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WEALDSTONE thrash promotion rivals Bath



Wealdstone pictured earlier in the season in their National League South game against Welling United.

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Borough slump to heavy loss

PARKER RUNS RIOT FOR STRUGGLING HARTLEY



Ant O'Connor was on the scoresheet for Harrow.

AFTER a run of four games without defeat, Harrow Borough slumped to their second successive loss as Mitchell Parker ran riot with all for goals in a 4-1 win for Hartley Wintney.

Parker already had two to his name by the time Ant O'Connor pulled one back for Harrow with six minutes to go, but another late double from the front-man put some gloss on the scoreline for the struggling visitors.

Goalkeeper Hafed Al-Droubi left the club by mutual consent last week, so Fulham loanee Luca Ashby-Hammond returned in goal. Elsewhere, Marc Charles-Smith returned from injury and Okem Chime came in to start, so O'Connor and Michael Bryan dropped to the bench.

Hartley got their reward for a positive start on the half-hour mark when he finished off a lovely flowing move into the top corner.

Four minutes into the second half, Parker got his second of the afternoon when he outpaced George Fenton and slotted calmly past Ashby-Hammond.

Borough were handed the chance to pull one back 11 minutes from time when Chinua Cole was hauled down in the area but substitute O'Connor's weak spot kick was kept out.

However, two minutes later, the striker made amends when he drove home a left-footed effort to halve the deficit.

The joy was short-lived though, as Parker completed his hat-trick within five minutes to restore Hartley's cushion, and he duly rounded things off with a fourth shortly after to complete his excellent day's work.

Defeat leaves Borough 16th in the Southern League Premier Division South ahead of Saturday's visit to Taunton Town.

Seven goals for Stones

WEALDSTONE produced their biggest National League South win of the season as they thrashed promotion rivals Bath City 7-0 at The Vale.

Bath came into the game second in the table and could have closed the gap between themselves and the Stones to just four points with a win, but they now find themselves 10 adrift and level on points with Havant & Waterlooville and Slough Town.

Billy Clifford and Connor Stevens scored either side of an own goal to give the Stones a 3-0 half-time lead.

Dennon Lewis then added a brace in the second half before Danny Green and Michael Phillips capped off a resounding victory.

Wealdstone took a deserved lead after 14 minutes when a free-kick was cleared only as far as Clifford and he sent a superb low drive back through the crowd of players and into the bottom corner.

They then doubled their advantage when another set-piece was converted into his own net by a Bath defender, and a

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third arrived when Stevens rose highest to power in a corner.

The hosts continued to attack after the break and Lewis added a swift brace to make it five.

He then turned provider, this time laying off for Green to fire home before substitute Phillips rounded things off.

As if those seven were not enough for the Stones, it was the number they hit again on Tuesday night in their Middlesex County Cup quarter-final tie away at Staines Town.

After the hosts took an early lead, an own goal drew Wealdstone level at the break.

Olly McCoy put them in front after an hour and scored again after Kieran Cadogan added a third.

Ross Lafayette, Eric Lopes and Sanchez Watt all notched late on to add some gloss to the score.

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