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STONES pegged back after Noel-Williams brace



Dejon Noel-Williams continued his fine run of scoring form in Saturday's draw

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Advantage stays at seven

WEALDSTONE maintained their seven-point lead at the top of the National League South despite giving up a two-goal lead to draw 2-2 at Dorking Wanderers.

lead to draw 2-2 at Dorking Wanderers. Stones' striker Dejon Noel-Williams continued his hot vein of form with a first-half brace, but second-half goals from Jack Barnham and James McShane grabbed a share of the spoils.

Unbeaten on the road since early August, Wealdstone dominated the opening exchanges and took the lead within the first 10 minutes. Midfielder Danny Green whipped in a teasing free-kick which found an unmarked Noel-Williams who nodded in from close-range past goal-keeper Slavomir Huk.

The Stones kept up the pressure and came close to doubling their lead four minutes later. Sanchez Watt played in Dennon Lewis but Huk was equal to his strike on goal. Green then curled in another tantalising free-kick which again found Noel-Williams, however his nearpost effort was well saved by Huk.

Wealdstone's relentless first-half pres-

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sure finally yielded their second goal on the stroke of half-time as Lewis drove down the right wing and his drilled cross found Noel-Williams who couldn't miss from a yard out.

After the break, Noel-Williams was inches away from a hat-trick when Green's cross found him yet again free in the box, but the forward's strike rolled agonisingly wide of the far post.

Minutes later, and against the run of play, the hosts halved the deficit as Barnham produced a superb chip over Stones keeper Ashton Oxborough and Dorking were back in it.

Wealdstone had their captain Jerome Okimo to thank when his outstanding block stopped a certain Dorking equaliser on the hour mark.

They held firm until the 73rd minute after a low ball in from the right was swept into the top corner by McShane.

Borough snatch win at the death



Borough secured a dramatic late victory on Saturday.

DYLAN Kearney scored a dramatic 97th minute winner as Harrow Borough grabbed a much-needed 2-1 win at Dorchester Town in the BetVictor Southern Premier South on Saturday. Harrow had taken the lead through George Moore's first-half strike but were pegged back 10 minutes from time by defender George Wells. As the game looked to be ending in a draw, Harrow's on-loan striker Kearney popped up with the late winner to earn his side their first win in seven league games. On a wet and windy afternoon in Dorset, both sides created good chances to go ahead. First, Kunle Otudeko struck from range but Magpies goalkeeper Shane Murphy was equal to it. Dorchester then had a long-range effort of their own through Tom Blair which was well saved by Hafed Al-Droubi.

In a relatively even opening 25 minutes, it was Harrow who went in front when Otudeko won back possession and found Moore on the edge of the box and he fired a shot impressively past Murphy. The hosts should have levelled three minutes later when striker Tom Bath got in behind the Harrow defence, but his left-footed strike cannoned off the crossbar.

Dorchester continued to press for an equaliser in the second period, with both Blair and Dan Strugnell shooting wide of the target.

A tiring Harrow held out until the 81st minute after a deep cross from the right found Wells unmarked at the far post and he nodded past Al-Droubi. Following lengthy stoppages in the second half, there was a large amount of additional time and both sides searched for a crucial winning goal, which Harrow found.

Seven minutes into stoppage time, defender Josh Andrew's pin-point cross fell to Kearney, who expertly volleyed in the winner to cue euphoric celebrations.

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