

EDITORS NOTES

A very good afternoon to you all and a warm welcome to our friends from Welling United who have made the short trip across London. Our visitors were convincing winners in our league meeting last September so we had better perform well today. The situation is becoming rather critical to say the least, and as Nick Dugard says in his column today, after 2 wins out of 27 matches, there is no alternative but to be positive. That means all of us. 15 matches is over one third of the season so we can still survive. We simply must.

Our squad is constantly changing, and sooner or later (preferably sooner) our luck will change. You may know by now that Byron Walton, Mark Devlin, Gerry Solomon, Tony Isaacs and Toni Meadows have departed and we have signed Mark Harrison from Maidstone and Paul Davis from Aldershot, both defenders. Mark played very well in his debut at Wycombe, a match we should have won so comfortably. I have not seen us dominate a game as much as we did at Wycombe for a very long time, but how did we not score? We have failed to score in our last three competitive matches (prior to Weymouth) so an early goal for us today would be just the tonic! Ian Bowyer has now returned to Banbury United. It's very unfortunate that his loan spell coincided with the very poor weather, and we wish him well. Andy Haxton, our reserve keeper has now signed for the Vauxhall Opel League club, Feltham.

If ever you wish to check to see if the match is on, please ring 01-427 4064 where an ansaphone will confirm the prospects for play. If our pitch appears to resemble a beach this afternoon, please do not think we towed it back from Bournemouth. A lot of drainage work has been done this week, and this will enable our pitch to improve to the level we have been used to over the years.

A note for your diary is a Capital League match at Brisbane Road, Orient, kick off 7.30 pm on Wednesday 2nd March.

Well after our sad defeat at Bournemouth on Wednesday, time is running short. Perhaps it's 3 points...

Enjoy the match.

Steve Marshall

The defeat at Wycombe was so disappointing. Before Loakes Park's second biggest gate of the season, 1773, we dominated the whole second half, but as usual the final pass was just not good enough. Wycombe's goalkeeper, John Glanville, was quite comical. Was he the captain of Trinidad and Tobago's World Cup football team, or coconut juggling squad? His luck was in and they survived. At least there was no repeat of the brick throwing incident of two years ago.

SUPPORTERS CLUB NEWS

Today we welcome Welling United to Lower Mead for yet another '6 poinier' (or is it sixty pointer!) match in the GMVC.

At present it is a testing time for everyone in the Club. It is not a time for shrugging the shoulders and pretending that certain problems don't exist or that we should somehow feel that it is all out of our hands and our future security is down to divine providence and nothing else. I personally take no particular pleasure in the circumstances in which we currently find ourselves as a Club - a Club that in May 1985 was not in a mood to reflect on future status or security. Those that feel for this Club of ours will do whatever they have to do and those of the 'fair weather' variety will quietly fade away as most of the citizens of Harrow did, anyway, after Wembley. Those of us that remain need resolve and the hope of better times to come - as come they surely will if we all care enough about Wealdstone F.C. and are prepared to stand up and be counted when it really matters.

The **AGM** of the Supporters Club has been set for **Monday 7th March at 7.30 pm** in the Vice-Presidents Bar. All paid-up Supporters Club Members are welcome to attend and, as is traditional at our AGM's, we hope to be able to invite the Team Manager, Tony Jennings down for a chat with members. Please do your utmost to attend.

My own feeling is that Tony Jennings is slowly but surely improving the side with some excellent signings - I thought that Mark Harrison showed some great touches at Wycombe. Why then did we still come away pointless? It boils down to being positive and having the 'confidence' to go forward and go for goal when you're down. That's not easy when you've won two matches out of 27. Whilst there's still games left there's hope - good luck to Tony Jennings and the lads in the remaining 15.

Here's to positive thinking!!!

Nick DuGard