

Four goal blast cheers Chamberlin

Harrow Borough 4 Tooting 0
 "PROBABLY our best performance of the season," was manager Keith Chamberlin's verdict after Borough's magnificent four-goal demolition of Tooting at Earlsmead on Tuesday night, writes John Comfort.

Certainly Borough were in superb form and gave the visitors a cruel lesson in finishing — an amazing turnaround following Saturday's dismal display of finishing against Slough.

Star of Borough's sharp-shooting show was Lawrence Holmes who scored two goals but deserved at least double that tally.

His first gave Borough the lead after only 10 minutes when he was hauled back by Goodwin as he bore down on goal. But Tooting's respite was only brief for Holmes drove home the result-ant free kick from 20 yards out.

Borough had a let off eight minutes

later when Lee's low shot beat MacKenzie and cannoned off the post but they hit back to confirm their authority in the 32nd minute when Steve Scott and Mark Adams combined well to put Holmes in to curl a well placed shot beyond Poultney into the net.

Tooting pressed strongly at the start of the second half but were caught out in the 55th minute as Borough broke swiftly from defence and Adams cut in from the right to fire home the third goal.

The lesson went unheeded by the visitors and in the 66th minute they paid dearly again as Borough charged down a free kick on the edge of their area and raced upfield with Holmes supplying the pass for Adams to round Poultney and net the goal which gave Borough their first four-goal win bonus of the season.

Harrow Borough: MacKenzie, Payne, Johnson, Dicker, Bateman, Scott (Duffy), Emmanuel, Holmes Tate (Good), Morris, Adams.

Wasps home in on a third cup final

THE Wasps are buzzing at the prospect of reaching their third consecutive John Player Cup final at Twickenham.

Only Harlequins stand in the way of the Sudbury-based rugby club, who easily overcame the challenge of giantkillers Plymouth Albion last Saturday.

And having lost to Bath in the last two Twickenham finals, Wasps are determined to go all the way this season.

Although the Wasps v Harlequins match would have been most neutrals' choice for the final, Wasps themselves are just happy to get a home draw.

In their three previous ties this season, they have travelled more than 1,400 miles to beat Aspatira, Gloucester and Plymouth.

The capacity at Wasps'

Repton Avenue ground is only 3,500 and a sell-out crowd is guaranteed for the game, which is to be played on Saturday March 26.

The match will be all-ticket and they are sure to be in great demand. For details, call the club manager Dennis Rice on 902 4220.

HOLDERS Bath went out to Moseley in the quarter final and this leaves the way open for Wasps, but Harlequins have recently hit a rich vein of form, culminating in their 37-4 quarter final thrashing of Waterloo.

It is sure to be an attract-

BY AARON GRANSBY

ive game, with both sides having excellent back rows and keen on playing open, running rugby.

Another Wasps honour is the appointment of scrum half Nigel Melville as England captain for Saturday's international against Scotland, a remarkable achievement as injury seemed set to end his career 18 months ago.

Melville, 26, returned to Wasps from Headingley in the summer and soon re-

established himself for first club and then, remarkably, for England. His career has been blighted by injury and he actually retired from the game for almost a year after receiving a second neck injury.

While he steps out at Murrayfield, Wasps' latest wonder-boy Aadel Cardooni will have a chance to stake his claim in Melville's place against Coventry at Sudbury.

Cardooni, England schools' captain, plays at scrum half in the match that has been de-merited as a Courage Clubs Championship first division fixture because of international calls.



● Nigel Melville — captains England

Evans set to leave?

SPECULATION continues to mount at Harrow Borough FC over the future of star striker Richard Evans.

"Everybody tells me that he's leaving the club," said manager Keith Chamberlin "but the fact of the matter is that Evans is not on the transfer list." However, it would seem that when the time, and the price, are right Chamberlin will let Evans go. "I have received a number of enquiries for Richard Evans," he said "but at the moment they do not meet my valuation."

Borough's Premier Division rivals Basingstoke, Windsor and Wokingham and Beazer Homes League Burnham are leading the chase for the player.

It is an open secret that Evans would like to return to Wokingham, who sold Evans to Borough a year ago. They wanted to take him back on loan but Chamberlin turned them down flat.

But Evans' sending off against Slough on Saturday could yet soon change Chamberlin's mind over a parting, for the player has now landed



BY JOHN COMFORT

himself with an automatic two match suspension which puts him out of the reckoning for the important Middlesex Senior Cup semi final against Wembley on March 12. And he was dropped for Tuesday night's game against Tooting.

Meanwhile, no move seems imminent for Borough's transfer listed striker Colin Tate for whom Borough have had numerous enquiries. "It doesn't suit me to let him go yet," said Chamberlin. "We have still got a bit to do in the league and I doubt that anyone will be departing before the Wembley game."

One player on the move however is Paul Ripley. He has joined Ruiship Manor

Edgware bid for place in final

LITTLE Edgware Town go for glory on Saturday when they travel to Beaconsfield in the semi final of the Spartan League Cup.

Top-of-the-table Wares will start favourites for the match, which should see striker Paul Buckner return to partner top scorer Ron Tully up front.

Dave Silman is having treatment for a groin injury but could return to Kingsbury Town's side to face Vauxhall-Opel division one leaders Grays at Silver Jubilee Park.

But new boss Alan Dafforn will definitely be without the injured Bobby Hutchinson (shin) and Mark Lincoln (ankle).

Boss Keith Chamberlin will keep faith with the side which crushed Tooting for Harrow Boro's visit to Carshalton.

Rayners Lane boss Don Durkin has skipper Paul Abell doubtful for his side's match with Didcot Town. He is having treatment this week on a hamstring injury.

Jimmy Schurer could miss the game with an ankle problem and centre half Tony Kieley is definitely out having been injured in his comeback game in the reserves last week.

Neither Wealdstone nor Wembley play on Saturday, but Stones visit Dagenham in the Capital League on Tuesday.

Soccer fixtures

Saturday March 5
 Vauxhall-Opel League Premier Division: Carshalton Athletic v Harrow Borough
 Vauxhall-Opel League Division One: Kingsbury Town v Grays Athletic (Silver Jubilee Park, 3pm)
 Spartan League Cup semi final: Beaconsfield v Edgware Town
 Hellenic League Premier Division: Rayners Lane v Didcot Town (Lucas Avenue, 3pm)

Tuesday March 7
 Vauxhall-Opel League Division One: Leatherhead v Kingsbury Town
 Capital League: Dagenham v Wealdstone
 Spartan League: Harrow Boro Res v Camberley (Earlsmead, 7.30pm)

Wealdstone sell Mick

WEALDSTONE have re-couped some of the money they have recently spent on new players by selling striker Mick Perry to Worcester City for £1,000.

Perry, 23, was living in the midlands and travelling to Lower Mead to train and play.

Since joining Stones in the summer from Stafford, he had scored seven goals in 21 games. He was signed by former manager Colin Meldrum.

Stones have spent £6,000 on Tony Lynch and Mark Harrison in the last two months.

Supporters agm date

WEALDSTONE Supporters Club's annual general meeting has been fixed for Monday March 7.

It will take place in the Vice Presidents club at the ground, starting at 7.30pm.

Only current paid-up members of the supporters club will be admitted. Secretary Nick DuCard hopes to invite manager Tony Jennings along for a discussion.

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Lions share the spoils

WEMBLEY 1 Billericay Town 1
 WEMBLEY were forced to share the points with Billericay in a disjointed match at Vale Farm on Tuesday night.

Wembley opened brightly, Gary Dolling, shooting past the post and an awkward Steve Lucas corner being palmed over by Billericay keeper Brittleton.

Dolling ran half the length of the field in the 37th minute, but saw his well-struck rising drive saved by Brittleton.

As they pressed forward, the Lions were nearly caught out just before the break when Danny Carter had two goalbound efforts cleared off the line by Steve Lucas.

Wembley finally took the lead in the 67th minute. Spud Murphy's long throw from the left bounced off the chest of Billericay's Glen Russell and fell conveniently for Paul Janaway to poke it in from six yards.

The lead lasted for only seven minutes, Carter flicking on for Richard Green to round Jeff Fanner and score.

Wembley: Fanner, Flaherty, S Lucas, Murphy, Janaway, Smith, Cadogan, Brown, Shodeinde (Simpson), Dolling, O'Connor. Sub: D Lucas.

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