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FOUR wins in a row for in-form Wealdstone Stones extend winning run with home victory

By Simon Mail

WEALDSTONE climbed to within five points of the National League South play-offs after a 2-1 home win over Weston-super-Mare on Saturday.

The Stones clinched their fourth consecutive win in all competitions which temporarily helped them leapfrog their opponents in the table.

Iffy Allen made an immediate impact on his league debut with the Bromley loanee firing Bobby Wilkinson's side into the lead.

There was an early let off for the Stones with Jake Lee's header crashing against the crossbar.

Starting in place of the suspended Ricky Wellard, Allen grabbed the opening goal after just eight minutes.

He latched onto a neat knock-down from David Pratt and tucked his effort past goalkeeper Luke Purnell.

Wealdstone were in control of the match and threatened to add to their lead.

Abobaker Eisa was unlucky to see his 20-yard free-kick cannon

off the outside of the post.

Winger Eisa then saw another effort hit the woodwork as the visitors had a fortunate escape.

The Stones kept the pressure on during the second half and were rewarded with their second goal in the 57th minute.

It was a superb individual effort with Eisa running from inside his own half before unleashing a fierce strike.

Wealdstone were looking comfortable until the side were reduced to 10 men in the 80th minute.

Ian Gayle was shown a second yellow card which handed the visitors a late lifeline.

Weston took advantage of the extra man and pulled a goal back with five minutes remaining through a header from Gethyn Hill.

But Wealdstone managed to hold out with relatively few scares as they secured back-to-back league victories.

The Stones turn their attention to the FA Trophy on Saturday with a home game against Warrington Town in the third round.

Warrington are currently in fifth place in the Evo-Stik Premier Division.



The Stones battled to a 2-1 home win over Weston-super-Mare.

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Ten-man Borough beaten

HARROW ARE HEAVILY PUNISHED AT HOME BY RUTHLESS MARGATE

HARROW Borough were thrashed 4-0 at home to promotion challengers Margate in the Isthmian Premier Division on Saturday.

The hosts were punished by a number of defensive mistakes as they were well beaten in their latest league match.

Boro got off to a poor start, conceding an early penalty after Shaun Preddie brought down Jordan Chiedozie in the area. Chiedozie stepped up and sent goalkeeper Melvin Minter the wrong way to hand the visitors a lead after just two minutes.

The home side responded and went close through Ryan Moss but his header was saved.

Boro were reduced to 10 men before the half-an-hour mark when Mark McLeod was adjudged to have elbowed an opponent.

Harrow fell further behind before the break when Adam Pepera diverted Kane Haysman's shot into his own net.

Any hope of a comeback was swiftly ended two minutes into the second half with the visitors' third goal from a close-range effort by Frannie Collin.

Margate rounded off the scoring before the hour mark when Chiedozie turned the ball in at the far post.

Minter produced a number of impressive saves to deny the visitors from adding to the scoreline.

Steve Baker's side will hope to return to winning ways on Saturday with a trip to mid-table Dorking Wanderers.

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