

# SPORT

## Christmas cracker!

### All set for big Stones v Wares clash

EDGWARE and Wealdstone clash in what is certain to be a real Christmas cracker of a derby game at the White Lion ground on Saturday.

The bitter rivals have already met once this season, Stones winning 1-0 in the Guardian Insurance Cup, and as well as their two league meetings, the sides could also face each other again in the Associate Members Trophy - if the Wares won their tie at Ford United, which was belatedly rescheduled for last night (Wednesday).

The Wealdstone line-up will be strengthened by the return of skipper Fergus Moore and midfielder Steve Bircham after serving suspensions, and keeper Noel Imber is expected to have recovered from injury.

but Simon Garner is again unavailable.

If Edgware played at Ford last night, both Lee Smart and Steve Hurd will be available after completing bans.

However, if they did not play, only Hurd of the duo will be free to face Stones.

Steve Newing is the only injury doubt for the Wares.

Harrow Borough will be without Jason Court, Alan Paris and Steve Butler, who are all suspended, for their home game with Dulwich.

But they will have David Clarke back after serving his ban and John Hurluck should have recovered from flu.

Wembley, who have no game on Saturday, have put unsettled midfielder Sofiane Sardi on the transfer list.

#### Juniors can bring friend free for derby

JUNIOR Wealdstone fans are being invited to bring along a friend or friends for Saturday's important derby match with Edgware Town.

They will be allowed in free, receive a gift, and will get a free ticket for a half time draw for which there are ten prizes. The club hopes to have a surprise guest along from Lapland to hand out the prizes.

Membership to the Junior Stones is free and open to boys and girls aged 6-14 years. Memberships forms will be available at the gate on Saturday, or call Paul Fruin on 01895 636609 for further details.

#### Soccer fixtures

Saturday December 20	Lion ground, 3pm.
Ryman League Premier Div:	Ryman League Div Three:
Harrow Borough v Dulwich Hamlet (Eastmead, 3pm)	Ware v Kingsbury Town.
Ryman League Div Two:	Middx County League:
Wealdstone v Edgware Town (White)	Broadfields Utd v Rayners Lane.

## A point for Borough after they let a two goal lead slip away

**Purfleet 2 Harrow Borough 2**  
PLAYING their second match in Essex in three days, Borough returned with a point this time after letting slip a two goal lead, writes Tony Booth.

It was Borough who had the advantage of the biting gale force wind in the first half and

it must have encouraged Ian Rutherford for in the 5th minute he tried a 25 yard shot from Steve Butler's pass and the ball flew into the top corner of the Purfleet net to put the visitors in front.

The lead was doubled with a picture goal after 29 minutes. Kenny Webster's free kick was headed down by Pat

Gavin and Butler slid in to divert the ball into the net from 10 yards.

Borough really needed a third goal to seal their advantage but it never arrived and the tide began to turn in the 52nd minute when David Hook came out to block Gentle's shot.

But the home striker had better luck in the next minute when he netted in a goalmouth scramble to reduce the deficit after Hook had done well to keep out Southoh's shot.

Paris and Metcalfe all had shooting opportunities for Borough but were off target before, with nine minutes to go, Ryan's cross saw McFarlane dive in at the far post to head Purfleet level.

Although this stung Borough back into action, Darren Coleman squandered their best chance of a winner, heading Rutherford's cross over from close range.

**Harrow Borough:** Hook, Paris, James, Issott, Webster, Coleman, Rutherford (Bates), Metcalfe, Gavin, Xavier, Butler. Other subs: Marshall, Denny.

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## Town are in turmoil after 10-0 cup humiliation

THERE was a question mark over the future of Kingsbury Town manager Peter Blain on Tuesday after the Silver Jubilee Park outfit suffered a humiliating 10-0 defeat at the hands of Combined Counties League cham-

pions, Ashford Town, in the Middlesex Charity Cup. "It was the worst display by any Kingsbury side that I can remember," said club chairman, Allan Davies. "Peter is very despondent but he is

doing the best he can in the circumstances and the players really let him down in this game. "We'll now be sitting down and talking about things and see where we go from here."

## Back to drawing board for Lions

**Abingdon Town 2 Wembley 0**  
LOWLY Wembley thought their luck had changed after Saturday's win over Croydon, but, after Tuesday night's inept display at Abingdon, it looks as if it's back to the drawing board, writes Richard Markiewicz.

Having played several more matches than their fellow relegation candidates, losing to Abingdon was not a very wise thing for Wembley to do and they will be very disappointed that they did not play better.

However, they had no excuses. Their general football ability was pretty poor. Abingdon were no better but they looked to be the more likely team to score and did so following a couple of defensive errors.

Lee Ward failed to gather Ben Border's

awkward cross cleanly and Chris Ferdinand slammed home the loose ball to give Abingdon a 30th minute lead.

A woeful pass from Ian Bates, who could have altered the complexion of the contest, had he not fluffed a good chance early in the first half, was intercepted by Border who ran almost half the length of the pitch before planting in Abingdon's second goal in the 52nd minute.

Belatedly the visitors got their act together but apart from a great shot on the turn from Les Thompson which struck the underside of the crossbar, they did not look like redressing the balance.

**Wembley:** Ward, Dee (Mee), Fleming, Walters, Scott, Elliott, Smith ( Burgess), Bates, Altinok, Thompson, Mitchell, Other sub: Walsh.

## Stones shrug off Vase woe to end Horsham jinx

**Horsham 0 Wealdstone 2**  
WEALDSTONE swiftly shrugged off the disappointment of Saturday's FA Vase defeat to record their first ever win at Horsham on Tuesday night, writes Graham Smith.

The home side made the brighter start but two good saves from Darren Bonfield kept the scores level, and after Stones had weathered the storm, they twice went close to scoring themselves through Brian Jones.

After the break Stan Bowder put Dennis Greene clear only for the striker to shoot well over the bar.

But in the 66th minute the visitors finally broke the deadlock. Greene's cross was pulled back too far for Jones but man of the match Bowder was on hand to follow up and score his first goal for the club.

Now well on top and playing some fine football, Wealdstone clinched victory with a second goal seven minutes from time. Steve Bircham found Greene who turned to place a perfect ball into the path of Jones and he coolly slotted past the home keeper.

In the last five minutes Green and Paul Lamb both squandered good chances to have made the final scoreline more emphatic.

**Wealdstone:** Bonfield, Bowder, Lamb, Corbould, Waugh, Marshall, Walton, Jones (Beckett), Bircham (Sterling), Greene, McKay.

**Chris in league team**  
HARROW Borough's Chris Metcalfe played for the Ryman League XI in their 0-2 defeat by an FA XI at Kingstonian last Wednesday.

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## Towers at end of Euro road

LONDON Towers completed a bitterly disappointing European Cup campaign on Tuesday night when they lost 71-64 to Rhodorf in Germany.

Karl Brown (16pts) and James Hamilton (13) top scored for Towers as they suffered their ninth defeat from their ten qualifying group matches - their only success coming against Milan, way back in September.

## Caribbean Night with Gus

TO celebrate his recall to the England cricket team, fast bowler, Angus Fraser, will be hosting a Caribbean Night in Harrow Rugby Club's Grove Field clubhouse in Wood Lane, Stanmore on Saturday, from 7.30pm.

Tickets for the evening, which includes a Caribbean curry and music, can be obtained from Warren Baker on 01923 662007.



John Coleman, back in action for Edgware against Bracknell on Saturday after a long injury absence. But it was a losing return as Wares went down 1-0.



Ian Rutherford - scored Borough's early opener.

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