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Towers Trophy triumph

Cadle inspires his team to final glory

● London Towers coach Kevin Cadle (right) and some his players bring the 7-UP Trophy back to Wembley after their triumph over Worthing Bears on Saturday. Team captain Roger Duhaney proudly holds the Trophy while Towers American stars Danny Lewis (left) and the final's Most Valuable Player award winner, Tony Windless, complete the line-up. *Picture by Edmond Terakopian.*

25 year wait for first ever honour is over

A 25 YEAR wait has ended for the London Towers! A 90-84 victory over Worthing Bears at the Bimingham NEC on Saturday won them the 7-Up Trophy - the club's first ever domestic honour.

For Towers coach, Kevin Cadle, however, it was a record breaking 19th major trophy in his 12 years in British basketball.

It was Cadle's amazing coaching skills which turned the game on Saturday after Towers had trailed 53-45 at half time. He inspired a superb second half team effort which saw the deficit overhauled and basketball's first trophy of the season secured.

Said Cadle: "First half we were awestruck. We have only three guys who have been in a championship game before and we played like it at the beginning. Second half we wore on them. We were in slightly better condition and with five minutes to go we had the momentum.

"Our organisation is on the map now; yesterday is history."

Cadle ended up a double winner on Saturday. Amidst all the celebrations at the end of the game he asked his girlfriend, singer Pearly Gates, to marry him. She said yes.

Amongst the many Towers heroes on the night were team captain Roger Duhaney, whose success in finally subduing the threat of Worthing's player/coach Colin Irish was the key to victory.

Tony Windless finished the game with 21 points and 14 rebounds and was awarded the Most Valuable Player Award.

He said afterwards: "Some of the players, like me, got a little nervous. Kevin got on me at half time and told me I had to go out and play. And I went out and did."

With one trophy in the bag, Towers will now be aiming to make it three with the addition of the Budweiser League title and the National Cup.

They were at Thames Valley in the Cup quarter finals last night (Wednesday) and return there on Saturday for a League clash, tip off 8pm.

On Sunday the Towers meet Newcastle Comets in the League at Wembley Court, tip off 5pm.

● **Full match report and more pictures from the 7-UP Trophy Final, on page 98.**

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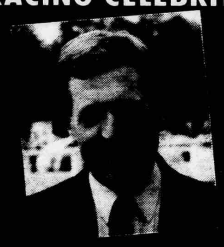

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Call off decision is mist-ifying

THERE was only one word to describe the decision by Ruislip referee Dick Stephen to abandon Tuesday night's Middlesex Senior Cup replay between Wembley and Harrow Borough at fog-shrouded Vale Farm after just 11 minutes - mist-ifying!

Visibility was certainly poor before the kick off and had it been decided not to start the game then few could have argued.

Having given the go-ahead, it seemed Mr Stephen's judgement had been spot-on, for the fog then began to lift.

But after Shaun Fleming had drilled a low shot through the grasp of the diving David Hook in the 8th minute to put Wembley ahead and then two minutes later Sean James had equalised for Borough with a stunning effort from 25 yards, the referee amazingly decided to abandon the game.

The decision baffled players and spectators alike for the conditions were considerably better at that point than they had been at the start.

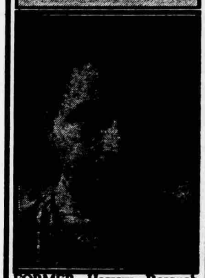
The match is now scheduled to be replayed at Vale Farm this Tuesday, provided that Wembley are not involved in an FA Trophy replay at Kingstonian.

Wealdstone's Carlton Trophy match at Northwood on Tuesday was also a victim of the fog.

Referee Mr A. Harvey of Rickmansworth told players that it was on at 7pm but after they had changed and taken the field 25 minutes later, he changed his mind and the game was abandoned.

The tie has now been rescheduled for Tuesday January 30.

Emmanuel in charge at Northwood



FORMER Harrow Borough midfielder Steve Emmanuel is the new boss at Northwood.

Emmanuel takes over at Chestnut Avenue from ex-Borough reserve team manager, Alan Merison, who has been caretaker boss since the sacking of John Walsh a month ago. Emmanuel's assistant manager will be another ex-Harrow man - Terry Benning.

Town saved by Kumah

KINGSBURY Town picked up a useful point on Saturday when they drew 1-1 at Lewes.

They seemed to be heading for defeat when Sinden broke from his own half and supplied the cross for Stafford Browne to put Lewes ahead in the 85th minute.

However, with three minutes to go Nelson Kumah again proved to be Town's saviour, racing clear to draw the keeper and fire in the equaliser.

Kingsbury: Bonfield, Leslie, Zazzara, Gower, Stewart, N. O'Rourke, Morris, Ash, Hughes, Kumah, Nelson. Subs: Ford, Kenny.

Thick fog caused the postponement of Kingsbury Town's London Senior Cup clash with Hillingdon Borough on Tuesday night. The tie has been rescheduled for Tuesday February 6.

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Lions in uncharted territory

WEMBLEY will be looking to go further than they have ever gone before in the FA Umbro Trophy on Saturday when they take on Premier Division Kingstonian in a first round tie at Vale Farm.

The Lions will be without veteran defender Paul Shields, who is suspended for an accumulation of cautions - a ban which will be further lengthened by his sending off against Basingstoke.

If a replay is required it will take place at Kingsmeadow on Tuesday evening, kick off 7.30pm, and the rescheduled Middlesex Senior Cup replay with neighours Harrow Borough will be postponed.

Wembley have signed former Northwood striker Bryan Hammatt who also had a spell with Boreham Wood last season.

Jason Court, who is still struggling with a bruised foot, is **Harrow Borough's** only injury doubt for their League game with Hitchin Town at Earlsmead on Saturday.

Borough's playing commitments for Tuesday night are a little confused.

If their Middlesex Senior Cup game at Wembley is called off due to the Lions being involved in an FA Trophy replay at Kingstonian, Borough will revert to their original fixture, a league game at Hayes - provided that the Church Road club are themselves not involved in a Trophy replay at Enfield.

Striker Tim Buzaglo has returned to **Wealdstone** from Parasol League Godalming and Guildford and plays his first game back in Saturday's match against Cove.

Lee Walker will be missing through suspension but Steve Fraser is hoping to make a swift return from injury as Stones look for a repeat of the 9-1 thrashing they handed their rivals on the opening day of the season.

Edgware hope to have striker Steve Newing fit for their game at Witham on Saturday when the Wares will be looking to complete a league double over their rivals.

Kingsbury face two tough home matches against promotion contenders with Saturday's visit by Northwood being followed on Tuesday by Horsham. Defender Kevin Stewart has suffered a recurrence of the hamstring injury which has plagued him all season but he is hoping to be fit.

Injury keeps out Oriot out of the **Rayners Lane** team to face Harrow Hill away.

The latest League tables

ICIS LEAGUE
Premier Division

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Enfield	23	15	3	5	44	16	48
Dulwich Hamlet	21	13	5	3	48	28	44
Boreham Wood	22	13	5	4	36	17	44
Yeovil Tn	23	13	4	6	52	32	43
Carshalton Ath	21	13	4	4	38	27	43
St Albans City	23	11	7	5	41	20	40
Kingstonian	22	10	7	5	30	18	37
Harrow Boro	21	11	4	6	38	29	37
Hayes	22	9	9	4	32	19	36
Aylesbury Utd	21	9	7	5	34	23	34
Bishops Stort	21	7	7	7	28	26	28
Cheshunt Tn	22	8	3	11	27	37	27
Sutton Utd	20	6	8	6	33	29	26
Hitchin	20	6	5	9	19	30	23
Yeading	23	4	9	10	22	34	21
Grays Ath	20	4	6	10	25	34	18
Worthing	21	4	6	11	26	45	18
Walton & Hersh	20	5	2	13	21	39	17
Molesey	21	4	3	14	19	43	15
Hendon	19	3	5	11	16	35	14
Purfleet	18	2	6	10	19	35	12
Bromley	20	3	3	14	16	49	12

Division One

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Oxford City	21	16	2	3	45	26	50
Heybridge Sw	20	14	3	3	52	19	45
Staines Tn	20	10	5	5	38	37	35
Chesham Utd	24	9	7	8	33	28	34
Wokingham Tn	22	9	6	7	36	35	33
Berkhamsted	22	9	6	7	28	25	33
Marlow	21	10	2	9	43	39	32
Billericay	19	9	4	6	26	25	31
Bognor Regis	15	9	2	4	36	18	29
Aldershot	19	8	5	6	40	24	29
Leyton Pennant	21	8	4	9	36	36	28
Uxbridge	20	7	6	7	22	28	27
Basingstoke Tn	20	6	8	6	32	29	26
Whyteleafe	23	6	8	9	39	46	26
Abingdon Tn	22	7	4	11	36	41	25
Thame Utd	19	5	7	7	33	40	22
Ruislip Manor	19	6	4	9	30	40	22
Barton Rovers	21	5	6	10	36	46	21
Maidenhead	19	5	5	9	20	30	20
Wembley	21	5	4	12	20	36	19
Tooting & Mitch	20	4	6	10	22	30	18
Berking	20	2	6	12	22	50	12

Division Two

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Met Police	21	12	8	1	38	13	44
Banstead Ath	18	11	6	1	30	8	39
Collier Row	17	11	5	1	36	10	38
Croydon	19	11	3	5	36	22	36
Canvey Island	18	9	8	1	39	14	35
Wivenhoe	19	10	5	4	42	24	35
Cheshunt	22	8	7	7	38	39	31
Hampton	17	8	6	3	32	26	30
Edgware Town	21	8	3	9	43	39	30
Chalfont St P	17	6	7	4	27	22	25
Bedford Tn	20	6	6	8	36	44	24
Hungerford	19	6	4	9	26	33	22
Leatherhead	18	5	6	7	32	37	21
Ware	20	5	6	9	30	43	21
Saffron Walden	20	5	5	10	29	30	20
Bracknell	14	5	4	5	19	17	19
Witham	19	6	1	12	26	43	19
Tilbury	17	4	4	9	20	30	16
Egham Town	19	4	2	13	24	44	14
Hemel Hemp	19	3	3	13	22	36	12
Dorking	18	2	1	15	12	65	7

Division Three

	p	w	d	l	f	a	pts
Leighton Tn	20	13	4	3	47	20	43
Horsham	17	12	4	1	42	16	40
Windsor & E	17	11	3	3	55	24	36
Harlow	21	9	7	4	37	25	36
East Thurrock	20	10	5	6	32	26	35
Wealdstone	19	10	3	6	49	23	33
Northwood	18	10	3	5	42	19	33
Epsom & Ewell	17	6	3	8	40	21	30
Kingsbury Tn	20	6	6	8	28	30	30
Tring Town	18	8	4	6	25	21	28
Flackwell Hth	21	8	3	10	32	36	27
Aveley	17	7	3	7	25	25	24
Wingate & Finch	23	7	3	13	35	46	24
Lewes	19	6	4	9	29	40	22
Camberley Tn	20	6	3	11	25	37	21
Harefield Utd	19	6	2	11	28	48	20
Hornchurch	21	5	4	12	19	40	19
Southall	19	5	3	11	17	53	18
Cove	22	5	2	15	21	54	17
Hertford Town	18	5	1	12	29	38	16
Clapton	19	4	3	12	23	38	15

Fixtures

Saturday January 20

FA Umbro Trophy 1st round: Wembley v Kingstonian (Vale Farm, 3pm).

ICIS League Premier Div: Harrow Borough v Hitchin Town (Earlsmead, 3pm).

ICIS League Div Two: Witham v Edgware Town.

ICIS League Div Three: Wealdstone v Cove (White Lion ground, 3pm); Kingsbury Town v Northwood (Silver Jubilee Park, 3pm).

Hellenic League: Harrow Hill v Rayners Lane.

Tuesday January 23

Middx Senior Cup replay: Wembley v Harrow Borough (Vale Farm, 7.30pm).

ICIS League Div Three: Kingsbury Town v Horsham (Silver Jubilee Park, 7.45pm).

Football Combination: QPR v Oxford Utd (Earlsmead, 7pm).

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