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LEAGUE NEWS

MONTHLY AWARDS

The fourth series of the Ryman Football League's Monthly Awards, covering the month of December, will be announced on the League's website on Wednesday, 2nd January 2008.

The four Divisional awards cover:

- Manager of the Month
- Team Performance of the Month
- Golden Gloves Monthly Award
- Golden Boot Monthly Award

WEEKEND REVIEW

No change after the Christmas matches as Chelmsford City, Edgware Town and Dover Athletic all retained top spots in their three respective Divisions, albeit only Chelmsford City took maximum points. Likewise at the wrong end of the table there were no changes.

210 goals were scored over the two match Christmas period in 64 matches – an average of 3¼ goals per match. Dartford lead the way hitting six at home against Canvey Island's solitary reply, seven teams scored five apiece, with four of those nap hands coming from clubs playing away from home in the Premier Division. Two hat-tricks were scored - Moses Ademola for Croydon Athletic and Daniel Platel for Whyteleafe.

Crowds were generally on the high side, with a number of clubs recording their best attendance of the season.

LEAGUE NEWS

Premier Division

Maximum points for Chelmsford City saw the Essex club end the season with a two point lead at the top of the Premier Division ahead of the season's surprise package, Hendon. Ramsgate moved up to third place, and are joined by new entrants to the Play-off places – AFC Hornchurch and AFC Wimbledon, with both clubs taking maximum points over the Christmas period. Moving out of the play-off places are Staines Town, pointless over the week but still with games in hand, and Margate.

At the foot of the table, Leyton with six straight defeats and not a point since the middle of November, are now eight points below the club in 21st place, currently Hastings United. With Carshalton Athletic and Folkestone Invicta also in relegation places, it has to be remembered these clubs are just eight to ten points behind some of those teams in the play-off places, as the Division is particularly cut and thrust this season.

Four clubs scored five goals away from home over the Christmas period – Wealdstone at Harrow Borough, AFC Hornchurch at Leyton and Horsham at Tonbridge Angels all on Boxing Day, and AFC Wimbledon at Staines Town on Saturday.

Division One North

Edgware Town retain top spot at the end of 2007, with four points from the week's matches. They are closely followed by AFC Sudbury, Dartford and Enfield Town, whilst Redbridge moved into the play-off places following their 100% record over Christmas. However, Maldon Town, Ware and Brentwood all hover just behind them, the latter two with games in hand.

At the foot of the table, Ilford and Wivenhoe remain marooned and adrift by six and twelve points respectively of Tilbury in 20th place, but Wivenhoe Town produced their best performance of the season to hold second placed AFC Sudbury to a 1-1 home draw.

Division One South

Promotion favourites Dover Athletic closed down on 2007 in top place, with a three point lead over their rivals, and two games in hand, as they make their bid to return Premier Division football to the town. Tooting & Mitcham United and Cray Wanderers retain second and third places, with Metropolitan Police moving up one position to fourth place. Dulwich Hamlet are now in the play-off places with four points over the period, closely followed by Kingstonian, Walton & Hersham and Worthing, the latter have a poor Christmas with two defeats.

The relegation battle at the foot of the table remains intense, with Molesey still in bottom place, just behind Horsham YMCA, Walton Casuals and Eastbourne Town, with several others looking carefully over their shoulders as these four teams all regularly collect points.

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LEAGUE RULE 15.3 – REPLACEMENT MATCH OFFICIALS

The attention of all clubs is again drawn to the full content of League Rule 15.3 detailing what happens in the event of a match official not arriving for a match or being injured during a match. The rule is shown below:

In the event of any of the Match Officials not being in attendance at the match or becoming unable to complete the match the two Clubs, in conjunction with the Match Referee (or the senior Assistant Referee who is to replace the Match Referee) must agree to a substitute on the ground to prevent the match being postponed or abandoned and such substitute shall be considered a Match Official for the time being. Should the appointed Referee fail to appear, the senior Assistant Referee should take charge.

If a substitute is not available the match shall be completed under the control of the remaining Match Officials. In the event that a Club, notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph causes a match to be abandoned by failing to agree on a substitute Match official then that Club shall be charged with failing to fulfil a fixture (Rule 8.6 refers)

RESULTS

RESULTS

Boxing Day, Wednesday 26th December 2007

Premier Division

AFC Wimbledon Main 6, Gayle 38	2 - 0	Carshalton Athletic	2,903
Ashford Town (Middx) Johnson 21, 48, Bamford G. 39 Harris W. 40	4 - 2	Staines Town Newton H. 14, Flitter 58	310
Billericay Town Dormer 47, Burbridge 90	2 - 1	Harlow Town Curley 12	484
Boreham Wood Abbott 52	1 - 2	Hendon O'Sullivan 4, Haule B. 57	235
Folkestone Invicta Chappell 64	1 - 0	Hastings United	445

Harrow Borough Adomah 76	1 - 5	Wealdstone Dean 11, Chappell 41, O'Leary L. 67 (pen), Campana 73, Alexander 87	540
Heybridge Swifts Reddaway 87	1 - 2	Chelmsford City Brayley 6, Holmes 16	803
Leyton Bricknell J. 47, Bricknell B. 63	2 - 5	AFC Hornchurch Parker S. 19, 66, Lee K. 50, 59, Curley 52	114
Maidstone United Takalobighashi 78, 81, Shearer 83	3 - 1	East Thurrock United West 4	352
Margate Pinnock 46 (pen)	1 - 1	Ramsgate Schulz O. 45	1,508
Tonbridge Angels Logan 58	1 - 5	Horsham Taylor 45, Charman 61, 65, Austin 88, Sigere 90	685
Division One North			
AFC Sudbury Rowe 62	1 - 0	Bury Town	441
Arlesey Town Lewis 42	1 - 3	Ware Frendo 23, Nielson 49, 83	169
Dartford Norman 12, Hayes 67 (pen), Cass 71, May 76, McClements 83, Coyle 89	6 - 1	Canvey Island Fanibuyan 20	1,291
Great Wakering Rovers Beale 75	1 - 2	Maldon Town Wareham 29 (pen), Revell 80	117
Ilford Ashman 70, 86 (pen)	2 - 4	Waltham Forest Sackey 28 (pen), Lodge 35, 48, Jones 77	51
Northwood	0 - 0	Edgware Town	139
Potters Bar Town Koko 13 (pen), Jackman 36	2 - 3	Enfield Town Hammat 30, Tickner 37, Jones 71	151
Tilbury	0 - 2	Aveley Doyle 29, Vaughan 81	76
Waltham Abbey Sapsford 11	1 - 2	Brentwood Town King 53, Gillam 73	69
Wingate & Finchley Clarke 2, Nyman 63, Rifat 86	3 - 4	Redbridge Butterworth 26, 39, Antoine 44, Church 47	75
Witham Town Ricks 20, 89	2 - 1	Wivenhoe Town Bethell D. 47	101
Division One South			
Ashford Town Jones 13	1 - 2	Dover Athletic Collin 37, 41	855
Chipstead Simpson 7, 84, Oakins 55	3 - 1	Whyteleafe Kennedy 57	188
Horsham YMCA	0 - 2	Burgess Hill Town Marshall 24, Harper 42	180
Leatherhead	0 - 0	Kingstonian	403
Molesey	0 - 3	Dulwich Hamlet Beveney 18, Nugent 53, 89	80
Tooting & Mitcham United Henry-Hayden 44, 47, Byatt 45, Hutchings 65, McLeod 70 (pen)	5 - 0	Croydon Athletic	317
Walton Casuals Carr 7, Badu 36	2 - 2	Walton & Hersham George 12, Thompson J. 85	210
Whitstable Town	0 - 2	Sittingbourne Manners 68, Milton 67	311
Worthing Pook 1, Andrews 90	2 - 3	Eastbourne Town Denton 32, Goodwin 33, Cooper 36	347

Thursday, 27th December 2007**Division One South**

Corinthian-Casuals Amara 5	1 - 1	Metropolitan Police Carley 47 (pen)	202
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Saturday, 29th December 2007**Premier Division**

AFC Hornchurch Janney 4	1 - 0	Heybridge Swifts	339
Carshalton Athletic Ruggles 16, Wright 90	2 - 1	Maidstone United Peacock 18	401
Chelmsford City Kerrigan 22 (og)	1 - 0	Billericay Town	1,935
East Thurrock United West 29	1 - 0	Leyton	105
Harlow Town	<i>Postponed (Waterlogged pitch)</i>	Boreham Wood	-
Hastings United	0 - 2	Tonbridge Angels Westcott 16, Storey 32	599
Hendon	0 - 0	Harrow Borough	250
Horsham Howard 84	1 - 0	Margate	560
Ramsgate Schulz W. 73, Dolton 85	2 - 1	Folkestone Invicta Tanner 76 (og)	441
Staines Town Cook 4 (pen), Nwokeji 39	2 - 5	AFC Wimbledon Beckford 25, Beard 30, Ferguson 53, 78, Main 61 (pen)	1,407
Wealdstone Montgomery 67	1 - 3	Ashford Town (Middx) Johnson 15, 46, Wellard 36	259

Division One North

Aveley Bradbury 40, Doyle 85 (pen)	2 - 2	Dartford McClements 17, 28	409
Brentwood Town	0 - 2	Great Wakering Rovers White 10, Richmond 52	101
Bury Town Reed L. 33, 88, Barrett 69, 79	4 - 1	Arlesey Town Okojie 72	200
Canvey Island Curran J. 12, 57, Roberts 43, 76, Rugg 90	5 - 0	Tilbury	306
Edgware Town Chakadoza 33, Wallace 77	2 - 0	Waltham Abbey	87
Enfield Town Crace 14 (pen), Foster 45	2 - 2	Northwood Hall 5, Fisher 90	262
Maldon Town Wareham 41 (pen), Robinson 68	2 - 3	Witham Town McDonald 46, Hawes (Kevin) 52, 88	155
Redbridge Butterworth 14, 83, Hammond 67	3 - 1	Ilford Downer 65	128
Waltham Forest Sabaroche 87	1 - 1	Wingate & Finchley Clarke 80	66
Ware Ellerbeck 21, Stevens 53	2 - 3	Potters Bar Town Wright 7, Adejokun 78, Crowther 84	27
Wivenhoe Town Underwood 4	1 - 1	AFC Sudbury Rower 34	264

Division One South

Burgess Hill Town Edmonds 44, Cotton 84	2 - 1	Worthing Davis 7 (pen)	364
Chatham Town Brooks 3	1 - 2	Chipstead Oakins 13 (pen), Sidwell 83	103
Croydon Athletic Ademola 48, 84, 88	3 - 1	Corinthian-Casuals Amara 19	103

Dover Athletic Hessenthaler 63	1 - 1	Whitstable Town Bourne 49 (og)	1,116
Dulwich Hamlet Darko 36	1 - 1	Cray Wanderers Cumberbatch 81 (og)	369
Eastbourne Town Baitup 52 (pen)	1 - 2	Horsham YMCA Ottley 58, Greenfield 89	183
Kingstonian	0 - 3	Tooting & Mitcham United Erskine 14, King 41, Henry-Hayden 75	449
Metropolitan Police Corbett 44, Stevens 56	2 - 1	Walton Casuals Carr 38	94
Sittingbourne Azhazzan 90	1 - 1	Ashford Town Lovell 7	292
Walton & Hersham George 17, Bernard 84	2 - 1	Leatherhead Marshall 44	157
Whyteleafe Platel 7, 57, 59, Rivers 18, 78	5 - 0	Molesey	113

FIXTURES

Tuesday, 1st January, 2008

Premier Division

AFC Wimbledon vs. Hendon

Wednesday, 2nd January, 2008

Division One North

Witham Town vs. Aveley

Division One South

Cray Wanderers vs. Chatham Town

Saturday, 5th January 2008

Premier Division

AFC Hornchurch vs. Harlow Town
Chelmsford City vs. Hastings United
East Thurrock United vs. Billericay Town
Folkestone Invicta vs. Leyton
Harrow Borough vs. Heybridge Swifts
Hendon vs. Carshalton Athletic
Maidstone United vs. AFC Wimbledon
Margate vs. Ashford Town (Middx)
Staines Town vs. Ramsgate
Tonbridge Angels vs. Boreham Wood
Wealdstone vs. Horsham

Division One North

Arlesey Town vs. AFC Sudbury
Bury Town vs. Edgware Town
Canvey Island vs. Aveley
Enfield Town vs. Wingate & Finchley
Great Wakering Rovers vs. Waltham Abbey
Ilford vs. Northwood
Maldon Town vs. Potters Bar Town
Tilbury vs. Ware
Waltham Forest vs. Redbridge
Witham Town vs. Dartford
Wivenhoe Town vs. Brentwood Town

Division One South

Burgess Hill Town vs. Sittingbourne
Chatham Town vs. Croydon Athletic

FIXTURES

Cray Wanderers vs. Leatherhead
Eastbourne Town vs. Dulwich Hamlet
Horsham YMCA vs. Ashford Town
Kingstonian vs. Dover Athletic
Molesey vs. Chipstead
Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Corinthian-Casuals
Walton & Hersham vs. Worthing (*Kick-off 1.00 p.m.*)
Whitstable Town vs. Walton Casuals
Whyteleafe vs. Metropolitan Police

Monday, 7th January, 2008

Isthmian Veterans Cup – Quarter-Final

Metropolitan Police vs. Northwood

Essex Senior Cup – Quarter-Final

Chelmsford City vs. Dagenham & Redbridge

Tuesday, 8th January 2008

Premier Division

AFC Wimbledon vs. Ashford Town (Middx)
Carshalton Athletic vs. Wealdstone
Staines Town vs. Billericay Town

Division One North

Edgware Town vs. Ware
Great Wakering Rovers vs. Northwood
Waltham Forest vs. Enfield Town
Witham Town vs. Arlesey Town

Division One South

Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Worthing
Walton & Hersham vs. Molesey

Isthmian League Cup – Third Round

Tonbridge Angels vs. Horsham YMCA

Isthmian League Cup – Fourth Round

AFC Hornchurch vs. Ramsgate

Essex Senior Cup – Quarter-Final

Grays Athletic vs. Heybridge Swifts

London Senior Cup – Third Round

Romford vs. Wingate & Finchley

Wednesday, 9th January, 2008

Essex Senior Cup – Quarter-Final

Eton Manor vs. Redbridge

Saturday, 12th January 2008

Premier Division

Billericay Town vs. Folkestone Invicta

Boreham Wood vs. Maidstone United

Carshalton Athletic vs. Staines Town

Harlow Town vs. Chelmsford City

Hastings United vs. AFC Hornchurch

Heybridge Swifts vs. Wealdstone

Horsham vs. East Thurrock United

Leyton vs. Harrow Borough

Ramsgate vs. Hendon

Division One North

AFC Sudbury vs. Great Wakering Rovers

Aveley vs. Maldon Town

Brentwood Town vs. Canvey Island

Dartford vs. Ilford

Edgware Town vs. Enfield Town

Northwood vs. Arlesey Town

Potters Bar Town vs. Tilbury

Redbridge vs. Wivenhoe Town

Waltham Abbey vs. Waltham Forest (*Kick-off 1.00 p.m.*)

Ware vs. Bury Town

Division One South

Ashford Town vs. Cray Wanderers

Chipstead vs. Whitstable Town

Corinthian-Casuals vs. Molesey

Croydon Athletic vs. Burgess Hill Town

Dover Athletic vs. Eastbourne Town

Dulwich Hamlet vs. Chatham Town

Leatherhead vs. Tooting & Mitcham United

Metropolitan Police vs. Walton & Hersham

Sittingbourne vs. Whyteleafe

Walton Casuals vs. Kingstonian

Worthing vs. Horsham YMCA

FA Trophy – Second Round Proper

Tonbridge Angels vs. AFC Wimbledon

Monday, 14th January 2008

Surrey Senior Cup – Third Round

Kingstonian vs. Ashford Town (Middx)

Tuesday, 15th January 2008

Premier Division

East Thurrock United vs. Staines Town

Harlow Town vs. Horsham

Tonbridge Angels vs. Ramsgate

Division One North

Northwood vs. Bury Town

Redbridge vs. Potters Bar Town

Waltham Forest vs. Brentwood Town

Division One South

Burgess Hill Town vs. Leatherhead

Molesey vs. Dover Athletic

Sittingbourne vs. Horsham YMCA

Whyteleafe vs. Cray Wanderers

Worthing vs. Walton & Hersham

Isthmian League Cup – Fourth Round

Heybridge Swifts vs. Dartford

London Senior Cup – Fourth Round

Erith & Belvedere vs. Wealdstone

Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Croydon Athletic

Wednesday, 16th January 2008

Division One North

Ilford vs. Tilbury

Saturday, 19th January 2008

Premier Division

AFC Hornchurch vs. Ramsgate

Chelmsford City vs. Leyton

East Thurrock United vs. Hastings United

Folkestone Invicta vs. AFC Wimbledon

Harrow Borough vs. Boreham Wood

Hendon vs. Ashford Town (Middx)

Maidstone United vs. Billericay Town

Margate vs. Carshalton Athletic

Staines Town vs. Horsham

Tonbridge Angels vs. Heybridge Swifts

Wealdstone vs. Harlow Town

Division One North

Arlesey Town vs. Wingate & Finchley

Bury Town vs. Brentwood Town

Canvey Island vs. Edgware Town

Enfield Town vs. Waltham Abbey

Great Wakering Rovers vs. Dartford

Ilford vs. Potters Bar Town

Maldon Town vs. Redbridge

Tilbury vs. Northwood

Waltham Forest vs. Aveley

Witham Town vs. AFC Sudbury

Wivenhoe Town vs. Ware

Division One South

Burgess Hill Town vs. Metropolitan Police

Chatham Town vs. Dover Athletic

Cray Wanderers vs. Worthing

Eastbourne Town vs. Sittingbourne

Horsham YMCA vs. Walton Casuals

Kingstonian vs. Chipstead

Molesey vs. Leatherhead

Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Ashford Town

Walton & Hersham vs. Croydon Athletic

Whitstable Town vs. Corinthian-Casuals

Whyteleafe vs. Dulwich Hamlet

LEAGUE TABLES

As at Saturday, 29th December 2007

PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Chelmsford City	23	15	4	4	56	22	49	+34
Hendon	24	13	8	3	55	31	47	+24
Ramsgate	22	10	6	6	36	25	36	+11
AFC Hornchurch	21	10	4	7	33	28	34	+5
AFC Wimbledon	19	9	6	4	29	17	33	+12
Staines Town	18	9	5	4	39	25	32	+14
Margate	24	8	8	8	35	37	32	-2
Ashford Town (Middx)	22	9	4	9	38	40	31	-2
Horsham	17	10	0	7	31	24	30	+7
Boreham Wood	23	9	3	11	36	41	30	-5
Maidstone United	23	9	3	11	30	46	30	-16
East Thurrock United	22	8	5	9	27	33	29	-6
Harrow Borough	24	8	5	11	34	50	29	-16
Wealdstone	20	8	4	8	37	37	28	+0
Heybridge Swifts	23	6	9	8	31	27	27	+4
Billericay Town	21	7	6	8	34	31	27	+3
Harlow Town	22	6	8	8	33	29	26	+4
Tonbridge Angels	22	6	7	9	34	37	25	-3
Folkestone Invicta	22	7	4	11	22	32	25	-10
Carshalton Athletic	20	7	3	10	17	31	24	-14
Hastings United	23	6	5	12	26	39	23	-13
Leyton	23	4	3	16	27	58	15	-31
DIVISION ONE NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Edgware Town	23	12	9	2	33	14	45	+19
AFC Sudbury	23	13	5	5	56	23	44	+33
Dartford	22	13	4	5	59	29	43	+30
Enfield Town	23	12	6	5	45	34	42	+11
Redbridge	22	11	7	4	38	25	39	+13
Maldon Town	22	11	6	5	42	33	39	+9
Ware	20	11	5	4	57	31	38	+26
Brentwood Town	20	10	7	3	34	21	37	+13
Aveley	23	10	4	9	32	46	34	-14
Canvey Island	21	9	6	6	43	28	33	+15
Bury Town	21	9	6	6	38	31	33	+7
Arlesey Town	22	7	8	7	43	40	29	+3
Great Wakering Rovers	22	7	7	8	35	34	28	+1
Witham Town	21	8	3	10	44	52	27	-8
Wingate & Finchley	23	6	7	10	30	40	25	-10
Northwood	20	6	6	8	33	36	24	-3
Waltham Forest	22	4	9	9	27	39	21	-12
Potters Bar Town	21	5	5	11	25	42	20	-17
Waltham Abbey	21	5	5	11	22	44	20	-22
Tilbury	19	2	9	8	26	38	15	-12
Ilford	23	2	3	18	22	64	9	-42
Wivenhoe Town	22	0	3	19	14	54	3	-40

Redbridge FC deducted one point for playing an ineligible player

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Dover Athletic	20	15	4	1	47	17	49	+30
Tooting & Mitcham United	22	14	4	4	56	25	46	+31
Cray Wanderers	22	12	5	5	45	27	41	+18
Metropolitan Police	23	13	2	8	41	30	41	+11
Dulwich Hamlet	22	12	4	6	34	21	40	+13
Kingstonian	22	12	4	6	31	23	40	+8
Walton & Hersham	21	11	5	5	35	25	38	+10
Worthing	20	11	3	6	37	21	36	+16
Sittingbourne	23	10	5	8	29	35	35	-6
Whyteleafe	22	10	4	8	32	27	34	+5
Burgess Hill Town	21	10	3	8	33	27	33	+6
Chipstead	22	9	3	10	34	38	30	-4
Croydon Athletic	23	8	3	12	42	52	27	-10
Ashford Town	21	6	6	9	27	30	24	-3
Leatherhead	22	7	3	12	25	30	24	-5
Corinthian-Casuals	23	5	8	10	30	40	23	-10
Chatham Town	21	5	7	9	29	38	22	-9
Whitstable Town	23	5	5	13	33	49	20	-16
Eastbourne Town	22	4	6	12	28	45	18	-17
Walton Casuals	21	3	8	10	29	42	17	-13
Horsham YMCA	22	4	5	13	23	43	17	-20
Molesey	22	2	7	13	22	57	13	-35

PLAYER MOVEMENTS

Player	From	To	Date
Clarke, Dewayne	Harrow Borough	Waltham Forest	27 th December 2007
Cook, Daniel J.	Potters Bar Town	AFC Sudbury	27 th December 2007
Frost, Elliott	Walton Casuals	Molesey	29 th December 2007
Geard, Matthew	Burgess Hill Town	Horsham	26 th December 2007
Glover, Bryan J.	Maidstone United	Sittingbourne	4 th January 2008
Goodfellow, Mark	Tonbridge Angels	Margate	29 th December 2007
Gordon, Michael	Harrow Borough	Northwood	29 th December 2007
Hawes, William A.A.	Leyton	Wealdstone	24 th December 2007
Hunt, Paul	Metropolitan Police	Corinthian-Casuals	28 th December 2007
Husnu, Kurt	Tonbridge Angels	East Thurrock United	29 th December 2007
Lay, George S.	Billericay Town	Great Wakering Rovers	26 th December 2007
Mensah, Stephen	Redbridge	Waltham Abbey	26 th December 2007
Nene, Obi	Waltham Forest	Arlesey Town	28 th December 2007
Ofori, Eugene	Boreham Wood	Heybridge Swifts	28 th December 2007
Poole, Thomas M.	Hastings United	Aveley	24 th December 2007
Sigere, Jean-Michel <i>(Short term loan)</i>	Lewes	Horsham	24 th December 2007
Thomas, Andrew	Potters Bar Town	Leyton	29 th December 2007
Ursell, Robert	Hendon	Carshalton Athletic	29 th December 2007
Williams, Dwain	Harrow Borough	Northwood	29 th December 2007
York, Matt	Tooting & Mitcham United	Kingstonian	23 rd December 2007

FIXTURE CHANGES TABLE

Premier Division

Match	Original Date	New Date
AFC Wimbledon vs. Margate	12 th January 2008	
Ashford Town (Middx) vs. Carshalton Athletic	15 th December 2007	
Harlow Town vs. Boreham Wood	29 th December 2007	

Division One North

Match	Original Date	New Date
Bury Town vs. Waltham Abbey	8 th December 2007	
Wivenhoe Town vs. Tilbury	8 th December 2007	
Wingate & Finchley vs. Ware	22 nd January 2008	

Division One South

Match	Original Date	New Date
Ashford Town vs. Chatham Town	15 th December 2007	19 th February 2008
Burgess Hill vs. Tooting & Mitcham United	22 nd December 2007	
Eastbourne Town vs. Chipstead	8 th December 2007	
Whyteleafe vs. Cray Wanderers	22 nd December 2007	15 th January 2008

Isthmian League Cup – Fourth Round

Match	New Date
Tonbridge Angels or Horsham YMCA vs. Carshalton Athletic	

RYMAN YOUTH LEAGUE

RESULTS

RESULTS

Week beginning Monday, 24th December, 2007

No matches played this week

FIXTURES

FIXTURES

Wednesday, 2nd January, 2008

Carshalton Athletic vs. Horsham YMCA
Croydon Athletic vs. Burgess Hill Town
Tonbridge Angels vs. Maidstone United
Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Leatherhead

Thursday, 3rd January, 2008

AFC Wimbledon vs. Worthing

Monday, 7th January 2008

Burgess Hill Town vs. Horsham YMCA
Horsham vs. Carshalton Athletic
Worthing vs. Croydon Athletic

Thursday, 10th January 2008

AFC Wimbledon vs. Tooting & Mitcham United
Maidstone United vs. Tonbridge Angels
Isthmian Youth Cup – Second Round
Leatherhead vs. Kingstonian

Sunday, 13th January, 2007

Isthmian Youth Cup – Second Round
Bury Town vs. Wingate & Finchley

Monday, 14th January 2008

Horsham vs. Croydon Athletic

Wednesday, 16th January 2008

Tooting & Mitcham United vs. tba

Isthmian Youth Cup – First Round

Staines Town vs. Walton & Hersham

Isthmian Youth Cup – Second Round

Carshalton Athletic vs. Worthing

Tonbridge Angels vs. Burgess Hill Town

Thursday, 17th January 2008

Kingstonian vs. AFC Wimbledon

Isthmian Youth Cup – Second Round

Maidstone United vs. Folkestone Invicta

Monday, 21st January 2008

Burgess Hill Town vs. Kingstonian

Wednesday, 23rd January 2008

Croydon Athletic vs. Carshalton Athletic

Staines Town vs. Maidstone United

Tonbridge Angels vs. Horsham

Surrey Floodlit Youth Cup – Quarter-Final

Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Mole Valley

Predators or Raynes Park Vale

Thursday, 24th January 2008

Leatherhead vs. AFC Wimbledon

Worthing vs. Horsham YMCA

Monday, 28th January 2008

Horsham vs. Burgess Hill Town

Worthing vs. Tonbridge Angels

Wednesday, 30th January 2008

Staines Town vs. Leatherhead

Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Croydon

Athletic

Isthmian Youth Cup – Second Round

Harrow Borough vs. Boreham Wood

Thursday, 31st January 2008

Kingstonian vs. Carshalton Athletic

Maidstone United vs. AFC Wimbledon

To be dated**Isthmian Youth Cup – Second Round**

Brentwood Town vs. Leyton

Molesey vs. Staines Town or Walton & Hersham

YOUTH LEAGUE TABLES*As at Saturday, 29th December 2007*

PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
AFC Wimbledon	11	8	0	3	32	16	24	+16
Kingstonian	10	6	2	2	40	13	20	+27
Tooting & Mitcham United	10	6	1	3	30	20	19	+10
Staines Town	10	6	0	4	25	21	18	+4
Worthing	10	5	2	3	28	12	17	+16
Croydon Athletic	6	5	0	1	15	6	15	+9
Leatherhead	7	4	2	1	16	11	14	+5
Tonbridge Angels	7	3	2	2	13	9	11	+4
Burgess Hill Town	9	2	2	5	23	35	8	-12
Maidstone United	8	2	0	6	10	22	6	-12
Carshalton Athletic	8	1	1	6	7	16	4	-9
Horsham	7	1	1	5	7	22	4	-15
Horsham YMCA	9	0	1	8	13	56	1	-43

HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS**CANVEY ISLAND FC**

The e-mail address of the Club's Safety Officer, Steve Chaplin, has changed to chaplin-s@sky.com

NOTICEBOARD**CHATHAM TOWN FC**

Club Secretary Brian Burcombe will be unavailable from Tuesday, 18th December, 2007 through to Thursday, 10th January, 2008.

During that period all communications should be sent to the Club's Assistant Secretary, Henry Longhurst, 5 Cedar Grove, Hempstead, Gillingham, Kent ME7 3QT – telephone 01634 371594 (home & business), mobile 0796 746 5554; e-mail h.longhurst@sky.com

CLUB GOSSIP

CARSHALTON ATHLETIC FC

(Press release from Carshalton Athletic FC)

Striker Luke Fontana has left the Robins to join Tonbridge Angels. Manager Hayden Bird says "For whatever reason, the goals have not flowed for Luke this season, as they have done previously. Whether it be the style of play earlier in the season, or the combination of serious injuries, Luke has not hit the back of the net with the regularity that he has been used to. Having had talks with Luke, we both feel it is in the best interests of the player and the Club for Luke to move on. With this in mind, he has signed for Tonbridge Angels. Although Tonbridge are one of our rivals, I still feel this is the right decision for both the player and the Club. I'm certain the challenge of a new environment will provide Luke with a new lease of life. For Carshalton Athletic, I will use the additional funds to increase our search for an experienced goalscoring striker, to compliment our excellent young forwards. In the meantime, I have great belief in Phil Ruggles, Ben Wright and Laurent Hamici and will also use the opportunity to introduce lads from the Reserves into the First Team".

One player who will not be joining the Robins is former midfielder, Matt York, who has recently left Tooting & Mitcham and has now joined Kingstonian. Despite discussions between Hayden Bird and the player, it was not possible to agree terms. Hayden Bird added "Although I have confidence in the players we have, there are areas we are looking to improve. With the additional funds available from Luke's departure, I hope to add to the quality of the squad early in the New Year."

Last Friday, former AFC Wimbledon player, Rob Ursell, re-signed for the Robins having finally recovered from the serious knee injuries that have blighted his recent career. Hayden comments "Although his signing did not work out during the summer, with Rob now fit enough to make an impact, I believe he will be a useful addition to the squad. Therefore, I suggest we all wipe the slate clean and wish him every success at Colston Avenue."

EASTBOURNE TOWN FC

Eastbourne Town Football Club have appointed former Eastbourne United AFC manager Dave Shearing as their new director of football. Shearing will take up his position in the new year after tendering his resignation at County League strugglers Rye United this week. The controversial move will surprise many Saffrons fans but Town boss Ady

Colwell insists it was his decision to approach the man tipped to replace him earlier in the season.

Colwell said, "It's important people realise this was a decision made by me. People will know that Dave and I have not always seen eye to eye in the past but we are doing this for the benefit of Eastbourne Town Football Club. It's fair to ask if Dave wants my job. But we have spoken and he has told me he is not interested in being manager and wants to be involved in developing other areas at the club."

Shearing is expected to be responsible for scouting and recruiting players although Colwell insists he will have the final decision on who joins and who plays.

He added, "Dave is a very popular figure and has a lot of contacts in the area. He will be negotiating with players and I'm sure you will see a lot of activity in the new year."

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HASTINGS UNITED FC

(Press release from Hastings United FC)

Kane departs as United opt for change

It has been confirmed on Thursday evening that Hastings United Football Club has parted company with First Team manager Nigel Kane, following a poor sequence of results dating back to the end of October that has seen last season's Ryman League Division One South play-off winners sink into the heart of this year's Premier Division relegation battle, despite a promising start to their campaign.

Chairman Dave Walters came to the reluctant conclusion that a change in direction was required, after a 1-0 defeat at Folkestone Invicta on Boxing Day, United's ninth defeat in eleven matches, one which saw the Club slide into the bottom four ahead of Saturday's vital home clash with fellow strugglers Tonbridge Angels.

Kane first joined United as a player at the start of the 2005/06 season, when Neville Southall was manager at the Pilot Field, but within six months, he had been invited to take the helm after the ex-Welsh International goalkeeper left the Club, along with the majority of his backroom team.

Initially in joint control of team affairs with Pat Brown, Kane took sole charge in February 2006 when Brown stood down, and led United to a comfortable mid-table finish. His first full season in the role started poorly, but having

appointed his brother Norman as his assistant manager, Kane oversaw a remarkable turnaround in the Club's fortunes, transforming the side from relegation candidates to title contenders in just a couple of months on the back of a nine match unbeaten run, while a further sixteen games then elapsed before United suffered their next loss. Back-to-back defeats after Easter eventually saw the Club finish fourth in the table, but against the odds, Kane led United to successive 2-0 wins away to Dover Athletic and Tooting & Mitcham United in the play-offs, earning them a memorable promotion in the process.

After a rather inauspicious start to the 2007/08 season, United's impressive home form left them well placed in the top six after a 3-0 win over Carshalton Athletic in mid-October, but the unexpected and controversial decision to release skipper Sean Ray coincided with the start of a slump in form that has brought only one victory since, 1-0 at home to Heybridge Swifts on 8 December. United also remain without an away league win this season, with the defeat at the Buzzlines Stadium signalling the end of Kane's two year tenure.

Walters was quick to pay tribute to Kane for the magnificent part he played in United's upturn in fortunes last season and for the manner in which he conducted himself throughout his time with the Club, especially when unequivocally stepping into the job at short notice in the wake of Southall's disruptive departure. However, the time had clearly come for some decisive action to be taken in an effort to safeguard United's Premier Division future.

Walters commented, "I am very grateful to Nigel, who helped me and the Club out in a very difficult situation following Neville Southall's departure, along with Pat Brown at the time. I could not have hoped that he would go on to do so well, and lead us to promotion last season. However, we both agreed that he had probably taken the Club as far as he could, and that, for both parties, a change would be in our best interests. I fully expect to see Nigel go on and achieve further success in management, and he goes with the thanks and best wishes of all the directors and, I would hope, most, if not all, of the supporters."

United's current Reserve Team management duo of John Lambert and Wayne Farrier have been asked to oversee First Team matters this weekend, while former Hastings striker and one time Sidley United manager Keith Miles has kindly agreed to look after the Reserves for their visit to Crowborough

Athletic. No decisions on Kane's potential successor, or on the likely selection process, should be expected until the New Year.

HENDON FC

Hendon Football Club will look back at 2007 as one of their best years in recent memory. They ended the year sitting second in the Ryman League Premier Division, their best first half to a season for more than 30 years (in 2002–03, the Greens were second for a long period, but this came on the back of a 15-game unbeaten run from January to April).

On 1st January, 2007 Hendon had played 21 Ryman League Premier Division matches, won five, drawn three and lost 13, for a total of 18 points. In the second half of last season, the Greens won 11 and drew three of their remaining 21 games to finish on 54 points, and in a comfortable 14th place.

Their record in the first four and a half months of the 2007/08 campaign has been even better. They have played 24 matches, won 13 and drawn eight for 47 points – one short of the minimum points target set by manager Gary McCann before the season opened.

This means the Hendon record for the year 2007 in the Ryman League Premier Division is: Played 45, Won 24, Drawn 11, Lost 10 for a total of 83 points. That points total is the same as the one Hendon achieved from the second of their two 46-game seasons in 2003/04, when the Ryman league contained 24 clubs. In that season, Hendon finished fourth in the table, one place worse than in 2003, when they were third, but with "only" 79 points.

ILFORD FC

(Press release from Ilford FC)

Manager Kevin Durrant resigned from Ilford Football Club on Boxing Day, following the clubs 2-4 home defeat by Waltham Forest. Kevin had worked tirelessly for the club since his appointment in February last year, but felt he could no longer improve the team's performances and that it was time for someone fresh to try and improve results.

Ilford Football Club would like to thank Kevin for the time and effort he put in on our behalf, not only on match days and training, but also including the many matches he watched while searching for new players.

The club has been fortunate to secure the services of Les Whitton as Manager and his appointment was confirmed on December 27th. Les is well known locally, having managed Romford, Aveley and Fords in

previous seasons. He was first team coach at Bishops Stortford for 4 years and played successfully for Dagenham and Barking, as well as several top Sunday teams. The Club Committee are confident that Les will give the club and players a boost in confidence and spirit to produce the results that the club desperately needs.

WORTHING FC

Worthing Football Club expect to be without Richard Hudson for the rest of the season. The unlucky winger needs another operation on the ankle he injured against Burgess Hill at Woodside Road in August. Hudson is likely to be a spectator when the sides clash in the return fixture at Leylands Park tomorrow.

After making good initial progress the former Bognor player was hoping for a quick comeback but he then suffered a setback and must go under the surgeon's knife again next week. Worthing will not know until after the operation when Hudson can play again but they fear it could not be until next season.

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PLAYER AVAILABLE – SUTTON UNITED FC

The following players are available for transfer: **Lewis Gonsalves**, an accomplished central defender with over 300 appearances for Sutton United under his belt since his debut in 2001, after graduating through the youth and reserve teams. A fee will be required and the player is not to be contacted directly.

Warren McBean, last season's leading scorer at Sutton United is available for transfer. A fee will be required and the player is not to be contacted directly.

Please contact the Club's manager, Ernie Howe, on 0780 229 4012

WORTHING FC

Worthing Football Club played an international team from the United States of America of Friday evening.

USA Trident are visiting this country on tour with the idea of promoting soccer in the USA, and since there is not a strong professional League in the States, they are keen to send players abroad to establish better opportunities.

They were formed in Amble in England in 1998, but have set themselves up in America and now coach over 1,000 youth players.

They are run by Brandon Jatz, a former player and coach in the Trident system in England. They have taken players to Newcastle United and Gretna, and are now currently on tour with games against Worthing, Rotherham United, Gretna, Blackburn Rovers, Preston North End, Burnley and Newcastle United.

They played Worthing on Friday night having just arrived in England the day before on 27th December.. Worthing won 2-0 with goals scored by Graham Bignell and Jonno Nelia – watch be a crowd of 108.

WEEKLY STATS ATTACK

Top Goalscorers

(Up to and including Saturday, 29th December 2007)

PREMIER DIVISION		Lge Goals
Wayne O'Sullivan	Hendon	16
Mark Nwokeji	Staines Town	16
Jon Main	AFC Wimbledon	15
<i>(includes 12 goals for Tonbridge Angels)</i>		
Brian Haule	Hendon	12
Ricky Holmes	Chelmsford City	12
Peter Dean	Wealdstone	10
James Pinnock	Margate	10
Simon Thomas	Boreham Wood	9
Steffan Ball	Ramsgate	9
Elliott Onchie	Boreham Wood	9
<i>(includes 6 goals for Harrow Borough)</i>		
Kris Lee	AFC Hornchurch	9
Billy Bricknell	Leyton	9
Joe Flack	Billericay Town	8
Kezie Ibe	Chelmsford City	8
Bradley Woods-Garness	Billericay Town	8
Stafford Browne	Heybridge Swifts	8
Bertie Brayley	Chelmsford City	8
Steve West	East Thurrock United	8

DIVISION ONE NORTH		Lge Goals
Brendan Cass	Dartford	19
James Rowe	AFC Sudbury	18
Steve Wareham	Maldon Town	14
Jamie Ricks	Witham Town	12
Kurt Smith	Tilbury	11
Cody McDonald	Witham Town	11
Jay May	Dartford	11
Martin Tuohy	Great Wakering Rovers	10
Sam Reed	Bury Town	10
John Frendo	Ware	10
Steve Butterworth	Redbridge	10
<i>(includes 6 goals for Great Wakering Rovers)</i>		
Daniel Clarke	Wingate & Finchley	10

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

		<i>Lge Goals</i>
Reggie Savage	Croydon Athletic	14
Jon Henry-Hayden	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	14
Liam Baitup	Eastbourne Town	13
Frannie Collin	Dover Athletic	13
James Dryden	Dover Athletic	12
Paul Vines	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	11
Craig Carley	Metropolitan Police	11
Bobby Traynor	Kingstonian	10
Shaun Beveney	Dulwich Hamlet	10

YOUTH LEAGUE

		<i>Lge Goals</i>
Lyle Taylor	Staines Town	16
Michael Mullen	Kingstonian	11
Michael Antonio	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	10
David Fianyor	AFC Wimbledon	10
<i>(includes 5goals for Tooting & Mitcham United)</i>		
Mark Watkins	Kingstonian	9
Ashley Dann	Tonbridge Angels	7
Lee Davison	AFC Wimbledon	7
Terry Dodd	Worthing	7

Hat-trick heroes

(Week beginning Monday, 24th December 2007)

This week's hat-trick star is:

Moses Ademola	Croydon Athletic
Daniel Platel	Whyteleafe

Best Attendances – Club by Club

(Up to and including Saturday, 29th December 2007)

PREMIER DIVISION

3,124	AFC Wimbledon vs. Chelmsford City <i>1st December 2007</i>
1,935	Chelmsford City vs. Billericay Town <i>29th December 2007</i>
1,572	Billericay Town vs. Chelmsford City <i>27th August 2007</i>
1,536	Hastings United vs. AFC Wimbledon <i>17th November 2007</i>
1,508	Margate vs. Ramsgate <i>26th December 2007</i>
1,407	Staines Town vs. AFC Wimbledon <i>29th December 2007</i>
1,030	AFC Hornchurch vs. Billericay Town <i>21st August 2007</i>

DIVISION ONE NORTH

1,402	Dartford vs. Waltham Abbey <i>18th August 2007</i>
441	AFC Sudbury vs. Bury Town <i>26th December 2007</i>
409	Aveley vs. Dartford <i>29th December 2007</i>
319	Canvey Island vs. Potters Bar Town <i>21st August 2007</i>
303	Enfield Town vs. AFC Sudbury <i>25th August 2007</i>
280	Wingate & Finchley vs. Dartford

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DIVISION ONE SOUTH

1,215	Dover Athletic vs. Tooting and Mitcham United <i>19th November 2007</i>
1,002	Whitstable Town vs. Dover Athletic <i>27th August 2007</i>
855	Ashford Town vs. Dover Athletic <i>26th December 2007</i>
475	Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Kingstonian <i>27th August 2007</i>
475	Dulwich Hamlet vs. Kingstonian <i>21st September 2007</i>
449	Kingstonian vs. Tooting and Mitcham United <i>29th December 2007</i>

Wins Analysis

(Up to and including Saturday, 29th December 2007)

PREMIER DIVISION

Matches Played:	239	
Home Wins	117	49.0 %
Away Wins	67	28.0 %
Draws	55	23.0 %

DIVISION ONE NORTH

Matches Played:	238	
Home Wins	102	42.9 %
Away Wins	71	29.8 %
Draws	65	27.3 %

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Matches Played:	240	
Home Wins	98	40.8 %
Away Wins	90	37.5 %
Draws	52	21.7 %

YOUTH LEAGUE

Matches Played:	56	
Home Wins	31	55.4 %
Away Wins	18	32.1 %
Draws	7	12.5 %

League Form Guide *(Last six matches)*

PREMIER DIVISION						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Ashford Town (Mx)	5	0	1	15	8	15
2 AFC Hornchurch	4	1	1	12	6	13
3 Chelmsford City	4	1	1	13	8	13
4 Hendon	3	3	0	18	3	12
5 Wealdstone	3	2	1	14	8	11
6 AFC Wimbledon	3	2	1	13	7	11
7 Ramsgate	2	3	1	8	7	9
8 Horsham	3	0	3	9	9	9
9 Carshalton Athletic	3	0	3	7	10	9
10 Maidstone United	2	2	2	9	8	8
11 Staines Town	2	2	2	14	15	8
12 Margate	2	2	2	9	10	8
13 Billericay Town	2	2	2	5	6	8
14 East Thurrock United	2	2	2	4	7	8
15 Harrow Borough	2	2	2	6	10	8
16 Heybridge Swifts	2	1	3	5	6	7
17 Boreham Wood	2	0	4	9	12	6
18 Tonbridge Angels	1	3	2	9	12	6
19 Folkestone Invicta	2	0	4	8	12	6
20 Harlow Town	1	2	3	10	8	5
21 Hastings United	1	1	4	2	6	4
22 Leyton	0	0	6	5	28	0

DIVISION ONE NORTH						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Redbridge	5	1	0	15	5	16
2 Ware	5	0	1	23	8	15
3 Dartford	4	2	0	27	10	14
4 Aveley	4	2	0	13	6	14
5 Edgware Town	4	2	0	7	1	14
6 AFC Sudbury	4	1	1	16	6	13
7 Enfield Town	4	1	1	10	10	13
8 Witham Town	4	0	2	15	11	12
9 Brentwood Town	3	2	1	8	6	11
10 Maldon Town	3	1	2	16	13	10
11 Northwood	2	3	1	12	8	9
12 Great Wakering Rovers	2	2	2	7	6	8
13 Canvey Island	1	3	2	13	14	6
14 Potters Bar Town	2	0	4	11	12	6
15 Bury Town	1	2	3	9	13	5
16 Waltham Forest	1	2	3	7	15	5
17 Wingate & Finchley	1	1	4	9	13	4
18 Waltham Abbey	1	1	4	5	15	4
19 Wivenhoe Town	0	2	4	7	13	2
20 Arlesey Town	0	2	4	6	14	2
21 Tilbury	0	2	4	6	17	2
22 Ilford	0	0	6	8	21	0

DIVISION ONE SOUTH						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Dulwich Hamlet	5	1	0	10	3	16
2 Dover Athletic	4	2	0	12	4	14
3 Burgess Hill Town	4	2	0	10	5	14
4 Metropolitan Police	4	1	1	15	7	13
5 Tooting & Mitcham Utd	4	0	2	16	5	12
6 Cray Wanderers	3	3	0	12	5	12
7 Walton & Hersham	3	2	1	9	8	11
8 Chipstead	3	1	2	13	11	10
9 Whyteleafe	2	2	2	9	7	8
10 Horsham YMCA	2	2	2	9	10	8
11 Sittingbourne	2	2	2	7	10	8
12 Walton Casuals	2	1	3	10	10	7
13 Leatherhead	2	1	3	9	9	7
14 Eastbourne Town	2	1	3	9	12	7
15 Ashford Town	1	3	2	6	7	6
16 Chatham Town	1	2	3	10	14	5
17 Kingstonian	1	2	3	3	8	5
18 Worthing	1	1	4	8	11	4
19 Whitstable Town	1	1	4	8	12	4
20 Molesey	1	1	4	7	15	4
21 Croydon Athletic	1	1	4	8	17	4
22 Corinthian-Casuals	0	3	3	5	9	3

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