lost and will surely not allow their nerves to influence their performance in quite the same way again. But this is a young Wealdstone team and each match brings a valuable learning curve — none more so than this incredible contest.

The first round proper draw now beckons - as soon as Sunday afternoon and live on ITV. After such a performance that will live in the memory of those present for a long, long time, Stones deserve one of the more prestigious ties on offer.

Wealdstone: Thomas, McCoy, Chappell, Fitzgerald, Massey, Ashe, Forbes, O'Leary, Mpi, Ngoyi, E'Beyer. Subs used: Ellerbeck, Spendlove. N/u: Gray, During, Lafayette, Beagle (GK)



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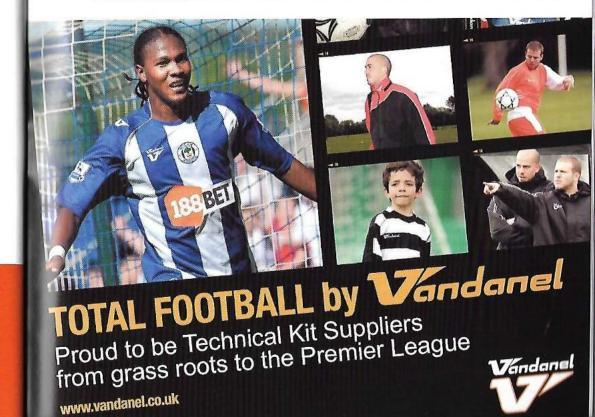


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Premier Division

There were only three matches in the Premier Division on Saturday and they produced 14 goals.

Alas for the 419 spectators, none of them were at Gander Green Lane where Sutton United, perhaps with one eye on their forthcoming FA Cup tie, were held to a 0-0 draw by lowly Waltham Abbey.

The entertainment value was considerable higher at the Pilot Field, where Hastings United moved up to second place in the table - but only just. The point they needed came from Tim Olorunda's goal in the third minute of added time, which made it 4-4 after visiting Ashford Town (Middx) had scored three times in the last nine minutes of normal time to overturn a 3-1 deficit. Russell Eldridge's first goal since his switch from Horsham gave the hosts an early lead. Byron Harrison's penalty squared matters three minutes before the interval but there was still time for Liam Upton to send Hastings into the dressing rooms with a lead and the points began to look safe when Ade Olorunda made it 3-1 six minutes after the restart.

Then came the late drama as Hone Fowler and Harrison, with his 14th goal in all competitions, brought Ashford level and Paul Johnson's long-range free-kick fired them ahead, only for the younger Olorunda to save the day for Hastings with a header.

Aveley moved back into the top half of the table with a 4-2 win over Canvey Island at the Mill Field. Goals by Sherwin Stanley and Martin Tuohy in the last minute of the first half put the hosts in command after Ryan Doyle had replied to James Rowe's early strike for Canvey. Tuohy was on target again midway through the second half, leaving Rowe to complete the scoring with ten minutes left.

WEEKEND REVIEW

BOGNOR REGIS TOWN FC

From TheFA.com:

In the last 12 months, their clubhouse has been burned down by an arsonist, they were deducted points for going into administration, players walked out in a mass exodus and they were relegated at the end of the season.

The 2009-10 campaign has started little better for Bognor Regis Town, who currently sit rock bottom in the Ryman Premier Division with just one league win under their belts.

"It's been a difficult time for the club but we've got an incredibly young and inexperienced squad and that's shown at the start of the season," he revealed.

"But there is a lot of talent here and the boys are learning quickly so I'm sure we will soon start winning some games."

Not only are Bognor expecting a renalssance on the pitch, but in two weeks time they will unveil a brand new club house after the old one was razed to the ground in an indiscriminate arson attack a year ago.

"It will give us a great boost both in a financial sense and in terms of morale when the club house opens," explained Cook.

"It's been difficult for everything to operate as it should at a small club like ours. We were just very unlucky."

Surprisingly, attendances at Nyewood Lane continue to grow despite the poor form shown by Darin Killpartrick's side and Cook thinks that reflects the position of the club in the seaside town's local community.

"Bognor hasn't always been big on football and people usually associate us with Butlin's but we try to play our part," he added.

"Our gates have grown by 50 per cent this season and I'm sure we will give our new supporters something to cheer about on Saturday." **Timothy** Green tells us how he found an outlet for his passion for local football in his exile from up t' North



I've been a Rotherham United fan ever since I was old enough to walk the mile or so from my house on my own down to Millmoor to meet my mates. Which was over forty years ago. In the days when twelve year-olds could walk to football matches on their own without fear of causying the Daily Mail apoplexy...

Since then, for the most part, I've watched them as often as I could get. This obviously slowed down a bit, when I moved to London in 1982. The main advantage of moving to London was meeting up with the Rotherham United Supporters Club (London Branch). Who, despite their unwieldy name, were (and are) an excellent bunch of people. And they've sensibly changed their name to the London Millers...

Over the years, I tried to cut down a bit more on travelling to Rotherham matches; it didn't seem fair to leave my wife ever Saturday. Not that she complained too much. I wonder what she was up to...So I decided to start watching local non-league football, which meant that I'd be home for tea. Or at least in time to go out for a curry. Living in Finsbury Park, however, meant that there was a dearth of local teams. And

I wasn't going to start watching Arsenal for

Anyway, about 12 years ago we moved to Harrow and so I thought "local team-Harrow Borough". So I went to Earlsmead. It helped that I knew the Chairman, Jim Ripley. And so, I noticed, did everyone else. In fact, if it hadn't been for Jim, I think that the entire place would've been mute. It was utterly depressing. And they always lost...

What next? I thought I'd try watching Wealdstone. I'd seen a sign on a shop on the other side of the station saying that they were now back in Harrow, playing at Edgware's ground. So I got a 186 from the Safari to Edgware. And I've never looked back.

The difference between Wealdstone fans and those others that I'd come across was marked. For a start, they cared. They cared a great deal about their team. And they sang. And they didn't spend the entire game listening to other club's games on their transistors. Wealdstone was their team; they weren't just watching 'cos they'd nowt else better to do. Gradually I got recognised. Partly because I used to stand on my own behind the goal when the Stones

were kicking towards the Edgware Road and, and partly 'cos I'd wear a Rotherham United scarf. I joined the notice board thing that Grim used to do, and started to go to the odd away game. I even got a season ticket for the 2000-2001 season.

OUR MAN

Then there was the excitement of the new ground. I went to the Boxing Day match at Wingate and Finchley, and we stopped off on the way back to have a look at it. After the ground we'd just been to, it was truly a thing of beauty. There's a brick somewhere there with my name on it...

After that, we had the years of silence up at Northwood, the best bit of which was being able to order a pint of Guinness to have waiting for me at half-time and

And now there's the new ground. A home, at last. Which is more than my beloved Millers have got. We'll get one, just as the Stones have. All we need to be is one-tenth as enthusiastic and supportive as the Stones' fans have been, and we'll be all right. Oh, and who do I want to win this afternoon? If I were to say that disappointment of the Rotherham United defeat at Bury was only partially lifted by Wealdstone's win at Aylesbury, you'll know. Still, I wouldn't mind a draw...

Today's Mascots

This is the list of mascots for the game today at the time of going to press, with pics of all involved for a future programme: Finlay Ashe (2) son of Ryan

Lewis (7) and Tamsin (9) Haynes of Ladybanks School, Ruislip Alec Ferguson (9) of Rabbs Farm School, Yiewsley Curtis Jones (7) of St. Matthews School, Yiewsley Ben Nothman (8) of Wolfson School, Southgate

And Saffyre Coutts (12), Joe Herman (12) and Hadley Schnapps (8), all from our main sponsor for today's event, Connect Vending.

Stones Stars

Harrow Mencap football club or better know as the Stone Stars meet every Thursday evening during term-time between 6pm-8pm for training at Harrow Leisure Centre in Byron Rd Harrow Middlesex.

The club has been running for the past 5 years with thanks to the loyalty and commitment of our many volunteers who support our members every week. We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to

all. Every week more then 15 members turn up in their gear to practice their football skills but to continue this very successful club we need your support.

There are many ways you can help support our club through giving a donation or becoming a member of Harrow Mencap please telephone 0208 869 8484 to request a member ship form. Have you ever thought about volunteering why not come along and visit us and see us training.

Our aim for the coming year is again to play in the league and win those Trophies! So come and join us.

PAUL TORPEY

I put a spell on you...But your still mine!



A tale of yet another supporter who has regained his senses and is following the mighty Blues again

Twenty-two years ago I put a curse on Wealdstone. I'd just turned nine and, as a birthday treat, my Dad had arranged for me to be the Stones' matchday mascot. It was October 17 1987 and we were at home in the GM Vauxhall Conference against Lincoln City who, the previous season, had been the first club to be relegated from the Football League.

My father's from Harrow and, although our family had moved away seven years earlier, a visit to Lower Mead was always the highlight of a trip to visit my grandparents, who continued to live a stones throw from the old ground. In those days the mascot had to provide a little autobiographical note for the programme. I've still got that programme (of course) and it records that my favourite player was Robin Wainwright and that I lived in Swindon from where my Dad would take me to watch Wealdstone whenever we travelled west. It also relates the fact I wished the Stones a good run in the FA Cup.

The previous season had seen us reach the first round proper where we met Swansea City in an epic tussle, ultimately going down 4-1 in Wales following a home draw and one abandoned replay. In 1987 we had a great chance of matching the previous season's Cup exploits with a fourth qualifying round tie versus

Tamworth due the Saturday following the Lincoln match. The same programme that records my hopes of a Stones assault on Wembley also has one Steve Marshall cautioning our supporters against underestimating the little-known side from the Midlands. I doubt manager Terry Burton and his players knew they had a Jonah (sadly not Brian) in their midst as I sat nervously in the home dressing room before the match but it seems my cheery good wishes had exactly the opposite intended effect. We lost 2-0 at Tamworth on what I understand was something of a fractious occasion and, until today, haven't been beyond the fourth qualifying round since.

Of course, I didn't realise any of this back then as I was too busy enjoying my day out as mascot. As previously mentioned, Robin Wainwright was my favourite player. I have no memories of his abilities but, as we left the dressing room, I remember a chorus of 'come ons' and Robin booting the away dressing room door. We ran out on to the pitch clad, as we are this season, in an all-blue strip. I had a ball in my hands and I remember kicking it high into a perfect autumn sky, praying at the same time that I wouldn't mess it up and fall over.

The history books show we lost that day but, of the actual game, I have no

memories. I went home to Swindon and started wearing my Wealdstone kit for PE, If I naively expected this to earn me any kudos I was sorely disappointed and was instead mocked for supporting 'Oxfam United'. My Dad and I continued our visits to Lower Mead until that day in 1991 when we left it forever. My younger brother was also there that day and he remembers a brilliant occasion, wondering in later years why all football matches weren't regularly interrupted by pitch invasions and played in such an anarchic atmosphere of good humour and high drama. The thing with Wealdstone is that quite a few of our matches down the years have been played with just such a backdrop.

After Lower Mead, I'm afraid my ties with the Stones loosened. Teenage distractions and a flirtation with Swindon Town FC meant Wealdstone began to recede into my past. Even my blue-blooded father's passion lessened but he did manage to keep me updated on the club's many trials and tribulations, as well as the arrival of a man named Gordon Bartlett.

It wasn't until I moved back to London myself that I renewed my old acquaintances with Wealdstone at their latest temporary encampment in Edgware. Having not really attended matches during my teenage years and early twenties, recognising some of the faces I remembered seeing on the terraces at places like Bath, Worcester, Wycombe and Cheltenham in the 1980s was a disorientating experience. I say some of the faces because it was clear that, in some ways, we were a shadow of the club that left Lower Mead, But, on nights like our corker of an FA Trophy third round tie with Thurrock in January 2004, it was obvious that supporting the Stones was as high octane an experience as ever.

If the faces and atmosphere remained the same, so it seemed did other less welcome traditions with my FA Cup curse still well and truly in place. In fact, so potent a hoodoo had I landed the club with back in 1987 it looked as if we hadn't even

made it to the fourth qualifying round, let alone the competition proper, since the Tamworth debacle.

It was, however, the Cup matches, as opposed to the slow build of the league, that really piqued my interest as I caught the Wealdstone bug all over again. The possibility of instant reward and the knifeedge atmosphere made for some cracking encounters as we twice made the fourth qualifying round and came agonisingly close to lifting my curse. I watched as we lost 2-0 at home to Histon in 2004, a game we should have won, and then, in 2007, 1-0 away to Hampton and Richmond Borough when a last-minute goal broke our hearts just as we started to entertain thoughts of being in the hat for the first round.

As it turns out, we didn't have to wait too much longer to finally advance into the main draw. Worryingly, this has happened in the season when weekend working commitments mean I've yet to see any matches during what has been a superb start to the campaign. Gordon has assembled and, more importantly, retained a great side. The fact this was possible partly because Wealdstone supporters, as they have so many times before, put their hands in their own pockets goes a long way to explaining what has kept this club alive in the 22 years since we lined up against Lincoln City.

I wish I could say I'd contributed anything like as useful during my patchy supporting career but, at least by staying away during a glorious qualifying campaign, I've ensured a great occasion for everyone today and one that's a deserved reward for all the hard work that's gone into re-energising the Stones in their new home. I don't suppose I could have chosen a better game to make my spectating debut this season, just don't be surprised to see Wealdstone's unluckiest mascot making a sharp exit if it turns out there's life in the old curse yet....

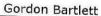
Paul Torpey

KIT DONORS

Kit Donors

Once again, it is time for you to find a player or coach to sponsor for the season. Please speak to any club official who can help you through the process. The contribution this makes to the club is very valuable indeed. If you want your photograph taken with the player whose kit you have sponsored then that can be arranged. Thank you to all those listed below who have already come forward, and please see Pete Worby or any of the other Club officials if you wish to join them!

Complete kit sponsorship will be £100 per player this season.





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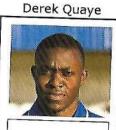
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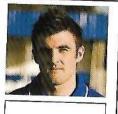






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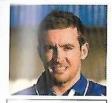
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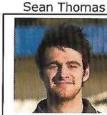


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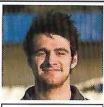




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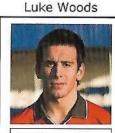


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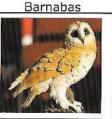
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AWAY TRAVEL

Margate v Wealdstone. Saturday 14 November

Hartsdown Park, Hartsdown Road, Margate, CT9 5QZ

By Train: The nearest railway station is Margate. To get from the railway station either take a taxi from the Taxi Rank outside or take the short 15 minute walk. Leave the railway station and turn right onto All Saints Avenue. Follow this road up the hill and continue along the road for approximately 350 yards. Continue along Hartsdown Road and the ground will be on your left hand side.

By Car: Follow the M2 in the direction of Ramsgate. The M2 will end and will become the A299 Thanet Way. After 16.2 miles on the A299 take the 2nd Exit off the roundabout into the A28. Continue straight into A28 (Canterbury Road Birchington). Follow the signs and road for Margate. A little way after a BP Petrol station you will need to right into the B2052 (George V Avenue). Follow the road around the left hand bend. At the end turn Right into Hartsdown Road, and the ground is a little way down on the left hand side.

POSSIBLE FA CUP 1st ROUND REPLAY ROTHERHAM v WEALDSTONE **TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER**

If today's game ends in a draw the supporters club will be running a coach for the replay. Cost will be £20 for adults and £15 for under 16's.

Coach will leave the football club at 2 pm and return immediately after the game To book see Jez Albert after today's game or contact him either by email Jeremy.albert@jetsetflights.co.uk

Or tel: 0208 328 3976(work) 0208 351 6789(home) or 07903 805861 (mobile) Jez Albert

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Directions to Don Valley Stadium, Possible Replay Tuesday 17 November 7:45 Worksop Road, Sheffield S9 3TL By Car

Go North up M1 for a long time. Leave the M1 motorway at junction 34 (Sheffield Meadowhall). At the roundabout follow signs A6178 City Centre & Attercliffe. Go past Meadowhall Shopping Centre on your right. Keep straight on this road. Pick up local signs to Attercliffe & Don Valley Stadium and Sheffield Arena. Go past the stadium to traffic lights and turn left. The VIP entrance and stadium car park is the second road on the left!

By Tram

Sheffield 's multi-million pound light rail system has a dedicated stop within 100 metres of the stadium. Trams connect to the stadium from various locations in the city including the City Centre & Meadowhall. The nearest tram stop is Arena/Don Valley Stadium.

By Bus

The bus route that serves the stadium from the Sheffield and Rotherham Transport Interchanges is route number 69.

By Train

Both Sheffield and Meadowhall Train Station have connecting transport links to the Stadium.

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