

# SPORT

## Rain puts the damper on Mayor's KO Trophy

TORRENTIAL rain on Tuesday night has thrown the Mayor of Harrow's 20 over Knockout Trophy into total confusion.

With the final scheduled to take place at Kenton CC tonight (Thursday), competition organiser Steve Johns was bank-

ing on Tuesday's semi-final matches being played - but he was sadly out of luck.

Harrow were left cursing at Headstone Manor as they rattled up 63 without loss against trophy holders Harrow Town before the heavens opened.

Over at Harrow Town's ground,

Starlight were at 18-1 against last year's beaten finalists, Bebbinsborough, before their clash too fell victim to the weather.

Both games are now likely to be played on Tuesday at venues to be arranged. The final has been provisionally fixed for Friday August 2 at Kenton.

## Smith the star as Gayts clinch place in the National Final

OLD Gaytonians Athletic Club's young athletes qualified for their fourteenth consecutive National Final of the McDonald's National Young Athletes League with a superb victory in the final round at Barnet Copthall, defeating nearest rivals Shaftesbury by 22 points, writes Tony Bush.

Neil Smith made a spectacular debut for Gayts, winning the under-15 400m in a very fast 54.3, to be named man of the match. He also anchored Gayts 4 x 400m relay squad to victory in a fast 3:48.1.

Lee Henry won both sprints impressively and clocked a personal

best of 24.2 for the 200m. Allasdair John again won the 800m in the fast time of 2:08.6 while Adam Bowen improved again to win the 3000m in a fast 9:41.1.

David Allsop was a double winner in the under-17 sprints, clocking a personal best of 23.4 for the 200m. Darren Chapman won the sprint hurdles in a good 14.9.

Geoff Thompson produced a great last lap to win the steeplechase in a fast 4:47.7, eight seconds faster than his previous best.

Luke Rosenberg, 3rd in the recent English Schools Championships, won the discus with a good throw of

45.50. He also won the B pole vault and took 2nd in the hammer.

Paul Gibson returned to competition after injury and won the pole vault with a good 3.30 clearance. Wayne Pilgrim made a great debut for Gayts, winning the under-13 200m in a fast 27.4.

Anthony Nwosu won the long jump with a great leap of 5.10 and also won the 100m in 13.7.

**Gayts results**  
Under-17: 100m A 1 David Allsop 11.8, B 1 Nick Rosewell 12.0, 200m A 1 David Allsop 23.4, B 2 Darren Chapman 24.6, 400m A 4 Alan Thompson 55.9, B 3 Chad McLeod 55.2, 800m A 2 Robert Fisher 2:05.5, B 2 Pawan Meepani 2:07.8, 1500m A 3 Sean Hunt 4:22.2, B 2 Abdi Jama 4:26.3, 3000m A 2 Matt Nichols 9:24.5, B 2 Damian News 10:07.5, 1000m

hurdl A 1 Darren Chapman 14.9, B 1 Ben James 15.5, 400m hurd A 2 Geoff Thompson 62.4, B 2 Danny Allen 66.0, 1500 spur A 1 Geoff Thompson 4:47.7, B 2 David Momen 5:08.7, 4 x 100m 1 Gayts (James, Chapman, Rosewell, Allsop) 47.1, 4 x 400m 2 Gayts (A Thompson 56.7, McLeod 55.8, Meepani 57.3, Fisher 56.5) 3:45.4, high jump A 4 David Baker 1.65, B 2 Justin Hirschorn 1.50, pole vault A 1 Paul Gibson 3.30, B 1 Luke Rosenberg 2.80, long jump A 1 David Baker 6.09, B 2 Ben James 4.90, triple jump A 1 Damien Morrison 11.93, B 1 David Baker 11.84, shot A 1 Warren Wood 13.93, B 1 Gary Swales 11.79, discus A 1 Luke Rosenberg 45.50, B 1 Warren Wood 30.42, javelin A 3 Gary Swales 39.92, B 2 Steven Barnes 35.62, hammer A 2 Luke Rosenberg 44.02, B 2 Warren Wood 27.50.

Under-15: 100m A 1 Lee Henry 12.2, B 1 Fabian Ford 12.3, 200m A 1 Lee Henry 24.2, B 1 Mark Royal 24.6, 400m A 1 Neil Smith 54.3, B 1 Alex Deak 55.6, 800m A 1 Allasdair John 2:08.6, B 2 Mark Moran 2:17.8, 1500m A 2 Mark Moran 4:38.5, B 2 Lee Radford 4:52.0, 3000m A 1 Adam Bowden 9:41.1, B 1 Mark Morrison 9:42.3, 80m hurd A

4 Sean Flaherty 13.3, B 2 Antonio Nigrelli 14.8, 4 x 100m 1 Gayts (Allsop, Foyal, Henry, Ford) 47.2, 4 x 400m 1 Gayts (Deak 56.9, Radford 60.6, John 55.5, Smith 55.1) 3:48.1, high jump A 2 Sean Flaherty 1.60, B 2 Dean Lenihan 1.55, pole vault A 2 Jordan Kearney 2.40, B 1 Barry Stringer 2.30, long jump A 2 Andrew Roberts 5.71, B 1 Mohammed Alzairi 5.57, shot A 1 Andrew Roberts 10.56, B 1 Julien Chong 9.90, discus A 1 David Rose 35.56, B 1 Ryan Small 27.04, javelin A 2 Stefan Worrell 33.82, B 1 Chris Brown 31.46, hammer A 3 David Rose 23.20, B 2 Ryan Small 22.84.

Under-13: 100m A 1 Anthony Nwosu 13.7, B 2 Ashley Squares 14.6, 200m A 1 Wayne Pilgrim 27.4, B 2 Matthew Low 28.5, 400m A 2 Craig Turner 2:27.7, B 3 Simon Taylor 2:30.0, 800m A 3 Stuart Spencer 5:04.4, B 2 Paul Cousins 5:08.6, long jump A 1 Anthony Nwosu 5.10, B 1 Nathan Allen 4.87, 4 x 100m 2 Gayts (Pilgrim, Watts, Low Squares) 47.1.  
Match result: 1 Old Gayts 253.5, 2 Shaftesbury 231.5, 3 Oxford 126, 4 Luton 114.

## Bonfield signs on for Stones

WEALDSTONE boss Gordon Bartlett has signed goalkeeper Darren Bonfield from neighbours Kingsbury Town.

The keeper, who is highly rated by the Stones boss has been put on a contract.

Another new signing is former Tring Town and Chesham midfielder, David Ross.

Stones staged a great comeback at North Greenford on Tuesday, coming back from 3-1 down with 18 minutes to go to win 4-3.

The home side took a shock lead through Roland Gryzbyk in the first minute and although Paul Sheldrick equalised before the break, second half goals from Gryzbyk and Conway put Tring 3-1 up.

But Boysie Wise pulled one back, James Antell equalised, an with four minutes to go, Sheldrick scored Wealdstone's winner.

Wealdstone: Bush, Dell, Wise, Antell, D. Ross, Taylor, Moore, Hibbert, Walker, Calikakar, Miller, Sheldrick, Gnanore, Knight, S. Ross, Ramirez, Mills.

Stones - beat a strong Vauxhall Conference side, Hayes 3-1 on Saturday in a friendly at Brunel University.

Chris Walton headed on for Fergus Moore to head them in front after 12 minutes and it was 2-0 when the Hayes keeper fumbled in a Paul Sheldrick shot on 35 minutes.

Stuart Miller crossed for Sheldrick to score the best goal of the game five minutes from time and Hayes scored a consolation goal a minute later.

Wealdstone: Bonfield (Bush), Smart, Wise, Moore, Waugh, Hibbert, Walton, Tekell, Ross, Bircham, Miller, Jervier, North, Gnanore.

## Lions start with a win

WEMBLEY began their pre-season itinerary with a 2-0 win over Southall on Saturday.

The goals came from former Windsor, Wealdstone and Hayes striker, Keith Boreham, with a penalty, and Andy Smith.

This Saturday Wembley are in action at Leyton Pennant.

# QPR line up a star cast

FIRST team players Danny Dichio and Trevor Challis are both expected to be in the Queens Park Rangers team which will play at Earlsmead tonight (Thursday) in a match to officially mark the opening of Harrow Borough's new £50,000 stand.

Both are local lads, striker Dichio having started as a youth player with Forest United, while defender Challis started with Belmont United Youth.

The Rangers team will be a mixture of first and reserve team players and could include England international Trevor Sinclair.

Both manager Ray Wilkins and reserve team boss John Hollins are expected to be at the game, which kicks off at 7.30pm.

Also present will be the Mayor of Harrow as well as ICIS League and Middlesex County FA officials.

Borough are hoping that the game will draw a crowd in excess of the 1000 plus they had for Monday's clash with Spurs.

Borough continue their pre-season build on Saturday when Chesham United are their visitors.

Next Thursday they begin their defence of the Harrow Senior Cup when they face Northwood at Earlsmead in the semi-finals.

The competition itself gets underway on Tuesday when Edgware Town meet Rayners Lane at the White Lion ground.

The final is scheduled for Saturday August 3 at Earlsmead, with the 3rd and 4th place play-off taking place at the White Lion ground on Sunday August 4.

## Fixtures

Thursday July 25  
Official Earlsmead Stand Opening: Harrow Borough v QPR (Earlsmead, 7.30pm)

Saturday July 27  
Friendlies: Harrow Borough v Chesham Utd (Earlsmead, 3pm); Abingdon Town v Wealdstone; Leyton Pennant v Wembley

Tuesday July 30  
Harrow Senior Cup: Edgware Town v Rayners Lane (White Lion ground, 7.30pm)

Friendly: London Colney v Wembley

Wednesday July 31  
Friendly: Wealdstone v Sutton Utd (White Lion ground, 7.45pm)



Borough's Dave Clarke breaks free in Monday's clash with Spurs.

## Strike duo sign for Wembley

WEMBLEY'S determination to make a quick return to the ICIS League Division One has been emphasised with the signing of two strikers, who scored 70 goals between them last season.

Nelson Kumah, who notched 32 last season, has been snapped up from Kingsbury Town, while 38 goal Keith Boreham has been signed from Windsor and Eton who were promoted

from Division Three.

Wembley manager Glen Charles has also made two notable signings to bolster his defence. Dave Sue has joined the club from neighbours Edgware Town, and Simon Lane has signed from Hitchin Town.

Only Youssef Sakhraoui from last season's relegated squad has not returned to Vale Farm for the new campaign.

## Big crowd see Spurs pipped by Borough

A BUMPER gate of 1017 fans were at Earlsmead on Monday to see Harrow Borough begin their pre-season friendlies with an exciting and well deserved 1-0 victory over Tottenham Hotspur Reserves.

The Spurs side, managed by Irish international Chris

Hughton, included three under-21 internationals and five players with first team experience.

In the Borough side were keeper Neil Finn, on loan from West Ham, who was in for the injured David Hook, along with new defenders Paul Benning, formerly with Sutton, Chesham and Aylesbury, and Colin Day, formerly with Hayes. Also back after a season with Chesham was Paul McKay.

The only goal of the game came in the 62nd minute when Lee Enderby was brought down in the area by Jason Cundy's mistimed tackle. Enderby took the spot kick, which was parried by the keeper, but John Hurlock followed up to shoot home the rebound.

Spurs squandered the chance of an equaliser in the 75th minute after Benning fouled Finn in the area. Finn's spot kick was pushed away by Finn.

In the closing seconds Brian Jones almost got a second for Borough, his 25 yard drive being tipped onto the bar by the diving keeper.

Grant Robinson came on as a substitute for Borough - his first appearance since suffering a horrendous injury at Purfleet last season.

Harrow Borough: Finn, Clarke (Appiah), James (Solomon), Benning, Dowie (Benstead), Day (Robinson), Jones, Metcalfe, Hurlock, Xavier, Enderby (McKay).

Borough striker Nko Ekoku will be out of action for six weeks after fracturing a wrist in a 2-0 win over Hillingdon Borough in a training match. Ekoku and Carlton Thomas scored the goals.

## Shaftesbury land Mini Games gold

SHAFTESBURY Special School struck gold for Harrow in the 'Mini Games' at Crystal Palace when they won the skittles competition.

Also competing for the borough at the Games were Grimsdyke first and middle school in the new image rugby, St Teresa's RC first and middle school in the mixed 5-a-side football, a mixed netball team from Weald middle school, a swimming team from various schools under the direction of Harrow and Wealdstone Swimming Club coach Dawn Cowling, and an indoor athletics team from Glebe first and middle schools under their teacher and borough organiser, Diane Owen.

In the Heathrow Youth Games at Crystal Palace, Harrow gained individual swimming golds through Philip Turner in the under-15 boys 50m freestyle and Naomi Jacobs in the partially sighted 50m freestyle, an athletics gold through Luke Rosendale in the discus and an individual gymnastics gold through Gaby Fuchs.

Athletics silvers were won by Anne Steele in the 200m and James Otim in the 800m for learning disabilities. Louise Bell won a swimming bronze in the 50m backstroke and the under-15 boys relay team of John McCormack, Philip Turnham, Clive Musson and Daniel Prazier also took bronze.

Overall, Harrow were 18th in the Games.

## Greeks join Towers in Sainsbury's Classic

LONDON Towers have confirmed that the Green team, Peristeri will take part in the Sainsbury's Classic Cola Tournament at Wembley Arena on September 7 and 8.

Greece has the best basketball league in Europe and see some of their top players drafted into NBA teams every year.

London Towers coach Kevin Cadle is look-

ing forward to playing a team from the country which produces such great basketball. "I'm excited to be playing against a team from one of the toughest conferences and from a superb basketball country such as Greece," he said.

Tickets for the Sainsbury's Classic Cola tournament are now available from the Wembley box office on 900 1234

## Lane break new ground

RAYNERS Lane boss Fergus Mcaney is hoping that the club's move into the Premier Division of the Middlesex County League will have the effect of attracting more local soccer talent to Lucas Avenue.

In the past the long distances travelled by the club in the Hellenic League have been a decided turn off to prospective new players.

Lane are training from 7pm each Tuesday and Thursday and Fergus will be delighted to see any players who would like to join the club. Just turn up, or ring him on 422 5508.

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