

Wasps assume the position

CHALFONT Wasps have picked up where they left off last season with six wins in a row to soar to the top of the table.

Their 2-0 win over Shrivenham last Saturday was followed by Tuesday's 5-0 victory at Witney.

In the same division, **Flackwell Heath** thrashed Hook Norton 6-0 on Saturday to register their third league win, but their third league defeat came three days later when Old Woodstock Town beat them 3-1.

Marlow United are further down the table after losing 4-3 at home to Milton United on Tuesday night.

Rob Crawford and Nick Flint were among their scorers before Milton scored three times in 12 minutes to take all the points.

In Division One East, **Chinnor** romped to a 4-1 win over Bisley Sports last weekend and **Prestwood** edged Englefield Green Rovers 2-1.

Meanwhile, **Holmer Green** were knocked out the Challenge Trophy by Kingsbury London Tigers, 2-1 they lost in extra time.

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We're still standing

But how many will be left in The FA Cup on Sunday

CHESHAM return to FA Cup action tomorrow when they travel to North Leigh with a place in the second qualifying round and £3,000 at stake.

Andy Leese's team thrashed Brading Town 5-1 a fortnight ago to earn this tie, but Leese says a similar performance might not be enough this time.

He said: "We were a bit sloppy against Brading and if we do that against North Leigh they will punish us.

"We've got to make sure we're tighter defensively, and if we win 1-0 in the last minute I'll be delighted."

Leese has been challenged with guiding the Generals to the first round proper, which would earn his club £27,500. They would need friendly draws to get there, but Leese insists playing away tomorrow won't be a factor.

He said: "North Leigh are going to be tough opponents. They're at the same level as us and have a winning mentality.

"But I'm not worried about being drawn away. It's not a huge distance to travel so I don't mind too much at this stage.

"It's when you get to the latter rounds and you get drawn away at one of the big Conference clubs that

it gets difficult. But I'm not thinking that far ahead."

Chesham go into the game in good heart. They are third in the Southern League Midlands Division after drawing 0-0 with Nuneaton on Saturday, when four key players were unavailable.

Leese said: "We had three or four players missing so it was a test of our squad, and I'm quite happy.

"Defensively they were strong and so were we.

"They had two or three chances and so did we, and I think we'll look back on this as a point gained rather than two lost."

Leese hopes to have some of the players who missed out last week back in contention for tomorrow's cup game.

Newport Pagnell v Marlow

Marlow are having a difficult season so far and will be glad of the cup distractions.

Last Saturday they were hammered 7-2 at league leaders Leamington and look like spending a season fighting relegation.

And being drawn away was not such a bad thing. Marlow are often better away, but they did hammer Ringwood 4-0 at home after drawing 2-2 away in the last round.



Cup run: Chesham proved their cup credentials in the Bucks Cup last season

Bitton v Beaconsfield

Bitton upset Bishops Cleeve 2-1 to reach this stage, but even though they're at home they will be underdogs against a Beaconsfield side which swept everyone aside last season.

They have made just as good a start this year. After promotion to the Southern League Division One South & West at the end of last season they have won four out of five league matches and are third.

Chalfont St Peter v Glouc

Chalfont St Peter suffered most at the hands of Beaconsfield last term, and they started this year with a hangover, but three league wins, with 13 goals to boot, have got them going.

But Gloucester are riding high in the Southern League Premier Division – two steps above the Saints – and anything other than an away win will be a big shock.

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'We're keeping level-headed'

CHRIS Zebroski says he and his Wanderers team-mates are not about to start slapping each other on the back after going top of the table last Saturday, when they beat Rochdale 1-0.

He said: "It's great to get a good start and spirits are really high at the moment.

"But we're all keeping level-headed because it's still early in the season." Zebroski's winner at Spotland was his first goal for the club since arriving at Adams Park as 'the big summer signing'.

Wanderers splashed £20,000 to bring him in from Millwall but, after scoring 19 times last season, he admits his Blues blank was beginning to niggle.

Zebroski said: "It's good to get off the mark because it's been praying on my mind, but hopefully that will be the first of many.

"It's a great feeling to score and if I can start getting a few more then we can get more points and hopefully stay top of the league."

Zebroski was named in the League Two team of the week following his match-winning performance at Rochdale.

It is the third time this season a happy Wanderer has made the team, after Craig Woodman was picked at left back for his

displays against Lincoln and Chesterfield.

Zebroski's challenge now is to build on that performance and bang in more goals.

He said: "Every striker at the club wants to be the top scorer, but you just keep pushing yourself to do well for the team, that's the main thing."

Zebroski is likely to take up his station on the left of an attacking three against Brentford tomorrow.

He said: "I've played on the left, on the right and up front, so as long as I'm playing then I'm happy to play where-ever the gaffer wants me to.

"We're just really looking forward to [tomorrow's] game now. It's a local derby and should be a great one to watch. All of us will be looking to put in a big performance."

Who do you think will be top-scorer for Blues this season? Tell us at www.bucksfreepress.co.uk

STAR MAN: Chris Zebroski celebrates his winning goal at Rochdale

Taylor praises the workrate

SCORING the winning goal made sure Chris Zebroski got the plaudits last weekend, but his manager was equally pleased to see his biggest investment putting in the mileage for his new team.

Blues boss Peter Taylor said:

"I'm really pleased for Chris to score his first goal and I thought the number of yards he covered on the pitch was outstanding."

His goal was less about workrate though, and more about being in the right place at the right time as he flashed home

following a corner.

Taylor said: "It's great if you can keep nicking goals from set pieces. We've got some people who are powerful in the air so they can knock the ball down, like Mike Williamson did for Chris today."