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FOOTBALL: Ton-up skipper toasts triumph



Wealdstone captain Jack Cook lines up ahead of the game against Woking on Tuesday. Image: Jon Taffel

Stones captain Cook delighted by century

WEALDSTONE captain Jack Cook admitted he was delighted to hit the 100-game mark for the club - especially with a midweek win over Woking at Grosvenor Vale.

Cook reached the landmark as Stones claimed a 1-0 victory over his former club, thanks to Sam Bowen's 16th-minute effort.

It was only a second win in eight matches for Stuart Maynard's men, but will have given them a boost ahead of their home game against Oldham Athletic on Saturday.

And Cook told the club's social media: "I didn't actually know it was my 100th appearance until someone said in the changing room after, so delighted for that."

"Hundred games have been fan-

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tastic, it's a great club to play for, so absolutely delighted to have 100 appearances but also to get the win in the end against an ex team as well which is always nice.

"The first season I was here was probably my best season I've had. There was plenty of good performances in that, although the team didn't necessarily finish as high as we wanted to that season.

"It probably was because of the 100 games fell into place and then beating my old team, so I'll take it.

"It's been brilliant, in almost two and a half years to have 100 appear-

ances is incredible.

"Good to not have many injuries so touch wood I manage to avoid that the rest of the time I'm playing for this club, 100 more to go."

Stones had been left empty-handed at the weekend after a 3-2 defeat at Chesterfield, where Kyle Smith and Sean Adarkwa were on target.

And first-team coach Craig Saunders said getting three points against Woking was the main thing, as they moved up to xth in the National League table.

"Was it pretty? No. Was it how we want to win games? No," he said.

"What matters at the end of the day is we got three points on the board, that's only a good thing.

"As a spectacle it wasn't great,

it's not how we really want to play, but sometimes you have to dig in and get results different ways, today was one of them.

"We've cut out mistakes, we've kept a clean sheet, and as much as people will recognise Woking are missing a few players, we've got four or five out ourselves.

"Tahvon Campbell, Max Kretzschmar, Charlie Barker is suspended, Luke Gray is injured. Tarryn [Allarakhia] is on the bench last minute, he's come through a fitness test. You've got five players that potentially start in your strongest XI."

Stones face the long trip to the North East to take on Gateshead on Tuesday.

Borough hit back for a late home win

MISKIN GOAL SEALS POINTS AGAINST PLYMOUTH PARKWAY

HARROW Borough came from behind to claim a late 2-1 win over Plymouth Parkway in their Southern League Premier South dash on Saturday.

The visitors began well and had a huge penalty shout turned down in the 15th minute when a shot from the edge of the box struck a Harrow arm, deflecting wide for a corner.

But they took the lead from the set-piece, which flicked off a Harrow head at the near post before Jack Crago found the roof of the net from close range.

Harrow were struggling to create anything going forward, while Crago and Thomson had good chances before the half-hour mark.

A combination of poor finishing and good goalkeeping from Tyler Tobin denied them, while Lonit Talla sliced a shot over the bar after a good run from Troy Walters.

Stefan Powell replaced Reece Mitchell, who appeared to aggravate the injury which kept him out of the Hanwell game, at the break.

But Harrow had a lucky escape on 50 minutes with Crago side-footing wide from 10 yards when it looked easier to score.

Borough then clawed their way back into the game and Walters had two good chances after a surging run to the edge of the box and through ball from Nagheeb Ibrahim.

Excellence Muhemba replaced Reece Cameron on the hour and it proved the turning point.

Reece Yorke produced a timely block to deny Plymouth before an equaliser arrived on 83 minutes as Muhemba escaped from the visiting left-back and cut the ball back for Talla to score from six yards.

It was now Plymouth's turn to look nervous and give away possession cheaply and, on 88 minutes, Talla put Muhemba free on the right to carry the ball into the box, look up and fire a low cross to the near post where Mack Miskin produced a cool left-footed finish inside the six-yard box.

The home goal led a charmed life during a lengthy spell of injury time, but Harrow held on to claim a second consecutive home win ahead of a midweek trip to Hayes & Yeading.

They fell behind to a Norman Wabo penalty in the first half and saw Ronan Silva double the home side's lead early in the second half.

Steve Ngunga sealed a 3-0 win in the last minute of normal time and Borough now face a blank weekend, before hosting Margate in the FA Trophy third qualifying round on October 7.