



Midweek Update – Season 2012/13 No.32

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Ryman Premier

A GOAL by Erkan Okay earned **Lowestoft** a 1-0 victory at **Kingstonian** on Monday and lifted them to third place in the table.

K's were reduced to ten men midway through the first half by the dismissal of top scorer Andre McCollin and keeper Rob Tolfrey was defiant as a spell of heavy pressure followed.

He was beaten by Okay in the 35th minute and that proved to be enough, although Paul Vines went close to a late equaliser.

There were more twists and turns in the race for the title on (Tuesday). Leaders **Whitehawk** were held to a 0-0 home draw by **Hampton** to revive the hopes of their pursuers.

Second-placed **Concord** were unable to make up ground but were relieved to finish with a point after scoring twice in the last five minutes to salvage a 2-2 home draw with **East Thurrock**.

Dave Bryant put Rocks ahead right on half-time and a solo effort by Kye Ruel doubled the lead on the hour. Jason Hallett pulled one back with five minutes left and Tony Stokes equalised in the 89th minute.

It was the third time in a week that Stokes had scored inside the last ten minutes, producing four extra points for the Beachboys.

Wealdstone reclaimed third place with a 4-2 victory at **Margate**, who went ahead after three minutes through Kezie Ibe. A Tom Pett double turned it round in the game's second quarter but Tommy Whitnell put Margate back on terms in the 55th minute.

Then came a devastating double blow: Matt Bodkin put through his own net on 65 minutes and veteran Scott McGleish netted a minute later on his debut for Stones.

So at that stage Concord were nine points behind Whitehawk with three games in hand, Wealdstone trailed the leaders by 11 with four matches in hand and Lowestoft were 13 points back with six extra games to play.

The last few weeks of the season look set to test to the full the old adage that points in the bag are better than games in hand and at the moment Hawks, with their less crowded programme, remain favourites.

Margate's defeat cost them their game in hand on Canvey, who remain a point ahead of them in fifth place, the final play-off spot.

Met Police closed to within three points of the islanders as they came from behind to win 2-1 at **Hastings**. Jack Dixon headed home a corner at the near post to put the Sussex side ahead on the hour but Howard Newton's 25-yarder quickly squared it and Charlie Collins won it for the Met with six minutes left.

At the bottom, **Carshalton**'s survival hopes were given a boost by their 3-1 home win over **Harrow**, though they remain at the foot of the table and have played several more games than the sides above them.

Michael Peacock's 36th-minute own goal gave Robins a 36th-minute lead which Pelayo Gomes Pico doubled soon after the interval. Shaun Lucien put Harrow back in it with 20 minutes left but Nathaniel Pinney made sure ten minutes later.

Carshalton are within a point of Hastings, though the latter have played five fewer games as have Thurrock, who remained three ahead of Hastings after going down 1-0 at Hendon, Isaiah Rankin scored on the hour.

The mid-table clash between **Bognor** and **Leiston** in Sussex finished all square. Michael Brothers scored for the visitors midway through the first half and Ollie Pearce replied five minutes before the break.

Two goals credited to Liam Hope earned **Enfield Town** a 2-1 victory at **Kingstonian** on Wednesday, the second home defeat in three days for K's.

Matt Somner put the home side ahead nine minutes before half-time but Hope equalised seven minutes after the break and nabbed the winner with five minutes left. Strictly speaking, though, it was an own goal by K's keeper Rob Tolfrey after the ball cannoned off the woodwork, hit him and rebounded over the line.

There was late drama at **Wealdstone** on Thursday as the hosts came from behind to beat ten-man **Concord** 2-1 and take over second place in the Ryman Premier table from their opponents.

Concord hit the woodwork twice and had a shot cleared off the line in the early going but suffered a severe blow when striker Leon McKenzie was sent off before the half-hour mark.

They still managed to take a 70th-minute lead through Ben Greenhalgh and held it until three minutes before the end of normal time, when substitute Esmond James grabbed the equaliser from a corner. The turnaround was complete two minutes into added time when Tom Pett netted the winner.

Ryman North

THERE are new leaders in Ryman North after Maldon's lengthy tenure of top spot – at one stage they were 15 points ahead of the field - was ended when **Grays** won 1-0 at **Wroxham** on Tuesday to move three points clear, still with a game in hand.

It looked as if Grays would have to settle for a draw when Daniel Subuola's effort was disallowed in the 86th minute but he found the net again a minute later and this time it counted.

Thamesmead strengthened their grip on third place, but not before they were given a scare or two at bottom club **Redbridge**.

The hosts needed a win to get off the foot of the table and they made a good start with a tenth-minute strike from Jacob Cleaver. Rob Carter equalised and when Stuart Zanone put Thamesmead ahead shortly before the interval they must have guessed that they would have a comfortable second half against a team with only four home points to their credit.

Far from it. Cleaver made it 2-2 on the hour, his 12th of the season for a side that had only scored 27 at that point, and Richard Butler's own goal put the Motormen in front again seven minutes later.

Zanone quickly levelled matters again and Butler made amends with a last-minute effort to steal a 4-3 victory for Thamesmead.

Tilbury beat **Cheshunt** 2-1 at Chadfields despite missing a penalty when it was still scoreless. Jack Carlile broke the deadlock in the 77th minute and Emiel Aiken made it 2-0 in added time, with Lee Brennan replying even later in the day.

Brentwood and **Chatham** ground out a 0-0 drawn in the only other game played: Waltham Abbey's home fixture against Needham Market was postponed until Thursday.

Despite going two up in six minutes thanks to a quickfire double by Chinedu McKenzie, **Ilford** needed a late goal to salvage a 3-3 draw in their relegation battle against **Ware** on Wednesday.

Ricci Crace started the Ware comeback in the 20th minute and Elliot King squared it immediately after half-time. He also put Ware 3-2 up in the 63rd minute, shortly after the dismissal of Ilford's Kai Bichard.

Warren Mfula rescued Ilford with time running out and they are now three points ahead of bottom club Redbridge, though they have played two more games. Ware, in 20th place, are eight points off the bottom and look fairly safe.

Nothing was at stake in **Romford's** clash with **Sudbury** at Ship Lane but the sides produced an entertaining game, with Romford chalking up a 5-2 victory to go with their earlier 6-3 triumph at Sudbury.

Tom Richardson's night started badly as he missed his turn off the M25 and had to cross the Dartford Bridge to turn round, thus having to fork out £4 in tolls.

If he had trouble finding the ground, he had no trouble finding the goal once he got there, netting a very well-taken 15-minute hat-trick in the game's first quarter. His third goal is pictured by Gavin Ellis/TGS Photo.

A spectacular long-range effort by Luke Ingram opened Sudbury's account just after half-time but Romford went 4-1 up on 70 minutes when Richardson hit the bar and Nick Reynolds nodded in the rebound before knocking himself out, briefly, by crashing into a goalpost.

Dave Cowley's free-kick pulled it back to 4-2 in the 78th minute and Jamie Dicks netted Boro's fifth four minutes later. There could well have been more goals.

Waltham Abbey at last began the final third of their league programme on Thursday, chalking up a 2-0 home win over **Needham Market**. Louis Bristow put them ahead in the 53rd minute and Dean Green added the second with 20 minutes left.

Ryman South

THE battle of the Ryman South giants lived up to expectations as **Dulwich** and **Maidstone** battled out an exciting 1-1 draw in front of a four-figure crowd at Champion Hill.

Nyren Clunis gave Dulwich a flying start with a third-minute goal and they had the chance to make it 2-0 late in the first half, only for Deren Ibrahim to save Danny Carr's penalty.

That proved to be a pivotal moment on the night, and perhaps in the battle for the automatic promotion place, when Ade Olorunda levelled matters with nine minutes left.

So Maidstone remain three points ahead of their opponents and, although they have played one more game, their ten-goal advantage is effectively worth an extra point.

A hat-trick by Gabriel Odunaike kept **Crawley Down's** play-off hopes alive with a 3-1 home win over **Walton Casuals**, who remain in the thick of the fight to stay up.

Odunaike scored after five minutes but Malik Ouani equalised six minutes before the interval. Odunaike struck again in the 50th minute and clinched victory with his third on 71 minutes

Leatherhead's hopes of reclaiming a place in the top five were frustrated by a 2-2 home draw against **Tooting**, who went 2-0 up when Bamoussa Cisse and Carl Wilson-Denis scored in the space of eight minutes either side of the interval.

Mark Simmons replied for Tanners in the 55th minute and Tom Bradbrook's header salvaged a point with nine minutes left.

There were sighs of relief at **Horsham** as they completed a 2-0 home win over **Whitstable** on Wednesday, their first victory of 2013.

Trevor McCreadle opened the scoring after only six minutes but Hornets had a long and nervous wait for further success. The visitors hit the woodwork twice in the latter stages of the game before an 86th-minute own goal by Laurence Harvey clinched a precious three-point haul for the hosts.

It arrested their recent collapse into the relegation fight, lifting them above Walton Casuals into 20th place. Three Bridges, despite their excellent form of late, find themselves four points adrift at the bottom.

The other game in the division was a Kent derby at **Herne Bay** where **Hythe**, who needed a win to move into third place, had to settle for a 0-0 draw.



Monday 25th March 2013

Ryman Premier

Kingstonian	0 - 1 Lowestoft Town Okay 35	256
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Tuesday 26th March 2013

Ryman Premier

Bognor Regis Town O Pearce 40	1 - 1 Leiston M Brothers 23	164
Carshalton Athletic Peacock 36 (o.g.) Gomez Pico 51 Pinney 80	3 - 1 Harrow Borough Lucien 70	75
Concord Rangers Hallett 84 Stokes 89	2 - 2 East Thurrock United Bryant 45 Ruel 60	163
Hastings United Dixon 60	1 - 2 Metropolitan Police Newton 63 Collins 84	219
Hendon Rankin 59	1 - 0 Thurrock	91
Margate Ibe 3 Whitnell 55	2 - 4 Wealdstone Pett 22, 35 Bodkin 65 (o.g.) McGleish 66	236
Whitehawk	0 - 0 Hampton & Richmond Borough	104

Ryman North

Brentwood Town	0 - 0 Chatham Town	28
Redbridge Cleaver 10, 60 Butler 67 (o.g.)	3 - 4 Thamesmead Town Carter 31 Zanone 43, 70 Butler 90	37
Tilbury Carlile 77, Aiken 90+2	2 - 1 Cheshunt Brennan 90+4	40
Waltham Abbey	P - P Needham Market	
Wroxham	0 - 1 Grays Athletic Subuola 87	110

Ryman South

Crawley Down Gatwick Oduhaike 5, 50, 71	3 - 1 Walton Casuals Ouani 39	65
Dulwich Hamlet Clunis 3	1 - 1 Maidstone United A Olorunda 81	1073

Leatherhead
Simmons 55 Bradbrook 81

2 - 2 Tooting & Mitcham United
Cisse 42 Wilson-Denis 50

126

Wednesday 27th March 2013

Ryman Premier

Kingstonian
Somner 36

1 - 2 Enfield Town
Hope 52, 85

214

Ryman North

Iford
McKenzie 4, 5 Mfula 88

3 - 3 Ware
Crace 20 King 46, 63

48

Romford
Richardson 6, 16, 21 Reynolds 70 Dicks 82

5 - 2 AFC Sudbury
Ingram 47, Cowley 78

81

Ryman South

Herne Bay

0 - 0 Hythe Town

153

Horsham
McCreadle 6 Harvey 86 (o.g.)

2 - 0 Whitstable Town

144

Thursday 21st March 2013

Ryman Premier

Wealdstone
James 87 Pett 90+2

2 - 1 Concord Rangers
Greenhalgh 70

610

Ryman North

Waltham Abbey
Bristow 53 Green 71

2 - 0 Needham Market

64

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RYMAN PREMIER	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Whitehawk	36	10	7	1	40	16	10	5	3	35	22	72	37
Wealdstone	33	12	3	1	40	15	6	7	4	18	16	64	27
Concord Rangers	34	9	5	4	44	33	9	4	3	25	14	63	22
Lowestoft Town	30	10	4	2	29	11	7	4	3	25	17	59	26
Canvey Island	33	10	3	5	31	21	6	4	5	21	21	55	10
Margate	33	10	3	3	29	16	5	6	6	21	19	54	15
Metropolitan Police	33	6	4	5	27	24	8	6	4	24	23	52	4
Bury Town	32	6	2	7	20	23	9	3	5	32	28	50	1
Kingstonian	32	8	2	6	31	22	6	2	8	23	28	46	4
Hendon	31	5	7	4	16	16	7	2	6	19	21	45	-2
East Thurrock United	31	5	7	4	23	20	5	7	3	24	21	44	6
Leiston	31	5	7	2	21	17	5	6	6	23	27	43	0
Bognor Regis Town	33	6	3	9	15	25	6	4	5	21	17	43	-6
Hampton & Richmond Borough	31	4	4	5	15	17	6	7	5	30	21	41	7
Enfield Town	34	6	2	10	28	31	5	3	8	22	35	38	-16
Cray Wanderers	33	2	4	10	17	35	6	6	5	30	31	34	-19
Harrow Borough	32	6	3	8	30	31	3	3	9	13	26	33	-14
Lewes	34	5	5	7	22	25	2	6	9	25	37	32	-15
Wingate & Finchley	35	3	3	11	16	30	6	1	11	27	40	31	-27
Thurrock	30	4	4	7	19	20	3	4	8	12	24	29	-13
Hastings United	30	2	10	4	19	23	2	4	8	11	24	26	-17
Carshalton Athletic	35	5	3	10	22	30	2	1	14	17	39	25	-30

RYMAN NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Grays Athletic	34	13	4	1	51	18	12	2	2	27	10	81	50
Maldon & Tiptree	35	14	4	0	56	20	10	2	5	34	18	78	52
Thamesmead Town	34	14	0	3	34	17	9	3	5	33	27	72	23
Aveley	32	11	1	4	37	19	10	1	5	41	25	65	34
Heybridge Swifts	33	11	3	3	50	27	8	4	4	39	17	64	45
Soham Town Rangers	34	7	4	7	34	31	10	2	4	45	33	57	15
Witham Town	33	7	4	4	23	14	9	2	7	32	27	54	14
Tilbury	31	9	3	4	33	21	6	4	5	23	23	52	12
Brentwood Town	30	9	4	3	29	15	4	3	7	22	27	46	9
Potters Bar Town	34	6	6	5	27	30	6	4	7	26	28	46	-5
Needham Market	34	4	7	7	24	29	7	5	4	31	17	45	9
Romford	33	6	1	8	22	28	7	4	7	32	34	44	-8
Chesham**	34	8	2	7	32	28	5	4	8	30	37	42	-3
AFC Sudbury	35	7	4	6	28	26	4	4	10	23	46	41	-21
Chatham Town	35	5	3	9	26	28	4	9	5	24	28	39	-6
Waltham Abbey	29	4	4	5	18	17	5	4	7	18	23	35	-4
Wroxham	31	5	5	6	30	23	3	5	7	17	25	34	-1
Waltham Forest	35	5	4	8	19	25	3	4	11	26	38	32	-18
Harlow Town***	33	4	3	10	20	32	5	3	8	20	31	23	-23
Ware	33	3	2	11	19	41	3	2	12	23	49	22	-48
Ilford	34	1	6	11	19	54	2	2	12	7	34	17	-62
Redbridge*	32	1	1	13	11	47	3	2	12	17	45	14	-64

RYMAN SOUTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Maidstone United	35	10	6	2	40	18	11	4	2	39	15	73	46
Dulwich Hamlet	34	13	3	1	43	12	9	1	7	30	26	70	36
Faversham Town	35	6	6	6	28	29	11	4	2	30	19	61	10
Hythe Town	34	8	4	6	27	23	10	2	4	32	19	60	17
Folkestone Invicta	35	10	6	2	34	19	5	6	6	28	24	57	19
Ramsgate	35	6	5	7	26	23	10	3	4	24	17	56	10
Leatherhead	33	6	3	7	22	19	11	1	5	34	20	55	17
Crawley Down Gatwick	33	10	2	5	33	21	5	6	5	31	25	53	18
Worthing	36	6	3	9	34	37	10	2	6	39	28	53	8
Sittingbourne	34	7	7	3	31	21	6	5	6	28	22	51	16
Eastbourne Town	33	8	3	6	26	23	6	4	6	30	28	49	5
Burgess Hill Town	33	6	3	7	22	24	5	9	3	21	18	45	1
Merstham	34	6	3	7	25	33	6	5	7	33	33	44	-8
Tooting & Mitcham United	35	5	3	10	22	38	6	3	8	22	28	39	-22
Herne Bay	32	4	4	8	14	29	5	7	4	22	20	38	-13
Chipstead	32	4	5	7	24	32	6	2	8	21	25	37	-12
Whitstable Town	36	5	4	9	23	30	5	2	11	22	32	36	-17
Walton & Hersham	35	5	4	8	13	27	4	4	10	23	39	35	-30
Corinthian-Casuals	34	3	5	9	20	29	5	5	7	13	22	34	-18
Horsham	34	6	3	7	23	25	3	4	11	20	41	34	-23
Walton Casuals	35	1	4	12	19	44	7	4	7	24	31	32	-32
Three Bridges	35	4	2	11	23	33	3	5	10	23	41	28	-28

* One point, ** three points deducted – fielding an ineligible player. ***Ten points deducted – financial rule breach.

(Kick Off times - Saturday and Sunday 3pm and Midweeks 7.45pm, unless otherwise indicated)

Good Friday, March 29th, 2013

East Thurrock United
Margate
Whitehawk

Ryman Premier

v. Canvey Island
v. Thurrock
v. Bognor Regis Town

Ramsgate

Ryman South

v. Herne Bay

Saturday, March 30th, 2013

Bury Town
Hampton & Richmond Borough
Harrow Borough
Leiston
Lewes
Metropolitan Police
Wingate & Finchley

Ryman Premier

v. Enfield Town
v. Kingstonian
v. Hendon
v. Lowestoft Town
v. Hastings United
v. Carshalton Athletic
v. Wealdstone

AFC Sudbury
Aveley
Brentwood Town
Chatham Town
Potters Bar Town
Romford
Soham Town Rangers
Waltham Forest
Waltham Abbey
Ware
Witham Town

Ryman North

v. Wroxham
v. Thamesmead Town
v. Redbridge
v. Tilbury
v. Harlow Town
v. Grays Athletic
v. Needham Market
v. Ilford
v. Heybridge Swifts
v. Cheshunt
v. Maldon & Tiptree

Chipstead
Corinthian-Casuals
Crawley Down Gatwick
Eastbourne Town
Hythe Town
Sittingbourne
Tooting & Mitcham United
Walton & Hersham
Whitstable Town
Worthing

Ryman South

v. Merstham
v. Walton Casuals
v. Horsham
v. Three Bridges
v. Faversham Town
v. Maidstone United
v. Dulwich Hamlet
v. Leatherhead
v. Folkestone Invicta
v. Burgess Hill Town

Easter Monday, April 1st, 2013

Bognor Regis Town
Canvey Island
Carshalton Athletic
Cray Wanderers
Enfield Town

Ryman Premier

v. Lewes
v. Concord Rangers
v. Hampton & Richmond Borough
v. Margate
v. Leiston

Hastings United
Hendon
Lowestoft Town
Thurrock
Wealdstone

v. Whitehawk
v. Wingate & Finchley
v. Bury Town
v. East Thurrock United
v. Harrow Borough

Ryman North

Cheshunt
Grays Athletic
Harlow Town
Ilford
Maldon & Tiptree
Needham Market
Redbridge
Thamesmead Town
Tilbury
Waltham Abbey
Wroxham

v. Potters Bar Town
v. Aveley
v. Ware
v. Brentwood Town
v. Heybridge Swifts KO 1pm
v. AFC Sudbury
v. Witham Town
v. Chatham Town
v. Romford
v. Waltham Forest
v. Soham Town Rangers

Ryman South

Burgess Hill Town
Dulwich Hamlet
Faversham Town
Folkestone Invicta
Herne Bay
Horsham
Leatherhead
Maidstone United
Merstham
Three Bridges
Walton Casuals

v. Eastbourne Town
v. Chipstead
v. Sittingbourne
v. Hythe Town
v. Whitstable Town
v. Worthing
v. Corinthian-Casuals
v. Ramsgate
v. Tooting & Mitcham United
v. Crawley Down Gatwick
v. Walton & Hersham

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2013

Kingstonian

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v. Metropolitan Police



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