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13 lucky for new champ Masarati

Piers Masarati.

PINNER racing driver, Piers Masarati, clinched the Pirelli Porsche Cup Class Two Championship in the 13th and final round on Sunday at Thruxton.

In front of a big crowd, the final race of a demanding season was played out in autumn sunshine on one of the fastest circuits on the Cup calendar.

Masarati was the fastest in qualification in his Hewlett Packard/SST/Voyager backed Porsche 968CS and claimed a vital extra championship point for taking pole position. It meant that he only needed to finish second to clinch the title.

Championship rival Mike Salmon of Newbury did all he could by leading from start to finish, but Masarati contented himself with sitting behind him throughout to take second spot, not needing to risk an overtaking move.

"I just cruised around," said Masarati. "I really wanted to win the race as well but the championship was more important. It's been a really good year."

Extra time Cup exit for Lions

Wembley 1 Wivenhoe Town 2

PARTICIPATION in the supplementary cup competitions organised by the Isthmian League is not one of Wembley's favourite activities and so it proved again on Tuesday as they tamely bowed out in extra time at the first round stage of the Vandanel Associate Members Trophy.

By Richard Markiewicz

It was overall a fairly dire contest, played in front of one of the smallest crowds to witness a competitive fixture at Vale Farm.

A cold and windy autumnal evening did not help either.

However, it appeared that Wembley had control of matters, particularly after they had taken the lead in the 38th minute, Gavin Lindsay scoring with a sweetly struck low 18 yard drive, after a neat one-two with David Kellman had opened up the visitors' defence.

Ben Flynn almost netted a second goal just after the break but saw his strike, following Leon Woodruffe's corner, cleared off the line as the Lions prepared to build on their lead.

But then suddenly things went astray.

An unnecessary on-the-field argument between a couple of Wembley players resulted in the home side losing their composure and in the 51st minute they allowed the unmarked Alan Day to score an equaliser from close range.

A couple of enforced substitutions later, Wembley completely lost their shape and their interest waned.

Apart from a Woodruffe effort, from an Ian Bates through pass, which the on-rushing keeper quickly snuffed out, and an awkward free header from Day which the fully stretched Wembley keeper, Keita Karamoko, superbly pushed aside, neither side looked capable of adding to the scoreline.

The tie thus entered extra time and appeared to be heading for a penalty shoot-out.

But then five minutes from the end Wivenhoe broke the deadlock by snatching a winner, Day popping up to convert a Danny Roberts cross.

Wembley: Karamoko, Readings, Harewood, Flynn (McCarthy), Schwarz, Lindsay (Keane), Bates, Harper (Latty), Kellman, Henderson, Woodruffe.

League tables

RYMAN LEAGUE

Premier Division

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Enfield	11	8	2	1	27	18	26
Dagenham	10	7	2	1	19	6	23
St Albans	10	7	2	1	18	8	23
Canvey	11	7	2	2	17	10	23
Dulwich H.	11	7	1	3	26	13	22
Slough	11	5	4	2	17	9	19
Farnboro'	12	4	5	3	16	11	17
Hitchin	11	5	2	4	18	20	17
Aldershot	10	5	0	5	17	16	15
Chesham	12	4	3	5	17	17	15
Billericay	11	4	3	4	14	21	15
Hampton	12	3	5	4	13	12	14
Hendon	10	4	1	5	16	19	13
Walton	13	3	4	6	15	24	13
Purfleet	11	3	4	4	15	[illegible]	[illegible]
Harrow B	11	2	5	4	12	[illegible]	[illegible]
Berkhamsted	12	3	3	6	8	22	12
Aylesbury	12	2	3	7	23	30	9
Camberley	11	0	3	8	12	30	3
Heavter R.	11	3	2	6	10	17	11
Gravesend	11	1	5	5	9	13	8
Heybridge	11	1	3	7	15	22	6

Division One

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Croydon	10	7	1	2	19	9	22
Braintree	11	6	2	3	18	13	20
Whyteleafe	10	5	3	2	14	9	18
Bedford	12	5	3	4	17	16	18
Leyton P.	12	5	3	4	17	18	18
Grays	10	5	2	3	22	11	17
Thame	11	4	3	3	15	9	16
Staines	10	4	4	2	14	14	16
Maidenhead	9	3	5	1	16	11	14
Worthing	9	4	2	3	15	14	14
Barton	10	3	5	2	16	16	14
Leatherhead	11	3	4	4	12	14	13
Yeading	12	3	4	5	13	21	13
Wealdstone	8	3	2	3	8	7	12
Bromley	8	4	0	4	12	16	12
Harlow	11	2	5	4	20	21	11
Uxbridge	10	3	2	5	10	14	11
Oxford C.	9	3	1	5	10	11	10
Romford	8	3	0	5	14	15	9
Bishops St.	10	2	2	6	12	25	8
Dogmer	8	2	1	5	9	9	7
Chertsey	11	1	3	7	12	22	6

Division Two

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Ford	11	8	2	1	31	11	26
Marlow	10	8	1	1	19	8	25
Hemel H.	11	7	2	2	29	10	23
Northwood	9	7	1	1	28	11	22
Windsor	13	6	4	3	23	11	22
Wokingham	14	6	4	4	22	20	22
Berkhamsted	9	7	0	2	23	9	21
Wingate	9	6	2	1	18	12	20
Edgware	12	4	6	2	21	13	18
Wivenhoe	11	5	3	3	19	15	18
Wembley	9	4	3	2	16	10	15
Met Police	11	4	3	4	18	20	15
Tooting	11	4	1	6	18	22	13
Barking	11	3	4	4	16	20	13
Banstead	12	3	3	6	18	25	12
Chesham	9	3	2	4	17	14	11
Hungerford	12	2	3	7	14	23	9
Horsham	11	2	3	6	12	24	9
Leighton	12	2	1	9	15	28	7
Molesey	12	0	5	7	8	22	5
Witham	10	1	1	8	7	40	4
Chalfont	9	0	0	9	6	30	0

Division Three

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Q Wahring	12	8	2	2	24	11	26
Croydon Ath.	12	7	2	3	29	18	23
Hornchurch	10	6	4	0	17	10	22
Aveley	8	6	2	0	23	16	20
S Thurrock	10	6	1	3	24	20	19
Tilbury	12	5	3	4	19	15	18
Corin C.	8	5	2	1	17	7	17
Berkhamsted	10	5	1	4	18	11	17
Lewes	9	4	3	2	18	13	15
Dorking	9	4	2	3	16	12	14
Ware	10	4	1	5	20	19	13
Hertford	10	4	1	5	14	14	13
Southall	10	3	3	4	15	19	12
Egham	11	3	2	6	16	14	11
Clapton	10	3	0	7	14	25	9
Tring	11	3	0	8	7	19	9
Abingdon	11	2	2	7	13	23	8
Camberley	9	2	2	5	8	18	8
Epsom	9	1	4	4	13	16	7
Kingsbury	10	1	2	7	9	26	5
Rickmansw.	7	1	1	5	11	20	4

Banned trio are back for Borough

HARROW Borough's banned trio, Jon-Barrie Bates, Pat Gavin and Mark Cooper, have all completed their suspensions and are available for selection for Saturday's visit to Carshalton.

John Hurlock is also fit and in contention for a place. Matt Pollard will continue in goal for David Hook, as Glen Knight has moved on to Welling.

Borough have released midfielder Mark Jones and he has joined Thame.

Wealdstone have a good opportunity to end their poor league run at bottom of the table Chertsey on Saturday.

On Monday Stones are due to play at Hendon in the Full Members Cup but the game might be called off as the Dons could take up the offer by the Ryman League for clubs involved in FA Cup ties the following Saturday to have a free midweek.

Wealdstone were due to play Whyteleafe on October 30 but as they are in FA Cup action, Stones will now play Uxbridge on home on that date.

Keeper Keita Karamoko is suspended and misses Wembley's home game with league leaders Ford United.

Byron Harper, a striker from Dulwich Hamlet, is Wembley's latest signing. Lee Taylor, who made a brief appearance as a substitute for the Lions against Horsham recently, has left the club and joined Uxbridge.

Edgware are without a match on Saturday but on Tuesday they are at home to in-form Hemel Hempstead. Wares have both Dave Makamian and Glen Parry still struggling with injuries.

Soccer fixtures

Saturday October 23

Ryman League Premier Div: Carshalton Ath v Harrow Borough.

Ryman League Div One: Chertsey Town v Wealdstone.

Ryman League Div Two: Wembley v Ford Utd (Vale Farm, 3pm).

Middx Premier Cup: AEC v Rayners Lane.

Monday October 25

Full Members Cup: Hendon v Wealdstone (supporters should check with club as game could be postponed).

Tuesday October 26

Full Members Cup: Harrow Borough v Chertsey Town (Earlsmead, 7.30pm).

Ryman League Div Two: Berkhamsted Town v Wembley (7.45pm); Edgware Town v Hemel Hempstead (White Lion ground, 7.30pm).

Wednesday October 27

Capital League: Rushden & Diamonds v Harrow Borough.

Lane duo selected

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Cooper storms to victory

BY TONY BUSH

A BRILLIANT under-15 victory by Jason Cooper was the highlight of an excellent start by Harrow Athletic Club to their defence of the Chiltern Cross Country League title at Watford on Saturday.

Jason has missed training recently for personal reasons but he stormed to his first major cross country victory, winning by more than 100 metres.

Gary Harrison also ran well for 4th position, and good support from Craig Turner and Stuart Spencer ensured a narrow two points victory in this age group.

Harrow fielded a record number of 28 runners in the senior/junior race and performed well to place 2nd, just 20 points behind Windsor.

Club secretary Mark Cursons was Harrow's top runner, finished 8th in a record field of 181. Mark Bryant took 12th spot, just one place ahead of 17 year old Adam Bowden.

Middlesex Veterans Champion, Chris Finill, finished an excellent 29th and he was well supported by Matt Nicholls, Alan Wray, Mark McIntosh, Sean Hunt, Steve Hartley and Laurence Rudge, returning to competition after six months in Hong Kong, who all finished in the top 50.

Harrow's Martin Saunders is rapidly returning to last season's form and ran well for 2nd spot in the under-17 race.

Robert Barton gave good support in 14th place but Peter Norris injured his ankle and could place only 17th. Harrow placed 2nd in the team event, anchored by Ryan O'Connor in 20th spot.

Chris Lavey shook off the disappointment of an unfair disqualification in his last outing by finishing a splendid 2nd in the under-13 race.

Nashir Haybe made an impressive debut to place 3rd, just 11 seconds behind Lavey.

Liam O'Connor, who has another two years in this age group, and Steven Hill, gave good support to help Harrow to 2nd in the under-13 team race.

Harrow placings

Senior/junior: **8 Mark Cursons 28.59; 12 Mark Bryant 29.28; 13 Adam Bowden 29.28; 29 Chris Finill 30.46; 33 Matt Nicholls 30.56; 36 Alan Wray 31.09; 38 Mark McIntosh 31.18; 45 Sean Hunt 31.30; 46 Steve Hartley 31.34; 47 Laurence Rudge 31.45; 50 Luke Hunt 31.51; 52 Matthew Bateson 32.09; 55 Graham Edmonds 31.19; 66 Damian Nevins 32.46; 71 Stuart Taylor 32.57; 75 Mike Lepps 33.11; 84 Gareth Noble 33.30; 86 Mohammed Rahim 33.37; 94 Robert Trower 34.21; 98 Geoff Thompson 34.25; 105 Mike Kelly 34.38; 107 Steve Norris 34.55; 114 Chad McLeod 35.31; 120 Ross Bloom 35.58; 138 Mike Green 37.17; 174 David Morren 41.32; 177 Tony Bush 41.55; 180 Ludwig Wilcock-Ryalls 44.11.**

Teams: **Harrow 2nd, Harrow B 7th.**

Under-17: 2 Martin Saunders 22.23; 14 Robert Barton 24.03; 17 Peter Norris 25.11; 20 Ryan O'Connor 26.09; 26 Jon Reid 27.36.

Teams: **Harrow 2nd.**

Under-15: **1 Jason Cooper 16.36; 4 Gary Harrison 17.23; 10 Craig Turner 18.16; 14 Stuart Spencer 18.30; 16 Leon Saunders 18.35; 21 Jon Hickman 18.55; 28 David Sturgess 20.00; 31 Sam Bradley 20.07; 41 Chris Leach 22.30.**

Teams: **Harrow 1st, Harrow B 4th.**

Under-13: **2 Chris Lavey 11.39; 3 Nashir Haybe 11.50; 20 Liam O'Connor 12.44; 23 Steven Hill 12.53; 25 Andrew Colzer 13.04; 29 Peter Linney 13.24; 30 Daniel Valentine 13.24; 31 Ryan Keeble 13.25; 34 Chris Trower 13.33; 45 Ben Lunnon 14.10; 46 Andrew Rose 14.12; 50 Andrew Reape 14.18; 60 David Chaplin 15.24; 61 Jerome Scott-Blount 15.26; 62 Anthony Smith 15.43; 66 Philip Rose 17.19;70 Robert Smith 17.50; 71 James Wells 17.54.**

Teams: **Harrow 2nd, Harrow B 5th, Harrow C 10th, Harrow D 14th.**

Overall team result: **1 Harrow 1951; 2 Milton Keynes 1831; 3 Windsor 1718; 4 Vauxhall 1597; 5 Aylesbury 1469; 6 Watford 1377; 7 Harrow B 1336; 8 Bracknell 1296; 9 Chiltern 1231; 10 Wycombe 1119; 11 Oxford 1089; 12 Leighton Buzzard 937.**

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