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FOOTBALL: Five on the spin for Bartlett's men Godfrey stones Seagulls as winning run goes on

THE dreaded play-off word has been wrenched from the wildest dreams of Wealdstone and a little further towards reality - as Gordon Bartlett's side registered their fourth and fifth straight league wins this week.

A pair of 2-1 victories began on Saturday against Gosport Borough, when the Stones came from behind through goals from Ricky Wellard and Aryan Tajbakhsh at Grosvenor Vale.

In midweek, they faced what Bartlett called their 'toughest' test of their winning run so far, travelling with a depleted squad to a Weston-super-Mare side who had lost only two of their previous 12 games.

Again they had to do it the hard way; home captain Dayle Grubb gave the Seagulls a first-half lead, but within three minutes of the break Wealdstone were level through Sam White's second goal in three games.

Weston's charge strengthened as the game went on and Grubb missed a chance to restore their lead, while Tajbakhsh smashed over when well-placed.

But nine minutes from time Wealdstone would steal the victory when Elliott Godfrey shrugged off

By Ron Walker

two challenges to slot home a hard-fought winner.

Bartlett credited the speed of the equalising goal with the Stones' turnaround after the victory, which takes his men joint eighth in the National League South, and 10 points off an unlikely play-off push.

However, two of the sides above them - Poole Town and Hungerford - may be ruled out of contention due to ground regulations, so Wealdstone's promotion hopes may be more of a possibility than first thought.

"Weston are a good side," he said. "They are talented but they have a lot of young players.

"We said at half-time if we could nick a goal it could turn the game because of their inexperience, and that's what happened - I think we were mentally stronger in the end.

"Everyone I spoke to before the game said what a good side they were and on what I saw tonight I agree. It was the hardest test from our winning streak, certainly.

"To come away from a long trip like this with three points is great, we put in a really dogged and gritty



Elliott Godfrey's late winner sealed all three points for Wealdstone on Tuesday night in a 2-1 win at Weston-super-Mare.
Picture: ALAN PALMER

performance.

"Our mental strength was questioned earlier in the season, but we've seen the other side of these players in the last few weeks.

"When you go in 1-0 down, you say your bit and look in the players' eyes - and they had hunger and belief in them today. If you've got that, you'll get your rewards."

On Saturday the Stones travel to fifth-bottom Truro City, who despite their lowly position have won three of their last five home games.

Wealdstone: North; Oshodi, Hamblin, Brown, Mavila; Godfrey (McGleish 90), Cox; Wellard, Tajbakhsh, Green; White.

Not used: Lafleur, Gibson, Walker, Koroma.

Ticket price slashed at the Vale

SEASON PASSES REDUCED TO £99 AT WEALDSTONE FOR 2017-18 CAMPAIGN

WEALDSTONE have slashed season ticket prices for the coming year to less than £100 in an aim to encourage casual fans to 'regularly enjoy' following the club.

The Stones will charge £99 for an adult season ticket if purchased before the end of May, a £100 reduction in their earlybird prices from this campaign.

The age limit for free entry alongside a full-paying adult has been raised from 12 to 14 for the new season, while concession rates have also been slashed from £125 to £75.

Prices will increase following the earlybird period, and tickets can be purchased from the club megastore on home matchdays, online via wealdstone-fc.com or by post.

Matchday prices will remain largely the same for the 2017-18 campaign, with adult prices £13, but concessions raised to £9.

Chairman Peter Marsden told the club website: "With an average home attendance of 750 and several instances of 1,000-plus gates we are already the most well-supported non-league team in the whole of north and west London.

"This reduction in season ticket prices, as well as being a thank you to our loyal fan base is designed to encourage many other people - be they residents of Ruislip and surrounding areas or fans of the big London clubs looking to actively follow a 2nd team - a chance to regularly experience the uniqueness of Wealdstone FC."

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