

Borg leaves after clash of opinion

By John Ley

GEORGE BORG, who took Chesham United to one of their highest positions, has left the club because of a difference of opinion over tactics.

Despite the club's success in their first season in the Diadora Premier League, Chesham claim they were unhappy with Mr Borg's footballing approach.

Under Mr Borg — currently serving a one-year touchline ban after being 'sent off' twice this season — Chesham have not lost an away league game and have lost only six of 80 matches.

A club statement said: "The problem over the past two months has been a conflict of desired styles and there is resentment among players and officials about the direction the team has taken, especially as the club had agreed a firm policy which included a commitment to high skill.

"The club has become increasingly disenchanted with the pattern of play adopted."

Mr Borg, 33, disputed the facts and said: "I have been sacked for a difference in opinion. The chairman wants us to play like Nottingham Forest. I don't believe in kick and rush and my teams do play football."

Mr Borg, who was full-time at Chesham, is disappointed with the wording of the statement. So it appears, are most of the players, who deny they are an unhappy with the style. They spent 2½ hours with chairman Tony Aplin on Thursday night, but Mr Aplin was yesterday unavailable for comment.

Cemaes Bay, of the Stenna Sealink Welsh Alliance, are five games away from representing Wales in the European Cup-Winners' Cup. Though that may be a dream too far, they will hope for progress today when they play Haverfordwest County in the fourth round of the Allbright Bitter Welsh Cup.

Most of the Anglesey village's population of 800 will watch the tie. Colin Hawkins, their general manager, said: "This would be one of the biggest days in our history — if we had a history."