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**Wood held by rivals**

NORTHWOOD drew 1-1 at home to play-off rivals Wingate and Finchley in Ryman One North on Saturday. The visitors opened the scoring in the first half from the penalty spot. But Bradley Hewitt earned Wood a point with an equaliser 25 minutes from the end. The result leaves them in sixth place in the table. Wood travel to fifth placed Waltham Abbey in the league this weekend.

**Ten-man Tigers sunk by Green**

KINGSBURY LONDON TIGERS crashed to a 3-2 defeat at Leverstock Green in the South Midlands Premier Division on Saturday. Henry Emenike fired the Tigers into an early lead before two home goals turned the game around. Franklin Manuel levelled before the break but Green grabbed the winner after the restart. Kingsbury goalkeeper Siki Kambila was sent off late on for handball outside the area.

**Harrow runners grab silver**

HARROW AC's senior men won silver at the Middlesex County cross country Championships recently. Alan Wray finished seventh to earn selection for the Inter-Counties cross country championships in March.

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## Boro close to signing goalkeeper

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HARROW BOROUGH manager David Howell hopes to bring in a goalkeeper this week to solve their injury crisis.

The Ryman Premier outfit have already lost first-team shot stopper Andray Baptiste for several weeks with a knee problem and stand-in Gary Ross is doubtful for this weekend's trip to Maidstone United with a groin injury.

Howell was close to bringing in a back-up goalkeeper, thought to be from League One or Two, on Wednesday lunchtime at the time of going to press.

Boro's unbeaten start to the New Year continued after a 3-1 win over Billericay Town at Earlsmead on Saturday. Howell's side recovered from conceding an early goal to post a vital win in the league.

Jonathan Constant equalised for Boro in the 36th minute with a classy finish.

They took the lead for the first time midway through the second half when Lee Hall smashed the ball home from ten yards. Dwayne Clarke sealed the points for Boro in the 75th minute

when he beat a defender and slotted the ball in from an acute angle.

Howell was delighted with his side's response after a disappointing start to the game.

He said: "It was a very sluggish start by us, we weren't at the races. But by the end of the match we could have won by more. It was good to see the likes of Jonathan Constant coming back and putting in a positive performance.

"In 2008 [first half of the season] we drew too many games. I think we drew eight games, more than anyone else, which we should have won which is 16 points lost. I told the players it is about the results this year. I would be happy to win ugly."

Howell takes his side to United—a team one place off the play-off spots—on Saturday and is confident of keeping the momentum going.

"They are on the edge of the play-offs and they're a hard team to beat. Maidstone have spent a lot of money on new players but I felt we should have beaten them earlier in the season [1-1 draw].

"But we're going there on the back of a result against Godalming and a good win over Billericay so we're hoping to build on that at Maidstone."

## Haule brace earns Stones away point



Davis Haule has made an impact for the Stones since signing on loan from Staines Town.

Picture:WEALDSTONE FC

WEALDSTONE survived a late scare at Ramsgate on Saturday as they drew 2-2 in the Ryman Premiership.

The Stones appeared to be heading for defeat when they conceded a penalty two minutes from time. But goalkeeper Sean Thomas pulled off a vital save to earn them a point.

They also had another scare ten minutes from time when a Ramsgate header was controversially disallowed for a disputed foul.

Ben Brown fired the home side into an early lead.

But the Stones equalised with Davis Haule's superb lob. They went in front just before half-time when the striker, on-loan from Staines Town, struck his second goal of the match for the visitors.

The Rams dominated the second half and it was no surprise when they netted the equaliser in the 74th minute from centre-back Ryan Royston's long shot.

Wealdstone survived a barrage of late pressure and were probably happy to leave Kent with a point.

The Stones face a home match against rivals Hendon on Saturday as they look to consolidate their position in the top-ten of the division.

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