

Wembley get off the mark

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Borough get a nine goal hammering

Harrow Borough 1 West Ham Utd 9... WEST Ham boss Billy Bonds brought a full first team to Earlsmead on Tuesday night for this friendly and they showed their class by giving Borough a nine goal hammering that would have been considerably greater had it not been for the superb goalkeeping of Sean Griffiths, writes John Comford.

They also had the consolation of scoring a fine goal in the 66th minute when fine work by Jeff Rowe on the right led to his cross being superbly controlled by Martin Gurney and then rifled past Hammers' Czech international keeper Ludek Miklosko.

After Borough had reduced the arrears, the claret and blue tide overwhelmed them again and further goals followed in the last 15 minutes from McAvennie, Quinn, Allen and Quinn again.

Chelsea have indicated they will be fielding the following team: Roger Free-stone, Steve Clark, Graham La Saux, Graham Roberts, Jason Cundy, Craig Burley, Graham Stuart, Alan Dickens, Kevin McAlistler, Eddie Newton, Darren Barnard, Kevin Hitchcock, Frank Sinclair, Roger Davies.

Stones make Gane smile

WEALDSTONE 2 Windsor 0... WEALDSTONE were comfortable winners of this friendly at Lower Mead on Tuesday night which left manager Alan Gane "absolutely delighted" with his side's fine performance, writes Graham Smith.

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Margerrison 'not going free to Saints'

WEALDSTONE manager Alan Gane has told Vauxhall League club St Albans that if they want wayward midfielder John Margerrison they will have to pay for him.

Boro defender quits after row with boss

Dicker bust up

HARROW Borough defender, Phil Dicker, has dramatically quit the Earlsmead club after a heated bust up with manager Tom McAlister.

Dicker and McAlister had their war of words in a heated argument in the clubhouse on Thursday evening which ended with the player saying: "I've had enough - I'm going."

Dicker declined to go into the reasons for the dispute. "It was just between me and the manager," he said. "He gave me an ultimatum and I said I'd go."

McAlister was no more forthcoming over the incident. "It was a situation that had to be resolved and it was going to be resolved my way," he said.

Dicker, who was once on Brentford's books, joined Borough from Middlesex League club Hanwell Town four years ago. Last season he was plagued by a pelvic injury that at one stage threatened to end his career.

Phil has been training with us and there is a chance he will sign," said Chamberlin. "It all depends on what he wants and what we want."



Phil Dicker - quit after row with Borough boss Tom McAlister.



Defender Sean Priddle, one of three big money earners made available for transfer by Borough last month, will be discussing his future with McAlister tonight (Thursday). So far there have been no offers for him.

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Thursday August 9... Friendly: Rayners Lane v Mill End (Lucas Ave, 6.45pm). Saturday August 11... Friendly: Harrow Borough v Chelsea (Earlsmead, 3pm).

Wembley blunder their way to defeat

Wembley 1 Fisher 3... DEFENSIVE errors and a missed penalty proved costly as Wembley lost this friendly against GM Vauxhall Conference opposition on Tuesday night.

Manoj is our Player of Month



BESSBOROUGH all-rounder Manoj Shah has won the Observer's Britannic Assurance Player of the Month award for July.

Decathlon triumph for Callender

RICHARD Callender showed his decathlon potential with a commanding victory in the Haragey boys (under-15) pentathlon on Saturday.

Gayts are pipped in nail-biting finish

OLD Gaytonians Athletic Club's junior (under-20) team finished second in their third round National Junior League fixture at Middlesbrough on Sunday after an epic struggle with league leaders Haragey.