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BRENNAN'S side bounce back from Boxing Day



Dennon Lewis scored the only goal of the game against St Albans City as Wealdstone stay top of the National League South.

Picture: Adam Williams

Borough end rotten run at Dons

FIRST WIN IN NINE MATCHES FOR STRUGGLING HARROW



Harrow Borough in action earlier this season.

HARROW Borough won for the first time in nine matches by beating Hendon 1-0 away on Boxing Day.

Marc Charles-Smith scored the only goal of the game as Borough pulled away from Hendon in the Southern League Premier Division South table, with the only downside being George Moore's dismissal.

Hendon made the better start to the game and should have been ahead in the first half, but Luca Ashby-Hammond was in fine form to keep them out.

He twice denied Andronicos Georgiou and then had to be alert to a through ball towards Kingsley Eshun which he smothered.

It was a different story in the second half, though, as Harrow began on top and were only denied the lead by a fantastic save from Rihards Matrevics.

Michael Bryan laid a free-kick off to Moore who fired towards the top corner, but the on-loan Barnet goalkeeper flung himself across the goal and got his fingertips to it to turn the ball over.

It was another free-kick, though, that resulted in the visitors taking the lead. Moore stood over it again, this time curling towards the back post, and after it was flicked on by Tricker, Charles-Smith was waiting to guide the ball past Matrevics and break the deadlock.

Further chances went begging for the hosts towards the end as Georgiou and Shaun Lucien both fired off target, and it was their wayward finishing that allowed Harrow to hang on for a precious win and end their rotten run of results.

As the Harrow Times was going to print, Borough were preparing to take on Walton Casuals at home.

Stones beat lowly Saints

WEALDSTONE bounced back from their Boxing Day defeat to narrowly win 1-0 against National League South strugglers St Albans City.

Dennon Lewis scored the only goal of the game for the league leaders, who secured their 27th point from a possible 30 at home this season.

Dean Brennan made three changes from the previous game as Adam Coombes was handed a full debut in place of Ross Lafayette while Danny Green and Jack Jebb came in for Jerome Okimo and Billy Clifford.

The Stones were dominant from the off and could easily have taken the lead numerous times, but Michee Efete, Lewis and Coombes were all off target.

However, it was Green who came the closest to breaking the deadlock when a neat interchange between Mendy and Lewis saw the ball fall to him, but his effort cannoned back off the crossbar.

Wealdstone's persistence was rewarded just before the break, though, as a perfect ball in behind from Jebb was slotted

By Nat Goodlad

underneath Dean Snedker by Lewis.

Chances were by no means at a premium for the hosts after the break, but their poor finishing could have cost them as the Saints looked dangerous at times.

David Noble had a couple of free-kick attempts go close while Jefferson Louis and Joe Iacofano also caused problems.

Neither were able to beat Connor Stevens though, meaning Wealdstone held on to remain five points clear at the top. Boxing Day wasn't so successful for Brennan's side as they lost 2-1 at third-placed Slough Town.

Ben Harris' penalty and a second-half goal from Max Worsfold put Slough into a two-goal lead, with Efete's consolation the only joy for the visitors.

As the Harrow Times was going to print, Wealdstone were preparing for the reverse fixture against Slough on New Year's Day.

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