

# SPORT

## Russell to sponsor new county youth cup

ASTROLOGER and ardent Middlesex campaigner Russell Grant is to sponsor a new under-18 competition for the youth teams of senior clubs in the county which was launched at a meeting at Wembley FC on Thursday.

12 clubs will play next season for the Russell Grant Middlesex Senior Youth Cup. The initial stages will see four groups of three clubs.

Local Wembley and Kingsbury Town will be grouped alongside Yeading, while Hillingdon Borough, Northwood and Harfield are linked together, as are Staines Town, Ashford Town and Uxbridge, with the fourth group consisting of Enfield, Brimsdown Rovers and Potters Bar Town.

Group matches will be played on a home and away league basis and the four top teams will then go on to contest the semi-finals. It is hoped that the final of the competition will be staged at Brentford's Griffin Park ground.

## Gayts youngsters storm to league triumph

OLD Gaytonians Athletic Club's youngsters scored a brilliant victory in the second round of the McDonald's National Young Athletes League on Sunday, defeating the UK's 16th ranked club, Enfield, by 40 points, writes Tony Bush.

Luke Rosenberg was again in great form for the Gayts, winning the discus with a fine throw of 41.92m.

And he also set personal bests of 12.86m and 48.38m to win the B shot and come 2nd in the hammer. Warren Wood also did well to be

placed 2nd in a tight shot competition and produced a good throw of 36.60m to win the B discus.

Joseph Kenny mastered a tricky wind to win the javelin while Nick Martin took the high jump and Geoff Thompson equalled his best to win the 400m hurdles.

Abdi Jama won the 3000m with a personal best time of 9.27.1 while Robert Fisher set new figures of 55.2 to take the 400m.

Allasair John was impressive in winning the under-15 800m in the fast time of 2.08.3 while Mark McIntosh set a personal best of

9.58.3 for 2nd spot in the 3000m.

David Rose made a double winning debut, taking the discus and the B hammer while there were also wins for Stefan Worrell in the javelin and Matthew Southern in the pole vault.

Best performance in a strong under-13 showing came from Craig Turner who sliced a remarkable six seconds off his best to take 2nd in the 800m.

**Old Gayts placings**  
Under-17: 100m A 4 Damien Morrison 12.7, B 4 Joseph Kenny 13.1; 200m A 2

Joseph Kenny 24.8, B 4 Damien Morrison 26.2, 400m A 1 Robert Fisher 55.2 pb, B 1 Chad McLeod 57.9, 800m A 2 Alan Thompson 2.06.9, B 1 Alexie Calvert 2.07.4; 1500m A 1 Sean Hunt 4.24.0, B 1 Pravin Mepani 4.35.1; 3000m A 1 Abdi Jama 9.27.1 pb, B 1 Matt Nicholas 9.32.2; 100m hurd A 1 Ben James 15.2 pb, B 1 Darren Chapman 15.3 pb; 400m hurd A 1 Geoff Thompson 61.9 pb, B 2 Danny Allen 64.0 pb; 1500m 8/5, A 3 Geoff Thompson 5.07.2, B 2 David Moran 5.25.0; 4 x 100m 3 Gayts (James, Chapman, Morrison, McLean) 48.3; 4 x 400m 1 Gayts (Thompson 55.0, McLeod 55.5, Mepani 55.4, Calvert 55.1); 3,42.0; high jump A 1 Nick Martin 1.80, B 1 Phil Smith 1.60; pole vault A 2 Paul Gibson 3.00, B 2 Chris Musgrove 2.50; long jump A 2 Peter McLean 5.55, B 2 David Baker 5.32; triple jump A 4 Phil Smith 11.58, B 1 David Baker 10.85; shot

A 2 Warren Wood 13.54, B 1 Luke Rosenberg 12.86 pb; discus A 1 Luke Rosenberg 41.92, B 1 Warren Wood 36.60; javelin A 1 Joseph Kenny 41.40, B 1 Gary Swales 37.84; hammer A 2 Luke Rosenberg 48.38 pb, B 2 Warren Wood 30.70; Under-18: 100m A 2 Isaac McCalla 12.2, B 3 Mohamed Alzafairi 13.1; 200m A 3 Lee Henry 26.2, B 3 Isaac McCalla 2.68; 400m A 3 Noel Reid 63.7, B 1 Craig Rowlands 62.6; 800m A 1 Allasair John 2.08.3 pb, B 1 Abbas Nor 2.17.4 pb; 1500m A 2 Adam Sowden 4.43.0 pb, B 1 Mark Moran 4.51.1; 3000m A 2 Mark McIntosh 9.58.3 pb, B 2 Lee Radford 10.48.1; 800m hurd A 2 Daniel Fishery 3.5, B 2 Clive Lennon 15.5; 4 x 100m 3 Gayts (Alzafairi, Rowlands, Reid, McCalla) 51.8; 4 x 400m 1 Gayts (Radford 64.0, Moran 60.0, Rowlands 59.4, John 58.8) 4.02.2; high jump A 2 Sean Fishery 1.55, B 2 Mar-

cel Green 1.45; pole vault A 1 Matthew Southern 2.20, B 1 Barry Stringer 2.10 pb; long jump A 3 Lee Henry 5.05; B 2 Marcel Green 4.75; shot A 2 Alex Wilson 9.05, B 1 David Rose 8.79; discus A 1 David Rose 31.82, B 1 Alex Wilson 28.28; javelin A 1 Stefan Worrell 35.10 pb, B 2 Lee Carter 26.66; hammer A 2 Alex Wilson 26.34 pb, B 1 David Rose 22.00; Under-19: 100m A 2 Anthony Nwoji 13.7, B 1 Ashley Squires 14.3; 200m A 3 Chris Mitchell 30.5 pb, B 2 Matthew Low 31.9; long jump A 2 Ashley Squires 4.42, B 1 Anthony Nwoji 4.24; 4 x 100m Gayts (Turner, Squires, Low, Nwoji) DNF; Team result: 1 Old Gayts 245; 2 Enfield 205; 3 Reading 155.5; 4 Northolt 140.5.

# Woods replace Stones in cup

## Emmanuel's team line up against Borough, Edgware and Lane

WEALDSTONE'S ICIS League Division Three rivals, Northwood, will be taking their place in next season's Harrow Senior Cup competition.

The pre-season competition, which proved a big success in its inaugural year, looked in danger of folding after Stones withdrew in protest over comments made by the Harrow Borough club historian about Wealdstone fans.

But the three remaining clubs, Borough, Edgware Town and Rayners Lane, decided to go ahead with the competition and to make up the number by inviting Northwood to compete as a guest club.

"Obviously we were disappointed as regards Wealdstone, but we have decided to carry on, and have invited Northwood to join us," said competition secretary, Peter Rogers. "They were our first choice and we felt it was the right thing to do, but that's not

to say they could not become a permanent part of the competition.

"All the clubs are very enthusiastic and raring to go. We play a lot of friendlies but this gives us a competitive edge in preparation for the season. It is also important for local clubs to get together and it should be a part of the development of football in the area."

The draw for the competition has been made and Northwood, who are managed by former Earlsmead favourite Steve Emmanuel, will face Cup holders Borough in the semi-finals, while Edgware take on Rayners Lane.

The format will be slightly different this season in that the competition will not be played over a single weekend, but will be held over a six day period.

Edgware will play Lane at the White Lion ground on Tuesday July 30, while the Borough v Northwood clash



● Harrow Borough's Peter Rogers (right) and Northwood secretary Steve Williams with the Harrow Senior Cup. Borough are the holders, while the Woods will be looking to wrest it away from them in August.

will take place at Earlsmead on Thursday August 1, both kicking off at 7.30pm.

The two winners will meet in the final at Earlsmead on Saturday August 3, kick off 3pm and the two losers will play in the 3rd/4th place play-

off at Edgware on Sunday August 4, kick off 12 noon.

"It was felt that four games over the weekend was a bit much for everyone," said Mr Rogers. "This way the games are spread out more, giving players a bit of time to recover

from any injuries."

Edgware's secretary, Barry Boreham, has become the new chairman of the Harrow Senior Cup committee, replacing Wealdstone's Layne Patterson. Dave Blewitt of Rayners Lane is the treasurer.

## Irish ace to join Trojan?

OLYMPIC hopeful, Francis Barrett, could well be set to join Harlesden's Trojan Boxing Club.

The 19 year old light welterweight, who will be fighting for Ireland in the Games in Atlanta, has been training at the club's Brentfield Road headquarters and is likely to move to Neasden later this year after marrying a local girl.

He has been helping out with coaching the club's youngsters and hopes are high that he will join Trojan after the Olympics.

Trojan's Martin Corcoran and Dave Sweeney were both in action in a match against a Scottish Select team at Maidenhead last week and both won.

Corcoran gave a flawless performance which totally bemused his opponent, M. Tierney, and he was a clear points winner.

Against a strong opponent in P. Storrock, Sweeney was involved in a close contest, but the unanimous points decision was fully justified, as he had the edge throughout.

There were mixed fortunes for Trojan boxers at the Newham Show at East Ham Working Mens Club.

Martin Stokes beat A. Smith of the host club on points, but Jim Coffey lost on points to Newham's W. Earl, an opponent he had beaten the week before.

Dave Sweeney was in action again, scoring a good win over S. Fox of Northolt.

He caught his opponent with some heavy shots to earn a unanimous decision from the judges.

Good jabbing and a series of uppercuts from Bernie Mongan saw him to a unanimous points win in a good performance against L. Delgano of Hornchurch.

## Steve helps Stephen to big money win

TRINIDAD golfer Stephen Ames had some Harrow help in winning the Benson and Hedges International tournament at Oxford on Sunday.

For the 32 year old was tutored by Steve Gould of South Harrow at his Knights-

bridge Golf School, with special emphasis being given on rebuilding his swing.

It certainly paid off, for Ames defied appalling conditions and beat star names such as Nick Faldo and Colin Montgomerie to take the £116,000 first prize.

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**Finnerty is the choice at Edgware**

SEAMUS Finnerty was the choice of Edgware Town FC boss Jock McGleish for the club's Manager's Player of the Year award for 1995/96.

The centre back received his trophy at the club's annual presentation evening on Friday.

Other main awards went to midfielder John Coleman, who was named Players' Player of the Year, and goalkeeper Andy Carter, who was a very popular choice for the Supporters' Player of the Year trophy.

The first team top goalscorer award went to Steve Newing.

Dave Clark was a double award winner for the Edgware reserve team which enjoyed a successful season, winning the Middlesex County League Senior Reserve Section Championship.

Clark took both the Manager's Player of the Year award and the Players' Player of the Year Trophy.

Top goalscorer award for the reserves went to Andy Robertson.

● Manager's Player of the Year, Seamus Finnerty.

**Vinnie back at Stones?**

WEALDSTONE could find themselves facing former club favourite Vinnie Jones on Saturday August 10 when Stones face Wimbledon in a pre-season friendly at the White Lion ground.

**Harris appointed**

PARKFIELD FC manager, Vic Harris, has been appointed as joint assistant manager to Southall manager Keith Chamberlin, along with former Harrow Borough keeper Kenny Lavender.

Last season Harris managed Martin Baker FC in the Chiltonian League.

**Quiz winners**

HARROW Cricket Club were the winners of last week's Federation of Middlesex Sports annual sports quiz.

It is the second time that the club have won this popular event.

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