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WEALDSTONE on track with Maidenhead draw



Wealdstone kept a clean sheet as they drew at home against Maidenhead United Picture: Jon Taffel

Stones earn big point after Halifax defeat

WEALDSTONE fell to a 2-0 Vanarama National League defeat away at Halifax on Saturday before they were forced to share the spoils when they took on Maidenhead and drew 0-0 on Tuesday night.

Their weekend hosts had lost their previous two league matches but got their promotion push back on track at The Shay thanks to Billy Waters' double.

Halifax had the better chances in the first half, the best of which fell to Matt Warburton in the fourth minute, but his right-footed shot from the edge of the box struck the post.

Gerry McDonagh was twice

By Ryan Gray

denied by Wealdstone keeper George Wickens before Niall Maher had a shot cleared off the line by Aaron Henry.

The Shaymen finally went ahead on the hour mark when substitute Waters slotted home after Tyrell Warren's cross fell to him in the box.

Waters then doubled his tally for the day in the 74th minute when he tricked two defenders and fired a shot from the edge of the area into the bottom corner.

However, the Stones were able to move themselves up to 17th in

the National League table with their point against the Magpies, who remain in 19th.

Maidenhead had a chance to find the opener 10 minutes in but Wickens made a good save to deny Shaun Donnellan before Kane Ferdinand fired the rebound over the bar.

Wealdstone came close just after the half-hour mark but Nathan Ashmore was equal to Rhys Browne's effort.

Sam Barratt had a good chance for the Magpies five minutes into the second half, but his free-kick smashed off the crossbar.

The Stones had another chance through Charles

Clayden, but his effort was poked wide from Jaydn Mundle-Smith's cross.

Wealdstone boss Stuart Maynard described the clean sheet as "massive" as his side took a step closer to sealing their spot in the division for next season.

"It's a massive clean sheet," he told the club YouTube channel. "The performance on Saturday, us as a group know it wasn't good enough."

"The lads have dug really deep after a long trip to Halifax, for them to come on a Tuesday night and play at home, it's incredible for them to do that and put in the kind of performance they have."

Borough get four at Wimborne

FOUR POINTS FROM TWO AWAY GAMES FOR HARROW



Harrow Borough at Met Police Picture: Gary Holderness

HARROW picked up their first point on the road since December as they drew 1-1 away at Metropolitan Police at the weekend before thrashing Wimborne Town 4-1 on Tuesday night.

Yasin Ben El-Mhanni's delivery paved the way for Borough to open the scoring against the Met, as it was met by a firm downward header by George Moore which went through Liam Beach's legs and over the line to open the scoring.

However, the hosts levelled in the 70th minute when a James Taylor clearance was charged down and Oliver Knight ran on to beat Josh Strizovic.

Both sides had chances in the remaining 20 minutes of the match but no one was able to seize the initiative and the game finished all square.

Harrow followed that game up with a strong performance at Wimborne, despite Lewis Beale putting the hosts in front after 12 minutes.

Moore's perfectly executed overhead kick levelled the score, before El Mhanni's brace put the visitors 3-1 in front before half time.

The first of the two goals was a tap in on the rebound after James Ewington's shot was parried by Gerard Benfield.

The second however was much more impressive. A curling free kick from 30 yards that found the top corner of Benfield's net after Moore had been hauled down outside the area.

The win was rounded off in the second half by Moore, who lifted the ball over the keeper from the edge of the area to seal a great win for Harrow.