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#### Finishing in fine style

In many ways, this is a sad occasion, being the last home Southern League match of this, our first professional season. In truth, it can fairly be said that we are finishing the campaign in fine style, and have had quite a lot to enthuse over in these last couple of months. Certainly far more than we had anticipated early in the year, when we suffered a long run without a win. Morale has never been better, and this has permeated through to our grand supporters who can really sense the wind of change, and whose thoughts are already turned to mid-August and to the start of what we are all convinced will see Wealdstone a force to be reckoned with.

Although the result at Barry on Thursday will be found elsewhere in this programme, these notes are written before, and I feel we shall do well to come back with a point. Barry, the draw specialists, played better here against us than their league position would indicate. Following on our morale-boosting win at Burton Albion, we edged home 2-1 against Athenian League leaders Croydon Amateurs on Tuesday, thanks to a very well taken 88th minute goal by young Roger Livingstone, yet another newcomer forcing his way into the reckoning from the Reserves. Undoubtedly, one of the highlights of the season has been the talent produced by Les Boyle and Edgar Francis, who have done a great job.

Manager Sid Prosser intends using that great clubman Viv Evans in a scouting capacity next season and intends to maintain the fine flow of young talent coming through. Training for next season will commence on July 4th, earlier than last season, for Mr. Prosser places great stress on 100 per cent fitness and thus wants a full six weeks preparation. Although it is common knowledge, for the record, professionals retained for next season are: John Barr, Dave Cockell, John Pearce, John Furie, Micky Brøwn, Terry Dyson, Ray Whitaker, Dixie Hale. Released are: Gary Townend, Trevor Watson, Terry Dempsey, Billy Bailey and Eddie Presland. We heartily thank these five for their efforts this season, and the Club wishes them well in the future.

Now for a news item that you won't know about! I am sure all concerned will be delighted to know that John Barr has been voted Player of the Year by the Supporters Club, and before the kick-off today will receive the Jock Law Trophy from Mrs. Law. John, ('Gentleman John' as he was christened by me a long time ago!) has not missed a Southern League match all season; has saved us on many occasions, and apart from being a brilliant goalkeeper, is a really nice guy. His team-mates will be the first to applaud him today. An honour well-deserved, John!

Colin Pope.

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#### Next weeks' matches

Don't forget, we are away to Hayes, the league leaders, in the Premier Midweek League on Monday next, April 17th, 7.30 p.m. and the following night, April 18th, the Reserves are at home to Kingstonian Reserves kick-off 7.30. Next Saturday, April 22nd we visit Stevenage in the Southern League, 3 p.m. As former manager Alan Humphries is now assistant manager at Stevenage, this match will be of particular interest!

#### Welcome to "The Brakes"

We're very pleased to welcome Lockheed Leamington to Lower Mead Stadium today and they, like ourselves, have improved over the second half of the season. Today's match is a rubber one, for we've met twice before, with one victory each. They made us very welcome over there and we trust they will enjoy our hospitality today. Known as 'The Brakes', Lockheed play attractive attacking football, but (and no malice is intended) we can't help hoping they 'fade' and 'sieze-up' today!

#### Premier Midweek Floodlight League Section C

(Up to Thursday, 6th April)

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Hayes Hampton Wealdstone Kingstonian	•••	•••		•••	11	5	0	1	3	1	1	20	9	20
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Wembley Addlestone	• • •	•••	•••	•••	12	2	3	1	1	1	$\overline{4}$	12	20	11
	• • •	•••		• • •	14	1	2	4	1	2	4	16	26	9
	•••		• • •	•••	14	2	1	4	0	3	4	7	22	8

Best Wishes to the Club from the William Old Group

#### Southern League Division I North

(Up to and including Saturday, 8th April, 1972)

		P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kettering Town	 	28	20	5	3	61	21	45
Burton Albion	 	29	16	11	2	54	26	43
Cheltenham Town	 •••	31	18	4	9	69	47	40
Corby Town	 	32	15	9	8	47	33	39
Rugby Town	 •••	29	16	6	7	47	30	38
Kings Lynn	 •••	31	13	9	9	54	43	35
Wellingborough Town	 	30	13	8	9	65	42	34
Ilkeston Town	 •••	29	12	9	8	38	34	33
Stourbridge	 	29	10	12	7	54	36	32
Wealdstone	 ***	31	13	4	14	43	52	30
Lockheed Leamington	 	29	13	3	13	41	44	29
Banbury United	 	31	12	4	15	48	44	28
Bury Town	 	28	12	4	12	40	38	28
Gloucester City	 	30	7	7	16	40	51	21
Stevenage Athletic	 	29	6	6	17	33	64	18
Bletchley	 	31	6	6	19	31	65	18
Dunstable Town	 •••	30	4	7	19	27	66	15
Barry Town	 	27	1	4	22	18	72	6

#### Sports shorts . . .

The Lower Mead Social Club Concert Party are staging 'Kaleidoscope', a colourful show of music, variety and comedy in the Club Hall on Sunday, April 30th, admission 50p, and again on May 14th. Demand for tickets for this fine show is always great and every concert yet has been a sell-out. So make sure of a seat by booking your ticket NOW.

Are you overweight? No, we're not suggesting you join the players for training sessions, but you can lose lbs, and make <code>ffff</code>'s for the Football Club by taking part in the sponsored weight-losing scheme being organised by Jack Howland and Mick Mylcreest. See either of them, or see the notices in the Club Hall on how to do yourself and the Club a bit of good. We hope Mick doesn't take it too seriously, even if he is a lb. or two over the odds!

Don't say anything, but regular supporter Bob Hoy let in 18 goals when 'keeping' goal for his works side this week. It wasn't Bob's fault though — the back four had an off day . . . Rumour says that Johnny Barr would do a spot of coaching except Bob's got a bad backache . ..

Noticed how we're getting quite a following of dolly birds since our good-looking youngsters came into the senior side? Seems a lot of people wish they were as young as Alick, John, Paul and the two Rogers!

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- Paul Latham
- 5 John Pearce
- 3 Eddie Presland
- Alick Brown
- 6 John Furie
- 7 Terry Dyson
- 9 Bill Byrne 1
- % Micky Brown ♥↓
- 11 Ray Whitaker
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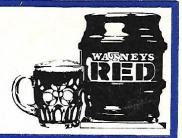
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#### More sports shorts . . .

In answer to many queries, we'd like you to know that 'Wealdstone Whispers' is definitely NOT defunct. After the sole issue a long time ago many administration problems cropped up, together with pressures of other Club business. But starting in August, there will definitely be a regular monthly edition and the magazine will become an integral part of Lower Mead Stadium affairs. So bear with us .

Now a plea to that very vocal band of young supporters who always stand behind the goals. You do a grand job and we love you all. Care to be sports and show up one Sunday during the close season for a spot of painting? Free beer provided, so please see stadium manager Dick Kelly. We'd be thrilled to welcome anybody who could spare an hour or so, of

We want to make this programme even better next season, so now is the time to let Colin Pope have your criticisms, or suggestions. We're all in this together so don't be bashful — your views are wanted. Thanks to Mr. A. Moore of 9 Arden Close, Bushey Heath for his regular comments, and statistical information. He's always spot on with his facts.

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Very shortly the local Press will carry news of the Pop Concert being staged at Lower Mead Stadium this summer, so keep your eyes open, please. Anyone with practical experience of such ventures who would like to help would be heartily welcomed.

At a recent charity match here, we lost five footballs at the cinema end. At £11 each, the Club therefore lost £55 in a few minutes, which is grievi-

ous. These statistics might make the culprits think . . .

Next season we intend having paid gatemen. Anyone, particularly old age pensioners, interested should contact any official. Meanwhile spare a thought to the Committee-men who do it regularly and therefore only ever see half a game.

#### Goodbye – and thanks

Well, we won't be meeting again via this programme until mid-August. We wish you all a very happy summer, and enjoy your holidays. Thanks for coming along to support us and although there have been disappointments, all in all it's not been a bad professional debut. Without you, of course, none of us would be here, and so we can only wish you all the very best, and look forward to welcoming you again in sixteen weeks' time.

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Wealdstone 3 (Jones 2, Townend) Banbury 1. Wealdstone 0 Stevenage 1. Lockheed Leamington 0 Wealdstone 1 (Brown). Wealdstone 3 (Brown 2 Townend).

Stourbridge 4 Wealdstone 1 (Townend).

Wealdstone 3 (Brown 2 Townend) Bletchley 1.

Dunstable 0 Wealdstone 2 (Brown, o.g.).

Kings Lynn 2 Wealdstone 1 (Townend).

Harrow Borough 0 Wealdstone 1 (Townend).

Harrow Borough 0 Wealdstone 1 (Townend).

Wealdstone 2 (Hale 2) Gloucester 1.

Wealdstone 0 Arsenai 3.

Ilketson 0 Wealdstone 0.

Boreham Wood 1 Wealdstone 1 (Brown).

Wealdstone 0 Boreham Wood 2.

Wellingborough 3 Wealdstone 0.

Wealdstone 2 (Swain, Brown) Cheltenham 3.

Cambridge 2 Wealdstone 1 (Swain).

Wealdstone 0 Cambridge 1.

Wealdstone 0 Weymouth 2.

Wealdstone 1 (Weilingborough 2.

Barnet 2 Wealdstone 1 (Whitaker).

Southall 0 Wealdstone 0.

Kingstonian 0 Wealdstone 1 (Brown).

Wealdstone 5 (Townend 2, Hale, Brown, Bailey) Southall 1.

Corby Town 1 Wealdstone 0.

Wealdstone 3 (Brown 2, Hale) Kettering Town 2.

Bletchley 0 Wealdstone 1 (Townend).

Addlestone 2 Wealdstone 1 (Townend).

Addlestone 2 Wealdstone 0 (abandoned after 62 mins. fog).

Wealdstone 0 Stourbridge 5.

Wealdstone 0 Stourbridge 5.

Wealdstone 1 (Hale) Burton Albion 1.

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Wealdstone 0 Hampton 2.

Dunstable 2 Wealdstone 1 (Brown).

Wealdstone 1 (Brown, Pearce) Barnet 1.

Addlestone 1 (Brown, Pearce) Barnet 1.

Addlestone 1 (Wealdstone 1 (Swain).

Clockheed Leamington 2 Wealdstone 0.

Wealdstone 1 (M. Brown) Ilkeston 3.

Cheltenham Town 4 Wealdstone 0.

Wealdstone 1 (Waslon).

Wealdstone 2 (Livingstone, Byrne) Bletchley 0.

Wealdstone 1 (Waslon).

Wealdstone 2 (Usingstone, Byrne) Barry Town 1.

Kettering Town 1 Wealdstone 0.

Wealdstone 2 (J. Beyer, A. Brown) Barry Town 1.

Wealdstone 2 (M. Brown 3) Banbury 0. Stourbridge 4 Wealdstone 1 (Townend). Wealdstone 3 (Brown 2 Townend) Bletchley 1. Kettering Town 1 Wealdstone 0.
Wealdstone 2 (J. Beyer, A. Brown) Bury Town 1,
Wealdstone 2 (Byrne, M. Brown) Kings Lynn 1.
Wealdstone 3 (M. Brown 3) Banbury 0.
Rugby Town 3 Wealdstone 1 (Furie).
Wealdstone 0 Rugby Town 3.
Burton Albion 1 Wealdstone 2 (Presland, Byrne). Wealdstone 2 (Byrne, Livingstone) Croydon Amateurs 1. Barry Town 2 Wealdstone 2 (Presland, Livingstone).

Scorers: M. Brown 24, G. Townend 9, D. Swain 8, B. Byrne, D. Hale 6, R. Livingstone 4, T. Dyson, C. Jones, E. Presland 2, J. Pearce, R. Whitaker, B. Bailey, P. Gallagher, J. Beyer, A. Brown, J. Furie 1.

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