

News briefly

**Magnificent seven for league leaders**

HARROW RFC extended their lead at the top of Herts Middlesex One to seven points after thrashing West London 47-10. The hosts were in excellent form as they ran in seven tries. Chris West was the pick of the side as he scored a hat-trick in the one-sided victory. Harrow entertain Bank of England this weekend.

**Wealdstone Ladies beaten by Reading**

WEALDSTONE LADIES Under-18s lost 3-2 at Reading on Sunday. Megan Craig missed an early penalty before Sophie Clegg fired the Stones in front. Reading equalised at the start of the second half but Rochelle Mills restored the visitors' lead. Two goals in the last eight minutes helped Reading snatch the victory over Wealdstone.

**Disabled offered discounted deal**

DISABLED people living in the Harrow Borough can benefit from discounted access to sports and leisure facilities after an initiative was launched by charitable social enterprise GLL. The new Better Health and Fitness Inclusive membership card will offer reduced rates and free access for carers. The monthly membership will cost £19.95.

## Wealdstone dumped out of Ryman League Cup

WEALDSTONE were knocked out of the Ryman League Cup after a 1-0 defeat at Dulwich Hamlet on Tuesday night.

The Stones fielded a makeshift defence, with Chris O'Leary forced to start at centre-back, and they were unable to field a full bench against the Ryman Division One South outfit.

Wealdstone were under constant pressure from Dulwich and goalkeeper Rikki Banks was forced to save Erhun Oztomer's effort.

The hosts came even closer after half an hour when Ellis Green hit a 20-yard strike which cannoned off the Stones' post.

Dulwich grabbed the goal they deserved shortly after the restart when Josh Turner's header was parried by Banks but the keeper was powerless to stop Ryan James smashing in the rebound.

Wealdstone created a rare opportunity when Peter Dean floated a ball into the area and Richard Jolly headed over from 12 yards out.

Substitute Tom Pett had the visitors' last chance but he could only fire straight at home keeper Phil Wilson.

Wealdstone climbed up to second in the Ryman Premier table after picking up their first win of the year on Saturday.

The Stones managed to come out on top in a 1-0 home victory over promotion rivals Bognor Regis Town.

Gordon Bartlett's side started brightly and almost grabbed the lead but Dean's header was parried by Bognor shot stopper Tom Boyle.

Banks was tested for the first time when Lewis Stockford's strike was well saved.

The breakthrough came 16 minutes from time when Dean laid the ball off to Alex Dyer and he finished sharply from the edge of the area.

Bartlett's side had one last scare in the final minute when Stuart Axten's effort was cleared off the line by Dean.

Wealdstone travel to Thurrock at the weekend before visiting Margate on Tuesday night.



Alex Dyer celebrates his goal against Bognor Regis Town. Picture: STEVE FOSTER/WEALDSTONE FC

## Borough capture Met Police point

HARROW BOROUGH battled back for a hard earned 1-1 draw at Metropolitan Police in the Ryman Premier League.

Dave Anderson's side fielded a new goalkeeper after Elvijs Putnins joined Conference Premier side Woking.

The Boro manager moved quickly to fill the void by bringing in Crystal Palace youngster Ross Fitzsimons.

The visitors conceded a poor goal after 14 minutes of the contest.

Ty Smith's inswinging corner was tucked away by Steve Sutherland to give the Police a soft opener.

The Reds' equaliser came out of the blue after half an hour.

Jon-Jo Bates forced the home defence into a sloppy mistake and Charles Ofusu-Hene latched onto the ball and fired a low shot into the net for his first goal for the club.

It was a very open second half and Boro threatened with a chance for Bates but his effort flew wide of the target.

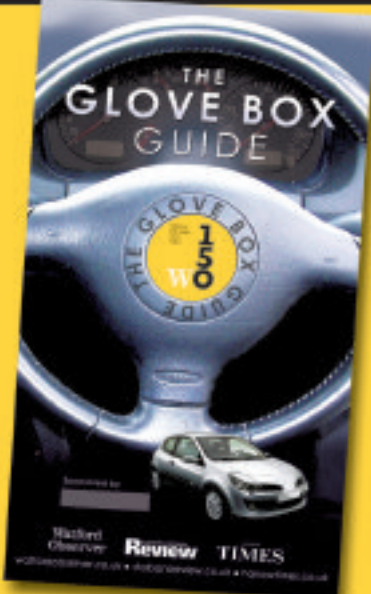
The visitors had a scare when Michael Peacock's clearance was charged down by Hanif Boyle but he fired past the post.

Boro came so close to shocking Police and getting a late winner but Saheed Sankoh's effort was disallowed for offside.

Although the result moved Harrow one place up the table they are only a point off the foot of the table.

The Reds are scheduled to entertain Bury Town this weekend as they bid to climb away from the bottom of the league.

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