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Kingsbury 'Marshalled' to victory

Kingsbury Town 3 Hitchin Town 1
THE eye-catching Dwight Marshall was the star turn for Kingsbury as they earned a deserved win against Hitchin on Tuesday night to make up for their surprise defeat by Bracknell.

Marshall struck twice in a game that Kingsbury never looked like losing.

His first followed a neat Kingsbury build-up which ended with him crisply

shooting home.

Greg Zacharia increased the lead on the half hour from the penalty spot after Carl Lindo had been upended by Cavanagh.

Hitchin pulled a goal back five minutes after the break through David Taylor, but Kingsbury dominated the rest of the game.

A deserved third goal came courtesy of

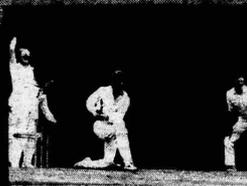
Marshall, who latched on to a through ball, rounded the keeper and slotted the ball into an open goal, to leave manager Alan Dafforn pleased to be back to winning ways.

Kingsbury Town: Smart, Hill, Fitzgerald, A. Smith, White, S. Lucas, Atkins, Zacharia, Gullifer, Lindo, Marshall. Subs: Devlin, Simpson.

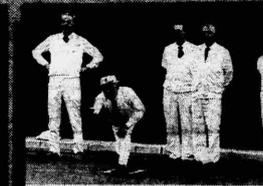
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Evans on the spot to save Boro'

Harrow Borough 1 Farnborough Town 1
THE penalty drama that is rapidly becoming the Harrow Borough trademark struck again on Monday as Richard Evans scored from the spot with three minutes remaining to earn a point in front of a bumper Bank Holiday crowd.

Borough missed three spot kicks in two games before Evans managed to score against St Albans on Saturday, and he was called upon again in the dying moments to salvage a draw from a game Borough were quite capable of winning.

The striker-turned-defender came to his side's rescue early on as well, clearing a free kick off the line soon after Steve Bateman had made a timely interception.

Steve Scott twice sent long-range efforts into the side netting before Francis Cassidy had a 20-yard shot tipped over by keeper Howells as Borough fought their way back into the game.

They began the second half well too, Matt Luddy missing an open goal and Steve Bateman having a header blocked off the line. But it was Farnborough who matched the lead from a 58th minute break-away, Blankley chipping Stuart MacKenzie.

But although Evans and Scott missed good chances, Borough's strength once again led them to score near the end as they continued to battle until the final whistle.

Evans headed on for Lawrence Holmes to chase and the striker was unceremoniously brought down, enabling Evans to score his second successive penalty.

Harrow Borough: MacKenzie, Pryor, Dicks, Cassidy, Bateman, Evans, Emswaul, Holmes, Scott, Luddy, Adams. Subs: Howard, Hughes.

Edgware improve

Southgate Athletic 1 Edgware Town 1

EDGWARE gave a better performance after their thrashing on Saturday at Brimadon but still failed to take advantage of their superiority at last season's Southern League runners-up Southgate on Monday.

Gary Allen and Phil Whelan were both at fault as Southgate took a surprise lead, before Edgware went close twice to scoring.

Lee Rider thundered a shot against the underside of the bar and Edgware were sure the ball went over the line, but the referee was unconvinced and waved play on.

Then Kerry Kidd hit the inside of the post and could only watch as the ball ran agonisingly along the goal line.

Edgware finally did equalise in the second half when Johnny Coleman ran on to a through ball, rounded a defender and slotted the ball past the keeper.

Edgware Town: Whelan, Bridges, Allen, Adams, J. Coleman, Coleman, Kidd, Charalambous, Long, Cousins (Burger), Rider.

Floyd gets late Seoul call up



HIGH jumper Floyd Manderson has been selected as a last-minute addition to the British Olympic team for Seoul.

Manderson, a 27-year-old social worker with Brent Council, just managed the Olympic qualifying standard of 2m25 with a personal best jump of exactly that height at the GRE Cup final at Harrogate.

He jumps for the Wolverhampton and Bilston club and lives in Bedford, commuting to Brent to work. Wolverhampton, one of the country's top athletic clubs, were the first to offer him a place when he left college and he has stayed with them since.

"I was pretty pleased because I didn't jump particularly well in the Olympic trials, but the decision was in my legs and I made it," he said, after learning of his selection on Monday.

Stones start talks on big move

Stadium site is earmarked

By Aaron Gransby

WEALDSTONE now have a firm site in mind for their proposed new stadium and this week chairman Alan Clifton revealed his plans for the ground and a leisure complex to take the club into the next century.

Although he would not reveal the location of the site he is already negotiating for, he did confirm it was in the borough of Harrow and was not the controversial Aldenham Bus Garage site that supporters were opposed to because of its remote position.

And revealing details of the exciting development he has in mind, he promised Stones fans that this was not going to be another of the pie-in-the-sky fantasies put forward in the past by former chairman David Morris.

"We are now dealing with facts, not fiction," he said. "This is not a pipe dream, it will become a reality. The time for talking has stopped after four years of doing nothing."

He hopes to make public the lo-

cation of the site as soon as a deal is struck, which he expects to be early in 1989. He says Wealdstone will then sell Lower Mead, move to Harrow Borough to play a season there, and move into their new home in time for the start of season 1990-91.

The main stadium itself will have a capacity of 10,000. A seated grandstand will run the length of one side of the pitch and the other three sides will be pre-cast concrete terracing, which is easy and quick to install. It includes a family enclosure. The whole stadium will be covered to ensure maximum comfort for spectators.

Clifton says the foundations of the ground will be strong enough for further building on top of the original stands or terracing, should it become necessary in the future to increase the ground's capacity.

The pitch will be grass, but an artificial pitch for use as a train-

ing ground and for hire to local sports clubs will be laid outside the main stadium, within the leisure complex. It would be available for soccer, hockey and any other outdoor sports.

"There will also be a modern, up-to-date keep fit centre, a sports injury clinic with a small hydrotherapy pool, an indoor sports hall that would be available for any sports and big enough to house local boxing tournaments, and a creche where parents could leave their children while attending football or taking part in sport," says Alan Clifton.

Born for club members, a small public house and a continental-style cafe-bar are also among his plans. There will be adequate car parking for the entire centre.

"We want to create a complex for the whole community where people can bring their family. It will be open seven days a week and staffed by full-time professionals," says Clifton.

He admits that some Wealdstone supporters are not keen to see the club move from its Lower

Mead home.

"There are some diehards who would rather stay where we are, but it is a question of survival. Football now does not generate sufficient funds to pay for itself. We are losing £50,000 a year and have a facility that is used for 40-45 days a year and lies idle for the rest of the time.

"We have to have leisure facilities to pay for the luxury of football. Although we are a footballing company, we have to face the fact that the days of 10,000 people coming out to stand in the freezing rain in cloth caps are over.

"Unless you are generating income, you haven't got a hope in hell. We have to move to survive, there is no second option."

Clifton has engaged a firm of architects with stadium construction experience to design and build the new complex. Wells-Thorpe and Supple, who have offices in Brighton and London, have recently completed a massive sports complex for the Pan-African Games.

Borough duo to miss Croydon matches

EAMON O'Connor and Robbie Johnson will both miss Harrow Borough's two matches with Croydon this week.

O'Connor is serving a two match suspension and Johnson is in plaster with an achilles tendon injury.

Borough travel to Croydon in the league on Saturday and then embark on their three days tour in the Premier Inter League Cup, formerly the GMAC Cup.

Paul Morris and Alan Risk look certain to continue their successful central defensive partnership for Wealdstone against Redditch United on Saturday at Lower Mead.

Mark Harrison is expected to return to Stones' defence, freeing Everal La Ronde to partner Terry Rowe and Samson Olesley in midfield. Mark Lawrence is still suspended and Danny Bailey is on a week's holiday. Dennis Byatt and Lance O'Brien are both injured.

Wembley are expected to keep the side that was well beaten by Woking for their home match with Walton and Hershaw on Saturday. On

Tuesday they are at home again in the league, against Beasington Town.

Striker Paul Goodison is expected to be available for Kingsbury Town's clash with Hampton on Saturday in the first division of the Vauxhall-Opel League.

Don Durkin has selection problems as his Rayners Lane side kick off their FA Cup campaign with a preliminary round trip to Stevenage Borough on Saturday. Steve Brian (cracked shinbone), Phil Lynn (mouth) and Jimmy Schurr (ankle) are all out injured and Paul Abell and Duncan Ferguson are on holiday.

If there is a replay it will be played at Wealdstone on Wednesday. If not, Lane play Brook House in the Middlesex Charity Cup, also at Wealdstone.

Ray Mangan is likely to miss Edgware Town's FA Cup game with Hitchin, he has a pulled hamstring. Any replay will be at Hitchin on Tuesday. If there is a definite replay on Saturday, Edgware are at home to Brimadon on Wednesday in the charity cup.



Robbie Johnson - leg in plaster.



Eamon O'Connor - suspended.

Soccer fixtures

Saturday September 3
Senior Football League premier division: Wealdstone v Hitchin United (Lower Mead, 3pm).
Vauxhall-Opel League premier division: Croydon v Harrow Borough.

Vauxhall-Opel League division one: Woking v Walton and Hershaw (Vale Farm, 7.30pm); Harrow v Kingsbury Town.
FA Cup preliminary rounds: Edgware Town v Hitchin Town (Vale Farm Ground, 3pm); Stevenage Borough v Rayners Lane.

Tuesday September 6
Senior Football League premier division: Wealdstone v Dartford (Lower Mead, 7.30pm).
Premier Inter League Cup: Harrow Borough v Croydon (Earlsmead, 7.30pm).

Vauxhall-Opel League division one: Wembley v Beasington Town (Vale Farm, 7.30pm).

Wembley Ground's Intermediate Charity Cup: Rayners Lane v Brook House (Lower Mead, Wealdstone FC, 7.30pm). Or FA Cup replay v Harrow Borough, same venue. Edgware Town v Brimadon (Vale Farm Ground, 7.30pm, subject to FA Cup replay).

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