

SPORT

Ex-QPR ace in charge at Broadfields

FORMER Queens Park Rangers and England international, Ian Dawes, has taken over as player-manager of Harrow's Broadfields United FC, who are beginning their first season in the Premier Division of the Middlesex County League. His assistant is the former Watford and Peterborough player, Johnny Johnson. Broadfields started their campaign with a 2-1 win over Ealing Shamrock last Saturday, with on-loan Wealdstone striker, Lee Walker, notching one of their goals. This Saturday they have a tough home game against League Cup holders, Willesden Constantine.



How's that for starters? Karl Thomas (no 9) receives the congratulations of his teammates after scoring Edgware's opening goal in their 5-2 defeat of Horsham on Saturday. Match report on page 119.

The 'big three' are back to boost Towers' hopes for new season

EXIDE London Towers have re-signed the 'big three' from last season's squad, star American Danny Lewis, Karl Brown and England international, Neville Austin.

It was this combination that helped the Towers to their double success last season, winning the Budweiser Championship title for the first time and the 7 UP Trophy for the third successive year.

27 year old guard, Lewis, whose memorable two free throws in the dying seconds of the game won the Budweiser final against the Leopards, will start his fourth season for the Towers.

He has been voted into the League's All Star team for the last three years.

England starting centre Austin, 29, will be spearheading the offence and anchoring the defence under the basket in his third season for Towers.

30 year old guard, Brown, was Towers' major domestic signing last summer from Leopards. He made notable contributions to the season and was voted MVP in the Budweiser Championship final.

Said Towers coach Kevin Cadle: "Hopefully by keeping the nucleus of last year's squad we can go into this year's European Cup and domestic

competitions with more experience, which should hold us in good stead."

The Towers players are currently training in Italy before taking part in the International Tournament in Groningen, Holland, on August 29/30.

They then contest the Sainsbury's Classic Tournament at Wembley Arena on September 6/7.

The first home league game for Towers is against Chester Jets on Sunday September 14, tip off 6.30pm.

Tickets are available from the ticket hotline on 0990 232 052 or Wembley box office on 0181 900 1234.

Latest league tables

Premier Division		w		d		l		f		a		p		g	
Club	Pts	W	D	L	F	A	P	G	A	P	G	A	P	G	A
Sutton Utd.	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Heybridge	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chesham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dagenham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barnes	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enfield	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walton & H.	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wokingham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grays	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carshalton	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St Albans	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bishop Cleeve	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dulwich Ham.	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bromley	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yeading	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hitchin	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Purfleet	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harrow Boro.	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quax	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division One		w		d		l		f		a		p		g	
Club	Pts	W	D	L	F	A	P	G	A	P	G	A	P	G	A
Billerica	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chertsey	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leatherhead	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hampton	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bognor	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grays	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Romford	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wembley	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Croydon	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maldenhead	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alingham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adleshott	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Molesey	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Worthing	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whyteleafe	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Thame	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leighton	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uxbridge	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staines	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wokingham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Berkhamsted	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division Two		w		d		l		f		a		p		g	
Club	Pts	W	D	L	F	A	P	G	A	P	G	A	P	G	A
Braintree	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carvey Is.	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Met Police	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wivenhoe	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grays	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Edgware	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harefield	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tring	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheshunt	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leighton	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wealdstone	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bedford	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barking	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwood	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chalfont St P.	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leighton	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bracknell	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tisbury	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Egham	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barnet	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hemel Hempstead	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

10-man Stones take revenge for cup final defeat

Wealdstone 2 Leighton Town 1
WEALDSTONE took sweet revenge over Leighton on Tuesday for last season's Associate Members Trophy Final defeat - and they did it with only ten men, writes Graham Smith.

They played most of the second half without a full complement after having Paul Lamb sent off in the 59th minute. He got his marching orders for butting Warner in retaliation after being kicked by the Leighton player who was not even spoken to by the referee who awarded the visitors a penalty for the incident, which was converted by Olds.

That cut a two goal Wealdstone lead to 2-1, and although Stones later went close through Terry Hibbert and Keith Boreham, it was Leighton who upped their game. However, courageous Stones defended well to hold out and gain their first Division Two win.

In the first half Wealdstone took the lead in the 23rd minute when a long clearance from Noel Imber found Simon Garner who went inside his marker and hit a fine shot past ex Hendon keeper Tony Wells.

Their second goal came right on half time when Leighton defender Henry met a Garner cross and sent a flying header past his own keeper.

Wealdstone: Imber, Bowder, Galloway, Moore, Atkins, Marsall, Lamb, McKay, Boreham (Sterling), Garner (Hibbert), Bircham.

MIDFIELDER Brian Jones has left Harrow Borough and signed for neighbours, Wealdstone.

Jones, who joined Borough from Combined Counties League side Bedfont, 18 months ago, was transfer listed by the Earlsmead outfit last season.

He now links up again with Gordon Bartlett, who was in charge at Yeading when Jones had a spell at the Warren three years ago. Stones have put him on contract.

Jones is the second player to leave Earlsmead this week, following the departure of striker Eddie Mee, who has joined Wembley. He spent the early part of last season on loan to the Lions from Hayes.

Mark Xavier could be the next to depart. The 27 year old striker was transfer listed at his own request last season and continues to remain unsettled.

Borough will be looking for an appropriate fee for the player who has scored 55 goals in 121 appearances for the club.

Borough look to take their first points of the season when they take on newly pro-

moted Walton and Hershaw at Earlsmead on Saturday.

Wealdstone are at home to Bracknell Town and will be without their influential skipper Fergus Moore, who is attending a wedding.

He will be back for Tuesday's big clash with landlords, Edgware Town, in the Guardian Insurance Cup at the White Lion.

Stones will be looking for revenge for the Middlesex Charity Cup defeat they suffered at the hands of the Wares last season.

Wealdstone keeper Darren Bonfield is likely to be out for a month after turning an ankle. Noel Imber, on loan from Chelsea, will deputise.

Wembley are at home to Molesey on Saturday and will be boosted by the return after suspension of striker Bradley Anderson.

But skipper Ian Bates will be missing. He has two more matches of a four game ban to serve.

Captain Paul McCluskey missed Edgware's opener with Horsham but was available for last night's (Wednesday's) visit to Windsor.



Gone - Brian Jones.



Going? Mark Xavier.

Kingsbury thwarted by last minute controversy

Hertford 4 Kingsbury Town 2
LOSING 3-2, Kingsbury looked set to get the chance to level when a great run by Vernon Nelson was halted when he was upended in the penalty area a minute from time on Tuesday.

But the referee amazingly waved away Town's appeals and while they continued to protest, Hertford broke away to clinch the match with a fourth goal, scored by Dave Whitehead.

Town made a poor start to the game, losing possession in only the 2nd minute for Mick Jarrett to score Hertford's opener.

Stuart Jones got a second after 30 minutes and Mark Das notched a third four minutes later but Kingsbury were given hope right on half time when Damien Gillespie put Randall Ambersley clear to lob keeper Bozier and open the visitors' account.

Nelson's superb lobbed shot from a Sean Loughlin cross made it 3-2 after 79 minutes but the home clinched a fortunate win following the late 'penalty that wasn't given' incident.

Kingsbury: Davies, D.O'Rourke (Nelson), Evans, Loughlin, Gillespie, Keane, Morris, Kenny, Barry, Ambersley, Kumah. Other sub: McGrath.

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Woodwork woe forces the Lions to settle for a point

Wembley 0 Whyteleafe 0
WEEMBLEY were denied three times by the woodwork at Vale Farm on Tuesday night, but they can have few complaints at having to share the points, writes John Comfort.

Whyteleafe were worth their draw, and had their finishing been of any substance, they could easily have won, as a series of clear headed chances remarkably all failed to find the target.

Wembley's first brush with the woodwork came after just a minute when Chris Toussaint fired a near post cross as Ashley Combert

onto an upright and wide. Midway through the half Carlton Mitchell's thumping drive was turned onto a post by diving keeper Danny Rose, and in the second half Sean Fleming sent a speculative 30 yard effort onto the Whyteleafe crossbar.

In between, the visitors carved out chances but thankfully for Wembley had little idea as to the whereabouts of the net and a goalless draw was perhaps the most likely, and most appropriate, outcome.

Wembley: Miller, Cumberbatch, Fleming, Walters, Ross, Smith, Mitchell, Elliott, Williams, Sardi (Mee), Toussaint (Thompson). Other sub: Dookway.

Wasps turn on style

WASPS looked very sharp at Watford's Vicarage Road ground on Saturday when they won 43-26 in a pre season friendly against Saracens, writes Alan Bodenham.

Falling behind to a Chris Chesney try after 15 minutes, they responded with a three-try burst in the space of 10 minutes to set up a

good half time lead. First Nick Greenstock powered over, then Shane Roiser scored after collecting John Ufton's kick ahead, and soon after Kenny Logan, sprinted in from inside his own half.

The fitness levels of the champions were stretched to the limit in the searing heat but all looks to be well

on that particular front. Wasps continued to press and Alex King capped a fine performance with a try and Peter Scrivener added two more.

Wasps were due to play Coventry in a friendly at Sudbury this Saturday but injury problems have forced the midlands club to cry off.

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