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Harrow battle to draw

HARROW CC salvaged a hard-fought draw with Acton in Middlesex Division Two on Saturday. Acton reached 200 for nine from their 53 overs as Darren Crook took four for 49. Harrow offered a decent response but could have easily fallen to defeat ending on 179 for nine. Harrow travel to South Hampstead on Saturday.

Wood sink Hatfield

NORTHWOOD TOWN CC defeated Hatfield in Hertfordshire Division Two on Saturday by three wickets. Ben Rawson-Jones claimed four for 17 as Hatfield were blown away for just 79. Northwood made hard work of the victory but eventually limped to the win on 80 for seven.

Parkfield avoid relegation

PARKFIELD AND HEADSTONE CC secured their status for another season in Hertfordshire Division Five despite losing to Luton Town and Indians Seconds at the weekend. They took 11 points from their five-wicket defeat which was enough to keep them in the league. Prash Nagarajan top scored with 43 in their innings of 171 all out.

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Stones off mark with Sutton win

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WEALDSTONE eased to their first win of the season after crushing Sutton United at Grosvenor Vale in the Ryman Premier Division on Tuesday night.

The Stones hammered in four second-half goals to sink the visitors and secure their first ever league victory at their new home.

Wealdstone did not have it all their own way in a fairly even first half where clear-cut chances were at a premium.

The game came to life after the break as Wealdstone cast aside any concerns with their early season form by overwhelming Sutton.

Defender Alan Massey proved the unlikely match winner as the defender fired a timely brace for the hosts. His first came after 54 minutes when he broke forward and unleashed a powerful effort into the far corner of the net.

The Stones put clear daylight between themselves and the opposition six minutes later when Ryan Ashe crossed and Massey cleverly turned and shot into the net.

Wealdstone's pacy attacks were just too much for the away side to handle and the third goal arrived six minutes from time as Lee Chappell finished off after a superb run.

Callum Martin was handed a surprise debut in attack and almost marked the start with a goal.

The Stones rounded off the emphatic win late on when Callum Martin's cross was slid in by Ashe.

Wealdstone were held to a 2-2 draw at Dartford on Saturday. Two goals from Stephen Hughes was not enough to earn the three points for the Stones.

But they were again frustrated as they were unable to break down the opposition, despite having a man advantage. Jamie Days was sent off after just ten minutes for Dartford after a dangerous challenge on Derek Quayle. Yet the home side managed to last more than 80 minutes and earn a valuable home point against the Stones.

Wealdstone will be looking to build on their breakthrough win this Saturday when they entertain Ramsgate at Grosvenor Vale.



Stones manager Gordon Bartlett will be relieved after his side earned their first win of the season.

Picture: HOLLY CANT

Boro climb off bottom

HARROW BOROUGH moved off the foot of the Ryman Premier table after a vital 2-0 win at Hastings United on Tuesday night.

Boro were missing a host of players through injury and work commitments, including Darren Grieves and Jerome Hall, but they still got the result which helped move them up to 20th.

The visitors got the perfect start after only five minutes when Jonathan Constant was brought down in the area. The striker picked himself up and was fortunate to see his penalty, which went straight at the goalkeeper, dribble agonisingly over the line.

Hastings looked sharper after half-time but goalkeeper Andray Baptiste was equal to everything they had to offer.

The crucial second goal came after 62 minutes and effectively sealed their first win of the campaign. It was a memorable moment for Kai Williams as the 22-year-old curled in his first goal for the club.

Boro continue on their travels this weekend with a difficult trip to face Billerica.

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