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WEALDSTONE thrashed by high flying Stockport



Jay Bird in action against Stockport County

Picture: Jon Taffel

Spurs fans' trip ruined by snowfall

PAIR TRAVELLED FROM USA TO WATCH TOTTENHAM



Ken and Brandi Saxton

Picture: [Twitter/@SaxyKen17](https://twitter.com/SaxyKen17)

HARRY Kane has invited two United States-based Tottenham fans to be his guest at a game after they made a 31-hour journey to Burnley only for the fixture to be called off.

The Premier League contest at Turf Moor was postponed a little under an hour before kick-off due to heavy snow.

Attempts to clear the pitch began around 90 minutes before the scheduled 2pm kick-off but proved in vain, with snow coming down as quickly as it could be moved.

Ken and Brandi Saxton had detailed their journey from Dallas on social media and Kane quickly responded when he became aware of their exploits on Sunday evening.

The England star wrote: "Just been sent this tweet and absolutely gutted for you! For your commitment and to make up for the match being called off I'd like to invite you to a home game as my guest when you're next in London."

Kane's offer unsurprisingly went down well and Brandi Saxton responded on Twitter: "Well the husband has officially gone viral and we've personally been invited to watch the Spurs by Harry Kane!!"

Spurs boss Antonio Conte said he was disappointed that the match was postponed, but felt it was the right call.

"It's really disappointing, we had prepared for the game, we had travelled but at the same time I think they have made the best decision, the right decision to save the situation for the players, for the fans, for everybody," he told broadcasters at Turf Moor in the moments following the postponement.

"There is a bit of disappointment, but the decision was right."

Stones lose to County

OLLIE Crankshaw scored a second-half hat-trick as Stockport rolled over Wealdstone 4-1.

County went ahead in the 26th minute when Crankshaw's effort was blocked and Scott Quigley snaffled up the rebound.

Crankshaw doubled the advantage in the 62nd minute when he finished a well-worked move from the visitors.

The winger tapped home from close range to make it three five minutes later and secured the match ball with a composed finish nine minutes from time before a late consolation from Ira Jackson Jr.

After the match, head coach Stuart Maynard bemoaned some inconsistency from the referee, but felt that ultimately his team had come up against a superior side.

"I think it's tough, we're running low on numbers, we had probably five out today. We don't want to make an excuse because when people are out others get an opportunity," he said.

"I think the massive changing point in

By Ryan Gray

the game, we were in the game until the 26th minute, the ref doesn't give a foul against Alex Dyer when he'd given two fouls previously against their right winger. I don't mind and I don't think it was a foul, but if you're reffing the game like that then you've got to give it both ways.

"You don't need to give these an opportunity to get a leg up, they're a top top team, they're the best team we have played by a mile, and I think they'll go on to win the league.

"I think if they went into League Two, they'd be in the title race as well with the players they've got and the squad they've got.

"They've just got talent all over the place and today they showed us, as a football club, to try and get to where Stockport are at the moment, it's hard. But us, as a group of players, that's the standard we need to aim for and aspire to."

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