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The fourth series of the Ryman Football League Monthly Awards for season 2007/08, covering the month of December 2007, have been announced this morning as follows:

Manager of the Month

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- . Premier Division
 - . . Mark Butler - Ashford Town (Middx) F.C.
- . Division One North
 - . . Dean Holdsworth - Redbridge F.C.
- . Division One South
 - . . Craig Edwards - Dulwich Hamlet F.C.

Team Performance of the Month

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- . Premier Division
 - . . Tonbridge Angels F.C.
- . Division One North
 - . . **Dartford F.C.**
- . Division One South
 - . . Eastbourne Town F.C.

Golden Gloves Award

(Sponsored by Snapshot Poker)

- . Premier Division
 - . . Richard Wilmot - Hendon F.C.
- . Division One North
 - . . Darren Bonfield and Rob Blackburne - Edgware Town F.C.
- . Division One South
 - . . Sheikh Ceesay - Dulwich Hamlet F.C.
- . .

Golden Boots Award

(Sponsored by Snapshot Poker)

- . Premier Division
 - . . Wayne O'Sullivan - Hendon F.C. with 10 League Goals
 - . . Paul Johnson - Ashford Town (Middx) with 7 League goals
- . Division One North
 - . . Jamie Ricks - Witham Town F.C. with 7 League Goals
- . Division One South
 - . . Held over

The Premier Division 'Golden Boots' award is a double award for November and December. With six players all having scored three goals at the end of November, it was clearly not possible to select the one leading goalscorer and therefore two awards have been presented at the end of December.

Likewise in Division One South this month, where five players have all scored five goals apiece, the award will be held over until the end of January when it will also become a double award.

The award for the "Team Performances of the Month" recognises a particularly noteworthy performance by a Club during the month from any of its first team matches in all competitions played.

There have been several outstanding performances from our clubs during December, when many more League matches have taken place now that interest in the FA Cup and Trophy competitions has almost come to an end.

Tonbridge Angels Football Club have won the "Performance of the Month" award for the Ryman League Premier Division. Following their excellent goalless draw at the home of Conference National club Oxford United, they won their replay four days later with the only goal of the game to become one of just two Step 3 clubs in the country to reach the Second Round Proper of the FA Trophy, and now entertain colleagues AFC Wimbledon in that Second Round on Saturday, 12th January 2008.

Undefeated during December, Ryman League Division One North club Dartford receive the December Team Performance Award for their thoroughly deserved and convincing 6-1 victory against Enfield Town, at a time when Enfield Town were in third place in the League and had not conceded more than three goals in a match all season.

Last season Eastbourne Town joined the Ryman League as champions of the Sussex County League, and along with other clubs new to this Division, had found the transition to their new level of football on the pitch quite challenging. At the same time, Worthing were then playing in the Premier Division. On Boxing Day the two clubs met at Worthing, and Eastbourne Town achieved their most notable result of the season with a stunning 3-2 away victory against their near neighbours, thus earning the Club the Ryman League Division One South 'Team Performance' award for December 2007.

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