

News briefly

Harrow promoted after Hendon win

HARROW RFC clinched promotion from Herts Middlesex One after a 22-0 win over Hendon. William Keany continued his prolific form with a try for the visitors before Adam West added a second before the break. Hywel Gosling scored their third try before captain Dave West sealed Harrow's promotion.

Acorn looking to attract members

ACORN LAWN TENNIS CLUB are offering new members the chance to try out their facilities. The club, based in Canons Park, are hoping to attract new members of any age or ability. All members, excluding Under-9s, will be able to participate in the Wimbledon ticket draw on May 5. For more information contact Steve Phillips on 0208 952 4389.

Martial arts talents succeed in gradings

ISHIN RYU JU-JITSU infant and junior students from Harrow celebrated success at their latest gradings. The youngsters, aged between four and 13, put themselves through the tough grading and all successfully came through it. Ishin Ryu Ju-jitsu is a traditional martial art which still believes in its martial military background.

'We're delighted he's on board'

WEALDSTONE boss Gordon Bartlett praised the impact of new signing Scott McGleish after he scored on his debut.

The former Leyton Orient and Wycombe Wanderers striker, who completed his move from Enfield Town at the end of last weekend, got off the mark in their 4-2 win at Margate on Tuesday night.

Bartlett said: "He is a very good addition. We're delighted that he is on board not just for his ability but also his experience of the game.

"I thought he did very well. His enthusiasm and desire to score goals is still evident. He's always looking to work the channels and make a real nuisance to the defenders. It was nice to top it off with a goal.

"We haven't been scoring enough goals and we needed something to spark that. Any team that has Richard Jolly and Scott McGleish in will always be a goal threat."

In addition to McGleish, Bartlett has also signed former QPR midfielder Stefan Bailey and Romanian centre-back Claudiu Crihana Vechi.

The Stones trailed early on at Margate but equalised in the 25th minute when McGleish laid the ball off to Tom Pett who found the top corner.

Wealdstone went into the break with the lead after Pett netted his second of the game.

The hosts made it 2-2 early on in the second half. But the sides were only level for six minutes as an own goal from Matt Bodkin restored the visitors' lead.

McGleish capped an excellent debut with a late header to seal the win.

The Stones face a crucial home match against Concord Rangers this evening [Thursday] in the promotion battle.

Wealdstone are currently third in the table two points behind Concord in second but with a game in hand.

Bartlett said: "It's an enormous game. They're aren't many games, when you're doing well, where you play sides above you. It is a great opportunity to overtake them.

"There are lots of points to play for. Whitehawk have the lead at the moment but Lowestoft in fourth are flying at the moment. There will be lots of twists and turns before the end of the season."

Wealdstone face a punishing fixture list over the Easter weekend. After their match with Concord, Bartlett's side travel to Wingate & Finchley on Saturday before facing rivals Harrow Borough at home on Bank Holiday Monday.



Former Leyton Orient striker Scott McGleish netted on his debut for Wealdstone.

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Reds crash to defeat

HARROW BOROUGH slumped to a 3-1 defeat at Ryman Premier Division bottom side Carshalton Athletic.

The Reds were well below par as they suffered a very disappointing loss on Tuesday night.

Traffic problems for the referee delayed the match by half an hour. When it eventually got underway Boro had a decent chance but Simeon Akinola sent his free header from Shaun Lucien's cross past the post.

The hosts took the lead in the 36th minute when Michael Peacock ended up putting the ball past his own goalkeeper.

Carshalton extended their lead six minutes into the second half when miscommunication in the visitors' defence resulted in Pelayo Gomez Pico converting an easy chance.

Dave Anderson's side pulled one back when Mark Goodman deflected the ball past his keeper for the second own goal of the game.

But the home side sealed a much-needed three points when Nathaniel Pinney ran through the defence to score their third of the game.

The Reds are 17th in the table and are only two points off the bottom four in the division.

Boro host mid-table Hendon on Saturday before making the short journey to title challengers Harrow Borough on Easter Monday.

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