

Observer SPORT

Haze selected by England

HARROW and Wealdstone Swimming Club's rising star Hazel Alder has been picked for the 1989 English Kase Youth Squad.

Fresh from breaking her Middlesex County record

and winning her first National Junior Title, 14-year-old Hazel has been chosen to join the 36-strong English Youth Squad which will compete in three forthcoming overseas meets.

The Three Nations Youth Contest will be held in Mac-

strict in Holland on March 11 and 12, the Eight Nations Junior International, also in Holland, takes place on March 25 and 26.

A tour of Canada follows for the Youth Squad from March 27 to April 3.

Hazel, one of 17 girls in

the squad, put herself high in the national rankings by breaking her own county record for the 100 metres breaststroke when she clocked a superb time of 1:13.11 at the recent ASA National Short Course championships in Plymouth.

Cup recovery task is beyond Stones

Wealdstone 1 Dartford 1 (Dartford win 4-1 on aggregate)

NOT unexpectedly, the awesome task of recovering a 3-0 deficit from the first leg of this first round tie proved too much for Stones on Monday as they slid disappointingly out of the Westgate Cup, writes John Comfort.

And only an Alan Cordice goal seven minutes from time saved them from a "double" defeat at the hands of the League leaders.

It was not one of Stones' better performances in less than ideal conditions with a strong wind making good foot-

ball difficult.

With the elements in their favour in the first half, Dartford were always menacing and Wellington, Bartley, Keen and Foley all went close to adding to their virtually unassailable advantage.

And with 25 minutes gone Stones' already monumental struggle became an impossible one when the visitors opened the scoring. Hessesthaler's crossfield ball to Sowbery on the right caught Everalld La Rouse badly out of position and in his efforts to recover Sowbery went tumbling just inside the box and a debatable penalty was awarded, despite the Wealdstone protests.

Bartley crashed home the kick and the tie was killed off as a contest.

It was not until they had the wind behind them in the second half that Stones finally looked capable of achieving a breakthrough and in the opening Paul Morris was just over with a snappy shot and a well placed lob from Lance Podlar had keeper Harold struggling to tip the ball over the bar.

But Dartford were still dangerous and only a brilliant save from Darren Williams kept out a bullet header from Hessesthaler in the 77th minute.

With seven minutes left Mark Harrison, who had an immaculate match, set

up the Wealdstone equaliser with a delightful chip into the Dartford area where Cordice beat keeper Harold to the ball and sent a glancing header into the net.

Cordice almost had another a minute from time when he nipped in on a weak back pass by Entwistle. But Harold bravely smothered the ball at his feet.

Wealdstone: Williams, Risk, Harrison, Byatt, Pedlar (Wilkins), La Rouse, C.Browne, Morris, Cordice, Oslaye, Lynch. Sub: Eriemo.

Town give Boro' a cup fright



© Jimmy Bolton - saved Boro's blushes with an equaliser.

By John Comfort
Kingsbury Town 1
Harrow Borough 1

A MUCH relieved Harrow Borough left Silver Jubilee Park on Tuesday night with the early Christmas present of an AC Delco Cup replay after being given a torrid time by Alan Dafforn's promotion chasing Kingsbury outfit.

Town will be kicking themselves for letting Borough off the hook for they were by far the livelier side throughout and a 36th minute goal from Henry Clarke seemed more than enough to account for bemused Borough.

It was left to Jimmy Bolton to save the visitors blushes with a 52nd minute equaliser, but it failed to lift them. Kingsbury regained the initiative and only woeful finishing denied them the shock result they deserved.

Town made all the early running with the sheer pace of their attacks prising the Borough defence open almost at will, but their finishing was a different story with Zacharia and Oulter both missing good chances before they opened the scoring.

Dwight Marshall made the goal when he shrugged off Howard on the right and when his low cross evaded Colin Payne's clearance attempt, Henry Clarke drove the ball home at the far post.

Zacharia cleared an Evans header off the line onto a post and away as Borough opened the second half in more determined mood and with seven minutes gone they levelled when Bolton swept home a Steve Scott cross.

Although Scott later fired onto the crossbar Borough sadly went off the boil. But Kingsbury's renewed superiority failed to find any reward with Marshall coming closest to a winner when he fired against a post in extra time.

Kingsbury Town: Start, Bhatia (Simpson), Fitzgerald, Murphy, Shields, S.Lucas, Zacharia, Atkins, Oulter, Clark, Marshall. Sub: D.Lucas.

Harrow Borough: Hunter, Payne, Howard, O'Connor, Bateman, Day, Scott, Bolton, Evans, Cassidy, Dickar. Sub: Jarvis, Haynes.

Strong Spurs side to face Boro'

TOTTENHAM are expected to bring a strong side to Earlsfield on Tuesday for their Russell Grant Middlesex Charity Cup match with Harrow Borough which kicks off at 3pm.

Although it will be basically a reserve team, there will be plenty of first team experience in the side with Vinny Samways, David Howells, Paul Moran, John Polston and Mark Stimpson all expected to play. Tottenham's new signing, Icelandic defender Judd Bergsson, is also likely to play.

Borough will be strengthened by the re-

turn of on loan goalkeeper Lee Boxler who missed the AC Delco Cup match against Kingsbury because St Albans did not want him cup tied while they are still in the competition.

Danny Bailey is again doubtful for Wealdstone when they take on a much improved Cambridge City side at Lower Mead on Monday, kick off 3pm.

Jeff Fanner is set to return for Wembley for their League match at home to Staines Town on Tuesday which kicks off at 11.30am. However, Sylvester Wil-

liams, who starts a four week holiday, will be missing.

Striker Jim Davey is away for Christmas and misses Edgware's Boxing Day morning (11am) game at home to Watford Abbey. Manager Brian Rider will almost certainly replace him with Ron Tully.

After taking on Sharpness with a depleted team, Rayners Lane manager Don Durkin is hoping for the return of some of his casualties to strengthen the side for Saturday's visit to Abingdon United.



© Jeff Fanner - set to return in goal for Wembley against Staines.

Soccer fixtures

- Saturday December 24**
Football League Premier Division: Abingdon Utd v Rayners Lane.
- Monday December 26**
Bosworth League Premier Division: Wealdstone v Cambridge City (Lower Mead, 3pm).
Greater Essex League: Edgware v Watford Abbey (White Lion Ground, 11am).
- Tuesday December 27**
Russell Grant Middlesex Charity Cup: Harrow Borough v Tottenham (Earlsfield, 3pm).
Westwood Great League Division One: Wembley v Staines Town (Vale Farm, 11.30am).

Rare win for Kodak

Signaled with Norman Wilby

KODAK, not one of the most prolific scorers in Division 7A of the Abbey Life Middlesex Squash League, notched a rare victory when they met Aldenham II.

It was not achieved without some effort, however. Dave Taylor and Alan Bright were easy winners but with Gordon Beard beaten 3-1 at the top, it was very much up to Andy Rak and Brian McClelland.

Both went into 2-0 leads against Richard Smith and Tim Tight and then relaxed to lose the next two. But they recovered their venom in the fifth games and two extra victories were duly chalked up.

Clarens Wood III have also struggled, but they had a 4-1 win against Hornsey and a convincingly one it was too.

Vaughan Segal conceded just six points at one, Desmond Burnett and Ian Channon were lost far behind, and it was only Mal-

colm Nathan, who let a 2-1 advantage slip, who had to go the distance to beat Bob Barnes.

Vale Farm seem to be out of their depth in Division 4B and they continued their miserable form when they went down 2-15 to Ealing II, with the odd games coming from James Calver and Dennis Brazil at one and five.

Things were not much better against Stripes III. Again Calver and Brazil contributed odd games and when Roger Dignum went 0-2 down to Paul Sillis it seemed likely that the same 15-2 scoreline was on the cards. However, Dignum had other ideas and after a marathon fourth game he came home 9/5 in the fifth for a well earned point.

Wembley & Sudbury had an unsuccessful week. In their first team game against Mill Hill II John Lewis won a five setler with Gerry Fitzgerald but no-one could add to the score.

Hatch back

AFTER last week's setback, Hatch End bounced back to top form, crashing 10 goals past ABI without reply in the Harrow Challenge League Premier Division.

Tom Dunn led the rout with four goals while Steve Mowle 2, Hadrian Lewell 2, Rob Locke and Ray Nicholson were also on target.

Spartans dumped holders Independent out of the League's Challenge Cup by 4-2 with goals from Steve Cooper 2, Stuart Whyte and an own goal.

Flamer Albion led Harrow & Wembley League front runners Dialhouse when Jess Hawkins scored with a spectacular 30 yard shot but they eventually lost 2-1.

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