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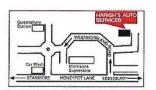
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# Get your votes in for player of the season

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Vale for the final fixture in our Ryman League campaign.

For once there was no end of season anxiety, and we comfortably procured a top half finish.

We sincerely hope the players, officials and supporters from Hastings enjoy their brief stay, and that they travel back to Sussex safely after the game.

This fixture is certainly not a dead rubber. As well as a sixth place up for grabs for ourselves, Hastings need a point to avoid slipping into the final relegation spot should other results not go their way. Although there are more rumours than of late regarding clubs in financial distress, Hastings would not want to rely on a likely reprieve in order to preserve their Premier Division status.

As is repeated in other voices in this programme, this season can only really be described as successful. The first team may have come up just short of the play-offs, but the progress on and off the pitch has been impressive, with more seemingly to come. This young side has made the supporters proud, and coupled with the memories of great games and nights at our new home, we have all been in an almost permanently good mood!

More hard work, sacrificing time and or money, and just a splash of good luck could well see us through to an even better finish next season. Please continue to help the club this summer. Keep an eye for the club website for events at the Vale, as well as some of the pre-season friendlies.

After the Borough defence came out second best to Greg "Either Peg" Ngoyi, I would like to mark my final ramblings by thanking the team for their efforts. Seeing a voung team with so much talent is great fun in itself, but there is a consistent effort put in at games. I believe it is that sort of intensity that has afforded us so many points this season.

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Wealdstone FC would opportunity to say a big thank you to Ladbrokes Lane for donating gym equipment to be used by the players in preseason training and in

The Player of the year is going to be a very tight contest I am sure. Whoever comes out on top can be especially pleased after the season the club has had. Last season. Rvan Ashe collected the Jock Law Trophy, with Chris O'Leary the year before. In fact, the award has been spread throughout the field, as although it has gone to midfielders the last two seasons, you can get quite a decent squad using all the winners in the Bartlett era.

Andy Carter in goal, with Sterling, Lamb, Marshall and Rvan at the back. O'Leary, Ashe, Brian Jones, Chris Walton in the middle. Up front Jolly, Beckford and Swaysland.

The important thing is that you vote, as the more votes the more it means.

I would like to thank all the contributors to the programme this season. Tim Parks with his excellently written Rewind and front cover artwork. Also the photographers who kindly let me use their professional snaps, especially Steve Foster, even when I forget to credit them.

To all the other supporters and playing staff who have sent me notes I thank you, they too are

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good value and the reason the programme has such a high readership relative to the attendance. Thanks to Roy Couch and Fingers for providing all the stats and more. Nick for his press stuff and also to Martin at Juma Printing. Apologies for ones I forgot, like Mark Lloyd and please keep sending me stuff, I can always have more!

One final thank you is for the wife (domestic goddess). Minnie is a 'proper' editor, and is the reason the layout looks as it does. I couldn't do this without her. I may even get her to a game one day.

Actually I must also thank Jon Taffel for donating the match ball this afternoon. This is a typical gesture from Jon, and hopefully he has a great day and brings us some luck towards the three points.

#### Other Ryman Games Today

Borehamwood Canvey Island Harlow Town Horsham Ramsgate Staines Town

v Dartford v Heybridge Swifts v Carshalton Athl

v Harrow Borough Maidstone United v Billericav Town v Ashford Town v Margate Tonbridge Angels v Dover Athletic

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# Look back with pride, look forward with confidence



Welcome today to the final match of our 2008/9 season, and we welcome our friends from Hastings United to the last game of our first year in our new home.

We've had a great year and I think it is important we acknowledge how far

the Club has come over the past year or so. Let's step back a moment. In 2005 with Edgware crumbling around us Northwood offered us a workable alternative but the three years there were marked by continual struggles on the pitch and a lack of momentum off it.

Late in 2007 an opportunity arose to move to Ruislip Manor; to take over and try and reinvigorate the fading stadium and the failing social club. Through 2008 the regular work parties worked tirelessly and often without too much recognition to make Grosvenor Vale ready for Ryman Premier League football, and the matches against Watford and Tonbridge marked memorable landmarks for the Club, with the first and first competitive game on our own ground since 1991. The early days of the season represented a massive learning curve but gradually we began to remember and relearn what was required to run our own stadium.

Just outside the ground with a massive effort that continues to this day, the social club began to transform into a welcoming, warm and increasingly popular environ-

ment. There is more to do there and (of course) some considerable challenges to overcome but I am confident we are on the right road.

Whether it was the new Macron kit, or the welcome and much valued West One sponsorship or the cosy physio room, we strove to deliver a professional club that looked and felt the part. Promotions to attract kids or local residents helped as we reached out to the local community and made it clear that we are an inclusive and welcoming club with a proposition worthy of support.

And support it people have, with crowds bucking the clear trend rising by over 40%, spurred on of course by a team that have matured during the season and have sensed the upturn in the Club's fortunes by performing so well and leaving us all with dreams and heightened expectations of what next season will bring.

So many people have contributed to our success this season, and I apologise in advance for missing anyone out but I do want to mention a few individuals. My board colleagues continue to give hours and hours to this Club offering direction, deeds and inspiration. This season we have been joined by Andrew Lane who has stepped up as well as taking on the role of Company Secretary, and we are ably supported by Barry Benveniste, Mark Lloyd and Gordon McKay.

Many people take on important roles on matchdays as a matter of course, including Alan Hill, Andy Burrows, Graham and Pauline Smith, Drew Worby (and others who have helped on the gate), Roy Couch, Nick Dugard and that is not to mention the supporters club who have arisen magnificently this season under David Albert's expert direction, with an excellent Club Shop and most enjoyable Barry Fry dinner and all the regular support we look for from them.

Tony Waugh as a newcomer to the Club has done a fantastic role as kitman this season adding to the professionalism we offer and Sateesh Khanna has taken on the challenge of running the catering facilities with so much imagination and success. Let's not forget Adam and Minnie Gloor who continue to produce such a fascinating and enjoyable programme.

Who else? Well perhaps not so much in the public glare Phil Ralston and John Moran have done a great job with the reserves, Phil in his first year with us has made a great impression retaining the Middlesex Premier Cup, as has Micky Johnson and the Under 18s / Pinnacle side who stand on the verge of winning the Allied Counties League in their first season.

We made a big decision last summer when inviting the Ruislip Manor juniors to merge with the Wealdstone junior club. Progress towards a full merger was always going to take time but I am very encouraged by the where we are and I remain convinced that this relationship will become increasingly important to the Club in the future, as are the relationships we are forging under Mark Lloyd's direction with Ruislip Rangers, Pinner United and Ruislip High School.

Finally in terms of saying thanks I wanted to thank the playing staff – let's never forget we are a football after all. It has been a most enjoyable and successful season. Travelling back on the coach from Dover last week the spirit and belief the players had was palpable. They want to play for Wealdstone FC and they want to be successful with Wealdstone FC.

But as most people know we have some challenges immediately ahead of us. From now on we have to live within our means and that has meant we have attached a lot of importance to our current fundraising drive 100:400, a drive designed to ensure we can keep as many of this season's squad as possible. At the time of writing we have just passed the 75% mark in terms of money pledged. If you haven't come forward thus far – please do now and help us up to, and past our target.

As well as 100:400 we are trying to give Dennis all the support he needs to make our commercial operation more successful. It is not easy in this current economic climate and any leads or suggestions will be most welcome. Leo Morris has been recruited to work with Dennis and we expect more news on our commercial structure in the coming weeks.

So we end a memorable season and we have much to look forward to, including, all being well, our long awaited pre-season game against Leeds United FC here at the Vale. Details will follow soon but I am desperate for the Vale to look at its best, with every ticket sold for that game.

I suspect the non league football world will go through a summer with plenty of turmoil, but although our own financial issues are no secret, cash aside we are fundamentally in the best shape we have been in for many years. I hope many of you will try and come to the presentation evening on 9 May and be involved when the call comes for new work parties to take on the various tasks that are needed around the ground. In the meantime let me wish all Wealdstone (and Hastings) people a great summer and see you back here in just a few short months time.

Howard Krais Chairman

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# FROM THE DUGOUT

# Season of harmony at the Stones



This season seems to have gone so quickly and I can't believe we've reached the last game already. It certainly doesn't feel 10 months ago since we started our preparations and pre season training. I suppose things must have gone pretty well since July and proves the old saying, 'time flies when you're enjoying yourself'.

With a new home and a buzz around the place, there was an air of expectancy going into the first game. My personal hopes were to improve on last season and set a target of a top half finish and have a decent cup

On reflection, results didn't start too well and exits from both FA competitions did little to brighten up the gloom. Despite results, Gilly, Leo and I remained positive about performances and were confident these players had the ability to turn things round. Gradually things began to pick up and I am sure this young squad learnt valuable lessons from those early disappointments. They have developed well as a group and when you consider that Dean Papali, Gary Burrell and Graeme Montgomery are the only people to move on this season, it is testament to the spirit and success the squad have achieved. Despite going off to University, Derek Quaye has played a few games in the reserves and Hughsie's still been a regular spectator, as he recovers from his knee operation. In fact, since those early training days back in July, the squad has a familiar look about it with the only

additions being Greg and Davis. A settled squad has paid dividends and with 2 games of the season remaining we still harboured play-off hopes until our defeat at Dover last Saturday, but despite that, we have ended up with a guaranteed top eight finish regardless of today's result. Hastings arrive here still needing a point for safety, but our pride says we want to finish on a high and we will be going all out for those final 3 points today.

Congratulations to Dover for winning the title by such a comfortable margin and my tip is Tonbridge to follow them up via the play-offs. It seems incredible that Staines have not won in 9 matches and Carlshalton haven't even got a plus goal difference and yet, both of them are in play-off positions going into today. With Dover going up, we also look like losing some of the longer trips at the other end of the table with Ramsgate, Heybridge and possibly Margate finishing in the bottom four, although I'm sure at least one will get a reprieve. Travelling looks to be getting easier with Kingstonian, Thurrock, Bognor, East Thurrock and possible Fisher all coming into the Ryman.

Once again we have finished in a higher position than the previous season and hope this has laid a solid foundation for the next campaign. I sincerely hope most of you who gave up your valuable time to carry out work last summer and during the season feel it a worthwhile exercise and you believe we have now at least given you something

to be proud of on the pitch.

We cannot stop there if we are going to continue our climb back up the non league ladder. More work and more financial commitment is the only way forward as we desperately try to overcome the constant difficulties thrown in front of us. In this economic climate, I know many clubs are struggling to maintain their budgets for the coming season and we do not want to be one of them. Howard's excellent idea of the 100:400 club has helped cover some of next years playing cost, but after an initial burst, we are still about 30 people short of our target and I am concerned where the rest will come from as the season closes. I have already pledged my own money because I really believe in these lads and do not want to lose them after this years hard work. Please, please help us to find the rest and so if can keep them together, I'm confident, they will continue to develop and hopefully gain an even higher position again next season.

There has been plenty of praise for the lads on the pitch, but I am delighted with the general progress in all aspects of football at the club. The clubhouse and ground have made massive strides since this time last year, the crowds are up 40%, the social club is busier, our tea bar is the talk of the Ryman forum and the club shop is thriving.

The youth set up is going well, our association with Stanmore College is gaining strength and both the new U.18's and reserves have been a success this season.

We are a unique club and the reason is simple. Wealdstone is a peoples club and we are progressing because of the quality people we have involved with us. We are not blessed with great finances or wonderful facilities, but in the players, supporters, staff and board members, we all have one common desire to see this club succeed. I am continually amazed by the hard work and dedication shown by people associated with Wealdstone and the togetherness was there for all to see when so many people came back to our 'home' after the Harrow Borough game. The place was buzzing all

night - add that to the spirit shown on the coach journey home from Dover last weekend and it makes you believe this is the beginning of something special here at the Vale.

There are too many people to thank individually for their hard work throughout the year, but I must mention a few who are closely linked to the running of the teams. The first three are Tony Waugh, Tony Jones and Phil Ralston, the newest members on the staff who have fitted in as though they have been with us for years. It been a pleasure to have them on board and they have been a very positive influence around the place. Gilly, Leo, Gary and James have all done a great job with the first team as has John, Mick and Carl with the reserves and under 18's respectively and Steve Beeks, Carl, Adie, Tracy and James coaching the college boys. On the administrative side, I must thank Alan and Roy Couch and Fingers for the numerous hours they have put in for the club, Lesley and Tony for the reserves and Lisa with the Allied Counties team. To everyone who has looked after our quests in the boardroom, especially Pauline for my regular cups of tea, and the match day stewards who have done a such an important job and often miss much of the game. Thanks must also go to Tracy and Dennis, who despite their already considerable efforts, are two very important people who could mean the difference between success and failure in the coming months. Thanks also to Ron Barnes and West One for their excellent support this season.

Finally, I cannot express enough gratitude to the fans for their unbelievable support this season. The feel good factor that has been generated throughout the season has now even prompted Attic to make a number of positive comments.

Well that's all from me until next August. Here's to 3 points today.

Enjoy the break, but please do everything you can to ensure we continue to enjoy this feeling next season.

Gilly

# Football Club crunch?

I've been reliably informed that I should no longer call the relegation zone, the relegation zone. Why? Well chances are if you actually find yourself in one of those god forsaken places, you might not actually be relegated.

The story of Altrincham a couple of seasons back is now becoming a familiar one, saved from the indignity of relegation by the beauty of another team going out of business and the AGM reprieve.

Altrincham celebrated their last minute salvation three seasons in a row and are probably a little miffed that this time round they've done the job on their own terms and will instead suffer mid-table obscurity. At the time of their last reprieve the Chairman was heard to say to a local paper that he fancied a spell in the league below as "a bit of a breather", wonder what his feelings would be now, 12 months on?

No one likes to see another team go out of business, but I'd be a fool if I thought those clubs saved as a result of another's demise aren't smiling inside just a little bit. No one likes to get relegated.

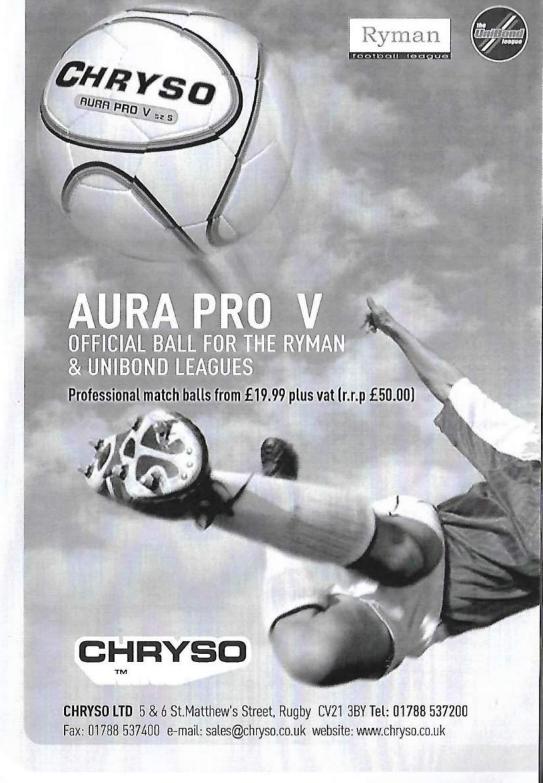
So what can be done to stop the off-thepitch reorganisation free-for-all at the end of the season, that not only benefits some down the bottom of the league, but can impede those who miss out at the top? One idea would be to have a bond before the start of the season; all clubs to provide a financial guarantee they can pay all their players until the end of the season. Rubbish. Name me a club that has that much money?

So what about a cap on players wages, and a draft system for Non League sides? Rubbish. The unfortunate world we inhabit means some clubs will inevitably get around the rules. Ok then, how about a freeze on all clubs in all leagues? We'll stop promotion and relegation for one season until all clubs can learn how to financially behave... remember this is the pyramid that brought you "innovative" kick-ins instead of the humble throw. No, there's nothing for it. The real issue is clubs will always overspend to buy the best players, in the same way people will always remortgage their homes to go on a round-the-world cruise or pay for their daughter's wedding.

Those that govern football have become like an ageing grand-parent with wise words we refuse to listen to. They would rather stand by and allow the wayward child to learn by their own mistakes, but what other option do they have? Answers on the back of a postcard from whichever league you find yourself in next season. Who said football was all about what happened on the pitch?

#### Friendly Results 2008-09 (First Team)

19 July	Windsor & Eton	L1-4	Burrell (pen)
23 July	WATFORD X1	W3-1	Hicks, Alexander, O.G
26 July	<b>HAMPTON &amp; RICHMOND</b>	D0-0	
29 July	Leatherhead	D0-0	
02 Aug	North Greenford United	W4-1	Hughes, Hicks, Reid, Quaye
04 Aug	Burnham	L2-3	Reid, Hughes
05 Aug	Enfield Town	D1-1	Hicks
09 Aug	<b>HEMEL HEMPSTEAD TOWN**</b>	L2-3	Hughes, Ashe
11 Aug	AFC Hayes	D1-1	Papali
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Hastings United Football Club was founded in 1894 and until the 1985/86 season were playing in the Sussex County League. They have played under the banner of Hastings & St Leonards and, until season 2002/03 played under the name of Hastings Town.

Success was achieved in their early days. They won the Sussex Royal Ulster Rifles (RUR) Cup in 1900/01 and again in 1901/02 whilst still playing in local football. They joined the Sussex County League in 1921 and in their first season finished as runners-up to Worthing. Hastings again finished second in 1926/27 behind Southwick, but they then reverted back to Hastings League football.

The RUR Cup was won again in 1938/39 and 1939/40. The club rejoined the Sussex County League in 1952 but didn't enjoy real success until 1959/60 when they finished second in Division Two. After changing their name to Hastings Town they went through a lean spell on the park but in 1979/80 they clinched the Division Two championship and the divisional cup. The following season they won the County League Cup.

The 1984/85 season was to be their last as a member of the Sussex County League. Following the decision of the then Hastings United FC to cease trading Town applied for membership of the Southern League and were elected to the Southern Division. At the same time they negotiated a long term lease with Hastings Borough Council for the Pilot Field Stadium.

The 1984/85 season had seen Hastings United struggling against relegation from the Premier Division and it was a combination of last day of the season results-United beating Welling 2-1 and Crawley doing the U's a big favour by beating Witney-that saw the Premier Division spot retained by the narrowest margin. Having done the business on the pitch it was to be off the pitch matters that caused the demise of United in June 1985 when financial problems became insurmountable and the club ceased trading.

At the time Hastings Town were a mid-table Sussex County League Division One club playing a couple of hundred yards up Elphinstone Road at The Firs. Following the demise of

United, Town applied to join the Southern League. Witney objected to Town going straight into the Premier Division as United's demise had saved them from relegation. This was not an issue as Town were more than happy to start in the Southern Division and continue at The Pilot Field (or the Firs Football Centre as the stadium was to be renamed for a short period) albeit at a lower level.

Several ex United players signed for Hastings Town in time for the start of the 1985/86 campaign which saw Town feature prominently in a tight promotion campaign with Cambridge City, Salisbury City and Dover Athletic. The solitary home defeat of the season was to be crucial-having already won 2-0 at Cambridge City a matter of weeks earlier, Town took on City in front of 844 spectators towards the end of April and having led 1-0 and 2-1. went down to a 2-3 defeat that left Salisbury with games in hand which they won to deny Town promotion. Had that game been won or drawn Town would have gone up in Cambridge's place.

The 1986/87 season was

# HASTINGS

#### WEALDSTONE'S RECORD V HASTINGS

(Ceased trading in 1985)

P11 W5 D4 L2 F17 A10

Southern League

1972/73 (Div 1 Sth) Home D1-1 Away L0-2 1973/74 (Div 1 Sth) Home W2-1 Away D0-0 1977/78 (Premier Div.) Home W2-0 Away D0-0 1978/79 (Premier Div.) Home L1-2 Away W4-2 1981/82 (Sthn Div) Home W2-0 Away D0-0

F.A. Trophy

1973/74 (2nd Round) Home W5-2

#### WEALDSTONE'S RECORD v HASTINGS UNITED

(Formerly Hastings Town)
P3 W1 D1 L1 F7 A6

**Isthmian League** 

2007/08 (Premier Div.) Home D3-3 Away W3-1 2008/09 (Premier Div.) Home Today Away L1-2

to see Town mount another promotion challenge but while they were in with a good chance for much of that season it was never as tight as the previous campaign. Dorchester Town and local rivals Ashford Town were to take the two promotion places while Hastings finished fourth behind Woodford Town.

Having made two concerted attempts at bringing Premier Division football back to Hastings the 1987/88 season was one of great disappointment with Town never showing any signs of mounting a challenge as they finished a dismal 12th. That season saw Dover Athletic and Waterlooville well clear of third placed Salisbury-yes the same Salisbury who had pipped Town in 1985/86 had come straight back down after one season in the Premier.

Peter Sillett was to return to the Pilot Field where he

had enjoyed success managing Hastings United. He said it would take about three years to put together a promotion winning side. The next three seasons were to see the team taking shape gradually. 1988/89 saw Town finish seventh as Chelmsford City and Gravesend & Northfleet went up. A year later Town were to finish eighth as the two promotion places were grabbed by Bashley and Poole Town, Buckingham and Trowbridge were the successful sides in the 1990/91 season which saw Town start off with a long unbeaten run and head the table for a short spell only for the challenge to fade as Town eventually finished seventh again.

Long time supporters have fond memories of a superb 1991/92 season where everything fell into place at long last. The season opened with 4-0 wins at Dunstable and at home to

Margate. Town won their opening five games and were to head the Beazer Homes Southern table virtually all that campaign leaving Weymouth, Havant and Sittingbourne to scrap it out over the runners up spot. Two massive games against Weymouth-1200 saw Town win 2-0 at The Pilot Field with 1538 at The Wessex Stadium where a memorable game saw Town complete the double with a 2-1 victory. Promotion was sealed with five games to spare in early April-a 2-1 win at home to Salisbury with a 2-2 draw at Erith a week later confirming Town as champions. Town were to go up with Weymouth that season.

1992/93 saw Town playing Beazer Homes Premier Division football for the first time. They had to go into that campaign with their Southern Division squad and were to find the leap in standard difficult to bridge. Peter Sillett was dismissed in December as the side struggled at the wrong end of the table with the main problem being a lack of goals. Dean White was appointed and successfully steered Town to safety.

Town were to play Premier Division football for another six years. Supporters went through many ups and downs in that period. A major relegation battle in 1993/94 when Town looked big favourites to go back to the Southern Division—only for a late haul of points see them climb well clear of the

bottom four. 1994/95 saw the same team keep reasonably clear of the relegation battle and a mid-table place was the reward. It all went far better in 1995/96 when they were to finish eighth and had it not been for some indifferent performances, they might have been a top four side.

1996/97 was a season of real struggle as relegation once again loomed. Hastings looked truly down and out and a 0-3 reversal at Worcester in late November saw them into the drop zone where they remained till 25th March-much of that time rock bottom. A depressing sequence of seven games without a goal was included in that run but a remarkable revival inspired by the managerial team of Garry Wilson and Mick Crowe started with a 2-2 draw at home to King's Lynn and a 4-3 win over Sudbury saw Town climb out of the bottom four after nearly four months.

Lottery winner Mark Gardiner became involved with Town at the start of 1997/98—but despite money being available for team building, success on the pitch was frustratingly hard to attain. Garry Wilson was dismissed after an FA Trophy defeat at home to Bath City and cousins Terry and Dean White took over.

1998/99 was a season of huge contrasts. Having expected to kick-off as a Ryman Premier outfit only for Slough Town's problems (demoted from the Confer-

ence to the Ryman thus saving Telford from relegation to the DM) to result in Town remaining a Dr Martens Premier side, they started off well and for a spell looked the only side able to challenge Nuneaton's title rampage. By the end of the year the club was in turmoil-resigned from the Southern League, budget slashed, players leaving-what could go wrong next? It was to get worse-Town were placed in Administration, the league refused to accept an attempt to withdraw the resignation tendered earlier and despite a hugely creditable final fifth place, the season ended with Town literally not knowing where they would be the following August.

More turmoil followed that close season. An appeal to retain Town's Premier Division place was unsuccessful and attempts to get the club out of Administration were subjected to several counter bids from parties unknown and by June it really seemed that Hastings Town were doomed altogether with the Administrator looking inclined to accept the latest counter bid. But a final effort by a local consortium was to be successful at the very last moment and the club was saved.

Having been accepted back into the Dr Martens League as new entrants, Town kicked off 1999/2000 in the Eastern Division with a 2-0 win at home to VS Rugby. Much of the previous

season's squad was retained and hopes were high of going straight back up. But a 42 game campaign is never easy whatever the level and for the next two seasons Hastings were close but not close enough. Fisher Athletic and Folkestone Invicta ran away with the Eastern Division in 1999/2000 followed by Newport IOW and Chelmsford City a year later with Town finishing fifth and sixth respectively. George Wakeling had taken over as manager early in the 2000/01 campaign following Dean White's move into the Nationwide League with Brighton.

Season 2001/02. A huge battle throughout an intriguing season as Town battled it out with Grantham, Dorchester and Histon. The top two spots were to vary throughout that campaign with the fixture list throwing up successive away Saturday's in Januarv-at Dorchester and then Grantham. Vital draws came from both games-and then, after a depressing mud-bath of a defeat at home to local rivals St Leonards in early February-Town went on a superb run that saw them unbeaten until mid April. Promotion and the title were guaranteed with a 4-2 win at Wisbech Town on the penultimate Saturday of the season. But not without frayed nerve endings as Town found themselves 1-2 down after 15 minutes that afternoon following a 1-3 defeat at Dartford the previ-

Hastings

ous Tuesday. But it all ended well on a day of huge celebrations at Fenland Park.

2002/03 saw a Hastings United side playing Premier Division football-but in contrast to 1985/86 this is a name and strip change only. Supporters were under no illusion that a leap in playing standards awaited them. A good start to their league programme saw them rise to sixth place but then things went wrong and they never regained that early season form. They ended in 20th place and so were relegated back to the Eastern Division. Majority shareholder Mick Maplesden announced at the final game of the season that his shares were up for sale and until a buyer was found the future of the Club was again uncertain.

The 2003/04 season saw a new man in the managerial chair. Steve Lovell, the former Welsh International. was appointed and started the difficult task of building a completely new side. The budget had been cut and with the uncertainty most of the players had moved on. It was obviously going to be a difficult season and so it proved. At one time United were at the foot of the table but they recovered to finish in eighteenth place. Steve resigned from his position on November 20th 2004 and during December former Welsh International goalkeeper Neville Southall was appointed as his successor.

Towards the end of the

2003/04 season Mick Maplesden eventually found a buyer in David Walters. The summer was a busy time as David began the task of rebuilding the club. Following the restructuring of the Non-League game United are looking to begin the long climb back up the Pyramid. Steve Lovell resigned as manager towards the end of 2004 and was succeeded by form Welsh international Neville Southall, Southall was dismissed in December 2005, with Nigel Kane and Pat Brown being appointed as caretaker managers until the end of the season. Pat Brown departed during February 2006 and Nigel appointed his brother Norman as assistant manager. Nigel and Norman left the club during December 2007. The Club appointed former Tonbridge boss Tony Dolby as manager during January 2008 with Mike Rutherford as his assistant.

The 2006/07 season saw a major upturn in United's fortunes. Early in the season they were at the of the Ryman Division South table having lost seven of their opening 12 fixtures. They suffered just three more defeats all season at were in with a chance of lifting the championship until the final week of the campaign. They eventually finished in fourth place and entered the playoffs. They won their semifinal away to Dover Athletic 2-0 and won the final by the same scoreline, away to Tooting & Mitcham United.

Last season the club were

able to maintain their Premier Division status. The season began with a 6-0 reverse away to Billericay Town and although results picked up a slum around the turn of the year saw them near the foot of the table and with a relegation battle on their hands. Manager Nigel Kane departed and was replaced by former Tonbridge Angels boss Tony Dolby with Mike Rutherford as his assistant. A remarkable turnaround saw United finish in 14th place.

Dolby and Rutherford left at the end of the season and were replaced by John Lambert as manager and Wayne Farrier as his assistant. The pair had been in charge briefly during the season and were also responsible for the highly successful Reserve team. John and Wayne were dismissed at the end of January 2009 paving the way for the return of Tony Dolby.

The club operates a reserve side which plays in the Premier Division of the Sussex County League reserve section. For the previous 20 years the reserves played in the Kent League where they won the League title and Cup. They have also won the Sussex Intermediate Cup twice in recent years, reached the semi-final last season and won the Hastings Intermediate Cup.

There is also a Youth section with sides ranging from Under 7's to Under 18s. The Youth section joined the main club at the end of season 2003/04 with two aims in mind, providing football for local voungsters and bringing players through to the senior side. Last season the Under 18's won their division and also had good runs in various cup competitions.



#### **Player Manager Tony Dolby** Appointed February 2009

Tony's playing days have been spent with Millwall, Barnet, Gravesend & Northfleet, Welling United and Tonbridge Angels. Ahead of the 2003/4 season he joined the Angels and at the age of 29 was elevated to the role of player/ manager. A 3rd placed Southern League Eastern Division finish saw Tony's Angels side take up a Ryman Premier place although relegation occurred in his first full season in charge. However he guided his side to promotion through the play-offs in 2005/6 and in 2006/7 secured a comfortable midtable finish. Joined United originally in January 2008and guided the Us to Premier Division survival.

#### **Greg Nessling**

In his second spell at the Danny Spice

Pilot Field Greg is a consistent performer with safe hands. Has also played for St Leonards and Eastbourne Town winning their player of the season award in 2007/8. Was part of the team that won the County League Division One title with Eastbourne Town in 2006/7. Son of former Hastings Town goalkeeper and director Dave Nessling.

#### Josh Jirbandey

Local lad signed on a work experience deal from League One side Peterborough United, Talented central defender who has played for Rye United in the Sussex County League

#### Ben Radley

Hugely promising young central defender who first played for the Youth Team in 2006 when aged only fifteen, and grew in stature upon stepping up to the Reserves the following season, even scoring an unlikely hattrick on his way to collecting a Hastings Intermediate Cup winners medal. Handed a one year contract after signing for the First Team in June 2008.

#### Nathan Russell

Nathan is a strong centre back who can also operate in a central midfield role. He made a lasting impression playing for his former club Hollington United against Hastings United Reserves in a local final at the end of the 2006/7 season. Nathan had a hugely impressive first season for United and is a popular figure at the Pilot Field.

Danny is equally comfortable in defence as he is in midfield and is a strong honest player that always gives 100%. Previously with Hollington United where he won 4 trophies in one season. His commitment has made him popular amongst supporters.

#### Jethro Warren

Signed for United Reserves in August 2008, having previously played in local football, but was elevated to the First Team barely a month into the season. An uncompromising left sided or central defender.

#### Rhys Whyborne

Rhys is a promising young player that plays in the heart of defence and has good technical ability and stays calm under pressure. A consistent performer, Rhys was previously with Eastbourne Borough and Rye and Iden United, Was named joint supporter's player of the season in 2007/8.

#### Sam Adams

Sam is a hard working player that can either be used in midfield or as a striker. Sam was with Hastings as a youth team player where he was part of the team that won the league on 2 consecutive occasions. Sam was previously with Rye & Iden United.

#### Zac Attwood

Joined the Club from Bognor Regis Town. Left sided midfielder or striker who came through the ranks with Eastbourne Borough's Youth and Reserve teams where he was a regular goalscorer.

# **OPPOSITION**

Was a finalist in the second series of Sky's Football Icon programme in 2006

#### Lee Carey

Lee rejoined the Club from Horsham after moving to the West Sussex Club in summer 2008. Tony Dolby's first signing in his second spell as manager, Lee is a hard working central midfielder and dead ball specialist. Lee was formerly with Brighton & Hove Albion where he signed YTS forms and has also played at Bognor Regis Town and Tonbridge Angels.

#### **Jack Dixon**

Highly rated young central midfielder, who joined United in July 2008 from Rye, for whom he made his County League debut at the tender age of sixteen in the early stages of the 2007/08 campaign.

#### Jack Franklin

Central midfielder that has come through the youth set up at Hastings and is current captain of the successful Under 18 side. As well as the youth team Jack has been a regular in the current season's reserve side earning him a first team call up in autumn 2007 before making his Ryman League debut at the start of 2008 against Chelmsford City

#### **Antonio Gonnella**

Antonio looks a useful addition to this season's squad, a creative, quick and hard working player that can play on either side of the midfield. Antonio made his debut at 17 in the Conference (Blue Square) South and reached the 2nd round proper of the FA Youth Club.

Has also caught the interest of Italian Serie B club Avellino Calcio. Antonio's previous Clubs are Millwall, Fisher Athletic and Cambridge City

#### Matt MacLean

Matt is a hard working central midfielder that has progressed through the Youth set up and has rightly earned his place in the senior team with many goals for both the Youth Team and the Reserves.

#### Terry Payne

Started his career as a striker with County League sides Westfield and Rye United, before joining United Reserves for the 2007/08 season, for whom he played most frequently as a left sided midfielder. Left the Club to join Sidley United a year later, but soon returned to link up with the First Team squad in September 2008.

#### Ben White

Ben is in his second spell with the Club and can either play in central defence or in midfield. A player that has a good vision of the game and has also played at Sidley United and Bexhill United.

#### Scott Ramsay

An experienced striker that has played league football with Brighton & Hove Albion winning the division 3 championship. A member of the successful Eastbourne Borough side that won the Dr Martens League and the Conference South play offs in 2007/8. Has also played for Yeovil and Dover Athletic but is now with his home town club.

#### Frankie Sawyer

An exciting striker with electric pace and good on the ball Frankie has a good goal scoring record and scored over 40 goals for Fisher Athletic as a youth player, 8 coming in the FA Youth Cup whch resulted in a trial at Dagenham & Redbridge. Frankie joined Hastings from Welling United and has also been at Millwall as a youth player, his other Clubs being Farnborough Town, Fisher Athletic, and Dagenham & Redbridge.

#### Marc Whiteman

Returned to United for a third spell in June 2008, signing a one year contract. First joined the Club at the end of March 2006, on a dual registration basis with Conference South side Maidenhead United, before re-signing towards the end of August 2006. Started his career as a trainee with Manchester United and signed for Bury upon his release from Old Trafford in June 2001. After just one season though, he dropped into the non-league game with Weymouth and moved to Lewes twelve months later, where he spent two successful seasons. Left the Dripping Pan at the end of the 2004/05 campaign and spent a brief spell with Horsham, before joining Maidenhead. Signed for County League side Ringmer following his release by United towards the end of October 2006, but a superb tally of forty-nine goals in the 2007/08 campaign led the Club to offer him a new deal.







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<sup>\*\*</sup> A Photocopy of Birth Certificate or Passport is required as proof of date of birth

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> A Photocopy of Student ID Card is required as proof of students status Forms should be widely available today and for our final league game against Hastings.

Cole Cole	
S Hoter Compare ( P & S)	

Yes, the goalposts were actually leaning towards the raucous Stones support!

# Going easy on sorry Boro'

must be wondering what he has done to deserve the regular thrashings meted out by Wealdstone in these derby matches. On Easter Monday at Earlsmead Stones didn't quite achieve the heights of last December's 6-0 annihilation but the result was all the more satisfying for the massed ranks of away supporters as Boro' had approached this game on the back of a fine run of league form; Wealdstone of course simply had

Harrow Borough's conscien-

tious manager David Howell

was the prize they sought. In the event a feisty hat trick from a pumped up Greg Ngoyi and the sending off of Boro's skipper Wayne Walters early in the second half wiped away any real fight from the Reds and it

to win to maintain any flick-

ering hopes of a play off

position and this ultimately

become all too easy for a rampant Stones side that had already started to think about next Saturdays massive game at Champions Dover.

This vital win holds Stones in sixth position, one league placing outside of the play off zone; two wins are needed and other results to go in their favour but the top five flame still flickers.

Skipper James Gray was back from suspension and was preferred up front to Davis Haule who was on the bench; Stones other change was to start Danny Spendlove ahead of David Hicks.

Both sides spent the opening minutes sparring with each other in a midfield tussle but with Stones losing out in the free kick stakes as physical prowess won over quality of football. But it soon became clear that James Gray's muscular

presence and aggression up front had the capacity to unsettle a rather lumbering looking Boro back line. Ryan Ashe entered Referee Mr Lewis's notebook as early as 12 minutes for a clumsy challenge as Stones gained their first corner that came to nought.

Then after only 16 minutes the first of several misfortunes for Harrow occurred as veteran keeper Richard Wilmot pulled his hamstring belting a clearance. The doyen of the away support, Andray Baptiste, plugged the gap.

Boro then had their best spell of the match with Jonathan Constant living up to his reputation as he made some good penetrating runs down the flanks. He was unlucky when he got free of Lee Chappell near the right corner flag, turned and saw Sean Thomas make a great

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Uxbridge	17	11	3	3	25	36
Wealdstone	15	11	3	1	22	36
Hanwell Town	17	8	3	4	16	27
Colney Heath	17	8	2	7	1	26
Kentish Town	15	7	4	4	1	25
London Colney	16	7	1	8	-1	22
Hillingdon Borough	16	5	5	6	3	20
North Greenford Utd	16	5	0	11	-27	15
Bedfont Green	15	3	2	10	-8	11
Harefield United	14	3	0	11	-25	9

#### Football Conf Youth League Southern 'B' Results SEPTEMBER

	10	Welling United (FAY Q)	W4-1	Hubbard, Kelani, Lake, O'Connell
	17	Crawley Town	L1-3	Boateng
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Carter, Salambayat, Victoriano	1	HISTON	L0-2	
	8	Afc Wimbledon	D1-1	Doherty
	15	ST ALBANS SAINTS	L0-1	
	22	Watford CSE	W3-0	Ferguson, Horan, Opondo-Mbai
Ageyman, McDonald	29	KAFC WHITES	L0-5	3
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McDonald, Salambayat Carter	5	BRIGHTLINGSEA REGENT (LEAGUE CUP)	L2-3	O'Connell, Salapatas
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	3	BIRMINGHAM CITY	L1-2	Opondo-Mbai
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	8	Woking Reds	L0-5	
	15	AFC WIMBLEDON	W3-1	Khan 2, Michael
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Allied Counties Youth League East Division

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W5-2

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W5-0

W2-0

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D2-2

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L1-5 O'Connell

D1-1 Desai

W1-0 O'Connell

L2-9 Fearon, Michael

Carter

Kelani

North Greenford United W6-0

23 Enfield Town (Middx Cup) L1-4

HANWELL TOWN

30 Kidlington (L. Cup 1)

16 Northwood (Ryman Cup)

SUN SPORTS POSTAL

NTH GREENFORD

LONDON COLNEY

COLNEY HEATH

Bedfont Green

Hanwell Town

17 EAST BERKSHIRE

Southgate

East Berks

FILTON

12 RICHMOND (L. Cup 1)

South East Essex

17 NICHOLAS B'SPEAR LC2 D2-2

HAREFIELD UNITED

English College League

SOUTH EAST ESSEX

22 KENTISH TOWN

SEPTEMBER

24 Kingston

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JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MARCH

11 KINGSTON

25 SWANSFA

11 SOUTHGATE

18 Cirencester

26 Swansea

BOREHAMWOOD (Ryman Cup) L1-3

BURNHAM (League Cup) W2-1

Kentish Town

16 BEDFONT GREEN

(League Cup 3)

15 London Colney

Carter 2, McDonald, Ogbara

Carter 3, Victoriano 2, Ogbara

McDonald, Salambayat

Salambayot, Victoriano

Ageyman, Victoriano

Popovic 2, McDonald

Grandison, Salapatas

Bailey-Griggs, Grandison,

Blennerhassett (pen), Lee

D4-4 Grandison, Jones, Khan, Roger

Grandison 2, Lee, Swaires

O'Connell, Balley-Griggs, Doherty

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SEPTEMBER 24 Uxbridge

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER 19 Hillingdon Borough

DECEMBER 10 Harefield United

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**FEBRUARY** 

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26 UXBRIDGE

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts	
Filton	13	10	2	1	26	32	
Southgate	14	9	1	4	15	28	
Stanmore	14	5	4	5	-1	19	
Kingston	14	5	4	5	-4	19	
East Berks	14	5	3	6	4	18	
Cirencester	13	4	2	7	-5	14	
SEEVIC	13	3	5	5	-5	14	
Swansea	11	1	1	9	×30	4	

Football Conference	Youth	Lea	igue	Sou	thern	'B'
	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Crawley Town	18	15	3	0	45	48
Watford CSE	19	11	5	3	19	38
Histon	15	10	3	2	24	33
Birmingham City	18	9	2	7	3	29
Wycombe Wanderers	16	8	1	7	3	25
Woking Reds	16	7	3	6	2	24
KAFC Whites	17	5	3	9	-6	18
Borehamwood	16	3	3	10	-14	12
AFC Wimbledon	14	3	3	8	-11	12
Wealdstone	16	3	3	10	-15	12
St Albans City	17	2	1	14	-50	7

# MATCH REPORT



helped to the floor and booked for his trouble! Below: Spendlove stretching the Borough defence

near post save from his goal bound strike. But Greg Ngoyi was then equally unfortunate with a sharp shot from Danny Spendlove's cross.

Stones aggression and pressing in the midfield and discipline at the back gradually began to see them gain the ascendancy but still with few efforts on Baptiste's goal to show for it.

But that all changed in the space of two minutes as an exuberant Greg Ngoyi pounced. On 38 minutes Stones attacked fluently as Lee Chappell crossed perfectly for Ryan Ashe to power in a shot straight at Baptiste who could only parry. The ball pinged out to the on rushing Greg Ngoyi who lashed the ball in. One minute later and it was 2-0. The blues attacked straight from the restart and a corner ball was gained on the left which Ryan Ashe floated in. In a sweet movement Ngoyi got ahead of his marker and expertly flicked past a helpless Baptiste for

a clinical finish.

Tempers frayed as Stones pressed forward for a third before the break - Lee Chappell hurdled a scything challenge from Kwasi Frempong but the two players caught up and clashed and both were booked. The Stones players were cheered off by their 350 strong supporters as the half concluded.

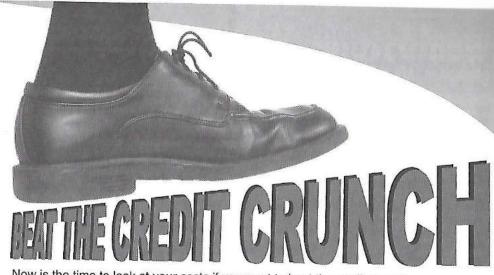
Boro' manager David Howell must have had kittens as seconds after the turnaround his game plan was thrown into complete

disarray. James Gray danced into the Boro' box and was positioning himself to shoot when he was clattered for an easy penalty decision. Up strode Greg Ngoyi who swept past the befuddled Baptiste for 3-0 and effectively game over barely a minute into the second period.

Wealdstone were now able to play the ball on the ground and cut out the aerial tennis of the first half and strolled through the next 44 minutes. The away side's cause was aided by the dismissal of Harrow skipper Wayne Walters for a silly challenge and then, inexplicably, their most effective forward, Jonathan Constant was substituted for Jerome Hall. The recently lauded Gary Noel was virtually anonymous for the home side.

The half wore on with Stones having almost too much time and space as play opened out and chances to increase the lead came and went, with all subs used.





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#### WEEKEND REVIEW

Only three matters were confirmed on the final Saturday of the season: Harlow Town will finish in the Premier Division bottom three, Kingstonian are champions of Division One South and Chipstead will finish in the bottom two of that Division. The result of the day also came in this section, Crowborough Athletic winning for the first time since 9 November, their 1 – 0 defeat of Cray Wanderers arguably being the result of the season in the Ryman League.

Premier Division

Champions Dover Athletic passed the 100point mark as Matt Fish, four minutes, Sam Gore, 55, and Frannie Collin, 70, set them up for victory against Wealdstone, whose only reply came from Greg Ngoyi with 15 minutes to go. Second placed Staines Town's winless run reached nine games as doomed Heybridge Swifts beat them 3-2. Swifts took a two goal lead with a Darti Brown own goal and a 70-yard strike from goalkeeper Ollie Sanders, after 60 and 66 minutes, respectively. Marien Ifura pulled a goal back after 70 minutes, only for Ryan Hull to make it 3-1 with five minutes to go. Leroy Griffiths made it interesting in the last couple of minutes with Staines' second goal. There were four goals in the opening dozen minutes at Harrow Borough, where the home led in the opening 60 seconds, courtesy of Dorian Smith. But Tonbridge Angels hit back through Gavin Dayes, Carl Rook and Paul Booth. Wayne Walters made it 3-2 with 15 minutes left, but Borough could

not find an equaliser.

AFC Hornchurch led after half an hour at home to Horsham, courtesy of Simon Parker, and Frankie Curley added two more goals in the second half as the Urchins ran out 3-0 winners. It was even more comprehensive at Princes Park, where already relegated Ramsgate lost 4-0 to Dartford. Rob Haworth scored in each half, while Rvan Haves and Lee Noble also netted after the interval. Sutton United lost 2-0 at Margate, Joe Healy scoring after 38 minutes and Kenny Pratt after 84. The Gate can still avoid a bottom-four finish, while Sutton need to win their final match of the season - at home to Hornchurch - to reach the playoffs. Carshalton are fifth in the table after Charlie Ide, 14 minutes, Richard Jolly, 65, and a late Junior Kadi penalty was enough to beat Harlow Town 3-1. The Hawks goal came from Chris Ellerbeck, after 62 minutes.

A last minute goal from Dean Palmer was the only one of the game at Short Lane and it gave hosts Ashford Town (Middlesex) all three points against Maidstone United. Dave Wareham gave Billericay Town the lead soon after half-time against Boreham Wood at New Lodge, but Lee Allinson equalised for the Wood ten minutes from the end. Hastings United went 1-0 down at home to Hendon when Glenn Garner scored after 12 minutes. But Rhys Whyborne equalised four minutes later and substitute Matt Maclean scored Us winner 12 minutes from time. Goals from Dean McDonald and Paul Vines either side of half-time set up Tooting & Mitcham United for their 3-1 win over Canvey Island, Leon Gordon pulled a goal back after 72 minutes, but Vines got his second late on.

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### LEAGUE TABLE

Ryman League Premier Division Up to and including Tuesday April 21st 2009 \*Ramsgate deducted 4 points for playing more than permitted short term loan players in 3 matches \*Harlow Town deducted 3 points for fielding an ineligible player against Wealdstone

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Tonbridge Ang	41	10	5	5	40	26	10	8	3	42	26	73	30	D0-0W2-1
AFC Hornchurch	41	12	2	7	32	21	7	6	7	27	28	65	10	W1-0 L0-1
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Sutton United	41	10	9	1	31	18	7	4	10	24	34	64	3	W4-0 L2-3
Dartford	41	9	6	6	39	22	8	4	8	23	25	61	13	D0-0 D2-
Wealdstone	41	10	4	6	36	22	7	4	10	33	34	59	13	
Tooting & Mitch	41	10	4	7	36	28	5	6	9	19	29	55	-2	L0-3 W3-2
Harrow Borough	41	7	6	8	33	34	7	6	7	23	38	54	-16	W6-0W3-
Maidstone Utd	41	6	6	8	18	23	8	5	8	28	27	53	-4	W3-2 L1-2
Ashford Tn Middx	41	11	2	8	34	27	6	0	14	27	39	53	-5	W3-1L1-2
Billericay Town	41	9	8	4	34	27	5	3	12	19	39	53	-13	L1-2 L2-3
Canvey Island	41	9	4	7	37	31	6	3	12	26	39	52	-7	L2-3 D1-
Horsham	41	7	4	9	23	25	8	3	10	25	35	52	-12	W1-0W2-
Hendon	41	8	4	8	37	25	7	2	12	31	38	51	5	W2-1W4-
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Borehamwood	41	6	1	13	20	28	6	10	5	28	33	47	-13	D1-1 L0-2
Margate	41	8	4	9	29	29	5	3	12	21	31	46	-10	W2-0W1-
Harlow Town	41	5	4	11	31	35	8	2	11	30	40	42*	-14	L1-2 L0-2
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Ramsgate*	41	5	5	10	26	34	3	6	12	21	42	31*	-29	L0-1 D2-

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8 J Irvine £10 9 G McAlister £10 On behalf of the club I would like to sincerely thanks all of our loyal members for their continued participation and support of this hardy club members only fund raiser.

Wealdstone FC Team Draw Results - March 2009

We had a relaunch session at the recent club AGM and I am pleased to report that a number of supporters have already sent their forms back to join Team Draw - thank you. Dennis Byatt has the standing order forms so please see him at a home game or see Nick DuGard for more information. If you have any queries relating to Team draw, please email Nick on: nickdugard@fsmail.net Please note that we still have a small number of unclaimed prizes - again please contact Nick DuGard. Winners are listed on the official club website under commercial/teamdraw.

# FIXTURES + RESULTS 2008/9

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#### Stones Soccer Six

Today marks the end of what has been a great first season here in Ruislip. One of the more noticeable things about this season has been the rise in active fundraising. As you are no doubt aware this has been a tremendous help to both the football side and the social side of the club. Myself and Dominic Whyley have been running the Soccer Six at each home game this season and this has yielded the club a figure close to £1000. Only recently have we started to push this a little more and big thanks to PJ for providing us with a board to make this initiative more visible.

For those that don't know - the object is to correctly forecast results of six matches of the day. If you manage get all six correct you win the pot. If more than one person wins (hasn't happened this year yet) then the pot is shared equally. The pot starts at £50 and rises £25 each time it isn't won. Entry costs a mere £2.

From the proceeds we have sponsored the kit, contributed towards the new bar

flooring and bought a 42" TV for the bar .

Congratulations to Sudhir Rawal who correctly forecast the six at the Dartford game and scooped £200. This just goes to show you don't need to know anything about football to win. Spend it wisely, sir! Cheers

Mark

#### HARLOW TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB

The appeal by Harlow Town Football Club against the decision of the Ryman Football League to deduct three points from their playing record for playing an ineligible player against Wealdstone on Saturday, 14th February, 2009 was heard by an Appeal Board of the Football Association on Monday, 6th April.

The decision of the Appeal Board was to dismiss the appeal by the Club, a decision that is final and binding. The three points have now been deducted from the record of the Club.

# Injury News

Good afternoon and welcome to the final league match of the season against Hastings. The last two weeks have not seen much action in the treatment room with only Alan Massey the major problem with his hamstring. He will

now take no further part in the season.

Greg was feeling a bit tight on the Thursday before the Dover game and so was in for a rub down. Same with Kieron who's troublesome calf needs a rub also.

I would like to thank the players for a great season. Despite missing out on the play offs it has been highly successful on the pitch. No one expected us to even be anywhere near competing for the top five at the start of the season and so it has been an extra special effort from them. I'm sure the highlights for most will be our wins over Harrow Borough, lows....probably our defeat to Hendon in the Senior Cup Final and last minute defeats against Canvey Island and Ramsgate at home earlier in the season.

We must now as a club raise the money for next seasons playing budget. I am led to believe we are short of our target as I write but nothing that can't be rectified so hopefully we can raise the money in time for today's game and give Gordon the reward he deserves for the seasons work. Please do all you can to help.

Lastly I would like to thank Dio on behalf of myself and Gary for all his hard work and enthusiasm throughout the season, his knowledge and assistance has been first class. We hope to see him next season.

Enjoy the game today and lets hope for more success next season. Regards

James

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# Today's Shoot-Out

This season has seen hundreds of new faces through the turnstiles at our home games. We at Wealdstone are delighted that so many of the junior clubs in the area have taken up our offer to bring their teams and show us how talented they are. Next season we hope to further develop our links in the area.

Today sees Ruislip Rangers U9s take on Venceremos U9s. Venceremos are veterans at this shootout lark. They were

visitors a month ago when they were involved in a high scoring draw with Headstone Manor. We are delighted to welcome back Paul Fuller, his team and their parents again. We also welcome Stuart Kenworthy of Ruislip Rangers and his team.

Ruislip Rangers U9D are playing in the Harrow Soccer 7's Combination. The team made an excellent start to the season and finished comfortably in mid-table after a storming first half of the season. This was down to the efforts of the team here today. The team always work hard during training, which is carried over into the matches. I would like to thank all of my parents for their support and may this continue in the future.

Stuart Kenworthy (Manager) Stuart is a qualified FA level 2 Coach and has been

working with the team since U7's. Lewis Bond, now plays in goal and has kept a number of clean sheets. Aaron Dhaliwal, this season's top goal scorer who is moving away at the end of the season. Been a tremendous player for the club. Well done Aaron and good luck. Joshua Edwards, one of our new players who only started with us this season. Callum Galbriath.



properly one of the hardest shots in the league. Sean Galvin, strong and dependable in defence. George Hanson-Phelan, is having a good season on the left side. Luke Kenworthy, Always trying in Midfield and his first goal is just around the corner. Jamie Lorkins, one of our left footed players with a hard tackle also willing to play between the sticks. James Mullin, improving all the time. Declan O'Reilly, plays

in goal and able to score goals—an allrounder. Nathan Quinlan, works hard to
improve his game. Ben Sargeant, improving all the time. Michael Sochor, probably
our best defender at this time. Thomas
Wardlaw, tries hard to improve his skills in
all areas of his game. Jack West, has a
nice little touch when near to the goal. He is
also making some money out of scoring as
his dad pays him for every goal scored.

Venceremos Football Club was founded in 1992 and comprised of teams playing in the West Middlesex Sunday Football League. In late 2006, a couple of former players began coaching their sons and subsequently a junior section was formed. The philosophy of the club is for kids to develop their footballing skills in an enjoyable environment without the pressures of "competitive" foot-

ball at too young an age. The club is based at Harrow Town Sports Club in Rayners Lane, a private facility with changing and bar facilities. Coaching sessions are held on Saturdays and children of all abilities from Reception to Year 5 age are welcome. The club has a number of FA qualified coaches and encourages their further development through

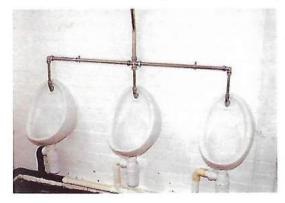


the provision of subsidies where appropriate. In October, the club entered an Under 9 team in the Harrow Soccer Sevens competition and gained promotion after winning Division 5. Representing the Junior Vs this afternoon will be Alfie Fuller, Ishmael Allman, Ryan Keates, Owen Farrell, Max Skerton, Ben Diamond, Daniel Griffiths, Troy Oduro and William Low.

On Friday 24th July the club will be holding free "taster" sessions for current school years 5 and below. For further information please visit our website at <a href="https://www.venceremosfc.co.uk">www.venceremosfc.co.uk</a>. We would like to thank Wealdstone for this opportunity and their work with local youth football."



# The lady doth protest—a lot



As my protests continue to fall on deaf ears I shall now rise above you all with swan like grace and ignore this piece of toilet humour, as behoves a woman of my wit and wisdom (Mrs Ed.)

These are the toilets, clearly, which have been sponsored by Nick Symons, Mick Fishman, Steve Paull & Terry Stern



# It's Dover and out for play-offs

This match played at the Ryman Premier Champion's well appointed Crabble ground on Saturday was always going to require a performance of herculean magnitude from a battle weary Wealdstone side also needing other results to go their way to maintain their long shot hopes of a play off place.

As it turned out this was simply a bridge too far for the Stones playing a 'make or break' match against a very confident, free flowing Whites team in celebratory mood looking to top the 100 point mark. And with AFC Hornchurch and Carshalton both also winning a play off place this season will not now happen this season for Wealdstone.

Stones can instead reflect on a hugely progressive and proud season for their young and talented squad that will surely challenge again very strongly next season if they can remain together – something that off field activities and the much publicised 100:400 schemes' success or failure will largely determine. There is still a job to do and a win next Saturday (25 April) at The Vale against Hastings United, Stones final match of the 2008/9 season, will cap a fine campaign where interest and excitement for a growing local audience has been maintained throughout.

As for the match itself, Stones were dealt a major blow as early as the fourth minute when Whites right back Matt Fish burst into the Stones area and struck a powerful shot past keeper Sean Thomas and into the back of the net. This was certainly not the start Wealdstone needed but the away side had a clear cut chance to equalise on 16 minutes. But wing back Lee Chappell blazed over an open goal after Dover's Preston Edward's only parried a good strike from Greg Ngoyi.

A fast raiding and fluent Dover had other opportunities to add to their score – James Rogers going close on several occasions – but Stones would have been relieved and heartened to go in at half time only one goal down.

But a further goal ten minutes after the restart left a veritable mountain to climb for Wealdstone. Dover

swung in a deep cross beyond the far post and their left back Sam Gore headed home past Thomas for 0-2.

To Stones credit heads didn't drop and their spirit shone through again as they fought hard to claw something back out of the match. But this encounter was all about finishing and dealing with chances when presented. Unfortunately skipper James Gray shot wide when a clinical finish was called for.

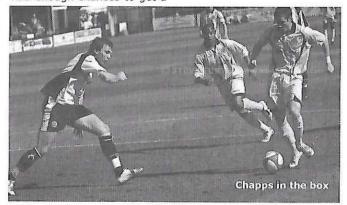
Dover rubbed the salt in following Gray's miss with an outstanding goal that even had Stones manager Gordon Bartlett applauding. Frannie Collin dragged back and smashed the ball past Sean Thomas, who had absolutely no chance, for a superb finish.

Stones work ethic and resistance finally paid off when **Greg Ngoyi** slipped the ball past the advancing

Edwards for 1-3, whilst adding to his recent impressive strike rate.

Dover where then happy to close the game out and end Stones play -off adventure for this season.

Speaking after the match on the Wealdstone FC Information Line, Gordon Bartlett was clearly a disappointed man. 'I am feeling very flat at the moment and a total contrast to last week. We had enough chances to get a result but our poor finishing today was the difference' He also sounded a grave warning about keeping the current squad together: ' We are stuck at two thirds take up on the 100:400 scheme and we have one week to turn this around or we risk breaking up the side. After all the hard work put in this season it would be a disaster – and I'm not doing it all again'



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Wealdstone FC Manager Gordon Bartlett speaks exclusively after every Stones first team match.

Please call 09062 892011 and select line 3 to hear Gordon's up to the minute views on the match and team news (calls cost 60p/minute all times, rates may vary)

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# You see! Parting with your money can be fun



Today sees the last home game of our first season at "The Vale" and we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Hastings United and we hope you enjoy your short stay with us. Is it really nearly 9 months since we played our first game at the Vale. It does not seem that long ago. A lot has happened during our first season and I think it is safe to say that it has been a very positive time both on and off the pitch.

First of all, I would like to congratulate Gordon, his staff and all the playing squad for their efforts during the season. To have finished just outside the play-off places deserves a huge pat on the back! Many supporters felt that we would deal well to survive in the Ryman League this season but we have more than survived. Let's hope that next season, we can push further and do even better than we did this season. This will obviously be dependent on the success of the 100:400 fundraising scheme where basically the club need 100 people to contribute £10 a week for 40 weeks for next season's playing budget. It is absolutely crucial that we reach this target. At present, we are more than two-thirds of the way there but we really need to get as close as possible to this target before Gordon and his staff start talking to the current squad about member has also been a great asset to the next season.

As mentioned in my last programme notes, The Supporters Club are 100% behind this scheme. At our last committee meeting a couple of weeks ago, we committed to contribute £400 a month from next August to the 100/400 fundraising scheme and also we confirmed that our donation to the main club for this season is going to be £5,700.

This was a result of our fundraising efforts together with the money that we raised at the recent successful Barry Fry Dinner. On the same night that we had our committee meeting, there was a Board of Directors Meeting and within 30 minutes of deciding to give £5,700 to the main club, the cheque was in the hands of treasurer and accounting supremo, Barry Benveniste!

I must thank all supporters who have contributed their time this season together with money to aid the Stones cause. There are many, many supporters who have helped and too numerous to mention here. However I would like to thank all the Supporters Club committee members who have helped to make this a very successful season for the Supporters Club. Big thanks go to the guys from the Megastore (as it now likes to be called), Adam Edwards and Mark Randall who since November have worked tirelessly in such a short period of time to raise money from the merchandise that they have managed to produce. We reckon that the club shop has generated approximately £3000 in sales and the guys are looking to at least double or triple that figure for next season.

Mark Barton another new committee Supporters Club by helping the guys in the club shop and also with fundraising efforts particularly with regard to the RaceNight we put on in December and the Barry Fry Dinner. Brother Jez has also been instrumental in fundraising. Jez initiated the Supporters Club plea for financial help in contributing to the playing budget earlier this season and is now working hard in ensuring that many

supporters are contributing to the 100/400 fundraising scheme. Also he assisted greatly in the organisation of the RaceNight and the Barry Fry Dinner.

Thanks also to Nick Dugard who is always very professional in all of his work and is doing a great job in raising the profile of the club, not only on the Supporters Club but as the Press Officer of the main club. Also big thanks to other committee members, Miriam who is always there selling Golden Goals and spends many hours cutting up the Golden Goals tickets ready for sale at home games. Hillsy who worked hard on making the RaceNight a success and to John Harvey who is always available to help whenever asked. Finally thanks to Sarin Rawal, our treasurer who ensures that our accounts are up-to-date and whose advise we seek whenever we decide to contribute funds to the main club.

The club shop/megastore will be open for the last time this season. The shop is open before and after the game and also during the half-time interval. Today is the last chance to but items which are in the Megastore sale where most items such as T shirts. polo shirts, blue and white quartered shirts and the old 3rd silver kit sponsored by the Friends of Wealdstone, are all reduced in price. We also have signed A3 Alan Massey posters at £5 each. For those supporters who have ordered Macron stock, you can now finally collect your order from the club shop as these items have been put to one side. We also have a new delivery of the Macron jackets, and blue and white polo shirts in a range of different sizes.

If you are a programme buff like me, you may be interested to know that Adam and Mark have painstakingly produced a catalogue of all Wealdstone home and away programmes that we have in our possession. There are just too many to display in the club shop and therefore they are available by mail order. If you would like a copy of this catalogue, you can send an e-mail to Adam Edwards, edwards adam@sky.com. I have already managed to find a couple of programmes from the 1970's that I need. This is a good way to see if you can fill the

gaps that you may have in your collection of Stones home and away programmes. We hope to have a copy of this catalogue on the Supporters Club website in due course. I would like to thank Sudhir Rawal who has decided to donate most of his Wealdstone programme collection to the club shop. His collection dates back to the 1970s.

Today is your last chance to vote for the Stones player of the season. There are voting slips available in the club shop to vote. There is also a Junior Stones Player of the Year where junior members are eligible to vote and these are also available in the club shop. The presentation evening where all club awards will be presented is taking place on Saturday, 9th May in the main hall of the Ruislip Social Club. The evening is being organised by Leo Morris and starts at 7.30 pm. Admission is £10 which also includes a live band and a buffet. Please contact Leo for tickets and further details.

Golden Goal Tickets will be on sale for the last time this season and will be available from Miriam who will be standing inside the ground as you pass through the turnstiles and cost £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. Congratulations to Big Dave Jones who won the £50 prize at the last home game against Dartford.

For more information, check out our website (www.wfcsc.co.uk) Enjoy today's game. Have a great Summer and we'll see you all again in August - Up the Stones.

David Albert, Chairman

# A lot can happen in nine months

Good afternoon and a warm well to "The Vale" for the Stones final game of the season, was it really 9 months ago that we played out very first fixture here against Watford on the 23 July?

By next week 69 matches will have taken place on the pitch, oh yes I've counted every one of them. Many thanks go to Adam Rowlands and Chris for all their hard work on keeping the newly laid pitch in very good condition, at times we were tearing our hair out, what's left of it, just trying to get work down on it, but with a little bit of TLC and protection we have got there in the end.

But there's no rest for the wicked as Colin Payne & ATB are here on Tuesday week to carry out the closed season renovation works.

There's still plenty of football to come at "The Vale" next week, Tuesday evening sees the final Football Scholarship trial take place, with a game between all the lads who have successfully come though our round of trials already. From this trial next years students will be picked and it also gives the lads the opportunity to get the feel for Wealdstone FC. Kick-off is 6pm

On Wednesday evening the 18's will be hoping to clinch the Allied Counties East title, if they haven't already done so, in their final league game against Harefield United.

Thursday evening sees the visit of Corinthian Casuals to play the Reserves in the Suburban League. Both games kick-off at 7-45pm

Next Saturday there is a double header here at 3pm the Reserves complete their Suburban League programme with a visit from Eastleigh. Before hand we are arranging a squad photo shoot with the Middlesex Premier Cup. Then at 7-30pm the 18's play either Flackwell Heath or Maidenhead United in the Semi Final of the Allied Counties League Cup. Flackwell & Maidenhead play their quarter final tie this coming Monday evening.

On Sunday SFC

Wealdstone are here in their 30 year reunion match and finally on Monday week the goalpost come down.

No end of season fixture would be complete without a round of thank you's and I'm sorry if I have missed anyone out.

The first goes to Tony Waugh our Kit Manager, Tony has been a real star in fact at times I've been trying to find where he sleeps as he spends so much time down here.

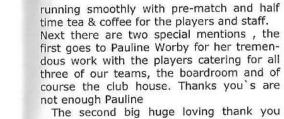
A big thank you mate, i`ve really enjoyed the banter.

Our hard working physio's are next Gary Strudwick, James Smith, Dio and Alan Massey. Opps I forgot Massey is a player, he just spends all his life in the treatment room.

I think Gary and Alan were just a little surprised last week when a council tax bill arrived here for the pair of them. Meanwhile the managers at Subway, KFC & MacDonalds have asked when the season starts again as they will be missing the profits from James.

A huge thank you goes to our match day team of Andy Burrows, Tony Waller, Graham Smith and of course Liam & Jack.

A big kiss and cuddle to Pauline Smith for her fantastic work keeping the boardroom



The second big huge loving thank you goes to Sateesh and Dennis and their Tea Bar team. Sateesh & Dennis have spent many many hours down here and no doubt their council tax bill will be in the post to shortly.

The next huge thank you goes to someone who has only seen one game here at "The Vale" and that is our Match Secretary Alan Couch. With an elderly mother to look after Alan has not been able to get to games, but behind the scenes he works 24/7.

Many thanks Alan you are my rock.

I can't let Mickey Kane, Don Cross, Peter Edwards & Nick Young go without mention, thanks for your help and support guys.

Also a great big thank you to our reserve team back room team of Lesley Jones and Tony Leggett

No doubt I have missed someone out, but the finally huge thank you goes to Gordon, Leo, Gilly and the players, for all their hard work both on and off the pitch and making this one of the most exciting and enjoyable seasons on the pitch.

With these notes written prior to Dover let's hope we are looking forward to a play-off spot after today's game.

Looking ahead to next season and Season Ticket Forms will be available today, once again we are offering an early bird discount across the range of tickets on offer. These forms will also be available at the Presentation evening.

There will be on going ground works though out the close season and if you have some spare time to help out we will be very pleased to see you.

Next season will soon be upon us and we are currently in the middle of arranging our Pre-Season Friendly programme.

Currently we have 3 games arranged and once everything is in place we will announce all the fixtures, however one date I can confirm now is Monday 20th July when Dagenham & Redbridge come to "The Vale" as part of Graeme Montgomery's transfer, kick-off for this game will be 7-30pm

Enjoy the summer

Fingers

## Predict-A-Score

Well we come to the last game and only 3 possibilities to win the first prize of £400(sounds a familiar figure!). Good luck to those three people. We'll try to make sure payment is received as

soon as we can. Hope you all enjoyed this year's competition and so will enter again next year, Please try to persuade friends and colleagues to enter next season's competition and remember all income after the prize money goes directly into the club. If you have any ideas to improve the competition then please let me know and we'll try to implement them for next season. We usually only have a couple of weeks before the season starts to get this competition up and running as fixtures are not usually made known until the beginning of August, Entry forms will be available on line, in the bar, or from me at the pre-season friendlies but remember entries need to be returned before the kick off of the first league game. Please try to do this as early as possible as it helps to reduce the workload of making the updates on to the spreadsheet I use around the first match of the season and helps me to

be able to publish the first results quicker. Have a great close season and we all look forward to seeing you again next season. Thanks once again for your support this season and let's see if we can improve the numbers entering this competition and therefore increase the funds that we give to the Club. Turn over for the (almost) final table

**UP THE STONES** 

# PREDICT A SCORE

	Nom	Pts	today		Nom	Pts	today
1	Phil Hawkes	34	2-0		Trevor Davies	20	1-2
	Guvnor	34	3-1		John Harvey 2	20	2-1
3	Quentin Fox	32	2-2		Deadly	20	3-0
4	Oscar	30	4-0		Adam Edwards	20	2-0
	Steve Paull	30	1-0		Hayling Stones	20	2-0
6	David Lloyd	28	4-0		Tim Parks	20	4-0
	Naomi Benveniste	28	3-0		J. Jefferson	20	3-0
8	Ray Corner	27	3-1		Man in Black	20	2-1
	Hughie Marshall	27	2-1		Paul Rumens	20	3-1
	John Harvey 1	27	1-2	60	Nick Young/Pete Edwards		1-2
	WFC Halfway Mob	27	2-1		Pooltable	19	3-1
	East Ham Stones	27	4-0		Matteo Tonna	19	1-1
13	Curtis Jones	26	1-0		Peter Drew	19	1-1
	Daphne Corner	26	3-0		MCBA 1999	19	3-0
	Andy HIbbs	26	3-0		Roger Slater	19	2-2
	Dan Fox	26	2-0		David Seaward	19	1-1
17	Nick Brown	25	5-1		Adam Lloyd	19	1-2
	Balblair Boy	25	1-0		Nick Symmons 2	19	3-2
19	Nick Dugard	24	2-1		Don Cross	19	2-1
	Essex Smells	24	3-1		Tony Drew	19	3-0
	Wof of Badenoch	24	2-2	71	Stephen Bird	18	2-1
	Steve Corner	24	3-0		Irene Paull	18	2-1
	Cynical	24	5-1		Belmont Rattler	18	2-0
	Bankzzy's Boys	24	4-1	74	Shortstuff	17	4-0
25	Sack OSO Casters	23	0-2	, ,	Flying Turds	17	2-0
	A.E. Rogers	23	4-2		Bob Hall	17	1-1
	GOAL	23	2-1		Brian Simpson	17	3-1
	Algarve stones	23	2-1		Geoff Horrigan	17	4-2
	Mick Fishman	23	2-1		Jon Taffel	17	2-0
	Keith Harris	23	1-1		Adam Corner	17	3-3
	Douglas Horgan	23	2-0	81	Tony Platt	16	3-1
32	GFST	22	1-1	01	Tenerife Supporters	16	2-0
32	Elmslie Ender	22	1-1		Sarah Hartland	16	3-0
	Lews Blues	22	4-1		SENCO	16	3-0
	Guy Edwards	22	1-1			16	1-1
	Leicester Stones	22	3-1		Daisy Krais Lori Rumens	16	1-0
	Durham Stones	22	3-1	97	A Mug Punter	15	2-1
38	Doctor Death	21	2-3	07	Thomas Marshall	15	4-3
20	Miss B. Robson	21	0-2		John Comfort	15	3-1
	Monica Williams	21	4-1	90	Nick Symmons	14	2-1
	Mark Lloyd	21	2-1	30	Electric Chair	14	2-0
	Ryan Lloyd	21	2-1	02	Roo Roo	13	2-0
	Ken Martin	21	1-0	92	Tom Wiseman	13	2-0
	David Edwards	21	2-1			13	2-1
	Roy Couch	21	0-5		Top Nosh		2-1
16	Sprouthead	20	1-0		Stones Lilywhites	13	100000000000000000000000000000000000000
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	Katie Dugard Lizards	20	1-3	9/	Barry Benveniste	12	2-0 1-1
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	Dave Parish	20	2-0	99	Alan Couch	10	3-1 2-0
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				101	Ron Moore	9	4-0

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## REWIND



Here we look back at two notable battles with our Sussex visitors. I know I am not the only one with vivid memories of the 1982 belter.

Tim Parks sets the scene...

# 🚄 29th April

#### Southern League Southern Section: Wealdstone 2 Hastings United 0

Spine-tingling, Nerve jangling, Gut wrenching. All phrases that perfectly sum up this fantastic game against today's opponents Hastings United at the business end of the 1981-82 season. In many ways this Thursday evening Championship decider at Lower Mead WAS the best league game in our club's history, and one of my work colleagues at the Daily Mirror (a Hastings fan of rare vintage) who was present that night proclaims it, even now, as one of the most electrically-charged games he's ever seen. Premiership and TV bosses often seem to engineer a title-clinching clash for the very climax of the season, and if you didn't know better you might have thought the Southern League hierarchy had done a Sky Sports deal for this one. For the Stones went into the game on the back of a 15-match unbeaten run that would have broken the spirit of any title challengers... apart from Hastings United, who had won something like 20 consecutive games to cling to our coat-tails, level on points, going into the final week of the season.

This truly was a gargantuan clash. Only one team would be promoted to the Conference, and we were desperate to reclaim our rightful place among non-League's elite. A place very well-earned by our fabulous side of this era that had proved irresistible all season. But if any team would be able to resist us, it would be Hastings. They were formidable at the back and potent up front, and in Matt Stock they possessed possibly a better midfielder than our own Robin Wainwright.. But "Throbbin Robin" was determined to win his own personal battle as we started like men possessed.. despite having played four games that week and won them all.

My recollections of the game are hazy but the Harrow Observer report fills in the gaps... Bowgett and Byatt immense at the back, Stuart Pearce striking fear in Hastings hearts with his foraging forward runs. Alan Cordice, partnered that season by Ray Knowles, threatening to tear them apart. Eventually, that is precisely what happened. After an early scare for the Stones, with Ray Goddard making an important stop from Cook after Batten had sneaked round the back of our defence, Cordice put away the first two minutes from half-time. Knowles had just hit the post with superb full-length diving header but there was a big question mark against keeper Armstrong when the tall striker drew him out wide and chipped back into the box for an ecstatic Cordice to flash the ball home from close range and send the Elmslie End wild.

The official 1,485 crowd (in reality, much closer to 2,000) packed the Cinema End for the second half, the pouring rain only feeding the frenzy as the Stones came so close to finishing the contest many times as Hastings held on. Finally, on the hour, Stuart Pearce's well-flighted corner from the left foxed the visitors' defence and Cordice slapped in the loose ball to spark

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Alan Cordice (left) and Ray Knowles celebrate the 2nd goal against Hastings Utd in 1982

amazing scenes. We officially clinched the title with a 3-0 win over Ashford two days later, but this was a heavyweight showdown in the Ali-Frazier mould and, thankfully, it was the Stones who floated like butterflies and stung like bees to end the season a crucial one point ahead of Hastings. Ouite a battle.

Wealdstone: Goddard, Perkins, Pearce, Byatt, Bowgett, Barwick, Waites, Wainwright, Alan Cordice, Knowles, Davies. Sub: Churchouse

# 1974 Saturday 2nd February

#### FA Trophy 2nd Round Proper: Wealdstone 5 Hastings United 2

IF THE Hastings clash above was the 2nd-greatest Wealdstone league match of all-time, this incident-packed game 35 years ago was quite possibly the 2nd-greatest ever TROPHY match in our long history. The 1985 win over Boston United at Wembley would have to take top slot... but any non-league match that got a mention on the BBC TV six-o'clock news, as this one did, must have been memorable! This was the classic "Game That Had It All"..... three penalties (all converted), the goal of the season, a sending-off plus one team walking off the pitch in protest at the referee's

decisions. The ref, Mr Waterman of Weybridge, was absolutely spot-on with every one of his penalty calls (though I would say that, wouldn't I?) but Hastings were absolutely incensed when their rightback Harry Cunningham conceded the 3rd spot kick just after half-time. Stones were 2-0 up at that point, the unflappable George Duck giving keeper Arnold no chance with his first two penalties—both nailed-on pens. The first came after just six minutes when Duck's header was scooped from under the bar by Cunningham's left hand. These days that would be a straight red card, but instead fellow defender Barry was booked for protesting-and Duck placed his shot low past Arnold. Ten minutes later, Barry pulled Duck down in the box when he seemed a certain scorer (again, another straight red these days) and this time midfielder Griffiths was the one cautioned for dissent. Duck hit an identical penalty for 2-0.

Hastings briefly threatened when Roy Mackenzie made a smart save from a Jones freekick, but the serious fun started three minutes into the second half when Cunningham conceded the most blatant penalty of the three, pulling down John Henderson's goal-bound shot with two hands. In 2009 that would mean three certain red cards. In 1974 it meant the culprit got away with a finger-wagging from ref Waterman-but, amazingly, Hastings wanted to argue the point. Their garrulous No.7 John Jefferson (sadly, no relation to our own super-fan JJ) protested long and loud, and was finally booked by Mr Waterman. He continued, and was sent off. Now, 35 years ago, you virtually had to walk onto a pitch with a sub-machine gun and start taking out players before a referee would even think about sending you off, so this was serious stuff. For a minute or so. Jefferson refused to leave the field. Much jostling with the ref ensued as the Stones looked on, bemused, and the 1,500 crowd roared their amusement. Hastings skipper John Ripley was expected to step in and restore sanity-but instead he rounded up his players and led them from

# REWIND

the field! No-one quite knew what would happen next.

Heated debate was taking place in the tunnel and, some five minutes after the penalty award, Ripley led his 10 men back onto the pitch while still protesting vigorously. George Duck had been calmly waiting, ball in hand, on the penalty spot all this time. And when the hoo-ha had finally died down he simply blasted the ball past Arnold for 3-0. Game over! Hastings

past Arnold for 3-0. Game over! Hastings actually proved they could play a bit when Cunningham pulled one back on the hour from Ripley's pass, but Henderson struck

an astonishing goal at the Elmslie End five mi nutes later to make it 4-1. The winger seemed to have run ahead of the ball when Fulton cut it back from the left by-line—but he twisted in mid-air to backheel a shot past the open-mouthed Arnold from 15 yards. Jones then hit a second consolation but, fittingly, Duck had the last word in the last minute with a perfect header from Fulton's corner.

Mackenzie, Presland, Watson, Burgess, McCormick, Kinnear, Fulton, Bristow, Byrne, Duck, Henderson



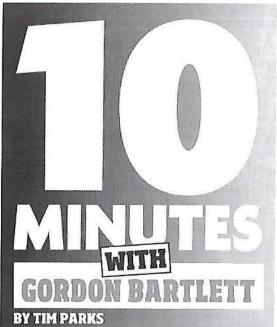
Wealdstone with the Southern League Championship Shield in 1982.
Back row: Brian Hall and Allen Batsford with secretary Peter. Braxton.
Middle row (left to right): Nigel Johnson, Alan Cordice, Dennis Byatt, Steve Perkins, Ray Goddard, Robin Wainwright, Neil Cordice, Ray Knowles.

Front row (left to right): Fred Barwick, Stuart Pearce, Paul Bowgett, Paul Waites, Roy Davies, Mark Graves.



3) The 1974 vintage Wealdstone side that fought out the great Trophy tie with Hastings. Back row (left to right): Bill Byrne, Keith Bristow, Alick Brown, Paul Fairclough, Roy Mackenzie, Jim Godfrey, Eric Burgess, John Henderson, George Duck, Eddie Presland (player/manager). Front row (left to right): Ray Fulton, John Watson, John McCormick, Chris Kinnear, Terry Dyson.

# AND FINALLY, IN YOUR FANTASTIC SERIES..





**Fittingly, Stones boss Gordon** Bartlett is the man to step under the spotlight for the very last "TenMinutes" of the season...

Position: Manager Favourite position: Striker Date of Birth: 3.12.55 Place of Birth: Chiswick

Where you now live: Staines

Marital Status: Married to Jackie. Two children, Amanda and Craig

Job outside football: Teacher

Former Clubs: Portsmouth, Denver Dynamo.

Brentford, Slough, Haves.

Managing: Southall, Hounslow, Yeading,

Wealdstone

How did you come to join Wealdstone originally? Paul Rumans convinced me it would be a good move for my career and promised me a new stadium in two years. That was in 1995.

What are your major attributes as a manager? Patience and experience.

What are your ultimate ambitions in the game? I'm too old for that now, so slowly but surely, try to keep Wealdstone alive and moving them up the non league ladder.

Where do you see yourself in five years? Reflecting on some of the decisions I didn't make during 30 years of football management.

# THE LAST..

Goal scored? Yeading Vets v Northwood

Car you bought? Honda Civic Film you saw? Slumdog Millionaire

Book you read? I only read on holidays -The Brian Clough Story

Trophy won? Middlesex Charity Cup Time you were sent off? Playing for Slough v Haves in late 70's

Time you paid to watch a game? Regularly on non-league scouting missions

Time you had a takeaway? Indian last week Holiday you had? St. Lucia last May

Marvin Morgan, Jermaine Beckford or Simon Garner? Jermaine: the most relaxed &

confident person in front of goal I've ever worked with. Total belief in his own ability -Missing never worried him.

Kelly Brook, Halle Berry or Valerie Singleton? Halle Berry

Sky Sports, ITV or Match of the Day? Sky Chinese. Indian or Sushi? Indian Caribbean with the missus or Magaluf with the lads? Caribbean

## TIME ADDED ON

Most talented player you've ever played with? Alan Devonshire and George Graham Most talented player/s you've ever managed? Jermaine, and Les Ferdinand Best goal you've ever scored: Angry after having a goal disallowed for someone else being offside. I smashed a 30 yard left footer for my hat trick in the FA Youth Cup. The 1st team Manager was there, I got fined for my reaction towards the linesman but signed pro the following week.

Biggest influence on your career? Definitely my Dad during my playing days. Plus an ex-pro called Bobby Ross who was my Manager at Haves- I loved his management style.

Worst moment in football (playing): My Knee injury at Pompey

Best moment in football (playing): Scoring on my Portsmouth debut v Bolton

Worst moment in football (managing): My lowest point was losing to Barking in the London Senior Cup a few years ago. On the back of some poor performances, that was the closest I've ever come to walking away from Wealdstone.

Best moment in football (managing): Yeading winning The FA Vase Final at Elland Road closely followed by Winning Div 3 with the Stones and then celebrating all night.

Most difficult player you've ever managed? Maybe the most frustrating is a better word, but probably Jermaine again.

Which three words describe you? Rational. calm and committed

What one thing would make your life easier? Resigning

Which newspapers do you read? Non League Paper and Daily Express Which radio stations do you listen to? 909, Talk Sport and Magic

How does non-League football vary from your experience of the pro game?

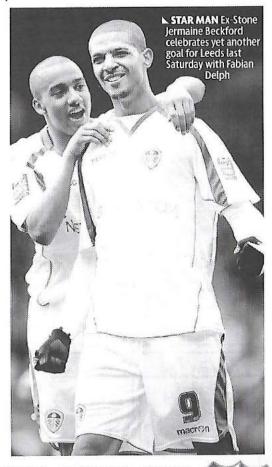
You can't do the job the way you want to with the lack of facilities and lack of time. I'd love the do it full time.

Which five people would you LEAST like to invite round for dinner?

There's nobody I dislike enough to warrant a mention.

### AND FINALLY..

Who's your best mate in football? After 24 vears together. I:ve got to say Leo. It's been like a marriage, but we don't socialise outside of football.

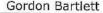


THANKS TO ALL THE PLAYERS, AND GORDON, CATCH UP WITH YOU NEXT TIME AROUND!

## 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 Howard Krais if you wish to join them! Complete kit sponsorship will be £100 per player this season.





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Leo Morris



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Garry Strudwick



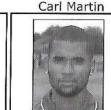
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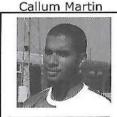
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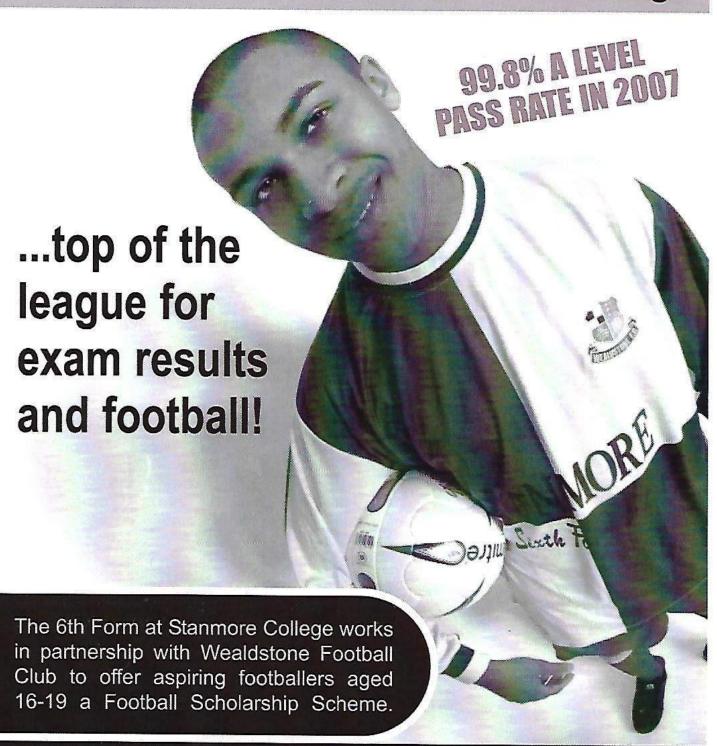
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