

SPORT

Training pays off for Kenton's new boy

IN only his fourth ever race, Kenton Road Club's new junior, James Brown, won Sunday's West London Combine 10 mile time trial with a good time of 26.13. Several weeks of hard training to build up his speed paid off for Brown as he beat 23 other riders on an exposed course. Dave Thurtle also rode the event but went off course at an unmarked turn.

Sunday's Bath Road Club Road Race saw Dave Murphy come equal 12th in the final sprint after 43 very fast miles. 35 of the 65 starters failed to finish, including Adrian Flinn, who punctured. In the 60 mile Oldsters Road Race for veterans, held near Yeovil, Gerry Wallis came 10th but a failed freewheel caused Gino Goddard to pull out.

Final ends in uproar

THE Harrow Youth League's under-17 Secondary Cup Final at Southall FC on Sunday ended in uproar after a mass outbreak of fighting amongst players.

The game was abandoned with 10 minutes to play and an ambulance was called to take an injured player to hospital.

Beaulieu Park Rangers were leading League Champions and League Cup winners, Springfield, 3-1 at the time. Last week the teams met in the League Cup Final when Springfield won 2-1.

The incident is to be dealt with by the County FA disciplinary committee.

Belcourt wins for England

HARROW and Wealdstone Swimming Club's Max Belcourt, representing the England Youth Squad, won the 200m breaststroke in 2.25.42 at the Acropolis meet in Athens.

Max, 17, also swam a personal best 31.34 for the 50m breast and was involved in both the relay squads, recording 26.06 for the 50m free and 31.42 for the breast leg of the medley relay.

In the Southern Counties Championships at Crystal Palace at the weekend, Harrow and Wealdstone had three swimmers in action, and they all performed well.

Daven Sheehy, 20, won a silver medal in the open 200m individual medley in 2.16.15 and in the 400m IM he gained a bronze with a personal best of 4.46.26. Duncan Belcourt, 19, placed 3rd to gain bronze medals in both the open 100m and 200m fly events, clocking 59.35 and 2.13.91 respectively.

Julianne Coghlan continued her excellent performances in the 11 years age group with 1.31.46 for 100m breast, 1.12.56 for 100m free and 2.37.99 for the 200m IM.

£369,000 cash boost for Stones

By John Comfort

WEALDSTONE FC's litigation with Tesco Stores has been successfully concluded with a payment of £369,000 being made to the club.

The dispute, over money said to be outstanding from the sale of the club's Lower

Mead ground to the supermarket chain, was settled out of court at a hearing of the Solicitors Compensation Fund and resulted in the award being made to Wealdstone.

Club chairman, Paul Rumens, said it was "very good news." He added: "If the ruling had not gone in our favour, we could well have gone under."

However, with debts of around £300,000, including

Solicitors Fund payout is first step on road to club's recovery

£175,000 to Watford FC, with whom Wealdstone have just terminated a costly and decidedly unhappy two year spell of ground sharing at Vicarage Road, Mr Rumens' joy at the payout was tempered with a note of caution.

"It is one substantial step along the rocky road towards full recovery, but there has to be no room for complacency," he said. "There is a long way to go before we finally come out of the quagmire."

"We've now got a bit more than we owed at the time of going into administration, but that doesn't mean that we'll have £50,000 extra available for players. It merely helps to reinforce our funds for the litigation with Misset Parris."

A date for that case with the club's former solicitors has been set for May 1994.

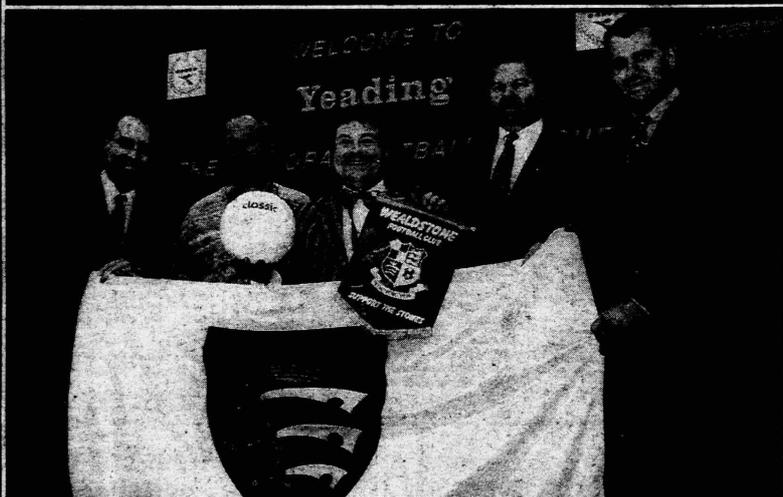
The club will remain in administration for the time being because although the Tesco affair has been settled, Wealdstone still have another giant financial headache looming with the inland Revenue's £1.5m claim for Capital Gains Tax over the sale of Lower Mead.

The case is due to be reviewed in six weeks time.

"Hopefully we'll know our fate then as to whether we owe them or not," said Mr Rumens.

"We could go out of business purely because of that. But it's being dealt with and we're keeping our fingers crossed."

Russell welcomes Stones back to Middlesex



Russell Grant (centre) welcomes Wealdstone vice-chairman Nick DuGard (left) and club director Layne Patterson (right) back to Middlesex in the company of Yeading chairman Phil Spurden (second right) and club secretary Peter Bickers (second left).

PERVENT Middlesex campaigner and tv astrologer, Russell Grant, welcomed Wealdstone FC back into the County on Sunday following their relocation to Yeading FC after two years at Watford.

Appropriately it was on Middlesex Day and, just as significantly, the symbolic ceremony at Yeading's Warren ground which the clubs will now share, was timed for a 3pm kick off.

Resplendent in a fetching striped blazer in the county's original 'thurb and custard' colours, with bow tie to match, Russell welcomed the club "back into the fold" and presented them with a match ball to mark the occasion.

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Engwell is top choice of the Borough fans

HARROW Borough FC celebrated their most successful season for many years at their annual awards dinner in the clubhouse at Earlsmead on Saturday, writes Tony Booth.

133 members and guests attended, and on display were the Middlesex Senior Cup and the Middlesex Charity Cup won by the first team, as well as the Harrow Sunday Challenge League Cup won by the Sunday side.

The Supporters' Player of the Year award of the President's Trophy, donated by Jim Rogers, was won by full back Micky Engwell, who received 40% of the votes cast.

The Vice President's Player of the Year award, a Wilkinson Sword in memory of Geoff Fitzpatrick, was won by keeper Andy Pape in recognition of his sterling efforts since joining the club for the second half of the season.

He keeps an inscribed, mounted rosebowl to go with the award.

The Young Player of the Year award went to the club's 23 year old captain, Jason Shaw, while Steve Conroy's 26 goals earned him the Highest Goalscorer award.

He scored in every round of the Charity Cup, including twice in the final.

Awards for long service went to Paul Ripley (300 appearances), Keith Cooper (100), Steve Conroy (100) and Andy Pape (100).

A special award went to George Borg in recognition of his managerial efforts. He in turn devoted particular praise to physio Phil Shedden and players Andy Pape and John Ridout.

The latter, together with Steve Conroy, won the season's final bi-monthly player merit awards.



Micky Engwell



Andy Pape

Message of hope for Gayts from the chairman

CLUB chairman Peter Minfield sent a heart rending message to the 90 members who attended the Old Gaytonians Rugby Club annual dinner in the South Vale clubhouse.

The club has been relegated but he said that plans are already in place to make sure that the club has every opportunity to regain its place in London Division One.

Retiring captain Gareth Fox presented the awards.

Paul Clancy was the season's Most Improved Player, while Paddy Minnock, who spent most of last season in the B XV, received the Players' Player award, after his 26 first team appearances this season.

Tony Rhoades, who picked up the reins of the club's youth section, received the Clubman of the Year award. The most successful team were the A XV and Gareth Fox won the Goalkeeping Trophy.

The Captain's Shield was awarded by Gareth Fox to John Rigby, who as chairman steered Gareth through the first two years of his captaincy and then as team secretary this year.

During the evening there was special mention of the Sevens squad which reached the Middlesex Seven Finals and of Darren Molloy, who is touring with the England under-21s in Australia this summer.

Old Gaytonians' captain next year will be experienced prop, Tyrone Hanlon. Alan Yarrow will be his vice-captain. Club coach Steve Campbell has retired after three years.

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