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## WEALDSTONE continue unbeaten pre-season



Wealdstone boss Stuart Maynard was impressed with Rhys Browne at the weekend against Dorking

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## Borough lose to Barnet

**HARROW CUP DEFEAT FOR BOROUGH AGAINST BEES**



Barnet boss Harry Kewell  
Picture: YouTube/BarnetFC

BARNET secured the Harrow Cup at Earlsmead with a pre-season friendly win over Harrow Borough.

Goals from Mason Bloomfield, Ephron Mason-Clark, Ben Nugent and a trialist did the damage, as Harry Kewell's side showed the gulf in talent.

The Bees were deservedly ahead after only a few minutes when a long throw-in dropped into the six-yard box and Bloomfield stabbed in from close-range.

Borough hit the post in the 13th minute as they looked to get back into the game, but they were unable to sustain a great deal of pressure on their visitors.

They hold on at 1-0 until half time, but a raft of changes made the difference.

Mason-Clark made an instant impact off the bench, picking the a loose ball inside the box and emphatically firing it into the roof of the net to double the advantage.

Shots from Tasdemir and Flanagan had to be saved before

Nugent found space inside the penalty area and dinked his effort over the 'keeper and into the back of the net.

The Bees put the game beyond doubt in the 70th minute when Granville's accurate corner found Trialist B in the penalty area.

He volleyed home from close-range, high into the roof of the net, to extend the lead to four.

The same trialist almost added a fifth for Barnet just before the full-time whistle but his looping header from a corner rebounded off the outside of the post and behind for a goal-kick, leaving Harry Kewell's side to end pre-season in victory and pick up the Harrow Cup.

# Browne bags brace in win

By Ryan Gray

WEALDSTONE manager Stuart Maynard has described new signing Rhys Browne as "outstanding" after his brace sealed a 2-1 pre-season friendly win over Dorking Wanderers at the weekend.

The victory ended Dorking's unbeaten pre-season campaign in which they had come out on top of all nine of their previous games.

Stones meanwhile remain unbeaten from their preparation matches.

The Antigua and Barbuda international who joined earlier this summer bagged both goals in the victory at the weekend, which impressed his new boss greatly.

Speaking in a club interview after the match, Maynard said Browne was a player with "serious ability".

"After 10 minutes, we changed it tactically, slightly tweaked it, and it got us back in the game. And then we dominated the game," he said.

"And then we scored through Rhys Browne, it was out of nothing to be fair, but great quality. It was a really good performance from him all round."

Browne showed his versatility in the match scoring his second with a header, despite being a diminutive winger.

While Maynard is now expecting him to repeat that trick too many times this season, he is looking forward to how much he can help his teammates overall after impressing in the win.

"He probably won't get many of them this season, but Rhys has come in and he's been outstanding for us this pre-season. He's got serious ability," said the Stones boss.

"And he does the other side of the game, which people don't realise, he actually works hard for the team. He does a great job for the team. He was outstanding today.

"It was the test that we needed at this stage of the season. They're ready to go for the league next season and I think they'll be right in the mix next year."



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