SPORT

Niall gives Kingsbury a cut of the points

East Thurrock 2 Kingsbury Town 2

A CLASSIC overhead scissor kick from Niall O'Rourke earned Kingsbury a point at East Thurrock on Tuesday.

They opened the scoring after 24 minutes when Mitchell Morris found Graham Ash who dummied past two defenders and crossed for Nelson Kumah to net with a rare headed goal.

Thurrock levelled five minutes into the second half when Green's low shot from the edge of the area crept under the diving Darren Bonfield and seven minutes later they were in front after Stevens was given plenty of time and space to shoot home from 15 yards.

However, with 12 minutes remaining Kingsbury deservedly equalised, a cross from Dennis O'Rourke setting up the chance for Dennis O'Rourke to net with a brilliant scissor kick.

Kingsbury: Bonfield, Ash, Zazzera, Gower, Tynan, Morris, Loughlin, D. O'Rourke, N. O'Rourke, Kumah, Nelson. **Subs:** Leslie, Perez, Gillespie.

Stones seal fourth

Epsom & Ewell 0 Wealdstone 2

AFTER Saturday's poor display, Stones gave an excellent all round performance to beat Epsom on Tuesday and assure themselves of 4th spot in the league, **writes Graham Smith.**

Wealdstone went close after 14 minutes when a 25 yard shot from Ian Waugh was well saved by Hyatt but six minutes later the visitors did manage to take the lead. A Chris Walton pass found Tim Buzaglo who evaded the challenge of former Stone Graham Meakin then hit a fine shot past Hyatt.

Stones continued to dominate in the second half and they were rewarded with another goal in the 57th minute.

Tony Smith's cross was completely missed by the home keeper as he tried to punch clear, allowing Tony Knight to hit home his third goal of the season to secure three impressive points.

Wealdstone: Tenkorang, Waugh, Moore, Marshall, Croad, Knight, Walton, Tekell, Buzaglo (Sheldrick), Brcnham, Smith.

County quiz date

THE Federation of Middlesex Sports are holding their annual Middlesex Day Sports Quiz on Wednesday May 15 at Hillingdon Borough FC, Breakspear Road, Ruislip, starting at 7.30pm. The question master will be BBC Radio 5 Live's Julian Worricker. Entry is free. Contact Jacky Seabrook on 943-0764 to book a place.

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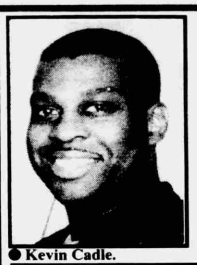


● Kevin Cadle.

Cadle is Budweiser Coach of the Year

NOT surprisingly, London Towers coach, Kevin Cadle, has been named as the Budweiser Coach of the Year, but the expected 'award double' for the Towers failed to materialise with star guard, Steve Bucknall, missing out on the Player of the Year award to Tony Dorsey of Birmingham Bullets.

Bucknall's consolation came in being named in the Budweiser All Star team, along with Towers teammates, guard Danny Lewis and forward Tony Windless.

The rest of the All Star team was Tony Dorsey (Birmingham), Karl Brown (Leopards), Todd Cauthorn (Sheffield), Roger Huggins (Sheffield), LaKeith Humphries (Derby), Colin Irish (Worthing) and Mark Robinson (Manchester).

For Cadle, the man who has moulded Towers into the dominant force in British basketball, it was his sixth Coach of the Year award. He is the only coach to have completed the Grand Slam of domestic honours and with the 7UP Trophy, National Cup and Budweiser League already in the bag, he will be looking to repeat that success this weekend in the Budweiser Championships at Wembley Arena.

Cadle has no doubts about the outcome. "It's been a great year for the team and for me. We're coming to Wembley to get another trophy."

In the semi-finals on Saturday Towers face Manchester Giants - the team which knocked them out at the same stage last year. But it's going to be different this time says Tony Windless. "That was last year. We are a better team now, we're confident, we're ready and Manchester had better look out."

The Towers tip off against Manchester at 9.15pm, immediately following the Birmingham Bullets v Sheffield Sharks semi-final which starts at 7.15pm. The two winners will contest the Championship Final on Sunday, tip off 7pm.

Budweiser have confirmed their continued support of the Basketball League by announcing that they are to extend their sponsorship by a further two years in a deal worth £1.5m.

Borough chairman resigns

● Martin Murphy.

By John Comfort

MARTIN Murphy has dramatically quit as chairman of Harrow Borough.

It is believed that friction with another member of the Borough board of directors was responsible for his shock decision, but a diplomatic Mr Murphy has declined to elucidate.

"Yes, I have resigned as chairman," he said "but it's a long story and it's not easy to explain why. Let's just say it is all for the best and for the good of the club. I don't want to make any other comment."

Mr Murphy took over as chairman five years ago following the resignation of Eric May. He said: "I'm very sad at having to resign. I've had a great five years and met loads of people, and, with the support of my wife Jean, and my daughter, it's been a wonderful experience. But all good things come to an end."

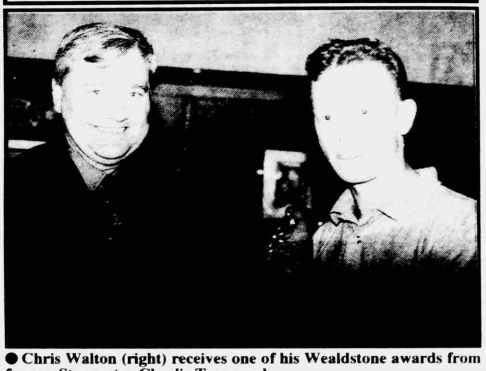
Although he has stepped down as chairman, Mr Murphy will still remain on the Borough board that he has served as the club's building director for the past nine years.

Club vice-chairman, Jim Ripley, will be acting chairman until the club's annual general meeting in October when it is expected he will be elected to the job permanently.

Martin Murphy's resignation has since been followed by the decision of Dave Blewitt, the chairman of Borough's neighbours, Rayners Lane, to quit at the end of the season.

Lane, who are threatened with losing their senior status due to their failure to obtain floodlights, play their last Hellenic League match on Saturday before embarking on a more localised campaign, probably in the Middlesex County League.

Wealdstone award double for Walton



● Chris Walton (right) receives one of his Wealdstone awards from former Stones star Charlie Townsend.

MIDFIELDER Chris Walton proved popular with both the fans and his teammates as he scooped the honours at Wealdstone FC Supporters Club's annual awards dinner, held at the Railway Hotel, Edgware, on Sunday.

For not only did he win the Supporters Player of the Year Trophy, he also took the Players' Player of the Year award.

The club's Supporter of the Year award went to the ageless Val Shearer, who last season was signed on as a player by the club during their dispute with the Beazer Homes League over moving across the non-league pyramid system.

The Chairman's award went to Dave Albert, the chairman of Wealdstone Juniors.

The presentations were made by former Wealdstone players Charlie Townsend and Matt Farrell.

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It's looking grim as Wembley fail their survival test

Wembley 2 Whyteleafe 2

WEMBLEY were left clinging to their First Division status by just a thread after failing to take maximum points on Tuesday, **writes John Comfort.**

With Barking already down, and assuming Ruislip Manor's resignation is confirmed, the Lions can only save themselves now by winning their final game at home to Barton and hope - and pray - that Tooting, currently two points above them, lose their last two matches at Bognor tonight (Thursday) and at home to Thame on Saturday.

But the omens, if has to be said, are not good, and an air of despondancy clearly pervades Vale Farm.

Wembley had a dream start against Whyteleafe with a goal after only 35 seconds, Sofiane Sardi setting up the overlapping Robert Hollingdale to fire home a low angled shot. But the home side miserably failed to build on it.

Slack defending allowed Steve Milton to glance home Eddie Dixon's long throw to bring the visitors level after 34 minutes and when Milton scored again nine minutes into the second half Wembley seemed dead and buried.

Within a minute Jon-Barrie Bates equalised but then dire finishing prevented a much needed winner and that could yet prove their downfall?

Wembley: Beckles, Wilcox, Hollingdale (Wash), Walters, Child, Cumberbatch, Francis, J. Bates, Sardi, J. B. Bates, Fleming. Other subs: Smith, Metherell.

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Borough patchwork line-up

HIT by injuries and suspensions, **Harrow Borough** expect to field another patchwork side when they complete their season at home to Dulwich Hamlet on Saturday.

Lee Endersby is suspended, while Gary Ellis, Frank Appiah, Jason Court, David Hook and Grant Robinson are all out injured and there are also injury doubts over Brian Jones (ankle) and Paul Fishenden (back). Completing a lengthy list of unavailabilities, John Hurlock is away on holiday.

After Tooting's game at Bognor tonight (Thursday), **Wembley** will know whether they have a First Division future to play for in Saturday's home match against Barton for which Robert Hollingdale is an injury doubt.

Wealdstone boss Gordon Bartlett has no suspension or injury problems and will select from a full squad for their home game with Harlow.

Rayners Lane visit Cirencester for their last ever Hellenic League game before switching leagues in an attempt to increase their local profile and attract more youngsters in the vein of the highly promising Oriot and Stewart.

Soccer fixtures

Friday May 3

Football Combination: QPR v Arsenal (Earlsmead, 7pm)

Saturday May 4

ICIS League Premier Div: Harrow Borough v Dulwich Hamlet (Earlsmead, 3pm)

ICIS League Div One: Wembley v Barton Rovers (Vale Farm, 3pm)

ICIS League Div Two: Bedford v Edgware Town

ICIS League Div Three: Wealdstone v Harlow Town (White Lion ground, 3pm)

Hellenic League: Cirencester v Rayners Lane

The latest soccer league tables

ICIS LEAGUE

Premier Division

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Enfield	41	25	8	8	77	35	83
Hayes	40	23	13	4	72	31	82
Borehamwood	41	23	11	7	66	28	80
Yeovil Tn	41	23	11	7	83	50	80
Dulwich Hamlet	41	22	11	8	83	58	77
St Albans City	42	20	12	10	70	41	72
Kingstonian	41	20	11	10	62	37	71
Carshalton Ath	40	21	8	11	65	45	71
Harrow Boro	**40**	**19**	**9**	**12**	**68**	**53**	**66**
Sutton Utd	41	16	4	11	69	52	52
Aylesbury Utd	40	16	12	12	69	55	60
Bishops Stort	41	15	9	17	51	60	54
Reading	41	11	14	16	46	56	47
Chertsey Tn	41	13	6	22	45	69	45
Fu'ham	41	12	8	21	48	66	44
Grays Ath	41	11	11	19	42	61	44
Hendon	41	11	10	20	51	65	43
Hitchin	41	10	10	21	41	72	40
Bromley	42	10	7	25	52	91	37
Molesey	41	8	9	24	44	81	33
Walton & Hersh	41	8	7	26	40	79	31
Worthing	41	4	7	30	41	103	19

Division One

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Oxford City	41	27	7	7	94	59	88
Heybridge Sw	40	25	7	8	92	42	82
Staines Tn	41	23	10	8	81	58	79
Leyton Pennant	41	22	7	12	76	55	73
Aldershot	41	21	9	11	81	45	72
Billericay	41	19	9	13	57	54	66
Bognor Regis	40	17	11	12	68	48	62
Marlow	41	16	5	18	65	75	59
Uxbridge	41	16	11	14	45	48	59
Basingstoke Tn	40	15	13	12	67	56	58
Chesham Utd	41	15	12	14	51	43	57
Wokingham Tn	41	15	10	16	61	65	55
Thame Utd	41	14	13	14	64	72	55
Whyteleafe	41	12	13	16	71	79	49
Maidenhead	40	11	13	16	48	62	46
Barton Rovers	41	12	10	19	69	84	46
Abingdon Tn	40	12	8	20	57	78	44
Berkhamsted	41	11	10	20	51	67	43
Ruislip Manor	41	11	8	22	54	76	41
Tooting & Mitch	40	10	10	20	42	61	40
Wembley	**41**	**10**	**8**	**23**	**46**	**66**	**38**
Barking	41	4	12	25	34	85	24

Division Two

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Canvey Island	38	24	12	2	86	28	84
Croydon	39	24	6	9	75	42	78
Hampton	39	22	10	7	70	44	76
Banstead Ath	39	21	11	7	69	32	74
Collier Row	39	20	11	8	69	41	71
Wivenhoe	38	19	8	11	72	52	65
Met Police	40	18	10	12	57	45	64
Bedford Tn	39	17	10	12	63	58	61
Bracknell	39	17	8	14	64	50	59
Edgware Town	**39**	**16**	**9**	**14**	**71**	**63**	**57**
Tilbury	39	12	11	16	52	58	47
Ware	39	13	8	18	56	75	47
Saffron Walden	39	11	12	16	55	56	45
Ghalfont St P	39	11	12	16	58	63	45
Leatherhead	39	11	10	18	68	75	43
Cheshunt	39	10	12	17	54	87	42
Egham Town	39	12	3	24	42	70	39
Hemel Hemp	39	9	10	20	44	61	37
Hungerford	39	9	7	22	44	77	34
Witham	39	8	9	22	35	68	33
Corinth	39	8	5	26	42	101	29

Division Three

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Horsham	39	29	5	5	94	37	92
Leighton Tn	39	27	5	7	92	33	86
Windsor & E	39	26	6	7	114	45	84
Wealdstone	**39**	**23**	**8**	**8**	**104**	**37**	**77**
Harlow	39	21	10	8	83	62	73
Northwood	39	20	9	10	76	53	69
Epsom & Ewell	39	17	14	8	92	57	65
Kingsbury Tn	**39**	**15**	**15**	**10**	**60**	**47**	**60**
East Thurrock	39	16	8	15	59	50	56
Aveley	39	15	10	14	60	52	55
Wingate & Finch	39	16	6	17	73	69	54
Lewes	39	14	7	18	55	70	49
Flackwell Hth	39	14	5	20	59	81	47
Hornchurch	39	10	8	21	52	76	38
Tring Town	39	10	8	21	39	76	38
Harefield Utd	38	10	7	21	46	85	37
Camberley Tn	39	9	8	22	45	81	35
Clapton	39	9	6	24	46	84	33
Cove	39	8	9	22	37	89	33
Hertford Town	39	9	5	25	67	101	32
Southall	39	9	5	25	34	102	32

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