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STONES: Draw leaves them four points from drop

Gallant Wealdstone fight back for point

WEALDSTONE fought back from 2-0 down to rescue a 2-2 draw at Concord Rangers in the National League South on Saturday.

It looked like the Stones were heading for their second league defeat of the calendar year after conceding twice but the visitors produced a spirited comeback to salvage a point.

The result was their 13th draw in the league this season which leaves them four points above the relegation zone.

New goalkeeper James Bransgrove was handed his debut after joining on a month's youth loan from Colchester United.

Concord opened the scoring with their first attack of the game after 13 minutes when striker Steve Cawley tucked the ball into the net from six yards out.

The hosts almost doubled their lead through a header from Alex Osborn but Bransgrove managed to push the ball away.

The new keeper was being kept busy and managed to save from Jay Dowie as Concord threatened to add a second goal.

Wealdstone almost levelled the game before the break through

By Sports Reporter

Scott Davies but his powerful shot was kept out by goalkeeper Ben McNamara.

The Beachboys nearly extended their advantage early on in the second half but Bransgrove pushed away an effort from Osborn.

Concord's pressure eventually led to their second goal when Steve King headed home from a corner.

Gordon Bartlett's side rallied and pulled one back when a long free kick fell to Jefferson Louis and the striker fired home.

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The Stones had the momentum and built on this as they grabbed their equaliser after Davies struck a superb shot into the net in the 77th minute.

Wealdstone were knocked out of the Middlesex Senior Charity Cup on Tuesday night after losing 4-3 on penalties to Hanworth Villa.

Goals from Scott McGleish, Tom Cadmore and Shaun Lucien ensured the game finished 3-3 after 90 minutes.

Bartlett's side return to action on Saturday with a home game against second-placed Maidstone United.



The Stones were knocked out of the Middlesex Charity Cup on penalties. Picture: ALAN PALMER

Boro ease to solid home win

GRAYS' PROMOTION HOPES TAKE A HIT AS HARROW BUILD ON WEEKEND DRAW

HARROW Borough produced a dominant performance in their 3-0 home win over Grays Athletic on Tuesday in the Ryman Premier Division.

The Reds were far too strong for their opponents as they dented Gray's hopes of reaching the play-offs.

Boro's victory leaves them 18th in the table with 43 points from 35 games.

Steve Baker's side got off to a promising start and almost opened the scoring through Harry Newman but his flicked effort was saved by visiting goalkeeper Lamar Johnson.

The hosts grabbed the opener midway through the half when David Taylor fired home the rebound after his first shot had been blocked.

Boro extended their lead four minutes into the second half when Joshua Webb released Fejiri Okenabirhie and he fired a superb strike into the net.

The Reds rounded off the scoring when Okenabirhie's penalty was saved but he followed up to net from the loose ball.

Boro were held to a goalless draw at home to ninth-placed Leiston on Saturday.

Baker's side travel to Tooting & Mitcham United tonight in their London Senior Cup guarter-final.

This is followed by a league game away to Kingstonian on Saturday.







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