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News briefly

Harrow Borough hit by Trophy defeat

Harrow Borough were knocked out of the FA Trophy after a 2-1 first qualifying round defeat at Dulwich Hamlet. Ian Daly headed the home side into a first-half lead. But Dave Anderson's side cancelled the goal out in the 73rd minute when Garry Jones netted a 20-yard strike. But the Reds were sunk by a superb winner two minutes into injury time when Kershaney Samuels struck a longrange effort.

Harrow ease to **Senior Vase win**

Harrow RFC earned a 49-21 away win at Old Cooperians in the National Senior Vase. The visitors made a bright start and took the lead through a penalty and Chris West's try. West went on to score three in the first half as Harrow established a 32-7 lead. West finished up with four of the eight tries for the victors.

Heineken Cup blow for Saracens

Saracens' Heineken Cup hopes suffered a setback after a 17-16 home defeat to Toulouse at Wembley. The Men in Black were leading at half-time through Chris Wyles' converted try. But Sarries squandered a 16-7 lead during the second half as Louis Picamoles scored a crucial try to fire the French side into the lead. Owen Farrell's late drop goal attempt missed as Sarries fell to defeat.

Trophy win for Wealdstone

Wealdstone put their FA Cup disappointment cup disappointment behind them with a comfortable 3-0 win at Leiston in the first qualifying round of the FA Trophy.

The Stones were knocked out of the FA Cup after a comprehensive 6-1 defeat at AFC Hornchurch but Gordon Bartlett's side bounced back with a confidenceboosting victory.

The visitors brought in new signing Mark Bentley who started in midfield alongside Glen Little.

Wealdstone came under a bit of pressure from Leiston and Tom Hamblin was required to make an important block with his head to stop a shot hitting the target.

Rhys Henry was looking dangerous for the hosts and he fired in an effort which flew just past Jonathan North.

The Stones came agonisingly close to opening the scoring from a corner but Sean Cronin's header rebounded off the post.

Former Reading winger Little was offering a threat for the visitors and he fired in an effort which was charged down by the home defence

Bartlett's side struck just before the break when Tom Pett broke down the

right and his cross found Scott McGleish struck his shot past keeper

Danny Gay. Leiston started brightly in the second half and another attempt on goal required North to make a crucial save.

Cronin was then forced into some last-ditch defending to block what appeared to be a certain equaliser.

The Stones ruthlessly punished Leiston by doubling their lead.

Pett played a through ball for Little after 56 min-utes and he kept his composure to tuck the ball past the keeper.
Striker McGleish was

unlucky not to add to his tally when his shot was cleared off the line.

Bentley nearly got off the mark for his new club but his strike went just wide of the target.

The Stones made it 3-0 after 68 minutes when Pett burst into the area and fired past home.

Wealdstone's reward in the next round is a home game against Ryman Premier Division leaders Maidstone United on Saturday, November 2

The Stones return to league action this weekend with a home game against Gravs Athletic.



The Stones celebrate after Scott McGleish netted during their win at Leiston.

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