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Super Stones jolt Rugby's title hopes

Wealdstone 2 VS Rugby 0
SECOND half goals from Danny Bailey and Tony Lynch saw Stones deal a severe blow to Rugby's title hopes on Tuesday in one of the best matches seen at Layer, Mead this season.

player Bobby McDonald, Rugby dominated much of the first half but came up against a resilient Stones rearguard in which goalkeeper Kevin Foster was in inspired form. Foster produced a remarkable save to prevent a Kirk Corbin header hitting the back of his own net and he pulled off a superb reflex save to deny the ever dangerous Rose.

kick, but Martin saved at point blank range. The second half saw Stones take control and Bailey broke the deadlock. Mark Harrison's free kick was headed on by Olaley to Margerrison who rolled the ball back for Bailey to score with a magnificent drive.

But three minutes later Stones put the result beyond doubt. Harrison's free kick was headed onto the bar by Paul Wilkins and although Alan Risk's header from the rebound was heading for the net, Lynch got the final touch to make sure and completed a splendid night for Wealdstone.

Kingsbury chairman to call it a day after cup final

'I'M QUITTING' SAYS HART

KINGS BURY Town FC's controversial chairman Mark Hart is to quit the club at the end of the season - and this time it's definite.

Hart's eight year reign at Silver Jubilee Park is to come to a conclusion after the Russell Grant Middlesex Charity Cup Final which looks increasingly likely to be held at Wembley Stadium.

"That will definitely be my last game," said Hart after watching Kingsbury's 2-1 defeat against Wembley on Tuesday night. "It's all been decided. It will be a nice way to go out."

Hart is to be replaced as club chairman by Chris Larkin who was recently on the board at Beazer Homes League club Ruislip. He will be joined on the Kingsbury committee by another former Ruislip director John Fay.

It is the second time that Hart has announced his resignation in a season which has been rife with rumours of his pending departure with his



BY JOHN COMFORT

name often being linked with Hendon, a move that he has persistently denied. He actually quit the club back in September following an internal row before Kingsbury's FA Cup tie at Wokingham, but within three days he was back at the helm. This time however he says there's no going back.

"I love football but I'm just tired," he said. "It's been more like a full time job than going to work and I feel I need a change."

But he won't be severing his links with the club which has been his love since 1962 when he began a 10 year playing spell at Silver Jubilee

Park. He still intend to get along and watch matches and he said: "It will be nice to stand on the touchline and be able to criticise others."

"I've been called a controversial chairman but you only do what you feel you should do and as a result you don't always get on with everyone. But that's life."

However, like him or loathe him, Hart's eight years in the chair at Kingsbury have coincided with the club's rise from park soccer obscurity to that of a force to be reckoned with in senior non-league competition.

"When I took over meetings were being held about whether the club should be closed and the ground was nothing but a park," said Hart. "Now we have a 200 seater stadium and the club is going forward all the time."

And Hart's departure will come at the end of the club's most successful season in which they have reached the final of both the county senior cups and attained their highest ever placing in the Vauxhall Opel League.



Mark Hart - quitting at the end of the season.

The latest league tables

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE

Premier Division						
	p	w	d	l	f	a
Dartford	37	22	7	8	67	31
VS Rugby	38	22	7	9	58	37
Merthyr Tydfil	37	21	7	9	59	54
Cambridge City	40	18	10	12	68	50
Worcester	39	17	13	9	63	48
Dover Ath.	38	17	11	10	60	43
Burton Albion	39	17	10	12	67	61
Bromsgrove	40	14	16	10	67	52
Gosport Boro'	37	15	12	10	66	54
Wealdstone	39	15	10	14	59	48
Dorchester	39	13	15	11	51	57
Corby Town	39	20	11	12	53	51
Alvechurch	38	15	8	16	54	53
Bath City	39	13	13	13	62	48
Crawley Town	38	12	15	11	54	50
Moor Green	40	13	13	14	55	56
Ashford Town	39	12	15	15	55	74
Fareham Town	39	14	6	19	41	62
Waterlooville	39	11	12	16	55	61
Leicester Utd.	38	6	10	22	43	71
Redlich Utd.	40	5	7	28	34	89
Bedworth Utd.	39	4	7	28	34	89

VAUXHALL OPEL LEAGUE

Premier Division						
	p	w	d	l	f	a
Leytonstone	40	25	10	5	69	31
Farnborough	40	24	9	7	79	52
Slough Town	40	22	6	12	64	40
Grays Ath.	40	19	6	15	60	44
Carshalton	37	18	13	6	54	29
B Stortford	40	19	6	15	67	52
Kingsnorton	39	18	9	12	50	36
Hayes	39	20	11	12	57	44
Barking	40	15	13	12	46	42
Bognor Regis	39	16	10	13	32	44
Windsor	39	14	13	12	50	41
Wokingham	40	14	11	15	56	53
Hendon	40	12	12	16	48	56
Leyton-Wingate	40	12	14	14	52	55
Bromley	39	11	14	14	56	47
St Albans	40	12	9	19	50	52
Dulwich	40	10	11	18	54	44
Dagenham	40	10	12	19	47	64
Harrow Boro'	40	8	12	20	49	74
Tooting & M.	40	10	5	25	39	76
Marlow	40	8	10	22	44	81
Croydon	40	4	9	27	25	74

VAUXHALL OPEL LEAGUE

Division One						
	p	w	d	l	f	a
Staines Town	38	25	9	4	77	27
Basingstoke	38	23	8	7	80	35
Woking	37	22	10	5	68	27
Hitchin Town	38	20	10	8	58	31
Lewes	39	21	7	11	70	52
Walton & H.	37	9	14	12	52	64
Wivenhoe	37	20	12	7	62	45
Kingsbury	38	19	7	12	64	40
Uxbridge	38	19	6	13	58	51
Wembley	38	17	5	16	43	57
Boreham Wood	37	9	14	14	54	52
Met Police	38	13	9	16	51	65
Leatherhead	39	13	8	16	50	54
Chesham Utd.	38	12	8	18	50	61
Southwek	37	9	14	14	44	52
Chalfont St P.	38	10	20	5	41	39
Hampton	38	7	13	18	35	58
Worthing	39	8	10	21	48	74
Collier Row	38	7	7	24	34	79
Bracknell Town	38	7	25	35	65	27
Basildon Utd.	38	6	7	25	32	73

Battling Brown inspires Lions to victory over 'old boys'

Wembley 2 Kingsbury Town 1
DYNAMIC Derek Brown steered Wembley to victory over Alan Dafforn's Vale Farm 'old boys' in a hotly contested derby clash on Tuesday night, writes John Comfort.

Kingsbury had shock Wembley with a goal after only one minute and 20 seconds when Gursel Gulfer took advantage of indecision by Lions' defender Glen Charles and pulled the ball back across the area for Paul Bhatia to lash a rising drive into the roof of

the net. Only Jeff Fanner's superb save from a full blooded drive from Stuart Atkins prevented a second goal minutes later and Chris Simpson blazed over an open goal in the 13th minute.

But inspired by battling Brown's mid-field dynamism, Wembley inched their way back into the game. They should have levelled when Sylvester Williams put Bobby Hutchinson clear but he shot wide and then Williams got free on the left but put a 30

yard job over the bar after evading keeper Smart who had raced from his goal. Wembley drew level 12 minutes into the second half when Kearns' header from a Ray corner was parried by Smart and Tony Waugh forced home the loose ball but Greg Zacharia missed a golden opportunity of regaining the lead when he shot against Kearns on the goaline with Fanner beaten.

The game appeared to be heading for a draw until seven minutes from time when Brown's superb surging run from halfway

set up Wembley's winner. It took him clear of the Kingsbury defence and he squared the ball for Williams to slot past Smart.

Wembley: Fanner, H. Hutchinson, Woodstock, Charles, Kearns, Ray, Williams, Brown, Graham, B. Hutchinson, Waugh. Subs: McGrath, Witter.

Kingsbury Town: Smart, Hill, Bhatia, Murphy, Shields, S. Lucas, Zacharia, Atkins, Gulfer, Marshall, Simpson. Subs: O'Shea, Goodison.

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Guy cracks 16 year old record

OLD Gaytonians AC thrower Guy Perryman has broken one of the club's oldest records. After several near misses, the 30 year old has improved on Andy Kerr's shot putt mark of 16.31 metres, set back in 1973.

Perryman set the new record of 16.45 metres in an open meeting at Windsor.

18 year old Alan Wray set a new personal best of 6.16.0 for the 2000 metres steeplechase at Woodford, slicing 13 seconds off his previous best. He is aiming to record 6.08.0 to qualify for the English Schools Championships.

At the same meeting, pole vaulter Ian White raised a few eyebrows by recording 51.4 for the 400 metres, more than two seconds faster than his previous best. He also scaled 3.60 metres in his speciality.

Gary McCullough showed good early season form, recording 6.89 metres in the long jump and 14.68 metres in the triple jump.

Under threat Borough have it all to do again

DESPITE their fine win over Bognor, Harrow Borough are still not out of the relegation mire and they visit Bromley on Saturday for their penultimate match of the season knowing that victory is essential if they are to safeguard their Premier Division status.

"What we mustn't do is to think that the job is done," said manager Keith Chamberlain. "It was a good performance against Bognor but now we've got to go out and do it all over again and at the same time hope that Hayes and Grays can do the business against Marlow and Tooting."

Borough will be without Phil Dicker who has severe bronchitis and is undergoing tests in hospital. Steve Scott, who is holidaying in America, will also be missing, and Warren Gravette will deputise.

There is some doubt about Andy Waddock, following treatment for a mouth abscess. Steve Cott stands by.

Wealdstone had high hopes of figuring in this season's Beazer Homes League championship race when the campaign began - and so they will.

They may not be title contenders themselves but they will certainly have a say in its destiny for after facing second placed VS Rugby on Tuesday, they now entertain third in the formidable Merthyr Tydfil on Saturday, and then visit league leaders Dartford on Monday.

Paul Morris misses the Merthyr game through suspension but is back to face Dartford.

Kingsbury are at home to Met Police on Saturday and will again be without injured striker Henry Clarke.

Borough go on a ten goal spree

IN a warm up match for Saturday's crucial League game at Bromley, Harrow Borough played Middlesex League club Pithanger on Monday and chalked up a decisive 10-0 victory.

Steve Bateman notched four goals and others came from Suburban Bolton 2, Warren Gravette, Francis Cassidy, Lynton Humphries and Rory Gleeson.

Final date

THE final of the Spartan League Cup between Southgate and Walthamstow Penant will take place at Edgware's White Lion ground on Monday, kick off 3pm. All proceeds from the match will go to the Hillsborough Disaster Fund.

Reserves win

EDGWARE Reserves had a 3-1 win over Kingsbury in the Suburban League on Saturday thanks to goals from John Walsh, who has now returned to the club from Wembley, and Tony Burgher 2.

Soccer fixtures

Thursday April 27

Capital League: Wealdstone v Welling Utd (Lower Mead, 7.30pm).

Saturday April 29

Beazer Homes League Premier Division: Wealdstone v Merthyr Tydfil (Lower Mead, 3pm).

Vauxhall Opel League Premier Division: Bromley v Harrow Borough.

Vauxhall Opel League Division One: Kingsbury Town v Met Police (Silver Jubilee Park, 3pm); Worthing v Wembley.

Federated Homes League: Pegasus Juniors v Rayners Lane.

Monday May 1

Beazer Homes League Premier Division: Dartford v Wealdstone (3pm).

Wednesday May 3

Capital League: Wealdstone v Wokingham (Lower Mead, 7.30pm).