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Dallaglio is new England captain

WASPS skipper Lawrence Dallaglio has been named as the new England captain for the match against Australia at Twickenham on November 15, pipping Leicester's British Lions skipper, Martin Johnson, for the top job.

Dallaglio, who succeeds Bath's Phil De Glanville, took over as Wasps skipper two years ago when Dean Ryan left for Newcastle.

He is only the third Wasp to captain England. The others were Rob Andrew and the club's current Director of Rugby, Nigel Melville.

By Alan Bodenham

Said Melville on Dallaglio's appointment: "He has done a great job for Wasps and I am sure he will do a great job for England."

With two losses on the trot and a growing injury list Wasps find themselves in an unfamiliar position as they prepare for the visit of Sale to Loftus Road on Sunday, kick off 3pm.

"We have to rediscover our killer instinct," said Nigel Melville.

This was the message he delivered during a post match roasting he gave to the players in the dressing room after the defeat at London Irish and he will continue to reinforce this at every training session this week.

Scrum half Martyn Wood is set for a long run because Andy Gomarsall is not expected back in action until after the new year following an operation on a back injury.

The news is better concerning fly half Alex King. He expects to be

back in action for the European Cup quarter final on November 9.

The big question for Melville this week is how to cover that fly half position. He may elect to switch Gareth Rees from full back. The Canadian international prefers this position. This would mean either Kenny Logan or Paul Sampson filling in the full back berth.

There is a doubt about winger Shane Roiser. He picked up a hamstring injury and will undergo a fitness test.



New England captain Lawrence Dallaglio - only the third Wasp to captain England.

Injury time goal stuns Wealdstone

Wealdstone 1 Banstead Ath 1
A GOAL five minutes into injury time denied Wealdstone victory on Tuesday night, writes Graham Smith.

The game had an eventful opening with Fergus Moore having a header cleared off the line in the very first minute and then four minutes later Roy Marshall brought down Banstead's Kilpatrick in the box only for Ward to blast over the resultant penalty kick.

Dennis Greene made his long awaited debut for Stones and he should have crowned it with a goal just before the break from a Brian Jones corner but he failed to find the target.

After the break Steve Kelly soon got into the action, his good cross finding Jones whose effort was just wide.

At the other Ian Waugh lost possession to York but Noel Imber came to the rescue with a good save.

Stones got on top with efforts from Chris Walton and Steve Bircham going close and with 64 minutes gone they finally went in front, a good move involving Waugh, Kelly and Jones, ending with substitute Keith Borcham shooting into the empty net.

Only the bar denied Borcham a second goal five minutes later, but Stones still appeared to have the points in the bag. But then deep into time added on for no apparent reason, Banstead won a corner from which Kilpatrick hit the crossbar and Vassell hit in the rebound to give the visitors a last gasp equaliser.

Wealdstone: Imber, Lamb, Sterling (Kelly), Moore, Waugh, Marshall, Walton (Jones), Greene (Gataire), Bircham (Borcham), McKay.

Lions cup clash off

WEMBLEY'S Isthmian Full Members Cup match against Billericay on Tuesday was postponed because of their opponent's involvement in an FA Cup replay with Camberley.

Fireworks at the Borough

HARROW Borough FC will be staging a Fantasy Fireworks Display at their Earlsmead, South Harrow, ground on Wednesday November 5. Gates open at 7pm, display starts at 8pm.

Admission is £4 for adults, £2 for children under 14. Family tickets (2 adults, 2 children) are £10 in advance from the club, telephone 422 5221.

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It's all light on night for Borough!

HARROW Borough finally got their ill-fated FA Trophy replay at Weston Super Mare played on Tuesday night, but not without further drama - a floodlight failure.

Following last week's debacle when the non appearance of their coach resulted in the tie being

postponed and the club having to sweat it out before the Football Association gave them a reprieve by deciding that the game should be replayed, Borough were decidedly relieved when their transport arrived on time on Tuesday and they made it to Somerset after an uneventful three hour journey.

But when the game got underway, only 33 minutes had been played when half the floodlights went out, threatening the travelling Earlsmead faithful with the prospect of abandonment and, for some, a possible third trip to Somerset.

However, referee Steve Dunn,

well known in the Premiership, took the players off and then showed great patience while waiting for an Electricity Board electrician to appear to rectify the problem.

After an hour and five minutes the lighting was totally restored, the game resumed and Borough

went on to win 2-1.

Said Borough football director Peter Rogers: "You could say this game was fated. I had visions of us not completing it, but fortunately the referee stuck with it when the lights went out and it all worked out for us in the end."

Seaside stroll in Trophy replay as Dowie's men book date with Molesey

Weston Super Mare 1 Harrow Borough 2

BOROUGH eased comfortably through this FA Trophy replay on Tuesday night to earn themselves a second qualifying round tie at home to Molesey on November 8, writes Simon Grigor.

In the first game at Earlsmead, Harrow had allowed the Dr Mariens League side to gain the early initiative. They ensured it did not happen in this game.

The visitors pressed forward from the kick off and Mark Xavier had already forced Jones to tip over a cross shot before Borough went ahead following their second corner in the 7th minute. David Clarke's flag kick skimmed off the head of Weston's Beattie and Steve Butler met the deflection to power in a header.

Borough continued to dominate, forcing a succession of corners. Gavin, Butler, Metcalfe and Webster all had efforts saved or just off target and a good looking penalty appeal was turned down on 30 minutes when Jones upend-

ed Butler as he took the ball round him.

When play resumed after the floodlights failure, Borough's dominance continued, with Rutherford having a shot saved and as the half closed Gavin's effort was cleared with the keeper beaten.

The red superiority continued in the second half and it was no surprise when a second goal arrived in the 50th minute. Rutherford, having perhaps his best game for Harrow, made a surging run past two defenders. His shot was blocked, as was Xavier's follow up, but Gavin was on hand to fire home his first 'non headed' goal for Borough.

Borough's rearguard had snuffed out all home attacks but with three minutes left Morgan was sent through to round David Hook and reduce the arrears for Weston.

Hook had to make one late save but the game ended with Borough still in charge.

Harrow Borough: Hook, Clarke, Ekoku, Court, Webster, Paris, Rutherford, Metcalfe, Gavin, Xavier (Denny). **Butler.** Other subs: Dowie.



Some fancy hand and footwork from Edgware's Steve Newing (right) and Tooting's Gary Cassar in Saturday's game at the White Lion ground.

Kingsbury keep their cup hopes alive

Kingsbury Town 3 Beaconsfield 1

WITH October not yet up, Kingsbury looked to be heading out of their last cup competition of the season when they trailed Beaconsfield by a single goal at half time in the Middlesex Charity Cup, and gave every indication that they

were going to concede more, writes John Comfort.

But against the odds they clawed their way back and three second half goals disposed of their Spartan South Midlands League rivals and gave them an away tie with Ashford in the next round.

Although Mitchell Morris

headed an early Town chance onto the bar, it was the visitors who looked the more lively side and they opened the scoring after 27 minutes. Mike Gordon putting Simon Sweeney through to beat Alex Butcher.

Only good work by Butcher prevented Gordon adding to the lead before the break and the keeper did exceptionally well early in the second half, blocking Thompson's close range shot and Sweeney's follow up effort.

But on the hour Town surprisingly levelled. Vernon Nelson crossing for Tyrone Jones to fire past Killick, and

although Sweeney rattled the home bar a minute later, Kingsbury struck again in the 70th minute. Randall Ambersley hooking the ball in after Killick mis-punched a Darren Barry cross.

Kingsbury sealed victory with seven minutes left.

When Ambersley put Jones through, Killick came to the edge of his area to block his shot, but the Town striker regained possession, spun round Killick to cleverly make space for himself and made no mistake with his second effort.

Kingsbury: Butcher, Loughlin, Gillespie, Kenny (Kelly), Stewart, Morris, O'Rourke, Ambersley, Jones, Barry, Nelson. **Other subs:** Hughes, Hamilton.

Soccer fixtures

Thursday October 30 Football Combination: OPR v Oxford Utd (Earlsmead, 7pm). Saturday November 1 FA Vase first round: Whitton Utd v Wealdstone; Wootton Blue Cross v Edgware Town. Isthmian League Premier Div: Harrow Borough v Heybridge Swifts (Earlsmead, 3pm).	Isthmian League Div One: Wembley v Croydon (Vale Farm, 3pm). Tuesday November 4 Middlex Senior Cup: Wealdstone v Ashford Town (White Lion ground, 7.45pm). Wednesday November 5 Middlex Senior Cup: Feltham v Wembley.
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Vase action for Wares, Stones

EDGWARE and Wealdstone are both in action in the first round of the FA Vase on Saturday, the Wares visiting United Counties League club, Wootton Blue Cross, near Bedford, while Stones journey to Ipswich to face Whitton United of the Eastern Counties League.

Although Graham Ash took a knock against Tooting, he is expected to fit for an Edgware side that otherwise has a clean bill of health for their tie.

Recently arrived Dennis Greene is ineligible for Wealdstone's tie but they have no injury problems and will be expected to go through.

If Edgware require a replay, it will take

place at the White Lion ground on Tuesday evening. If Wealdstone are taken to a replay, it will be at the White Lion on Wednesday.

Wealdstone have released both Gary Borcham and Steve Atkins. The latter has joined Cheshunt.

Suspended Darren Coleman misses Harrow Borough's league match at home to Heybridge Swifts, while Sean James is still struggling with a hamstring injury. Jon-Barrie Bates is in line for a place after being ineligible for the Trophy replay at Weston.

Wembley will be looking to end their lean spell when they take on Croydon at Vale Farm.