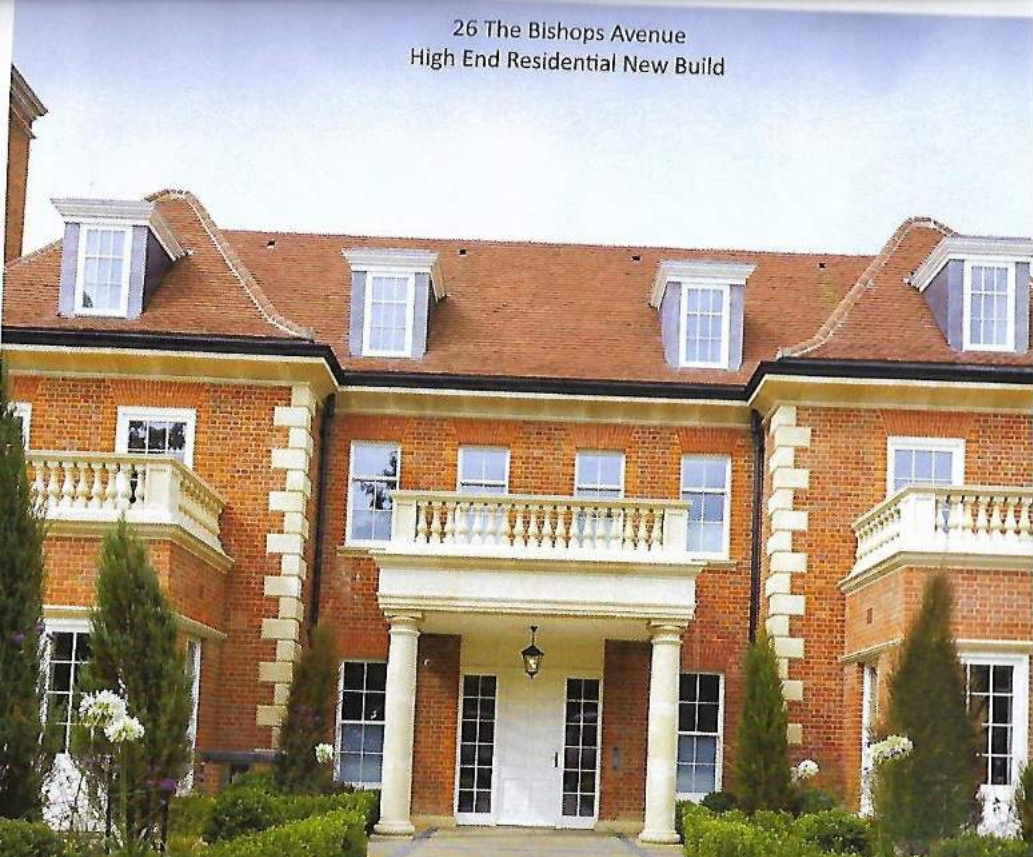






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**League football here at  
Grosvenor Vale.**

Early deadlines due to rapid fixtures and holidays at this early stage of the campaign make it very difficult for me to comment too much on the teams progress but looking at our August fixtures we were certainly dealt some tricky tests for our new management team as an introduction to life at the Stones. Add to the mix the number of injuries we currently have in the squad and we are certainly being tested.

I am writing these notes immediately after the Sutton game and an impressive second half performance against on of the favorites for promotion... how Max's effort didn't cross the line I have no idea. So all things considered we can count ourselves desperately unlucky so far and our performances have shown that we are more than capable of turning unlucky single goal defeats into wins.

Once again large amounts of additional money has been raised through innovative club promotions, fan donations and through our ever active supporters club. These initiatives are hugely important to the club and enable us improve facilities at the Vale like our new Dug Outs and to field a representative team that we can all be proud of so thank you to everyone who has contributed so far.

Written  
in Stone  
BY MARK HYDE



The club is however (as always) still looking for supporters or businesses to step forward as sponsors to ensure we maintain our competitiveness and we have a range of Matchday and Ball sponsorship packages available to suit all pockets, as well as our ever-popular Kit Sponsorship that allows you to show your support for your favourite player and even receive their match worn shirt at the end of the season if you chose.

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Finally, thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time and services this year. The club simply wouldn't be able to operate at this level without your generous dedication and support. That said, there are still plenty of vacancies around the club that need support and as even an hour or two will make a difference. If you feel you have something to give back to your club please contact a member of the Supporters Club committee and I know they would be glad to hear from you if you can spare some time.

Mark

WEALDSTONE FC 2024/25





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## THE GAFFER'S COLUMN:

# MATTY TAYLOR'S INSIDE TAKE

**Hello and welcome back to Grosvenor Vale for our bank holiday fixture vs AFC Fylde.**

We know that the game today will be extremely difficult and I welcome Chris along with his staff to the Vale.

I write these notes pre Sutton United and post Oldham. I felt in the Oldham game our performance level was good, the game plan was correct, it's just the fine margins of football that are not going our way at the moment. We created some excellent goal scoring opportunities, however we were not ruthless in those big game moments. We are of course working extremely hard in training so that today we take one of those chances.

The players are giving their all, I'm sure that as supporters you can see this and I am also aware that we have injuries to key players right now. We are hopeful that in the not to distant future we will begin to see those players back in training and then on the pitch.

As ever, thank you for your continued support.

**Matt**

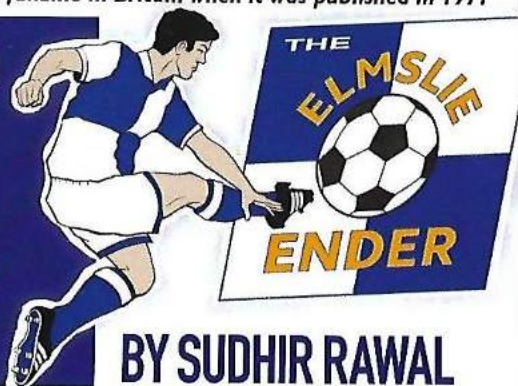


'We created some excellent goal scoring opportunities'



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# Yes, we didn't do enough to win those opening three games.. but we certainly did enough not to have lost them either



BY SUDHIR RAWAL

**BY the time you read this, we will be four games into the season.**

The fixture list hasn't been kind, with games against sides who I'd expect to be in play-off contention. I am writing this after we lost 1-0 in successive home games to Oldham and then Sutton United..... so how have the first three games been?

In some ways, they have played out the same. I don't think we did enough to win any of the three games, but equally I know we did enough not to lose them too. The reason we didn't get a point in any of them was because the opposition were more ruthless or played better in the crucial moments of the games.

At Dagenham, the home side started better and nearly scored in the first few minutes when they hit the outside of the post. As the half wore on, Stones came back into the game and the teams being equal was



about right at the break.

But we switched off at the start of second half and Dagenham took the lead. It was a poor goal to concede.

Two substitutes for Wealdstone made a huge difference as Max Kretzschmar and Don Hutchinson gave the team real threat down either side. It was Kretzschmar's cross that set up the brave Sam Ashford to head home whilst being grappled to the ground by a defender to equalise and from there on in, it looked like that Stones would be the likely winner.

And it should have been. A lovely move on the edge of the box saw Hutchinson clear on goal but his shot was at the keeper rather than either side of him and within four minutes the impressive Dion Pereira had given Dagenham the win.

It was a goal that looked even worse on replay than in live action as the defending was schoolboy-like. A game we could have won, should have drawn, was lost. Small margins. And we lost Sam Ashford to a fractured cheekbone too.

Then Oldham were in HA4. The Latics have a poor record against Wealdstone, having drawn two and lost twice. I thought the former Premier League side were ordinary to be honest and much like the match against Dagenham, we didn't do enough to win the game but certainly did



The picture that sums up our opening three games: Henry Sandat is denied by a brilliant tackle by Oldham's Raglan in the 0-1 home defeat. Picture: Jon Taffel

enough not to lose.

The game was petering out into a goalless draw, until Oldham scored a fluky goal. A cross from the right seemed to deflect off the head of striker Harry Charsley, and then off Woodman before spinning over a helpless Matthews.

Could we have done more to stop the cross or deflect the spinning ball away? I don't know.

Whilst they scored a rather fortunate goal, we could/should have taken the lead earlier when the impressive Henry Sandat was denied by an unbelievable block by Raglan and after they scored, we had a good header which should have been buried.

As I said, being ruthless in both boxes would have made a huge difference. There was a refereeing decision that was baffling too. Not the sending off, that was fair, but how on earth was Oldham's Conlon not booked for a second time and sent off for an identikit cynical foul on the slippery Dom Hutchinson?

What cannot be denied is that injuries have laid waste to our strongest starting line-up. Sean Adarkwa and Sam Ashford would certainly start up front, Craig Eastwood would be the midfield general and both Mason Barrett

and Jayden Mundie-Smith would certainly strengthen the back line. I am not sure we will see any of those back in August, possibly Adarkwa, and maybe not even in September either. The next few weeks will be tough as our squad will be stretched.

**Hartlepool last Saturday was probably our worst away support on a Saturday since we returned to the National League.**

## Our support at Hartlepool was a bit diminished... but David Jones was there for his astonishing 500th consecutive game

A combination of the bank holiday weekend, horrendous train prices, a pig of a journey home (three or four changes) and the behaviour of the local police force last season had put many people off. One person not put off by the logistical problems is 2019's Supporter of the Year **David Jones** (pictured below) who will have chalked up a remarkable 500 consecutive league matches, adjusting for Covid, at Hartlepool. David will not mind me saying he is in his 70s and his trip to Pools included a midnight coach from London

that arrived at dawn in Tees-side with the return leg at an ungodly hour too. David nearly missed a game last season as he needed a heart operation but thanks to our pitch being waterlogged again, he didn't miss the match or a beat.

**Martin Allen** is only three matches behind David and will hit the 500 target at Forest Green Rovers. Martin's record might be for all matches. I salute you both!



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## TIM PARKS MEETS THE NEW BOYS... AND WHAT A DIFFERENCE

**'My day started with a collision with a tractor and ended with me breaking my cheekbone. So it wasn't a great opening day to the season'**  
**SAYS OUR SIX-GOAL TOP SCORER SAM ASHFORD**



Sam slots his second goal of the game against his old club Hemel in the final pre-season friendly  
 PICTURE: JON TAFFEL

**SAM ASHFORD is not going to forget his National League debut for Wealdstone in a hurry!**

"The last few days have been pretty chaotic... I was involved in a car crash on the day of the game, thanks to a big tractor coming across a narrow bridge and smashing my windscreen!" said Sam when I caught up with him after that opening clash at Dagenham.

The accident happened on the way to the game as he car-shared with keeper Jacob Adams - and then of course he broke his cheekbone in the last few minutes in a collision with a Daggers defender.

"So now I've got mountains of insurance to sort out on top of the prospect of having to wear a protective-mask when I'm back in action in a few weeks time... with that, and wearing a strapping on my hand where I broke a little finger in the last friendly I'm going to look like a real nutter!" he laughed.

The 28-year-old striker has made quite an impression since his arrival from Belfast club Cliftonville in

the summer. Five goals in friendlies, plus the equaliser at Dagenham have shown just how important the Essex-born six footer is to Matty Taylor's team.

"I just love scoring goals, and getting into goal-scoring areas, playing on the shoulder and getting across defenders to get my head on the ball.

"Working hard is something you'll always get from me and I always have, always will, leave it all out there especially when there's a goal to be sniffed out."

Sam's goal at Dagenham is a great example of that, shrugging off the attentions of a back-post defender to throw himself at Max Kretzchmar's cross and head past Elliot Justham in the Daggers' goal.

"The referee told me it would've been a penalty if the ball hadn't gone in as the defender was taking the shirt off my back... so I was pleased because Max had just come on and would've taken the penalty!

"That was a great assist from Max: we are similar-minded and we link up well. I played alongside him at Woking in the Covid season and scored a few goals".

**THE LAST** competitive match that Sam played in before the opening National League game at Dagenham, was for Cliftonville as the Northern Irish club won the Irish Cup for the first time in 45 years.

Remarkably, it was the first meeting in a cup final between the two famous bitter Belfast ri-

vals for 90 years... and how the fans, denied success for so long, celebrated in the sellout 18,000 crowd at Windsor Park.

The flares and pyrotechnics ramped up the atmosphere for a game that sold out in just 24 minutes! The sectarian overtones could not be ignored as the Protestant club, Linfield took the lead

## BETWEEN SAM ASHFORD'S LAST TWO COMPETITIVE GAMES

Sam played for a number of clubs in the Essex Senior and Ryman Leagues since his early youth career at Tottenham petered out - often playing for his dad Mark, who managed at that level for many years.

When Sam was playing for Concord Rangers in the National League South he even helped his dad out at Witham Town by playing in their last game of the season after Concord were barred from competing in the play-offs due to ground grading issues.

Sam scored a goal at Basildon United that kept Witham in the division.

"But my breakthrough came after I spent a season with Hemel Hempstead under Sammy Moore in the season before Covid... he had managed Concord earlier and I scored ten goals in 29 games to earn me a shot at League Two with Crawley Town.

"I was 24 then and seen as somebody being given an opportunity rather than someone the club really wanted... so I really had to battle for a place with three strikers ahead of me. But I was grateful to be there and was like a sponge really, taking in all the positives and learning my craft amongst some really good players."

Sam proved his worth by also scoring at that level in the EFL and in the EFL Cup against Millwall, and two years ago won a move to Ayr United in the Scottish Championship - his goals helping them to runners up place - before another long geographical move to Cliftonville in the Irish League.

He was there last season and after scoring half a dozen goals to help the Belfast club to 3rd place in the league, he bowed out in sensational fashion by scoring in the sell-out Irish Cup Final against league champions Linfield to take the game to extra time. See the panel at the bottom of this page for the full extraordinary details.

**So what made Sam turned down the offer of an extra year as a Cliftonville folk hero?**

"I was missing my family. I wanted to come back to England and Wealdstone gave me that opportunity - I knew Tarryn and Nathan Ferguson from my time at Crawley, and of course Max and Jack Cook from Woking, and Wealdstone have a reputation now for playing ridiculously good football. I think it was watching the goal the Stones scored at Oldham that decided it for me!"

"The standard in the National League seems to improve year on year and it can't be long before it becomes League Three with the same number of clubs being promoted and relegated - it's only fair when you see how well the promoted clubs do in League Two.

"I can't see why we shouldn't do well this season. We've got some stinking injuries at the moment but you can sense a good feeling around the place and we have some really good players.

"Craig Eastmond is a big miss. I hadn't realised just how good he is until I played with him. He's 33 but so fit and strong. He will make a big difference for us in midfield."

I mentioned Craig's assist in the build-up to Sam's goal against Notts County in the pre-season friendly - and he laughed! "That was unbelievable, his flick round the corner to set up the goal... I'm not sure if he meant the ball to go to me, but he carried the ball on and the cross was perfect for me to hit home.

"Losing Mason and Shaun were also blows and now of course I will be out for three or four weeks myself. I think I'll have to try to and get a Mbappe mask! I reckon it'll look pretty cool!"



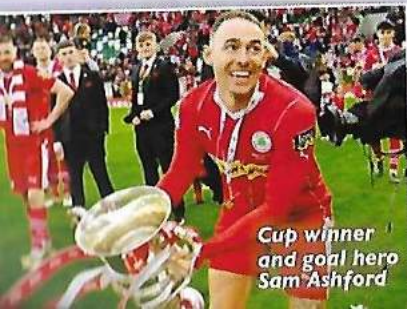
**Masked marvels:** From top, John Terry, Sergio Ramires, Son Heung-Min, Gazza, and of course Mbappe

in the first half and it wasn't until the second period that their Catholic rivals got going.

"I hadn't realised the religious significance between the two clubs when I signed, to be honest," said Sam. "As an Englishman playing for a Catholic club it was quite an eye-opener, but the fans took me to their hearts." He certainly won

them over with 10 goals and seven assists in his season in the red shirt, plus of course an equalising header in 52nd minute of the cup final that took the game to extra time.

The noise levels rose even higher as Sam's strike partner Ronan Hale added the late goals to complete a dramatic turnaround for the ecstatic Cliftonville fans.



Cup winner and goal hero Sam Ashford



Sam heads the Cup Final levelle





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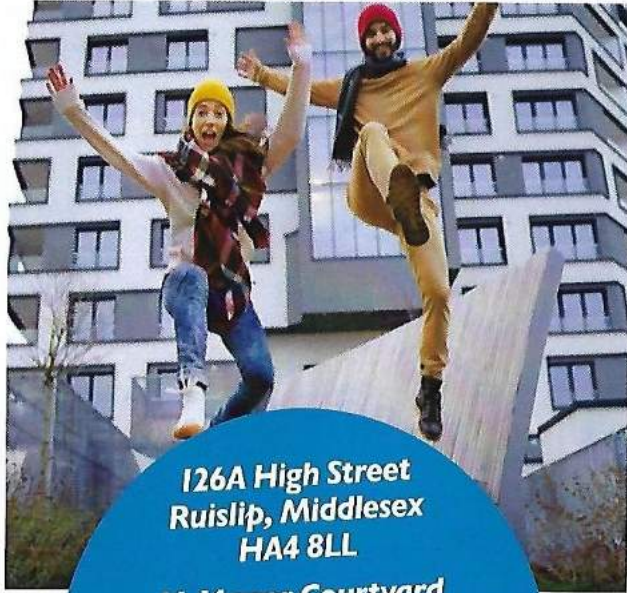


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*Good afternoon folks. For those that don't know me my name is James otherwise known on X (Twitter) as @wealdstonejames - if you don't follow me and would like to, please feel free to do so!*

# WFCSC update

BY JAMES KLARFELD



One of my main roles on the Supporters Club is with fellow sub committee members Peter Worby and John Young organising fundraising events in the Clubhouse that over past years has delivered much needed funds for the main football club. Throughout the year we try to put on a variety of gigs that hopefully suits all of our fans needs. In the past month we have put on a 'shorts and shades' disco and a Jam tribute band, although numbers were lower than usual (quite understandable due to summer holidays), both gigs were still very successful making profits on both with much positive feedback as to how good they were.

The good news is that I have managed to secure a number of cracking bands returning to the club, one after a twenty month absence, and next year the return of two bands who performed for the first time this year.

If you wish to make a note of these dates in your diary (yes I still remember them) or in the calendar on your mobile here are the dates: Saturday 26th October the return of 'Electromantics' the No 1 80's band playing hits from Kraftwerk, Duran Duran, Human League, Soft Cell, Thompson Twins, OMD- the list goes on! If you haven't seen them they are a must see and they even have their very own human robot called Monochrome!

Next we have Saturday 23rd November our early Xmas Disco as no dates are available to do this event in December. Next year Saturday 15th February we have the return of 'Big 10' our ska band

who performed for the first time this year and went down a storm and sold out.

On Saturday April 12th we have after an 18 month absence top UB40 band 'Johnny 2 Bad' who also went down very well selling out in record time. Finally on Saturday 28th June we have the return of Oasis who again tickets sold out extremely fast. Many of these bands are very likely to sell out so best to buy early to avoid disappointment. Updates will be put on various social media channels when tickets are on sale for these events. I also have a WhatsApp list where I notify people about our events - if you're not on it please send me your full name to 0797979 5414 where I will add you to my list.

Another of my roles is selling 50/50 tickets on match days which also helps raise money for the club. Tickets are only £1 each or £5 a book - everyone that does support this I would like to say a big thank you whether you buy one ticket or a book it makes a big difference!

We are still looking for more people to help sell these and also to help on other events, as without new people joining the future won't look so rosy as many of us on the committee are in our more mature years!..so some new young blood would be great. If interested please see me or any member of the supporters club committee.

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# Today's opposition in focus

**The club was formed by the amalgamation of Kirkham Town FC and Wesham FC in 1988. By taking this name, the club was adopting the name of a previous club which had played in the West Lancashire League in the years immediately before the First World War**

Kirkham & Wesham played their first season in the West Lancashire League in 1988–89, taking the place previously held by Kirkham Town in Division One. The following season they finished bottom of this division and were relegated to Division Two. After three seasons in Division Two, they were promoted in the 1992–93 season, only to again suffer relegation in 1994–95. They were immediately promoted again, finishing as runners-up and only losing two games all season in 1995–96.

The West Lancashire League was re-structured with the First Division being renamed as the Premier Division in the 1998–99 season. After finishing fourth in successive seasons in the 1997–98 and 1998–99 seasons, the club then dominated the Premier Division for a number of years. They were Champions in seven out of eight seasons between the 1999–2000 and 2006–07 seasons, finishing as runners-up in the one season they failed to win the league, 2002–03.

Between January 2003 and October 2004, the club did not lose one match in any competition, a record that spanned 21 months. The run finally ended when they lost a league match, 1–0 to Dalton United

In April 2006 the club completed a hat-trick of consecutive victories in the Lancashire Amateur Shield cup final when they beat fellow West Lancashire League side Charnock Richard 2–0 at the Lancashire FA ground in Leyland. It was the club's fourth time winning the Shield in six years.

As the nominated representatives of the Lancashire County Football Association (Lancashire



FA), the club have been winners of the Northern Counties Cup in 2004–05, 2005–06, and 2006–07.

Following their West Lancashire League championship success in 2006–07, the club were accepted into the North West Counties League for the 2007–08 season.

The club's first match in the North West Counties League was a home match on 11 August 2007, against Darwen in front of 101 fans, which they won 5–0.

The following Tuesday they played their first-ever home match under floodlights winning 2–0 at home to Holker Old Boys.

Manager Mick Fuller won the league's Manager of the Month award for December 2007 following four successive wins during the month. On 26 January 2008, the club reached the last sixteen of the FA Vase, in their first season in the competition, when they beat Studley 3–0. On 9 February they reached the Quarter-finals of the FA Vase after they beat Sussex County league leaders, Crowborough Athletic 2–0 in front of a record crowd of 772 at Crowborough's Alderbrook Recreation Ground. On 11 February they were drawn at home in the Quarter Final to Midland Football Alliance club, Coventry Sphinx on 1 March. The match ended in a 3–3 draw after extra time and Kirkham & Wesham won the replay 1–0 on 9 March in Coventry with a goal from Sean Paterson. In the two-legged semi-final against Eastern Counties League Premier Division club, Needham Market the team won 4–2 on aggregate.

On 24 April, the club won the Division Two knockout trophy with a 1–0 win over Bootle, and two days later secured one of the two automatic promotion places in North West Counties Division One when they beat Castleton Gabriels 3–1.

On 11 May, they won the FA Vase beating Lowestoft Town 2–1 in the final at Wembley Stadium in front of a total crowd of 19,537, with about 14,000 from Lowestoft and about 3,500 Kirkham & Wesham supporters. A goal down for most of the game, Kirkham & Wesham scored twice in the last six minutes, both goals coming from seventeen-year-old substitute Matt Walwyn, son of former Blackpool player, Keith Walwyn, who only



AFC Fylde's 6,000 capacity Mill Farm Stadium

played the last 11 minutes of the game. They were promoted to the Premier Division after finishing second in Division Two.

For the start of the 2008–09 season, the club changed their name from Kirkham & Wesham to A.F.C. Fylde

In 2012–13, the club managed to achieve a playoff position in their maiden season in the Northern Premier League Premier Division. They lost out 3–1 on penalties to eventual playoff final winners Hednesford Town F.C. in the semi-final.

The 2013–14 season was extremely successful for Fylde, as they won the Lancashire FA Challenge Trophy, and the Northern Premier League Challenge Cup, and gained promotion to the Conference North via the playoffs by beating Ashton United at home in the playoff final.

AFC Fylde finished their first season in the Conference North in second place with 85 points, losing to Guiseley in the subsequent play-off semi-final.

In 2016/17 AFC Fylde moved into their new ground at Mill Farm as well as establishing a Ladies' Team throughout the season they scored an incredible 109 goals and secured 88 points, which were more than enough to win the National League North title and promotion to the National League for the first time in the club's history.

The Coasters' first season in the fifth tier of English football brought unprecedented success with Dave Challinor's side qualifying for the second round of the FA Cup. Success followed in the league as AFC Fylde finished the season in 7th, their highest-ever league position. They qualified for the expanded playoffs, however, they were beaten by Boreham Wood in the qualifying round.

The 2018/19 season was another record-breaking

one for the Coasters – once more achieving their highest-ever league finish, and claiming historic silverware in the process. A fantastic season saw the Coasters finish in fifth position, which saw them in the playoffs for the second year running. After beating Harrogate Town 3-1 in the playoff eliminator, the Coasters then recorded a solid 1-0 away win at Solihull Moors. This set up a playoff final with fellow North-West club Salford City, of who the Coasters had enjoyed a rise through the league. It wasn't to be, however, as a comprehensive 3-0 victory for the Ammies saw them join the Football League for the first time in their history. Just a week later, however, the Coasters had the chance to bounce back at the national stadium – taking on the National League champions Leyton Orient in the FA Trophy final and winning 1-0 win – becoming the first team in English football history to win both the FA Trophy and FA Vase.

Unfortunately, when the end of the 2019/20 National League season arrived, the Coasters were second bottom after the season was curtailed.

The Coasters made a brilliant start to the 2020/21 National League North season, where they were sitting at the top of the table before the season curtailed again due to the Pandemic. However, the National League decided that the season would be null and void.

In the 2021/22 campaign the Coasters had to settle for the play-offs, and were beaten by Boston United.

A strong start to the 2022/23 saw Fylde grow from strength to strength and eventually crowned the National League North Champions, sending them back to the National League for the first time in three seasons.



# Who's who for the visitors

## 1. Theo Richardson - Goalkeeper

Theo is a new signing at Mill Farm ahead of the 2023/24 National League campaign and signed a two-year contract.

Theo is a former Manchester United youth product who was signed by Jose Mourinho after impressing whilst on trial with the Red Devils in 2017.

After working his way through the 18s to the U23s, Theo joined Grantham Town before brief spells at Cleethorpes and King's Lynn Town.

From King's Lynn, the shot-stopper signed for Buxton FC in 2021 – a place where he produced some top-drawer performances between the sticks.

The 24-year-old arrived at Mill Farm off the back of a top season with the Bucks, where he made 46 appearances and collected 14 clean sheets.

## 3. Owen Evans - Defence

Owen, an explosive, young addition to the Coasters ranks, spent several years with Swansea City and graduated from their academy, where he featured for the U18s.

From Swansea to Salford, Evans joined the Ammies' U21s side in 2019 before a switch to Merthyr Town after two years at the Peninsula Stadium.

After one season back home in Wales with Merthyr, Gloucester sealed the signature of the 22-year-old and utilised him in 43 National League North fixtures, including one meeting against the Coasters at Mill Farm in March.

Owen has agreed to link up with Adam Murray's side for the 2023/24 campaign.



**Theo Richardson**

## 4. Harry Davis - Defence

Davis, who joined the Club from Scunthorpe United, is a fairly new addition at Mill Farm. The experienced centre-half has spent the majority of his career in the Football League, playing for the likes of Crewe Alexandra and Morecambe, and it was at Crewe where he began his career at the age of seven. He spent time in Scotland at St Mirren and has had previous spells at Grimsby Town and Morecambe.

## 5. Emeka Obi - Defence

Emeka Obi joined AFC Fylde in February 2020 after leaving Wigan Athletic the same month via mutual consent. Aged 15 years and 86 days, he made his professional debut in a Football League Trophy match for Bury on 30 August 2016, coming on as an 85th-minute substitute in a 4-1 win over Morecambe becoming the youngest player in the club's history.

He was then signed by Liverpool for a six-figure fee before moving to Wigan, where he earned his first professional contract in 2018.

## 6. Adam Long - Defence

Born on the Isle of Man, Long began his career with local side St Georges before joining Wigan Athletic in 2017.

He made his first-team debut during their EFL Trophy tie against Middlesbrough U23s in October 2017. On 20 February 2020, Long signed for Notts County on an initial one-month loan deal.

On 17 July 2022, Long signed for newly relegated League Two club Doncaster Rovers for an undisclosed fee, signing a two-year deal.

## 7. Charlie Jolley - Midfield

## 8. Ethan Mitchell - Defence

After returning to the Latics in the summer of 2022 following a



**Danny Ormerod**

successful trial period, the right-footed Englishman comes to Mill Farm with stacks of ability and looking to gain first-team experiences.

Ethan previously spent his formative years at Latics' Academy, before joining Tranmere Rovers Centre of Development at the age of 15. He later made the move to Devon to join Plymouth Argyle in 2020, captaining the U18s during his three years as a scholar.

He made his professional debut for Argyle against Newport County in the Papa John's Trophy, before heading out on loan to gain experience with Nantwich Town and Plymouth Parkway.

Ethan signed for Latics in the summer, after impressing during a number of games at the back end of last season.

## 9. Offrande Zanzala - Forward

## 10. Nick Haughton - Midfield

Nick joined the club in October 2018 on a permanent deal for an undisclosed fee from Salford City and has become a huge fan favourite during his time at Mill Farm.

The creative midfielder kick-started his career when he joined Fleetwood Town in 2014, making 40 appearances with the Cod Army before enjoying loan spells at Nantwich Town and Salford City.

Haughton was ever-present in the Coasters side that lifted the FA Trophy, even picking up the Man of the Match award at Wembley Stadium against Leyton Orient.

The creative midfielder finished as AFC Fylde's top goalscorer following the conclusion of the 2021/22 National League North season.

## 11. Jon Ustabasi - Midfield

Ustabasi joined the Coasters in the summer of 2023 as a free agent following the expiry of his contract with Chorley FC.

The 29-year-old arrives at Mill Farm having enjoyed one of his best seasons in English football, with the wide man notching 15 goals in the National League North for the Magpies throughout 22/23, including one against the Coasters on Boxing Day. A pacey, exciting, attacking player, Ustabasi spent several years in Turkey, the birthplace of his father, starting with Denizlispor U21s.

Jonathan was also on the books of Bursaspor and



**MANAGER - Chris Beech**

FC Schkupi, to name a few, before making a return to England to sign for Stalybridge Celtic, where he spent two seasons ahead of a loan and then a permanent move to Chorley.

## 17. Corey Whelan - Midfield

## 22. Jack Morris - Midfield

## 23. Bryce Hosannah - Defence

The versatile wing-back originally played for Crystal Palace, before moving to Leeds United in 2017.

He played regularly for the Whites' Under-23 team and spent time out on loan at Bradford City before his move to Wrexham.

Hosannah was the last addition of the ten that Phil Parkinson brought in during the summer of 2021.

## 29. Danny Ormerod - Forward

Danny, who was previously at Blackpool before joining the Coasters, signed his first professional contract in November and graduated from the AFC Fylde Academy.

A key figure in the Academy side at Mill Farm, Ormerod featured for the first team throughout the 23/24 pre-season and was on the scoresheet against Charnock Richard before taking to the pitch in the Lancashire FA Challenge Trophy against Lancaster City, where he was amongst the goals once again.

The 17-year-old also featured heavily in the 2023/24 FA Youth Cup run and has helped the Academy progress through several rounds.

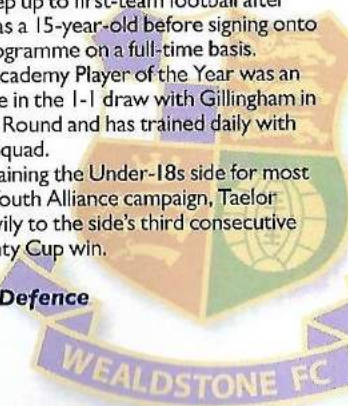
## 34. Taelor O'Kane - Midfield

He makes the step up to first-team football after joining the Club as a 15-year-old before signing onto the Academy programme on a full-time basis.

The 2022/23 Academy Player of the Year was an unused substitute in the 1-1 draw with Gillingham in the FA Cup First Round and has trained daily with Adam Murray's squad.

As well as captaining the Under-18s side for most of the 2022/23 Youth Alliance campaign, Taelor contributed heavily to the side's third consecutive Lancashire County Cup win.

## 22. Joe Riley - Defence





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**AFC FYLDE ARE THE ONLY CLUB TO HAVE WON BOTH THE FA VASE AND FA TROPHY.  
FLEIGH EDWARDS LOOKS AT THE COASTERS' 2008 AND 2019 WEMBLEY TRIUMPHS.**

# WEMBLEY WINNERS BY LEIGH EDWARDS



## 2008 – FA VASE WINNERS KIRKHAM & WESHAM 2 LOWESTOFT TOWN 1

Kirkham & Wesham (as AFC Fylde were then known) won the FA Vase at the first attempt in 2008.

The North West Counties League First Division runners-up faced Eastern Counties Premier Division side Lowestoft Town in the Wembley final.

Lowestoft went ahead in the 10th minute when defender Phil Thompson headed into his own net while attempting to prevent Russell Stock reaching a centre from Matthew Potter.

AFC Fylde pressed forward and Sean Paterson hit the Lowestoft bar. Ged Smith had a drive blocked as the Lowestoft defence, superbly marshalled by the dominant Marcus Saunders, stood firm.

Bradley Hough ran clear down the right in the second half and looked certain to double Lowestoft's advantage but he fired over.

Matt Walwyn came on as a sub for AFC Fylde in the 79th minute and equalised five minutes later, finishing calmly from Paterson's through-ball.

Lowestoft noticeably tired in the heat after this and teenager Walwyn scored again three minutes into stoppage time, converting another Paterson pass for AFC Fylde's dramatic winner.

### TEAM:

Peter Summerfield, Allan Jackson (Matt Walwyn), Tony Keefe (Richie Allen), Phil Thompson, Dougie Shaw, Paul Eastwood, Mike Clark, Phil Blackwell, Mark Wane, Sean Paterson (James Sheppard), Ged Smith.

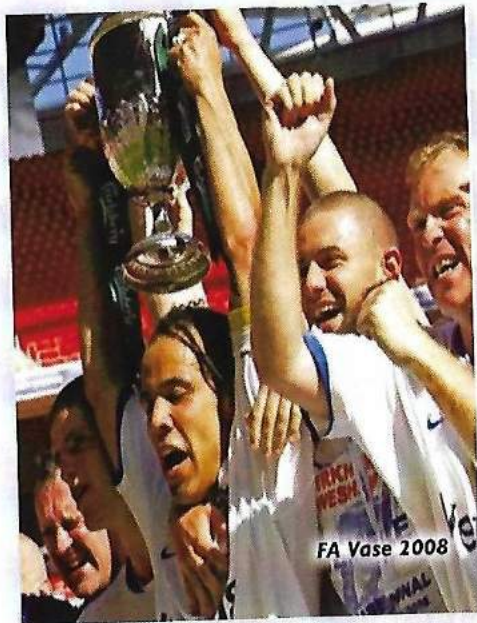
### WEMBLEY HERO – MATT WALWYN

Teenage striker Matt Walwyn scored two late goals in Kirkham & Wesham's 2008 FA Vase final success.

Born in Kirkham, the son of former Blackpool striker Keith Walwyn, the 17 year-old A Level student came on as a substitute at Wembley to transform the match. He helped the re-named AFC Fylde win the North West Counties League Premier Division title in 2008-09. Briefly at Southport and Skelmersdale United, he joined Chorley in October 2011 and moved via Droylsden to FC United of Manchester in February 2013. He starred as they won the Northern Premier League Premier Division title in 2014-15 and was capped twice by St Kitts & Nevis.

### MANAGER - MICK FULLER

Mick Fuller achieved unprecedented success at AFC Fylde during his 16 year managerial reign. Backed by the significant financial support of chairman Dai Davis, he was manager as the club evolved from effectively a pub team during that period. He guided Kirkham & Wesham (as AFC Fylde were then known), to successive West Lancashire League and Cup triumphs, then plotted their 2008 FA Vase and promotion 'double' success. Managing the newly re-named AFC Fylde to the North West Counties League Premier Division title in 2008-09, he then assisted Kelham O'Hanlon and became director of football development in September 2010.



FA Vase 2008

## 2019 – FA TROPHY WINNERS AFC FYLDE 1 LEYTON ORIENT 0

AFC Fylde defeated Conference National champions Leyton Orient in the 2019 FA Trophy final.

The Coasters had lost to Salford City in the Conference National play-off final at Wembley just eight days earlier but bounced back to deny Leyton Orient a non-League 'double'.

AFC Fylde overcame an early blow, losing their captain Neill Byrne after only 10 minutes due to concussion, to come closest to scoring in a cagey first half.

Orient keeper Dean Brill was forced into a fine save from Alex Reid's stinging left-foot drive, then Andy Bond fired wide after Danny Rowe's cross-shot found him at the far post.

Substitute Jordan Maguire-Drew and Marvin Ekpiteta both hit the woodwork for Orient in the second half before AFC Fylde took the lead on the hour.

Rowe's unstoppable free-kick flew over the wall and into the top corner with Brill helpless to prevent it.

The O's then struck the post for the third time through Joe Widdowson before Maguire-Drew's goal-bound effort on the follow-up hit fellow sub Matt Harrold on the line.

### TEAM:

Jay Lynch, Arlen Birch (Tom Crawford), Neill Byrne (Tom Brewitt), Jordan Tunnicliffe, Zaine Francis-Angol, Ryan Croasdale, Danny Philliskirk, Nick Haughton (Timi Odusina), Andy Bond, Alex Reid, Danny Rowe.

### WEMBLEY HERO – DANNY ROWE

Striker Danny Rowe scored AFC Fylde's winner in the 2019 FA Trophy final. Born in Blackpool, he was a youth player at Manchester United, moving to Blackpool Wren Rovers in August 2008. He then had spells at Kendal, Fleetwood, Droylsden,



FA Trophy 2019

Stockport, Barrow and Lincoln City. Joining AFC Fylde in August 2014, he was top scorer five times, starring as they won the Conference North title in 2016-17 and were Conference National play-off finalists in 2018-19. He was twice 'Player of the Year' and netted a club record 155 goals in 241 games before joining Oldham in January 2020, since playing for Bradford City, Chesterfield and AFC Fylde on loan.



Dave Challinor

### MANAGER - DAVE CHALLINOR

Ex-England Youth central defender Dave Challinor managed AFC Fylde's 2019 FA Trophy final triumph. Initially with Bromborough Pool, he joined

Tranmere in July 1994 and starred as they reached the League Cup final and FA Cup sixth round in 1999-2000. He had spells at Stockport and Bury, then became Colwyn Bay's player-boss, guiding them to the Conference North in 2009-10. He was AFC Fylde's manager from November 2011 until October 2019, plotting their rise from Northern Premier League First Division (North) to Conference National play-off finalists. He has since managed Hartlepool and Stockport back into the Football League.



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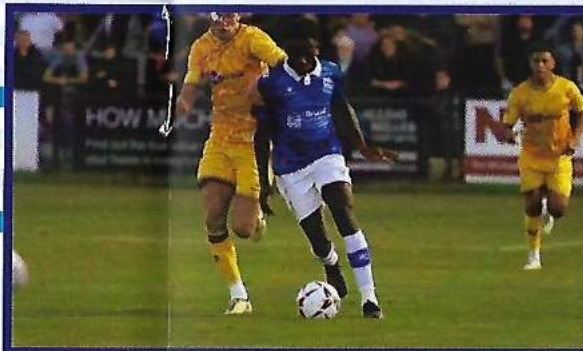


# FIRST TEAM RESULTS & FIXTURES 2024-2025

AUGUST	Comp	Score	Att.	(Away)	Lge	Goal scorers
10 Dagenham and Redbridge	VNL	1-2	1,523	215	16	Ashford
17 OLDHAM ATHLETIC	VNL	0-1	1,825	517	19	
20 SUTTON UNITED	VNL	0-1	1,566	310	21	
24 Hartlepool United	VNL					
26 AFC FYLDE	VNL					
31 Solihull Moors	VNL					
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>						
7 YORK CITY	VNL					
10 Woking	VNL					
14 Forest Green Rovers	VNL					
21 BARNET	VNL					
24 SOUTHEND UNITED	VNL					
28 FC Halifax Town	VNL					
<b>OCTOBER</b>						
5 Gateshead	VNL					
12 YET TO BE DRAWN	FAC40					
19 YEAVIL TOWN	VNL					
22 BRAINTREE TOWN	VNL					
26 Ebbsfleet United	VNL					
<b>NOVEMBER</b>						
9 Aldershot Town	VNL					
16 ROCHDALE	VNL					
23 Eastleigh	VNL					
26 TAMWORTH	VNL					
30 ALTRINCHAM	VNL					
<b>DECEMBER</b>						
7 YET TO BE DRAWN	FATR3					
14 Oldham Athletic	VNL					
21 DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE	VNL					
26 Maidenhead United	VNL					
<b>JANUARY</b>						
1 BOSTON UNITED	VNL					
11 Altrincham	VNL					
14 Sutton United	VNL					
18 HARTLEPOOL UNITED	VNL					
25 AFC Fylde	VNL					
<b>FEBRUARY</b>						
1 SOLIHULL MOORS	VNL					
8 GATESHEAD	VNL					
15 Yeovil Town	VNL					
18 Braintree Town	VNL					
22 EBBSFLEET UNITED	VNL					
<b>MARCH</b>						
1 ALDERSHOT TOWN	VNL					
4 Tamworth	VNL					
8 Rochdale	VNL					
15 EASTLEIGH	VNL					
22 WOKING	VNL					
29 York City	VNL					
<b>APRIL</b>						
5 FOREST GREEN ROVERS	VNL					
12 Barnet	VNL					
18 Boston United	VNL					
21 MAIDENHEAD UNITED	VNL					
26 Southend United	VNL					
<b>MAY</b>						
5 FC HALIFAX TOWN	VNL					

Archie MATTHEWS	Jack COOK	Anthony GEORGIU	Deon WOODMAN	Alex DYER	Mason BARRETT	Enzio BOLDEWIJN	Craig EASTMOND	Sean ADARKWA	Max KRETZSCHMAR	Todd MILLER	Jacob ADAMS	Micah OBIERO	Elliott SIMMONS	Luke DREHER	Dominic HUTCHINSON	Christian SCOTT	Adrian MARIAPPA	Sam ASHFORD	Kallum CESAY	Yacou TRAORE	Jayon MUNDLE-SMITH	Henry SANDAT	Declan PHILLIPS	Brandon MASON	Jahmarri CLARKE	
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- Starter
  - 1st player off
  - 2nd player off
  - 3rd player off
  - 4th player off
  - Substitute
  - 1st on
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Pictures of our battling defeats to Oldham Athletic and Sutton United courtesy of @RonnieRaffle

Date in Red = MIDWEEK fixture



## MICK FISHMAN ON THE HISTORY OF WEALDSTONE CROWDS

# Why the Stones' crowds are helped by demography.... but not geography



The Vale with its 4,000 capacity... will it ever be filled regularly?

## ...AND HOW THE CURRENT INCREASE CAN BE SUSTAINED

our viewing and football habits. It cannot be ignored that, running alongside the televising of football, the scourge of football hooliganism was on the rise. From the late 1960s football supporting tribalism began to take root, to the point that by the mid-1970s the government of the day had formed a working party on football hooliganism tasked with developing policies to bring it under control. It is from then that the basic stewarding of matches we now take for granted such as crowd segregation and the banning of alcohol consumption within stadia dates. Football matches became a less welcoming place for many which undoubtedly contributed to the decline in numbers attending; and that remained the case right through to the 1990s.

**There are probably fewer bigger critics of the Premier League than me.**

Its crimes against our great game are too many and deep for me to get into here; but from its formation in 1991 it has successfully

reversed the decline in spectator numbers quite spectacularly... for those clubs competing in the Premier League. The packaging and presentation of its "product" built on the back of insane amounts of money and investment from around the globe has resulted in most, if not all, Premier League clubs employing waiting lists for those seeking to purchase season tickets.

With some notable exceptions, that has not been the case further down the leagues. Sell-out crowds in the EFL, the National League and below is the exception rather than the rule.

But there may be one other societal change that has affected spectator numbers for smaller clubs and that is demography. Taking Wealdstone as an example, when I was cutting my teeth at Lower Mead there had been only limited movement of people in and out of the area. Boys (and it was mostly boys in those days) were taken along to their local football team by their dads, grandads, uncles, brothers or schoolmates.

If you were "into" football you had to attend a live match as there was next to nothing on TV.

At my school most who attended games went to Wealdstone, closely followed by those who favoured Watford (then a club scratching around in the old Divisions 3 and 4). One or two supported other London clubs for

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**I ENJOY dipping a toe into our fans' forum. Always interesting. Sometimes informative. Occasionally bonkers.**

There are two threads that recur regularly; drainage of the pitch (which has encouraged vigorous debate over several seasons but, fingers crossed, has now largely been addressed) and how we can increase average home attendances with particular focus on building our fan base.

This is a serious and interesting issue. Should we fail to continue to increase home attendances, progress is likely to stall unless we discover some multi-billionaire sugar daddy who can finance the team, irrespective of the size of our crowds.

The back story to attendances at football matches is all about the period in which the clubs were competing, and in which competitions. The boom time was immediately post-war and into the mid-1950s when attendances at our old Lower Mead ground were routinely 5,000 or more, with the record attendance of 13,504 for an FA Amateur Cup Quarter Final replay against Leytonstone in 1949.

Just think about that. It wasn't an FA Cup match against Chelsea, Arsenal or Manchester City. It was an FA Amateur Cup tie!

Why were attendances so huge in that period? Well, for a start there was little else to do. The country was on its knees following the 6 years of war and that remained very much the case until the mid-1950s. It's instructive to hear any interviews with Britain's pioneering rock and rollers of the late 1950s such as Cliff Richard, the surviving Shadows, Joe Brown or Marty Wilde: All make the point that when they hit their teens in the

mid to late 1950s life was so terribly dull. Effectively there was the cinema, football or a trip to the local dance hall in a sort of very tame 1950s version of a rave.... and very little else.

**By the time I took my bow at Lower Mead in 1963, the average home crowd at Wealdstone was around 2,500.**

Despite not being a member of the elite Isthmian League, we were generally regarded as one of the best supported amateur clubs in southern England.

"Promoted" to the Isthmian League in 1964, attendances subsequently declined to the point that by the end of that decade we had lost around 1,000 supporters, despite the team enjoying its best period in amateur football having won the Amateur Cup in 1966 and reaching the same competition's semi-final 2 years later.

The club turned semi-professional in 1971 and launched an excellent decade during which the Southern League Division 1 South title was won, and promotion to the Southern Premier then saw us go toe to toe with the then-giants of non-League football - as well as the historic FA Cup run to the 3rd Round Proper in 1978.

By the end of the decade the club became founder members of the Alliance Premier League, the precursor to the National League. Despite all this progress, crowds continued to decline. And even more worrying, that decline continued through the club's greatest period, the all-conquering Southern League side of 1982 and the historic double-winning team of 1985.

If you leave aside the 2,000 who saw the

FA Trophy semi-final against Enfield, home attendances that season crept into double figures (just) on only three occasions!

**So, what was behind this gradual decline in attendances?**

It is difficult to put your finger on any one thing. Clearly life had moved on significantly since the 1950s. There was full employment and with the onset of consumerism an increasing number of things and activities upon which to spend hard earned money. Television had quite quickly replaced radio as the main medium for news and entertainment, and it was only a matter of time before the most popular sport started to be shown on national TV.

Once *Match of The Day* premiered on BBC2 on 24th August 1964, the writing was on the wall for football clubs struggling to retain their very large crowds. ITV followed suit with *The Big Match* in 1968 and the ability to view football from the comfort of your home armchair (albeit highlights rather than live matches) started to become embedded into



10,000 were inside Lower Mead for the FA Cup tie with Colchester in 1949



# THE HISTORICAL FALL AND RISE OF WEALDSTONE CROWDS

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odd individual reasons. But my generation who left school in the later 60s and early 70s was the first that deserted the area in large numbers to make their lives elsewhere.

Harrow, being a dormitory town for those working in London, had no problem filling the spaces left by those who had left, but the thread that ran through the generations supporting the local football club had been severed. Youngsters interested in football could watch it on television and the concept of an "armchair fan" was born.

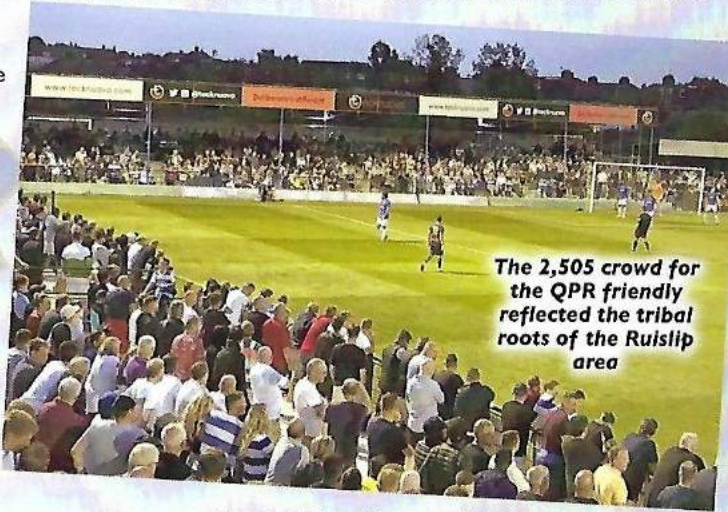
**My own experience mirrors this. My brother took me along to my first Stones game in 1963, but from the mid-60s until 1971 I attended both home and away games with school mates.**

By 1971 my school chums had either lost interest, gone to university or college or taken jobs away from home and had set up their lives elsewhere. I was the last man standing so to speak.

Luckily, it wasn't long till I met up with others such as Nick Symmons, Steve Paull, Terry Stern and Tim Parks, who have sustained me through subsequent decades of supporting this great club.

In addition to the general issues affecting attendances, we at Wealdstone have had to endure additional problems that might have killed off other, lesser clubs. Following the botched sale of Lower Mead in 1991 the club became nomadic and effectively assetless for 17 years, during which playing fortunes tumbled and "home" attendances declined.

Our final season playing at Northwood saw our home attendances at somewhere between 200 and 250. The move to Ruislip instantly added on at least 100 to 150, which was great news, and we have gone from strength to strength both on and off the field of play. Now, competing in the top level of non-league football we are averaging around 1,500 crowds for home games, of which around 1,000 are core Stones fans. To prosper in the National League, however, we probably need to add at least another 500 to that average crowd, but is that



The 2,505 crowd for the QPR friendly reflected the tribal roots of the Ruislip area

realistic? I would contend that our ability to increase core support by 500 or even 1,000 is made possible by the demographics of the area. Ruislip is at a sort of confluence of football supporters of clubs such as Watford, QPR, Brentford, Chelsea and Fulham. We have already attracted along a fair number of those clubs' fans who have started to view us as their second team. Should we move into our proposed new stadium down the road in Hillingdon, and we obtain decent funding and some accompanying success like a good FA Cup run, we should be able to sustain football at EFL2 and NL level.

Can we go beyond that? Probably not, and for the same reason - geography. Being a small club in North West London, we must compete with several established much bigger clubs for fans and that can only get you so far. We are not situated in a separate, defined town. Clubs like Woking, St Albans, Maidenhead, Basingstoke, Chatham and no doubt others are all individual towns separated from London. They have the potential for much

larger crowds should they obtain the funding to gain success. The likelihood of their doing so is slim (they haven't thus far), but unfortunately, we don't realistically have the option.

I'm sure many of you who read this article will completely disagree! You may well enlighten me with good reasons I have missed for us being able to seriously increase our fanbase.

And I very much hope you are right.

7,000 inside Lower Mead for the FA Cup win over Reading in 1977



**WEALDSTONE 3**  
Campbell 10, 90+9, Ferguson 86

**AFC FYLDE 2**  
Omotayo 37, Houghton 57

## TAHVON'S ON HIS BIKE AS STONES CLINCH IT

TAHVON Campbell struck a dramatic bicycle kick winner in the NINTH minute of stoppage time to complete a remarkable Wealdstone comeback against AFC Fylde to move them up to fifth in the National League table.

By Nicole Cho-Yee

In a thrilling match, Campbell's 10th-minute opener was cancelled out by Gold Omotayo before Nick Houghton's wonderstrike from all of 60 yards put the Coasters in front.

Pierce Bird was then sent off for the visitors for two yellow cards in minutes and Nathan Ferguson looked to have punished them with an 86th minute equaliser.

But just when Fylde boss Adam Murray was accepting a share of the spoils, Campbell popped up with his stupendous acrobatic strike.

"In the end, it was a great win and the lads deserve all the praise," said relieved Stones assistant boss Matt Saunders. "They've made us incredibly proud."

"We should have been ahead at half-time because we got in some wonderful areas. A moment of quality from their lad [Houghton] has made it an uphill battle, but the players showed incredible character."

"It was a frustrating game because we felt we could have been better in our patterns as we want to strive to be as close to perfect as we can on them."

The Stones drew first blood in the tenth minute when Charles Clayden surged down the left wing and drove in a dangerous cross that Campbell pounced on to smash

AFC Fylde, we've met you before .... but I'm sure that they won't want to be reminded!

SINCE the Stones returned to the National League four years ago there are precious few clubs who can honestly claim to have Wealdstone as their 'bogey' team.

Oldham are one, beating us just once in 5 meetings, while York City have conceded NL doubles to us in the last four meetings.

After that, there is just AFC Fylde. A cracking match here at the same stage last season saw two spectacular goals from Tahvon Cambell and Nathan Ferguson win the points - and the return clash in Lancashire in March saw another late clincher from Manny Duku, Dillon De Silva having given us the lead.

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seized the advantage on 57 minutes in sublime fashion when Houghton spotted Ward off of his line and hit a superb strike from inside his own half.

Hopes of pushing were dashed when defender Bird received two quick yellow cards from referee Stephen Parkinson and the Stones duly took control.

**MATCH STATS**

**WEALDSTONE V AFC FYLDE**

8	SHOTS ON TARGET	6
9	SHOTS OFF TARGET	3
5	CORNERS	1
1	OFFSIDE	1
10	FOULS CONCEDED	8
1	YELLOW CARDS	4
0	RED CARDS	1

**WEALDSTONE:** (1-2-3-1): Campbell 10, 90+9, Ferguson 86, De Silva 78, 60, Bower 7, Campbell 9, Subs not used: Barnett, Orlowski.

**AFC FYLDE:** (1-2-2-1): Richardson 7, Ota 7, Whitmore 7, Bird 4, Walker 6, May 53, 77, Priskink 7, Gordon 6, Wilshaw 6, Houghton 57, Hobbins 65, 75, Chapman 8, Omotayo 37, Duku 57, Subs not used: Lacey, Lyngstad.

**STAR MAN:** Tahvon Campbell (Wealdstone)  
ATE: 1.145  
**ENTERTAINMENT:** \*\*\*\*\*  
**REFEREE:** Stephen Parkinson

**AFC FYLDE 1**  
Houghton 58

**WEALDSTONE 2**  
De Silva 8, Duku 64

## YET MORE AWAY DAY SUCCESS FOR NOBLE

WEALDSTONE extended their unbeaten away run to six games with a huge win against fellow relegation candidates AFC Fylde.

Dillon De Silva gave the Stones an early lead when bending Max Kretzschmar's delivery into the bottom corner after eight minutes.

In-form Nick Houghton levelled things up for Fylde just before the hour but Manny Duku's strike six minutes later - his first goal for Wealdstone - earned David Noble's men the points.

"We were superb," Noble said. "We weren't at our best with the ball today but we showed heart and spirit and defended unbelievably well at times."

"I would have loved one of our chances to have gone in late on as it makes it a lot easier on the sidelines as a manager, but we saw the game out for another big three points."

A fierce strike from De Silva handed the visitors the lead with their first shot of the game, following a promising start from the hosts.

The Coasters conjured up numerous chances but just couldn't find a way past goalkeeper Marcus Dewhurst.

Danny Ormerod's shot was well saved at a close range before Dewhurst somehow denied Josh Kay with the follow-up.

By Fergus Brennan

Beech's men came out the stronger and with more energy in the second half with Houghton once again making them tick.

It was no surprise, therefore when they conjured up an equaliser on 58 minutes - full-back Connor Barrett's may run finding Houghton, who got enough on the ball to bundle it into the back of the net.

However, again against the run of play, the away side restored their lead with only their second shot, on goal - Duku given enough space to place a terrific strike into the top right corner of Theo Richardson's net.

It could've been three when midfielder Alex Dyer rattled the crossbar with a fierce first time shot from 25 yards out, as the game started to open up.

As Fylde continued to pile men forward, Wealdstone were happy to hit their hosts on the break with Richard-

son to thank for staying in the game late on.

"I didn't feel like we deserved to win the game," Coasters boss Beech said. "We've got to take a step back and make sure that we understand what went and what we need to do to make sure we're good in respect to try and gain three points the next time we play."

"The lads have been brilliant to put us in this position, we've got to make sure we look after ourselves. The lads are giving 100%, sometimes we're just not quite on it."

**MATCH STATS**

**AFC FYLDE V WEALDSTONE**

7	SHOTS ON TARGET	4
3	SHOTS OFF TARGET	3
2	CORNERS	1
0	OFFSIDE	3
8	FOULS CONCEDED	9
3	YELLOW CARDS	2
0	RED CARDS	0

**AFC FYLDE:** (1-2-3-1): Richardson 7, Barrett 6, Orlowski 6, Duku 64, Walker 6, De Silva 8, Whitmore 6, Adkins 6, Kay 7, Houghton 7, Lobb 6, Ormerod 6, Whalley 78, 79, Subs not used: Pinner, Smith.

**WEALDSTONE:** (1-2-3-1): Campbell 10, 90+9, Ferguson 86, De Silva 8, Duku 64, Bower 7, Campbell 9, Subs not used: Barnett, Orlowski.

**STAR MAN:** Marcus Dewhurst (Wealdstone)  
ATE: 1.223  
**ENTERTAINMENT:** \*\*\*\*\*  
**REFEREE:** Greg Robson





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# TIM PARKS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THURSDAY NIGHTS

## Dorking was just one of those thoooper Thursdays!



**THE Easybeats' Sixties hit 'Friday on my Mind' said that Thursday 'goes too slow'.**

While the well-known poem 'Monday's Child' states that Thursday's child 'has far to go'.

Well, the fourth day of the week has never been a regular football day but Thursdays have loomed large in Wealdstone history over the years... and the 4-2 win over Dorking in the penultimate week of last season played a huge part in the Stones' survival. Time certainly wasn't going too slow after the Wanderers had taken a 2-0 lead in the second half!

It set me thinking about Thursday night games in the club's past, and how even playing on that day meant that our season *had far to go...* in other words, a fixture backlog was causing games to be scheduled between



the regular Tuesday and Saturday slots.

As you can see from the results at the foot of this page, the three defeats in a row in April against Oxford City, Boreham Wood and Southend made victory against Dorking imperative. With Max Kretzschmar popping up to score a dramatic leveler - after Mason Barrett had headed a goal to get us back into the game - and then winning a penalty that he converted for 3-2, it can be argued that this was the most important Thursday in Wealdstone FC history. When Tarryn Allarakhia (below) scored our fourth, has a Stones goal ever been so rapturously received?

**But let me take you back, dear reader, 42 years to the craziest fixture backlog EVER to face our boys in blue.**

Allen Batsford's Stones team had been relegated from the Alliance Premier League (today's Vanarama National) the previous season and just ONE club in the 24-strong Southern League South could be promoted at the end of this gruelling campaign... gruelling because, not only did we have a long run in the FA Trophy (starting in the qualifying rounds) but because snow and ice wiped out the whole of December. It resulted in an astonishing 24 games being squeezed into the final 53 days of the season... one game ever 2.2 days!

And with the club using just 24 players all season (four of those for just a single game) the regular squad of 14 found themselves in action practically every other day. Goalkeeper Ray Goddard played in 73 games that season... as did teenage left back Stuart Pearce!

So in that bonkers 24-games spell (pictured on the right) the club managed to force in FIVE Thursday games (together with two Wednesdays, four Mondays and five Tuesdays), with the most important coming on Thursday April 29 when our closest rivals for the Southern League South title, Hastings United, rolled up at Lower Mead on an even better run than the Stones.

They were top of the table with 69pts from 44 games, with the Stones one point behind having played one game less. A HUGE six-pointer.

We were on an unbeaten run of 15 league games (12 wins and 3 draws) while the Sussex side were unbeaten in

Tue 16 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Tonbridge	L 1 - 2
Thu 18 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Gosport Borough	W 3 - 1
Sat 20 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Canterbury City	W 2 - 0
Tue 23 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Andover	W 4 - 0
Thu 25 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Hounslow	W 3 - 0
Sat 27 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Folkestone	W 6 - 0
Tue 30 Mar	Southern League Southern Division	Dorchester Town	D 2 - 2

### APRIL 1982

Thu 1 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Basingstoke Town	W 1 - 0
Sat 3 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Welling United	D 0 - 0
Mon 5 Apr	Southern League Cup	Gloucester City	W 1 - 0 Att: 2300
Wed 7 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Fareham Town	W 1 - 0
Sat 10 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Hillingdon Borough	D 1 - 1
Mon 12 Apr	Middlesex Senior Cup	Hayes	L 0 - 2 Att: 863
Wed 14 Apr	Southern League Cup	Gloucester City	W 1 - 0 Att: 2200
Sat 17 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Waterlooville	W 2 - 1
Tue 20 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Thanet United	W 2 - 0 Att: 271
Thu 22 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Hillingdon Borough	W 1 - 0
Sat 24 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Andover	W 1 - 0
Tue 27 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Chelmsford City	W 1 - 0 Att: 1025
Thu 29 Apr	Southern League Southern Division	Hastings United FC (1948)	W 2 - 0 Att: 1485

### MAY 1982

Sat 1 May	Southern League Southern Division	Ashford Town	W 3 - 0 Att: 1020
Mon 3 May	Southern League Southern Division	Addlestone & Weybridge Town	L 0 - 1 Att: 750
Sat 8 May	Southern League Championship	Nuneaton Borough	L 0 - 1 Att: 1204
Mon 10 May	Southern League Championship	Nuneaton Borough	W 3 - 2 (P) Att: 1504

18 (15 wins, 3 draws) and had lost just once away from home from home in the league.... and that was in September! What on earth was going to happen when the sides clashed on this rainy April night: at our iconic old ground? An official crowd of 1,485 turned up but in reality it was nudging 2,000 with both the Elmslie and Cinema End stands chock a

In the end, Ray Knowles grabbed the late winner as City were beaten 1-0 and the stage was all set for the *Battle of Hastings*, as it was predictably labelled. The match report is overpage, but doesn't do justice to the importance of the occasion. We won 2-0 in a game that could have gone either way, but the intention was to... **continued overpage >>**

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# WEALDSTONE F.C.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE (SOUTHERN) v HASTINGS UTD.

Thursday, 29th April, 1982 Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

25p

Left: the punishing schedule that Wealdstone faced at the end of the 1981-82 season, and (above) the Hastings home programme

block as the heavens opened. Us fans were bags of nerves - with myself especially so as I'd written an article for the programme wearing my Enfield Gazette Sports Editor's hat, predicting how the Stones would fare in the Alliance Premier League alongside Enfield the next season. There was potential for a lot of egg to be splattering my face, but the calmest man in the stadium that night was probably the Stones boss Batsford - who later said that the emotion and importance of the night would take care of itself and he fully expected his team to 'take care of business' against the close rivals.

He reckoned the biggest danger had come two days earlier as we faced mid-table Chelmsford City at home. "All the talk in the changing room was of the Hastings game on the Thursday night but I had to keep drilling into them that that fixture was irrelevant if we didn't beat Chelmsford."



# THE IMPORTANCE OF THURSDAY NIGHTS

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sity and organisation of that Wealdstone side would simply accept nothing but victory. The three points all but wrapped up the league title, clinched two days later in a 3-0 win over Ashford Town, but looking back now it's sobering to realise just how close Hastings had come to wrecking the Stones' golden years of the mid-80s.

As I said, just one club could be promoted.... and the following season the Southern League was reorganised from a Southern Section and a Northern Section (won by Nuneaton Borough) into a Premier Division with two feeder divisions. That Prem set up was a powerful league and Hastings never came so close again to making non-League's top tier. In fact, the money they spent chasing the Stones that season led to the club becoming insolvent by 1985, ironically as we were winning the non-League double.

**But that wasn't the only dramatic Thursday-night win that season.**

The Saturday-Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday routine had started at the back end of March with four home league wins in the space of a week with 15 goals scored and none conceded! They were against rag tag teams Canterbury, Andover, Hounslow and Folkestone but on Thursday April 1 the well-organised Basingstoke team were a tough nut to crack. Their defence and keeper performed miracles and our night seemed to be summed up when we finally scored after 78 minutes - only for the ball to have burst on its way into the net after an almighty goal-mouth scramble. The referee first signalled the goal

# Cordice on target in title decider

Wealdstone 2, Hastings Utd 0

**SUPER** Stones virtually sewed up the Southern League double when they beat Hastings United in the top-of-the-table clash at Lower Mead on Thursday evening.

A crowd of over 1,500 saw Wealdstone, already holders of the Southern League Cup, move to the top of the Southern Section and become hot favourites for a first-time return to the Alliance Premier League after relegation last season.

This 2-0 win left Stones needing just one point from their two weekend games to secure promotion.

Fittingly, the hero of the hour was top scorer Alan Cordice. His two goals after 43 minutes and 59 minutes took his personal tally for the season to 38 as Wealdstone beat their rivals in style.

A tense first half saw both sides searching for a vital breakthrough.

As early as the first minute, Roy Davies' dipping cross cum shot flew just over while at the other end Ray Goddard made an important stop at the feet of Cook after

Batten had sneaked round the back of the home defence.

Stones thought they had broken through when Knowles popped up at the far post to fire home Davies' cross midway through the half, but it was ruled out for an infringement on goalkeeper Armstrong.

Knowles sent a superb full-length diving header rebounding off the bottom of a post as Stones pressed forward, but Hastings were not slow to threaten with four corners in the opening half-hour.

The crucial first goal came with half time only minutes away. United's 'keeper will take his share of the blame as he raced out to try and deny the onrushing Knowles on the left side of the box, but watched helplessly as Knowles' astute cross received the perfect finish from Cordice's right foot.

A fine flying save from Goddard to fingertip Peacock's 25-yard shot over the bar heralded the start of the second half, but in the 59th minute Stones scored again.

Full back Stuart Pearce — an inspiration throughout — sent a well-flighted corner that foxed the Hastings defence, and Cordice was on hand to drill home from close range.

Hastings visibly wilted after that as Stones went on to earn one of the most important victories in a long campaign. This was their 71st match of the season.

**Wealdstone:** Goddard, Perkins, Pearce, Byatt, Bowgett, Barwick, Waites, Wainwright, Cordice (Sub

**Jumping for joy: Alan Cordice (left) whacks in the decisive second goal in the rain against Hastings and fellow striker Roy Knowles couldn't control his jubilation. Neither could we!**

and then changed his mind!

We were desperate for victory and long-standing supporter Bill Cowan, alongside us on the High Mead terrace, bellowed out to Roy Davies 'Roy, I've got a fiver for you if you get a winner'. It seemed to spur on our marauding ex-Reading and Hayes midfielder and in the third minute of injury time Alan Cordice scooted away on the right wing and squared the ball across the box... for Davies to wallop it past the goalkeeper!

And then spun on his heels and sprinted over to the delighted Bill to demand his fiver! Well, it was quite a lot of money in them days ;)

# ....and there is still one other throbbin' Thursday to recall

**AS Wealdstone fans, you've probably all got Gordon Bartlett's Diary of the 2009-10 season ('Behind the Season') tucked away on your bookshelf.**

And if you haven't I'm here to regale you with the third most memorable Thursday night in Wealdstone history... even though this one didn't have a happy ending.

That campaign, 15 years ago, was the club's sixth back in the Isthmian Premier Division and we had been finishing higher year-on-year. The club was severely handi-

capped by a lack of finance (as manager Gordon referenced in almost every chapter of his brilliant book) and the high point was the club's first appearance in the FA Cup 1st round Proper since 1987, and an agonising 3-2 defeat at The Vale to third-flight Rotherham United. Things unravelled after that thanks to a small squad and deplorable weather.

Just two league games were played in January and an unexpected League Cup run to the final (despite having lost en route and being re-instated!) saw us having to play the final 20 games in 54 days, just three games fewer than the bonkers '81-82 season.

Our hopes all boiled down to a run of six home games in 15 days, some won, some lost (see list right) with the final Thursday night a face-off against fellow play-off chasers Ton-

bridge Angels. And it was a *Goal of the Season* winner that settled the game 2-1 in our favour when - TEN SECONDS after the start of

the second half - our teenage loanee from Wycombe Matt McClure (left) half-volleyed into the Bulla End net from 45 yards! Sadly, though, the team were out on their feet 40

hours later against big spenders Carshalton who managed to beat the drop with victory at The Vale. We finished three points off the play-offs but I'll always remember that super strike..



## MARCH 2010

Tue 2 Mar	19:45	Hendon	L 0 - 2
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 367
Sat 6 Mar	15:00	Cray Wanderers	W 3 - 1
Ryman League Premier Division		Away	Att: 197
Tue 9 Mar	19:45	Hastings United	W 1 - 0
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 329
Thu 11 Mar	19:45	Sittingbourne	W 2 - 1
Ryman League Cup		Away	Att: 74
Sat 13 Mar	15:00	Kingstonian	D 2 - 2
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 552
Tue 16 Mar	19:45	Billerica Town	D 0 - 0
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 326
Thu 18 Mar	19:45	Croydon Athletic	W 1 - 0
Ryman League Cup		Home	Att: 113
Sat 20 Mar	15:00	Hastings United	L 0 - 1
Ryman League Premier Division		Away	Att: 429
Mon 22 Mar	19:45	Tooting & Mitcham United	L 2 - 3
Ryman League Premier Division		Away	Att: 242
Wed 24 Mar	19:45	Leatherhead	L 3-4 (P)
Ryman League Cup		Away	Att: 682
Sat 27 Mar	15:00	Maldstone United	W 3 - 2
Ryman League Premier Division		Away	Att: 218

## APRIL 2010

Mon 5 Apr	15:00	Harrow Borough	L 1 - 3
Ryman League Premier Division		Away	Att: 525
Wed 7 Apr	19:45	Margate	W 1 - 0
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 333
Sat 10 Apr	15:00	Boreham Wood	D 0 - 0
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 406
Tue 13 Apr	19:45	Ashford Town (Middlesex)	W 1 - 0
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 307
Thu 15 Apr	19:45	Aveley	L 0 - 1
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 320
Sat 17 Apr	15:00	Horsham	W 3 - 1
Ryman League Premier Division		Away	Att: 343
Tue 20 Apr	19:45	Dartford	D 1 - 1
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 401
Thu 22 Apr	19:45	Tonbridge Angels	W 2 - 1
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 411
Sat 24 Apr	15:00	Carshalton Athletic	L 1 - 4
Ryman League Premier Division		Home	Att: 736



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**TIM PARKS HOPS INTO HIS TIME MACHINE TO DELVE INTO WHAT**

# The day we completed the 'Treble' against old enemies Enfield



**1980s heavyweight clash: Dennis Byatt v Steve King**

**26/08/1985, MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP FINAL: WEALDSTONE 4 ENFIELD 2**



**Personally, I've got a soft spot for Enfield FC having cut my journalistic teeth as Sports Editor of the Enfield Gazette in the 1980s.**

The Es were a big cheese then and it's only some 30 years later that the North London suburb has a team worthy of the name.... even if it's a different name!

Enfield Town finally won promotion to the National League South last season and their story is a

long and arduous one... but briefly, in 2001 the Enfield Supporters Trust lost faith in Enfield FC finding a home back in the borough after the club had sold its iconic Southbury Road stadium for housing. They formed their own club - Enfield Town - and started anew in the Essex Senior League. Gradually (a bit like AFC Wimbledon and MK



**The only trophy McCluskey won: manager of the month**

Dons) the smaller cousins slowly caught up with, and then passed their tormentors in the football pyramid, with ETFC taking control of the QE Stadium in the town and converting the one-time athletics stadium into an adequate non-League ground.

So what's the relevance? Well, let me take you back to the simmering resentment between Wealdstone FC and Enfield FC which dates right back to Isthmian League clashes in the 1960s, to Conference rivalry in the 1980s and then (almost seamlessly) it transmuted itself to Enfield Town when the new club found itself facing the Stones a dozen years ago.

But let's time-travel back 39 years to the day that Wealdstone *really* got up Enfield's noses. The Es, under boss Eddie McCluskey, were a walking advert for expansive, free flowing football and widely regarded as the best team in non-League. Brian Hall's Wealdstone was simply a no-frills, devastating counter-attacking unit.

**....and the day we beat Enfield's reincarnation**

**26/08/2013, RYMAN LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION: WEALDSTONE 4 ENFIELD TOWN 1**

**The legend of Glenn Little was born this day, 11 years ago.**

In all my 55 years of following our great club I've never witnessed such complete mastery of one football match by one player, and it's fair to say that the 38-year-old former Portsmouth and Burnley star transformed our season in one 52-minute cameo.

Little, deemed surplus to requirements by Wrexham after helping them to the FA Trophy the previous May, was put in contact with the club by supporter Don Cross (I believe) and Gordon Bartlett thought it worth taking the chance on the tall, gangling ex-Premier

League winger. He was immediately a hit in the changing room, and on the bench was where GB imagined him to be most effective as Little's ageing knees were not expected to last more than a dozen minutes each game. But, after just half an hour we were in dire straits against our old Enfield rivals in their new guise. Stones had started the season with three successive draws, and despite then beating Harrow Borough and Hampton & Richmond Borough we made a terrible start against the Es. Joe O'Brien put the visitors ahead inside six minutes; they then hit the post and brought two flying saves from



**EXACTLY HAPPENED ON THIS DAY IN WEALDSTONE HISTORY**

It led to a frustrated McCluskey describing the Stones as 'parasites' midway through the previous season - which was used as a motivational weapon in the same way that Gordon Bartlett fastened onto Cambridge United labelling his team 'tin pot' almost 30 years later.

So why were Enfield so upset? Well, this County Cup Final was held over from the previous season when the Es had met the Stones six times (including this game, played at Hendon) and beaten us FOUR times... yet Hall's 'parasites' ended up winning an unprecedented non-League 'treble'!

Enfield completed a Conference (Gola League) double over the Stones, knocked us out of the league cup at Lower Mead and also won the FA Trophy semi-final second leg at our famous old ground. But we had broken Enfield hearts with a 2-0 win at Southbury Road in the first leg (reaching the final 2-1 on aggregate) and then rubbed salt in an ugly wound by lifting the County Cup in this held-over game.

Astonishingly, the Middx FA had originally scheduled the clash for Easter Monday - slap bang between the two legs of that tempestuous semi-final!

So feelings, if not a few simmering vendettas, were running high once the Champions of non-League football (Wealdstone) kicked off against the un-

crowned kings (Enfield) in front of a sun-drenched crowd of 800... quite decent for those days. Both teams were at full strength, and they were awesome line-ups too. Though neither club was able to parade its major summer signing - Enfield's new keeper Andy Pape and our new midfielder Derek Doyle (both cup-tied) who had both spent the previous season with Harrow Borough. An indication of how far Borough have fallen since then.

It probably hit the Es more than ourselves as McCluskey had to field rookie keeper Poultnier with regular goalie John Jacobs unavailable.

Most of the post-match comment centred around Harrow top-flight ref David Elleray who tried to take the sting out of a fractious encounter by stamping down hard on any wild challenges. Stones were, as ever, giving as good as they got but Elleray chose to red-card Enfield's Dave Howell and Carl Richards in quick succession after we had gone 3-1 up (Mark

Graves, Alan Cordice and Lee Holmes scoring) in the second half.

The final was pretty much over as a contest after that although Noel Ashford did net his second penalty of the afternoon to make it 3-2 before Neil Cordice headed a splendid fourth goal in the dying moments, allowing skipper Paul Bowgett to go up and lift his third major pot in just a few months. McCluskey was studiously looking the other way.



**Byatt (left) and Steve Tapley deal with the ever-present threat of Enfield poacher Carl Richards**

**Enfield Town, thanks to a Little bit of magic**

our keeper Jonathan North. After 37 minutes we were rooted in mid table.

Boss Bartlett glanced along his bench. Little was still in his tracksuit trousers - he wasn't expecting to be called on until late in the game. Gordon conferred with his coaches and, moments later, Glenn (pictured left) was up and performing his 'warming up waddle' in front of the delighted fans.

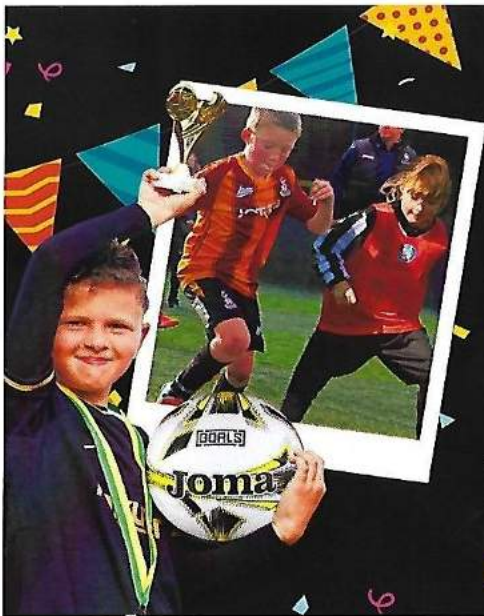
Peter Dean was hooked, and didn't look surprised to be replaced by the semi-octogenarian maestro who bounded onto the pitch in defiance of his years... and immediately began demanding the ball, pointing to where his team mates should be running and simply started pulling the strings.

It was utterly remarkable. Like a dad playing with a class of six year olds, Glenn Little orchestrated every flowing move, every aspect of the Stones play and before half-time we were leading 2-1! Chris Moore headed past our ex-keeper Noel Imber and the transfixed crowd looked on in joy as the harassed giant at the back for Enfield, Chris Wild, headed into his own net.

The fun continued after the break with Tom Pett and Scott McGleish both scoring as they tormented the previously-complacent visitors - with Little at the heart of every move. Needless to say, ringmaster Glenn then began to start every game in what was his only season for the Stones... and of course we won the Isthmian League title at the end of it.

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