

### News briefly

#### Tigers slump to defeat

KINGSBURY LONDON TIGERS crashed to a 3-0 home defeat to Chalfont St Peter in the South Midlands Premier on Saturday. Lee Togwell's deflected effort fired Chalfont in front. The visitors scored the second 20 minutes from time when Charlie Strutton netted and a Ryan Welch penalty sealed the Tigers' fate.

#### Former England boss speaks

GRAHAM TAYLOR will be the guest speaker next Thursday at the Ruislip Social Club at Grosvenor Vale. The former Watford manager is attending the fund raising dinner, which gets underway at 7pm, at the home of Wealdstone FC. Anyone interested in buying a ticket, priced £40, should telephone Peter Worby on 07967 698370.

#### Golf academy launched

THE North London Golf Academy will have its official opening on Saturday. The new facility is based in the Zoom Leisure Centre in Harrow. The Academy will offer PGA golf tuition and offer the chance to use a Pro Tee simulator. For more information about the centre call Adrian on 07941 150383.

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# Ngoyi hat-trick in derby keeps play-off bid alive

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WEALDSTONE remain in the hunt for a Ryman Premier play-off spot after Greg Ngoyi's hat-trick fired them to a 3-0 win at Harrow Borough on Easter Monday.

The Stones followed up an emphatic 6-0 win over their rivals in December with a vital victory which leaves them three points off the top-five with two matches remaining.

The visitors were second best early on but the first goal after 38 minutes swung the match in their favour. Ryan Ashe's shot was parried by substitute goalkeeper Andray Baptiste, who was on for the injured Richard Wilmot, but Ngoyi followed up and slotted the rebound into the net.

Within 60 seconds, the Stones doubled the lead as Ashe's corner was flicked home by the striker. The match was put beyond Boro early on in the second half when James Gray was brought down in the area. Ngoyi confidently converted the penalty to take home the match ball.

Boro's misery was sealed when Wayne Walters was sent off for two bookable offences. David Howell's side can no longer be relegated but it was a disappointing end to a week which started with a 2-0 defeat to Ryman One North side Tilbury in the League Cup final.

Stones manager Gordon Bartlett praised the level of support on Monday which outnumbered the home fans.

He said: "The fans were just incredible. The place erupted after the first goal and did not stop after that. They enjoyed their day out and their influence on us was absolutely enormous.

"I expected a much tougher game but, although they started better than us, once we scored there was only one winner. There was a real zest about us after we looked tired against Dartford."

Boro manager Howell was frustrated after their latest derby defeat.

Howell said: "It was a flattering scoreline because we were in the driving seat until they scored. I was quite



Elation: Greg Ngoyi celebrates his treble which kept the Stones in the play-off picture.

Picture: WEALDSTONE FC

happy with what we were doing for the first half-hour. I felt we were in control but a bizarre ten-minute spell either side of half-time put the match beyond us."

The Stones travel to runaway champions Dover on Saturday. Bartlett insists he would have taken their current position just behind the front runners before the season got underway.

"If we go to Dover and win that guarantees it will go to the last game of the season," he said. "We have to hope AFC Hornchurch and Carshalton slip up. If they do, we want to be in a position where we can take advantage of it."

"Each match for the last month has been the most

important game because we needed to win but so far so good. We're on an excellent run and top of the current form table. Dover's record speaks for itself and it's not the game I would have picked for our final away match. But we know what we have to do."

Boro can boost Wealdstone's promotion hopes by beating play-off candidates AFC Hornchurch away this evening [Thursday]. They continue a difficult run-in on Saturday with a clash against Tonbridge Angels.

Howell said: "We can do them a big favour by beating AFC Hornchurch but we can also do ourselves a big favour. We've got four matches left to play and our target is to finish in the top-ten."

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