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MONTHLY AWARDS – APRIL 2011

The Seventh series of the Ryman Football League Monthly Awards for season 2010/11, covering the month of April, have been announced today as follows:

Macron Manager of the Month

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- Premier Division
Alan Dowson – Kingstonian F.C.
- Division One North
David Norman – Wingate & Finchley F.C.
- Division One South
Mark Tompkins - Chipstead F.C.

Macron Team Performance of the Month

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- Premier Division
Maidstone United F.C.
- Division One North
Grays Athletic F.C.
- Division One South
Chatham Town F.C.

Sells Goalkeeping Academy Good Hands

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- Premier Division
Andrew Reynolds – Lowestoft Town F.C.
- Division One North
Rob Blackburne – Enfield Town F.C.
- Division One South
Mo Maan – Metropolitan Police F.C.

The Manager of the Month and Good Hands awards cover Ryman Football League matches only.

Macron Manager of the Month

It will, perhaps, be slim consolation for Kingstonian boss Alan Dowson after his side

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missed out on a play-off place, but he is the Premier Division's manager of the month for April. The award is given to the manager whose team has the best record during the month and Kingstonian came out on top with four wins and two draws in their six matches.

Unfortunately for Dowson, one of those draws was on the last day of the season, when his side forfeited a 3-0 lead at Margate. A victory would have seen them safely through to the play-offs.

Cray's long-serving Ian Jenkins just missed out on the award. His side had five wins and a draw in seven matches, an average of 2.29 points per game compared with Kingstonian's 2.33.



There will be no mixed feelings for the successful managers in the other divisions. Wingate & Finchley dropped only two points from six matches in Division One North as they secured third place, a home semi-final in the play-offs and this trophy for manager David Norman. Enfield Town won five and lost one, narrowly missing out on this prize and the play-offs.

Two clubs shared the best record in Division One South: Metropolitan Police and Chipstead both won five and drew one of their six games. Such a record might have been expected of the Police as they marched to the division title, but Chipstead started the month in the bottom half of the table and finished in tenth place, their best so far. So the award goes to Chipstead manager Mark Tompkins.

Macron Team Performance of the Month

Maidstone United take the Premier Division award for their shock 2-1 victory at Bury on Easter Saturday. Ellis Green kept his nerve to win the match with a penalty in added time. The result gave Maidstone a real chance of escaping relegation, though they were in the end unable to do so.

A number of crucial results in the play-off race came under consideration for the prize, including Sutton's 2-1 home win over Bury which effectively saw off their last possible challengers for the title.

The tightness of the battle for play-off places is shown by some of the other nominations: Bury's win over Lowestoft, Lowestoft's victory over Harrow and Harrow's defeat of Tonbridge! All four teams eventually made it, of course.

A Grays Athletic goal feast earned the Division One North award. Alex Osborn scored five times in their 9-0 home win over Cheshunt on April 13, a most unhappy 13th for Cheshunt goalkeeper Glenn Williamson who had announced that it would be his last game.

Another retiring goalie fared better. Ollie Morris-Sanders was allowed to convert a penalty for Heybridge as they beat Ilford 7-2 on Saturday. That result was among the nominations for the award, as was East Thurrock's 2-1 win over Needham Market in a game that amounted to a title decider.

Chatham Town's 1-1 draw with Bognor on Saturday denied the Sussex club the Division One South title. It was not quite enough to enable Chatham to escape relegation but their valiant effort earns them the performance award. Another of Saturday's key matches also came into the reckoning: Dulwich's 2-0 victory at Walton & Hersham in a match that decided which, if either, of the sides would reach the play-offs. Corinthian-Casuals gained a mention for their 4-0 home win over Burgess Hill earlier in the month, a result which was ultimately to keep them up and deny Hillians a play-off spot.

Sells Goalkeeping Academy Good Hands

Like the manager of the month prizes, the Good Hands awards are decided on a statistical basis, going to the first-choice

goalkeeper of the club with the best defensive record during the month.

In the Premier Division that was, for the third time this season, Andrew Reynolds of Lowestoft. The Trawlerboys conceded only two goals in six games as they booked their play-off place. Sutton let in three and so Kevin Scriven just misses out.



Enfield Town had the best record in Division One North, allowing three goals in six games, and Rob Blackburne wins the Good Hands award for that division.

In Division One South it is another trophy for champions Metropolitan Police who, like Lowestoft, conceded two in six. Mo Maan is the regular man between their posts.

WEEKEND REVIEW

By Peter Butcher – Ryman League Communications Administrator

Premier Division

Kingstonian will be wondering for some time how they managed to miss out on a Premier Division play-off place after throwing away a 3-0 lead at Margate to draw 3-3.

Last season's beaten finalists started the day in sixth spot but, as things turned out, a victory at Margate would have enabled them to finish fifth, as they did a year ago. Instead, Harrow qualified after holding out for a home draw against Cray despite playing with nine men for the last quarter of the game.

K's were 3-0 up after 30 minutes. Bobby Traynor put them ahead with a 16th-minute penalty and scored again after Paul Vines nabbed the second. Wayne Wilson gave Margate renewed hope with a header after 38 minutes and another two minutes into the second half. K's then clung on to their 3-2 lead until the 79th minute, when Dean Hill made it 3-3 and denied Alan Dowson's men two precious points.

Traynor finished with 23 league goals, one more than Cray's Laurent Hamici, and became the Premier Division's top scorer for the second successive season. It is, in fact, a hat-trick for the marksman who took Division One South honours in 2008-09. So K's must have been delighted when it was Traynor who had

the chance to snatch a late winner, only to see him fire wide.

There was no change in the order of the four teams who started the day in second to fifth places, so Tuesday's play-offs will see Tonbridge hosting Harrow and Bury entertaining Lowestoft in a Suffolk showdown.

Tonbridge had to wait until the 75th minute to break the deadlock at Horsham but half-time substitute Fraser Logan eventually did the trick and Scott Kinch made it 2-0 as the Angels clinched the runners-up spot.

Bury finished behind them on goal difference after their 1-0 home win over Wealdstone. Sam Reed got the goal, his 20th in all competitions, in the first minute of the second half and Stones had Denzil Conteh dismissed in the closing stages, helping the hosts to hold on to their lead.

Lowestoft's hopes were hanging by a thread when they fell behind after 49 minutes at wooden-spoonists Folkestone, James Dryden finding the net. But Folkestone had Josh Birchell sent off shortly afterwards and the Trawlerboys punished them. Gary Nolan equalised in the 71st minute, Adrian Forbes put the visitors ahead seven minutes later and they finished 4-1 up as Andrew Cave-Brown and Russell Stock added late goals.

Harrow held on to fifth place despite those two red cards. The first was shown to defender Wayne Walters just before the interval and manager Dave Howell took off goal ace Rocky Baptiste as he reorganised his line-up. Tobi Jinadu stepped into the breach, putting Harrow ahead in the first minute of the second half.

Dewayne Clarke was dismissed midway through the half but the nine men held out until the 86th minute, when Aaron Day equalised, and Cray then hit the bar.

Had that gone in, it would have been Canvey who reached the play-offs with a goal seven minutes into added time. They fell behind to a 12th minute goal by Reece Hall at Tooting but Leon Gordon levelled it on the hour and then snatched the late winner. Canvey's failure to take any points from their two Easter games cost them dearly as they finished sixth, trailing Harrow on goal difference – thanks almost entirely to their 6-1 defeat at Earlsmead in January - and a point ahead of K's.

At the foot of the table, Aveley lifted themselves to 19th place with a 3-2 victory at Hastings and that could yet be important if, as so often happens, events elsewhere mean that one team is reprieved from relegation.

Millers needed an unlikely 8-0 win to climb above their hosts and give themselves a chance of getting out of the relegation zone altogether. A scoreless first half just about ended the remotest possibility of such a freak result, although Ryan Stalley and Sherwin Stanley netted twice in the first 12 minutes of the second half to put Aveley two up.

Hastings pulled one back through Aaron Hopkinson in the 74th minute and Josh Jirbandey made it 2-2 five minutes later. Aveley responded and Kenny Beaney chipped the winner.

A Maidstone victory would have dumped Hastings into the bottom four and left Aveley in 20th place, but the Stones were beaten 2-0 at Hornchurch and finished 20th themselves. Frankie Curley opened the scoring five minutes into added time at the end of the first half and Martin Tuohy netted seven minutes after the break.

Champions Sutton ended 11 points clear after going down 1-0 at Billericay. Tony Boot got the goal after 73rd minutes and Billericay finished 11th, though only four points behind Harrow.

Concord finished their Premier debut season in eighth place after a 3-0 home win over relegated Croydon. They took the lead after just 12 seconds through Harry Elmes, Tony Stokes made it 2-0 at the interval and Gary Ogilvie wrapped it up.

Two goals by Sonny Ayres, in the sixth and 70th minutes, gave Carshalton a 2-1 home win over Hendon, for whom Aaron Morgan equalised in the 16th minute.

Division One North

Wingate & Finchley hung on to victory at Brentwood and climbed from fifth to third in the final Division One North table, earning themselves a home play-off game against Harlow, who started the day in third place but could only draw 1-1 at Needham Market after taking the lead.

The play-off contestants were already known and it was only the positions that had to be sorted out. Wingate stormed into a 3-0 lead in the first 30 minutes with two goals from the prolific Leon Smith either side of a David Laird penalty. Smith scored 30 goals in all competitions last season and needs one play-off goal to become the only player in the league to repeat the feat. Of last year's other 30-goal men, Sam Higgins, Lyle Taylor and Gary Noel all spent much or all of the season in another league, Bobby Traynor finished on 26 and Lowestoft's Gary Nolan, hit by injury, goes into the play-offs with only ten to his credit.

Brentwood pulled a goal back in the first minute of the second half with a header by Darren Blewitt and, after Sos Yao had a penalty saved by Wingate keeper Bobby Smith, Ashley Hawkins set up a nailbiting finish when he scored with six minutes of normal time to go. An equaliser would have meant that Brentwood faced a semi-final at Harlow but they were beaten 3-2 and must now travel to Needham Market, whose Craig Parker takes the division's goalscoring honours with 33 league goals.

Harlow, meanwhile, took a 25th minute lead through Dave Cowley at Needham but were hauled back to level terms by Christy Finch in the 63rd minute.

Needham, newcomers to the league this season, finished 15 points ahead of Wingate and eight behind champions East Thurrock, who were beaten 3-2 at Ware in their final outing. The Marketmen won their first 12 home league games before the run was halted by a goalless draw with . . . Brentwood.

There were no other issues to be decided in the division; only one relegation place remained after Leyton's mid-season departure and that had already been booked by Waltham Forest. They finished their season on a high with a 4-0 home win over Maldon, including a burst of three goals in as many minutes shortly before half-time. Ian Luck opened the scoring after ten minutes and those three quick goals from Joel Palmer, Billy Healey and Josh Bonnett left Forest wondering where that form had been for the previous 41 games.

Two goalkeepers scored in the division. Redbridge's Elliott Justham came on as an outfield substitute during the first half of their

home game with Waltham Abbey and headed the opener in a game that finished 2-2, while Heybridge's Ollie Morris-Sanders contributed a penalty to their 7-2 trouncing of Ilford.

Abbey replied to Justham's strike with a Steve Cawley penalty two minutes after the break only for Lee Townrow to restore the Motormen's lead two minutes after that. Townrow later missed a penalty and Emmanuel Osei equalised in added time.

Luke Callander hit a hat-trick in the Heybridge romp. He netted twice in the first half, either side of goals from Michael Toner for Swifts and Derek Hawtin for Ilford. Hawtin has scored in the last two games, his only two previous goals this season having been deleted from the record because they were against Leyton. Callander's second goal was a penalty after Ilford keeper Elliott Barrow had been dismissed for the offence.

Ilford pulled it back to 3-2 just after the hour through Fehinti Falola but the rest of the game belonged to Heybridge. Ricky Griggs made it 4-2 before Morris-Sanders performed his party piece in his last game before retiring. Callander completed his treble, taking him to 22 goals in all competitions, and Danny Barber added the seventh.

Champions East Thurrock were beaten 3-2 at Ware after Simon Peddie had given them the lead midway through the first half. Matt Mitchell equalised with a lob just before half-time and a Ryan Wade penalty put Ware ahead, Piers Wixon made it 2-2 before Wade nabbed his second on 65 minutes to win it.

Enfield Town left their challenge too late but finished sixth, four points off the play-offs, after a 2-0 home win over Tilbury. Dave Kendall put them ahead soon after the interval and Phil Kane added a late second.

Sudbury slipped back to seventh after a 1-1 draw at Grays, who led at half-time through Alex Osborn. James Baker replied with ten minutes left, his 23rd league goal and 26th in all.

Goals from the Momodu brothers, Gabriel and Raphael, topped and tailed Thamesmead's 3-0 win at Romford, with Callum McGeehan also netting, while Luke Croll's 73rd-minute penalty gave Potters Bar a 1-0 home victory over Cheshunt.

Division One South

Deadline signing Chris O'Flaherty was the matchwinner as Metropolitan Police stole the Division One South title on a dramatic final Saturday, pipping Bognor Regis Town by a single goal after both teams finished on 96 points. The Met had a goal difference of 61 to Bognor's 60.

How Bognor must regret the careless goal they surrendered in added time when they led 3-0 against Worthing on Easter Monday. Without that, they and the Met would both have finished with an equal goal difference and Bognor would have edged it on goals scored, 103-102.

Thanks to that lapse, however, Bognor had to win at Chatham to be sure of the title while the Chats, having taken six points from their Easter programme, themselves needed another victory to have a chance of staying up.

And it was Chatham who were first to score when Francis Tshikaya struck on 36 minutes, only for Bognor to draw level six minutes later through Jason Prior, who finishes as the league's top scorer with 38 goals. He has 44 in all competitions and now has power to add to that total in the play-offs, not that he would have wanted it. Needham Market's Craig Parker, with 40, has a remote chance of snatching the 'all games' crown.

The half-time scoreline satisfied neither side but it was not to change in the second half and Chatham are relegated, though they almost snatched victory at the death when Craig Stoner pulled off a superb save from Joe Fuller – of which more later.

Bognor have to go into the play-offs after O'Flaherty's 66th minute goal earned the Met a 1-0 home win over Merstham. It came from a controversial free-kick 25 yards out and was his first since his move from Whyteleafe. The arguments after the goal led to the dismissal of Merstham's Adam Broomhead and manager Andy Martin. Until then the visitors has looked the better side.

Dulwich will make the trip to Bognor on Tuesday after coming out on top 2-0 in their winner-takes-all game at Walton & Hersham. Dulwich went into the game, almost a play-off quarter-final, holding fifth place with a better goal difference than their hosts, but a drawn game would have allowed Burgess Hill to

leapfrog the pair of them by beating Ramsgate.

Ethan Pinnock put Hamlet in front five minutes before half-time and Gary Drewett headed their second in the 52nd minute, leaving Burgess Hill no reason to regret letting their half-time lead slip in a 1-1 draw. Steve Harper put Hillians ahead moments before the interval and Mark Lovell equalised for Rams with a 62nd minute penalty, his 20th league goal.

It was already known that one semi-final would be between Whitehawk – in their first Ryman season - and Leatherhead, but home advantage was at stake when they met at Whitehawk in Saturday. The hosts needed a victory to force their opponents to travel again for the play-off match and Josh Jones put them ahead with a free-kick four minutes after half-time. Greg Andrews squared it with a penalty ten minutes later, his 33rd league goal and Leatherhead's 100th of the season. Only ten minutes were left when Sam Gargan headed home to give Whitehawk a 2-1 win and hosts' privileges for Tuesday's rematch. The top four all achieved a century of goals, a first in league history.

Two clubs would have been in danger of relegation if Chatham had won but Whyteleafe ensured their survival, and moved up three places to 16th, with a 2-0 home win over bottom club Horsham YMCA. Hiram Laud-Anderson, on 30 minutes, and Fabien Batchelor, on 53, got the goals.

Corinthian Casuals also needed a victory to be safe but they could only manage a 0-0 draw at Whitstable. It proved to be enough, but without that last-ditch save by Craig Stoner to deny Chatham a winner there would have been an unprecedented situation, because the sides would have had identical records in every respect. Positions in the final table are decided, in order, by points, goal difference, goals and wins, and with none of those able to separate the teams it would have gone to the final tiebreaker, games against each other. Chatham won 1-0 at home and lost 2-1 away so, with no 'away goals rule', there would still have been no decision and a play-off would have been needed to decide who went down.

This season's other newcomers were Faversham and they finished a creditable ninth, four points away from the play-offs. A goal two minutes into added time by Justin

Ascheri allowed them to finish with a 1-0 victory at Worthing.

Godalming came from 2-0 down at half-time to draw 2-2 at Sittingbourne. Gabriel Odunaike and, in the 89th minute, Miles Mitchell scored their goals after Hicham Akhazzan and Ryan Golding had assisted each other to give Brickies their lead. Nick Reeves could have put the hosts 3-1 up but his penalty was saved by Jamie Norris.

Fleet wrapped up their season with a 3-1 home win over Eastbourne, for whom Ryan James scored with a free-kick to wipe out Jamie McClurg's opener. Lee Riddell and Josh Pearson settled it in the second half.

Ten-man Chipstead edged out Walton Casuals 2-1. Jason Thompson gave Chips a half-time lead but they had Billy Harding sent off ten minutes after the break and Kofi Lockhart-Adams equalised. Wilks then hit the winner and Chips moved up to tenth place, comfortably their best since joining the league in 2007. Casuals will be disappointed to have finished in the bottom half of the table after being serious play-off contenders for most of the season.

Ryman Youth League

Burgess Hill Town are the third Ryman Youth League champions of 2010-11 after clinching the South-East Division title with a last-gasp 2-1 victory at second-placed Whitehawk. Alain Multini put Hawks ahead after eight minutes and, if it had stayed that way, they would have taken a one-point lead in the table with both clubs having one match to play.

But Hillians clinched it with a late rally. Patrick Soan equalised in the 77th minute and Marcus Collier hit the winner in the third minute of added time, giving his side an unassailable five-point lead at the top. They share the season's honours with Staines and Kingstonian, who had already clinched the other divisions.

The runners-up spot remains up for grabs: Lewes trail Hawks on goal difference and also have one game left after a 2-1 victory at Maidstone. Jack Simon netted his 20th league goal of the season for Stones, in their final match, but two goals in as many minutes from Jordan Lang and George Jones gave Rooks the points.

Simon made a valiant but vain effort to earn himself the league's golden boot. Earlier in the week he scored both goals in a 2-0 win over Welling but finished his season two goals behind Mario Quiassaca of Staines, who has a tally of 22 with more games to play.

Horsham YMCA continued their extraordinary revival with their fifth successive victory, and fifth of the season. Charlie Abrehart's goal was enough for all three points at Horsham and almost ensured that their neighbours finish at the bottom.

Welling suffered another 2-0 defeat, at home to Tonbridge for whom Sam Beale was on target as he had been earlier in the week as the Angels went down 4-3 at home to Eastbourne. Aaron Capon netted twice for Eastbourne.

Quiassaca maintained his lead in the goalscoring stakes with the consolation goal as West Division champions Staines were beaten 2-1 at Woking, who thus made almost sure of the runners-up spot. Shane Cheeseman and Jack Mazzone were on target for Woking.

Woking need a point from their last game to clinch second place; otherwise they could be caught by Hampton, who dropped two important points in a 1-1 draw at Barnet (Black). That left them 12 points behind Woking with four games to play and they also needed to make up 14 goals. They made a good start on that task on Sunday, winning 6-0 away to Fleet, who finished with eight men.

In another game Barnet (Black) lost 4-1 at home to Ashford (Mx), who scored all their goals in a six-minute burst just after half-time. Mitchell Fountain scored two of them.

Barnet (Amber), meanwhile, took part in a value-for-money match at Staines, a 3-3 draw in which goals were scored after 18 seconds and in the 97th minute! Kelvin Omohegbe got the early goal to put Barnet ahead, Michael Fahm the late one to salvage a point for the hosts, who had gone 3-2 down to a 94th minute penalty by Nathan Wilson.

Northwood's Romaine Walker remained one goal behind Quiassaca, opening the scoring in his side's 4-1 home victory over Fleet.

The pick of the Central Division matches was at Chipstead, where Sutton took the lead two

minutes into added time with Ben King's second of the match only for Myles McAney to bring Chipstead's season to an exciting end by making it 3-3 two minutes after that.

Carshalton fought back from 2-0 down at home to Thamesmead and snatched a 3-2 victory with an 89th minute goal by Robert Thompson.

Leatherhead won 2-1 at Thamesmead and finished their season in second place, though they can be overtaken by both Carshalton and Sutton.

Lucas Fettes Youth Cup

The young Swans of Walton & Hersham faced the young Swans of Staines Town on Monday afternoon in the final of the Ryman Youth League's Lucas Fettes Cup, and it was Walton who came out on top with a late goal by Ross Nunn to deny the double-chasing West Division champions.

It was Staines who took a fourth-minute lead in front of an impressive crowd of 261 when Aaron Weston's corner was forced in by Sam Bates.

But Walton coped slightly better with the windy conditions and equalised a minute before half-time when Steven Betancourt's free-kick was powered home by the head of Anthony Lapersonne.

The winner did not come until the 89th minute, George Griffiths broke away and although his shot brought a good save from Kyle Merson in the Staines goal, Nunn was following up to complete a 2-1 Walton victory.

The defeat denied Staines striker Mario Quiassaca a rare hat-trick of winner's medals at three different levels. He played a part in the first team's 3-2 Middlesex Senior Cup final victory over Hayes & Yeading last week and on Monday evening he was to come on as a substitute for the reserves, who beat Hornchurch 3-0 in the Capital League Cup final. The leader in the race for the Youth League's golden boot, Quiassaca also scored his first Conference South goal on Saturday.

PLAY-OFFS PREVIEW

It's Ryman League play-off time again on Tuesday, with 12 teams battling for places in next weekend's three finals which will decide the second promotion place in each division.

The play-off system is still not universally approved by those who feel that finishing a season-long league competition with a two-round knock-out makes no sense, and it will certainly cause some comment if Dulwich, who finished 31 points behind Bognor in Division One South, beat them in a one-off game on Tuesday. In the Premier Division, on the other hand, just seven points separate second and 11th, and you might argue that ten teams have proved themselves worthy of a play-off place.

Anyway, play-offs are the way things happen these days and there's one good way to avoid the post-season lottery, a route taken this season by Sutton, East Thurrock and Metropolitan Police: win your division!

Another source of some controversy has been the way the reshaping of the pyramid has altered the league's traditional territory. It was 2006 before a Suffolk team joined the league; now there are four.

Still, no-one can claim that the playing strength of the league has been devalued. Sudbury reached the Division One play-offs in their first two Ryman seasons and, having been switched back to the Zamaretto League for 2008-10, came within three points of doing it again this time. The other three Ryman clubs from the county are all in action on Tuesday.

Premier Division

Bury Town v Lowestoft Town

These two Suffolk sides attracted 1,246 fans to Lowestoft's Crown Meadow on Easter Monday for a game that Bury won with a lone goal from Chris Henderson, and another four-figure turnout seems certain when they clash again in Tuesday's play-off semi-final.

Lowestoft have taken the league by storm, winning Division One North last season at the first attempt and looking like title favourites for much of their Premier debut season.

Three months ago they were ten points behind Sutton with four games in hand, but those games in hand came to nothing as their form faded and they would have missed out of the play-offs altogether had they lost at Folkestone on Saturday. They were behind until the 71st minute before, playing against ten men, they rallied to win 4-1.

Bury were the only side to challenge Sutton after Lowestoft's challenge petered out but

they, too, would have finished sixth had they lost on Saturday.

The Trawlerboys have certainly suffered from injuries, to key forwards Matt Nolan and Joe Francis among others, and Nolan finished as their top league scorer with only eight. Bury's main punch has come from the Reed brothers, Sam and Lee, who have 27 goals between them.

Bury were members of Division One North without much success from 2006-08. They then spent two years in the Zamaretto League, only to be switched back after winning promotion as champions last season.

It will be the third time the clubs have met at Bury this season. The league match in February finished goalless and a county cup tie a fortnight later was a 3-0 Bury victory.

Tonbridge Angels v Harrow Borough

A good start to the season appears to be overrated. Tonbridge finished third in the Premier Division despite taking only one point from their first four games (which included a 2-1 home defeat by Harrow on the season's second Saturday; Harrow also won the return match on Easter Saturday 2-0), following the example set by last season's finalists, Boreham Wood and Kingstonian, who had only one point between them at the same stage.

It was not long before the fans were calling for the head of manager Tommy Warrilow, but the club responded by extending his contract and were rewarded with steady progress up the table, aided by some shrewd signings including Fraser Logan, from Hastings, who scored the all-important first goal in Saturday's play-off clinching victory at Horsham. It was certainly not the roller-coaster experience of the previous season, when the winter months took Tonbridge from a play-off place to the bottom four and all the way back again before they faded in the home straight and finished eighth.

Harrow distinguished themselves in the first half of the season by fighting their way through to the first round of the FA Cup, where they were a little unlucky to go down 2-0 at home to eventual League Two champions Chesterfield. In the league, however, they looked set for their usual lower mid-table position.

They reacted to the Cup disappointment, however, by going on a superb run of league form, capped in the new year by a goal spree in which they beat Canvey 6-1, thrashed Horsham 7-1 away and 6-0 at home, and won 5-2 at Bury in the course of nine games – in three of which they failed to score at all!

They wobbled a little at the end but five points from their last four games were enough to book their play-off spot despite a nervous final day when they held Cray to a 1-1 draw despite playing with ten men for the whole second half and with nine for the last quarter.

It's 12 years since Harrow finished in the top half of the table and they were last as high as fifth in 1986, two years after winning their only league title.

Division One North Needham Market v Brentwood Town

It was unwise to turn your back on a Needham Market game during their Ryman debut campaign: last season's Eastern Counties League champions had a habit of scoring goals in bunches.

One such occasion was at Brentwood in January where, trailing 1-0 well into the second half and looking uninspired, the Marketmen suddenly scored three goals in two minutes and ran out 4-2 winners. Other examples: two in a minute to wipe out a 2-0 deficit at Potters Bar, two in four minutes after they had fallen behind at Ilford and, on Easter Monday, two in the last three minutes to salvage a 2-2 draw at Sudbury. The moral of the story, perhaps: don't take the lead against them.

It was a principle followed by Brentwood in February's return match. They went into it on the back of a 6-0 home defeat by Enfield while Needham still had a 100 per cent home record after 12 matches, and emerged with a goalless draw. At that stage Needham were still firm favourites for the title, four points ahead of East Thurrock with a game in hand in what had long since turned into a two-horse race. East Thurrock proved the better stayers, however.

Brentwood missed the play-offs by one place in 2008, their first Ryman campaign, and lost in the semi-finals after finishing third a year later. Last season they finished well down the table and their failure to establish themselves in the top five this season led to the departure

of manager Les Whitton. Steve Witherspoon returned to the helm and Blues duly progressed to the play-offs.

Needham were the division's top scorers with 95 (they were denied a century by Leyton's withdrawal after they had been beaten 8-0 in Suffolk), including 33 from midfield man Craig Parker. Sam Newson, Nathan Stone and Danny Thrower also contributed double-figure tallies, a figure achieved for Brentwood only by Sos Yao who has scored 11 for his third club of the season after spells with Harlow and Hornchurch. Needham will also have to watch defender Darren Blewitt, a consistent scorer in recent weeks.

Wingate & Finchley v Harlow Town

Harlow are, in the opinion of many people, the favourites to win the play-offs after the long unbeaten run which has taken them there. Their last defeat was on February 5 when they were beaten 1-0 at Sudbury and lay 11th in the table. Since then they have gone 16 games without defeat, winning ten of them.

It was all very different a year ago, when Hawks finished bottom of the table, so far adrift that a ten-point deduction for their financial difficulties did not make any difference to their position.

But, after a reprieve from relegation, they matched last season's final total of 15 points before the end of September. They were set fair going into November, lying in second place, but then came a catastrophic run of five successive defeats followed by one win, two draws and another three losses.

Wingate, on the other hand, have been there or thereabouts all season, matching last season's position of third though with nine fewer points. They and Leatherhead are the only sides making a second successive appearance in the play-offs.

Visitors Enfield won 3-2 in last year's semi-final to end Wingate's hopes of Premier Division football for the first time in their history. But, after their successful experience of knockout football this season, when they won the Championship Manager Cup, perhaps the North London side can go one better this time. Goal ace Leon Smith will be keen to add at least one to his tally to take him to 30 for the second successive season. He netted 22 in the league.

Harlow, by contrast, do not have a single player in double figures. Clark Akers is their top scorer with nine league goals. Midfielder Dave Cowley is generally rated their key player.

The sides met twice before Christmas. Leon Hunter's goal gave Harlow a 1-0 home win and Cowley's free-kick looked set to complete a double in the return. But Gary Burrell headed an 89th-minute equaliser and a David Laird penalty in added time earned Wingate all three points.

Division One South

Bognor Regis Town v Dulwich Hamlet

On paper this should be the most one-sided game the Ryman League play-offs have ever seen. Never before has there been a 31-point gap between the protagonists (note: in 1987-88, long before play-offs came into use, Division One runners-up Grays finished 32 points clear of fifth-placed Staines).

Bognor scored 23 more goals than Dulwich and conceded 17 fewer. And, while golden boot winner Jason Prior has hit the headlines by scoring 11 goals in their last four games, taking his league tally to 38, it should not be forgotten that his strike partner Luke Nightingale has netted 21 league goals himself.

Dulwich's top scorer is Nyren Clunis with 13; Rob Gradwell has nine, as does Gary Drewett though four of them were scored for Met Police.

No contest, then? Dulwich may have other ideas. They have already survived what amounted to a quarter-final by winning 2-0 at Walton & Hersham on Saturday, a game which offered fifth place as the prize for the winners. And the league's longest-serving club also showed their ability in sudden-death football by reaching the final of the league's Championship Manager Cup. It should also be noted that since the end of February, when they were 13th in the table, Dulwich have taken only two fewer points than their hosts.

So the teams may be more evenly matched than their season-long records would suggest. And, of course, Bognor have suffered the bitter disappointment of seeing the title slip through their hands on the final day of the season. That happened to East Thurrock, admittedly in even more heartrending circumstances, two

years ago and they promptly lost the play-off semi-final as well.

In the league Bognor beat Dulwich 2-0 at home and, with a last-minute goal, 2-1 away. Prior was kept off the scoresheet in both games.

Whitehawk v Leatherhead

"We'll meet again, don't know where, don't know when," Vera Lynn used to sing (and probably still does). It was only partially true at Whitehawk when they entertained Leatherhead on Saturday. The sides knew they'd meet again, and they knew when: Tuesday. But they didn't know where.

That had to be decided on the afternoon, and Leatherhead needed to avoid defeat to have home advantage for the semi-final. They were beaten 2-1, Sam Gargan netting the winner after 80 minutes, and so East Brighton Park will stage Tuesday's game. It may well be the last one there for some time. Hawks hope to spend a year or two at Withdean Stadium, which is being vacated by the Football League neighbours, while they refurbish their own home nestled into the lower slopes of the South Downs.

The value of the pyramid system, providing ambitious lower-level clubs with a clear upward path, has been proved once again this season with Hawks and Needham Market reaching the play-offs in their first-ever seasons at this level.

Whitehawk, in fact, are the highest scorers in the league, no mean feat when their own division contains three other clubs who have achieved a century of goals. They have done

it, too, without a truly prolific scorer. Gargan and Josh Jones are their top league marksman, with 17, but they have four other players in double figures and, taking cup matches into account, a total of seven men with at least a dozen goals including Ben Godfrey, a champion in this division last season with Croydon Athletic. One of them, Joe Gatting, left them in mid-season to concentrate on cricket with Sussex.

Leatherhead are arguably one of the most famous of all Isthmian sides thanks in large part to their FA Cup exploits of 1974-75, when Brighton were among their victims as they reached the fourth round.

It's somewhat surprising, then, that the Tanners have not played in the Premier Division for 28 years, having finished bottom in 1982-83. They reached the play-offs last season, when they finished fifth, but went out in their semi-final at Folkestone.

Well over half their century of goals - Saturday's was their 100th - have been shared by two men, Greg Andrews with 32 and Tommy Hutchings with 25. Andrews has scored all three of their goals against Whitehawk, every one of them a penalty. Tanners won their home game 2-1 earlier in the season.

SEASON 2011/12

The Board of Directors have confirmed that season 2011/12 will commence on Saturday, 20th August 2011.

RESULTS

Wednesday, 27th April, 2011

Isthmian Veterans Cup – Semi-Final

Bognor Regis Town *Postponed* Whyteleafe
(Tie awarded to Bognor Regis Town FC)

Thursday, 28th April, 2011

Sussex Senior Cup – semi-final

Brighton & Hove Albion 2 - 0 Horsham 623
Kasim 20, Smith 90

RESULTS

Premier Division

AFC Hornchurch Curley 45, Tuohy 52	2 - 0	Maidstone United	557
Billericay Town Boot 73	1 - 0	Sutton United	377
Bury Town S. Reed 46	1 - 0	Wealdstone	692
Carshalton Athletic Ayres 6, 70	2 - 1	Hendon Morgan 16	211
Concord Rangers H. Elmes 1, Stokes 37, Ogilvie 77	3 - 0	Croydon Athletic	184
Folkestone Invicta Dryden 49	1 - 4	Lowestoft Town Nolan 71, Forbes 78, Cave-Brown 88, Stock 90+3	244
Harrow Borough Jinadu 46	1 - 1	Cray Wanderers Day 86	290
Hastings United Hopkinson 74, Jirbandey 79	2 - 3	Aveley Stalley 52, Stanley 57, Beaney 83	737
Horsham	0 - 2	Tonbridge Angels Logan 75, Kinch 86	492
Margate Wilson 38, 47, Hill 79	3 - 3	Kingstonian Traynor 16 (pen), 29, Vines 22	489
Tooting & Mitcham United Hall 12	1 - 2	Canvey Island Gordon 59, 90	473

Division One North

Brentwood Town Blewitt 46, Hawkins 84	2 - 3	Wingate & Finchley Smith 10, 19, Laird 30 (pen)	196
Enfield Town Kendall 51, Kane 90	2 - 0	Tilbury	227
Grays Athletic Osborn 23	1 - 1	AFC Sudbury Baker 80	204
Heybridge Swifts Callander 10, 34, 84, Toner 13, Griggs 67, Morris-Sanders 81 (pen), Barber 87	7 - 2	Ilford Hawtin 29, Falola 62	345
Needham Market Finch 63	1 - 1	Harlow Town Cowley 25	236
Potters Bar Town Croll 73 (pen)	1 - 0	Cheshunt	78
Redbridge Justham 45, Townrow 49	2 - 2	Waltham Abbey Cawley 47 (pen), Osei 90	62
Romford	0 - 3	Thamesmead Town G. Momodu 20, McGeehan 60, R. Momodu 65	97
Waltham Forest Luck 10, Palmer 38, Healey 39, Bonnett 41	4 - 0	Maldon & Tiptree	44
Ware M. Mitchell 44, Wade 54 (pen), 65	3 - 2	East Thurrock United Peddie 23, Wixon 61	103

Division One South

Burgess Hill Town Harper 45	1 - 1	Ramsgate Lovell 59 (pen)	210
Chatham Town Tshikaya 36	1 - 1	Bognor Regis Town Prior 42	472
Chipstead Thompson 45, Wilks 74	2 - 1	Walton Casuals Lockhart-Adams 69	88

Fleet Town McClurg 6, Riddell 58, Pearson 67	3 - 1	Eastbourne Town James 30	167
Metropolitan Police O'Flaherty 66	1 - 0	Merstham	88
Sittingbourne Akhazzan 5, Golding 29	2 - 2	Godalming Town Odunaikie 52, Mitchell 89	206
Walton & Hersham	0 - 2	Dulwich Hamlet Pinnock 40, Drewett 52	263
Whitehawk Jones 49, Gargan 80	2 - 1	Leatherhead Andrews 59 (pen)	159
Whitstable Town	0 - 0	Corinthian-Casuals	164
Whyteleafe Laud-Anderson 30, Batchelor 53	2 - 0	Horsham YMCA	98
Worthing	0 - 0	Faversham Town	161

FIXTURES

Tuesday, 3rd May 2011

Premier Division Play-off Semi-Final

Bury Town vs. Lowestoft Town
Tonbridge Angels vs. Harrow Borough

Division One North Play-off Semi-Final

Needham Market vs. Brentwood Town
Wingate & Finchley vs. Harlow Town

Division One South Play-off Semi-Final

Bognor Regis Town vs. Dulwich Hamlet
Whitehawk vs. Leatherhead

Saturday, 7th May 2011

Premier Division Play-off Final

Division One North Play-off Final

Division One South Play-off Final

FIXTURES

Sunday, 8th May 2011

Isthmian Veterans Cup - Final

Bognor Regis Town vs. Kingstonian *(at
Bognor Regis Town FC – kick-off 2.00 p.m.)*

Tuesday, 10th May, 2011

London Senior Cup – Final

Hendon vs. Wingate & Finchley *(at Tooting
& Mitcham United FC)*

Surrey Senior Cup – Final

Corinthian-Casuals vs. Leatherhead *(at
Sutton United FC)*

FINAL LEAGUE TABLES

Season 2010/11

PREMIER DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Sutton United	42	26	9	7	76	33	87	+43
Tonbridge Angels	42	22	10	10	71	45	76	+26
Bury Town	42	22	10	10	67	49	76	+18
Lowestoft Town	42	20	15	7	68	30	75	+38
Harrow Borough	42	22	7	13	77	51	73	+26
Canvey Island	42	21	10	11	69	51	73	+18
Kingstonian	42	21	9	12	66	50	72	+16
Concord Rangers	42	21	8	13	72	55	71	+17
Cray Wanderers	42	20	9	13	72	46	69	+26
AFC Hornchurch	42	19	12	11	58	46	69	+12
Billericay Town	42	20	9	13	56	45	69	+11
Wealdstone	42	16	10	16	58	54	58	+4
Carshalton Athletic	42	14	10	18	49	57	52	-8
Tooting & Mitcham United	42	13	10	19	63	85	49	-22
Hendon	42	12	10	20	61	81	46	-20
Margate	42	11	12	19	52	64	45	-12
Horsham	42	11	11	20	43	77	44	-34
Hastings United	42	9	11	22	50	65	38	-15
Aveley	42	10	8	24	35	62	38	-27
Maidstone United	42	9	10	23	43	75	37	-32
Croydon Athletic	42	10	4	28	44	95	31	-51
Folkestone Invicta	42	5	12	25	34	68	27	-34

Croydon Athletic FC deducted three points

DIVISION ONE NORTH	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
East Thurrock United	40	30	5	5	92	38	95	+54
Needham Market	40	26	9	5	95	49	87	+46
Wingate & Finchley	40	21	9	10	72	54	72	+18
Harlow Town	40	21	8	11	61	51	71	+10
Brentwood Town	40	20	9	11	75	55	69	+20
Enfield Town	40	21	5	14	76	44	68	+32
AFC Sudbury	40	18	12	10	82	64	66	+18
Maldon & Tiptree	40	18	9	13	70	67	63	+3
Heybridge Swifts	40	17	10	13	81	59	61	+22
Grays Athletic	40	17	10	13	69	51	61	+18
Waltham Abbey	40	16	10	14	75	63	58	+12
Romford	40	16	7	17	63	66	55	-3
Potters Bar Town	40	14	9	17	60	68	51	-8
Ware	40	13	6	21	57	77	45	-20
Great Wakering Rovers	40	13	5	22	60	82	44	-22
Redbridge	40	10	9	21	51	79	39	-28
Thamesmead Town	40	11	6	23	42	71	39	-29
Cheshunt	40	10	8	22	49	81	38	-32
Tilbury	40	11	4	25	41	66	37	-25
Ilford	40	8	8	24	42	81	32	-39
Waltham Forest	40	6	8	26	43	90	26	-47

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Metropolitan Police	42	30	6	6	102	41	96	+61
Bognor Regis Town	42	29	9	4	103	43	96	+60
Whitehawk	42	26	10	6	109	44	88	+65
Leatherhead	42	27	7	8	100	41	88	+59
Dulwich Hamlet	42	19	8	15	79	59	65	+20
Walton & Hersham	42	18	8	16	69	58	62	+11
Burgess Hill Town	42	16	14	12	69	60	62	+9
Faversham Town	42	15	16	11	56	48	61	+8
Ramsgate	42	16	12	14	65	63	60	+2
Chipstead	42	15	12	15	63	67	57	-4
Sittingbourne	42	16	8	18	52	66	56	-14
Walton Casuals	42	15	8	19	65	71	53	-6
Fleet Town	42	14	10	18	68	90	52	-22
Worthing	42	12	13	17	76	73	49	+3
Whitstable Town	42	12	13	17	58	75	49	-17
Whyteleafe	42	14	3	25	65	94	45	-29
Godalming Town	42	13	6	23	52	82	45	-30
Eastbourne Town	42	11	11	20	60	78	44	-18
Merstham	42	10	15	17	60	85	44	-25
Corinthian-Casuals	42	11	9	22	53	80	42	-27
Chatham Town	42	10	10	22	52	80	40	-28
Horsham YMCA	42	5	8	29	41	119	23	-78

Merstham FC deducted one point

RYMAN YOUTH LEAGUE

RESULTS

RESULTS

Tuesday, 26th April 2011

Central Division

Carshalton Athletic 3 - 2 Thamesmead Town 42
 Chin 28 (pen), King 51, Bailey 8, Desanges 25
 Thompson 89

South-East Division

Maidstone United 2 - 0 Welling United 13
 Simon 27, 89

Tonbridge Angels 3 - 4 Eastbourne Town 39
 Beale 13, Keddy 48, Capon 44, 87, Masters 52,
 Leighton 89 Ticehurst 70

West Division

Barnet (Black) 1 - 4 Ashford Town (Middx) 12
 Young-Chambers 79 Mayger 47, Fountain 49, 50,
 Gerson 53

Staines Town 3 - 3 Barnet (Amber) 28
 Raymond 44, Donnelly 69, Omohegbe 18 secs, Akua-Lowe 65,
 Fahm 90+7 Wilson 90+4 (pen)

Wednesday, 27th April 2011

Central Division

Chipstead 3 - 3 Sutton United 35
 Robinson 25, Niamre 80, King 40, 90+2, Howard 54
 McAneny 90+4

South-East Division			
Horsham	0 - 1	Horsham YMCA Abrehart 75	107
West Division			
Woking Cheeseman 55, Mazzone 82	2 - 1	Staines Town Quiassaca	40

Thursday, 28th April 2011

Central Division			
Thamesmead Town Deslanges 52	1 - 2	Leatherhead Hardy 15, Hartwell 35	28
South-East Division			
Maidstone United Simon 46	1 - 2	Lewes Lang 57, Jones 59	50
Welling United	0 - 2	Tonbridge Angels Beale 20, Walker 60	25
Whitehawk Multini 8	1 - 2	Burgess Hill Town Soan 77, Collier 90+3	140
West Division			
Barnet (Black) Allen 43 (pen)	1 - 1	Hampton & Richmond Borough Wojtczak 9	6
Northwood Walker 18, Thomas 48, McLeod 60, Cassell 66 (pen)	4 - 1	Fleet Town Blackie 80	22

Sunday, 1st May 2011

West Division			
Fleet Town	0 - 6	Hampton & Richmond Borough Crichlow (2), Craig, Francis (2), White	53

Monday, 2nd May 2011

Lucas Fettes Youth Cup – Final			
Staines Town Bates 4	1 - 2	Walton & Hersham A. Lappersonne 44, Nunn 89	261

RYMAN YOUTH LEAGUE

FIXTURES

Tuesday, 3rd May 2011

Central Division	Thamesmead Town vs. Sutton United
South-East Division	Horsham YMCA vs. Lewes <i>(at Lewes FC)</i>
West Division	Fleet Town vs. Barnet (Amber)
	Hampton & Richmond Borough vs. Hayes & Yeading United
	Staines Town vs. Barnet (Black) <i>(kick-off 11.00 a.m.)</i>

Wednesday, 4th May 2011

South-East Division	Tonbridge Angels vs. Burgess Hill Town
	Welling United vs. Whitehawk

Thursday, 5th May 2011

South-East Division	Ashford Town vs. Horsham
West Division	Barnet (Black) vs. Fleet Town
	Northwood vs. Barnet (Amber)

Friday, 6th May 2011

South-East Division

Horsham YMCA vs. Welling United

West Division

Hampton & Richmond Borough vs. Ashford
Town (Middx)

Monday, 9th May 2011

Central Division

Carshalton Athletic vs. Walton & Hersham

South-East Division

Tonbridge Angels vs. Horsham YMCA

Tuesday, 10th May 2011

Central Division

Whyteleafe vs. Sutton United

South-East Division

Worthing vs. Ashford Town

Wednesday, 11th May 2011

West Division

Woking vs. Hampton & Richmond Borough

Thursday, 12th May 2011

Central Division

Sutton United vs. Carshalton Athletic

To be dated

South-East Division

Welling United vs. Worthing

RYMAN YOUTH TABLES

As at Monday, 2nd May, 2011

CENTRAL DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Kingstonian	16	11	3	2	38	18	36	+20
Leatherhead	16	9	1	6	30	29	28	+1
Carshalton Athletic	14	6	5	3	23	17	23	+6
Walton & Hersham	15	6	4	5	31	26	22	+5
Sutton United	13	5	4	4	33	21	19	+12
Thamesmead Town	15	5	2	8	26	29	17	-3
Chipstead	16	5	2	9	23	33	17	-10
Whyteleafe	15	5	1	9	18	34	16	-16
Metropolitan Police	16	4	2	10	26	41	14	-15

SOUTH-EAST DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Burgess Hill Town	19	12	4	3	36	19	40	+17
Whitehawk	19	10	5	4	39	19	35	+20
Lewes	19	10	5	4	42	29	35	+13
Maidstone United	20	10	2	8	48	32	32	+16
Tonbridge Angels	18	8	2	8	34	29	26	+5
Worthing	18	8	2	8	28	31	26	-3
Eastbourne Town	20	7	3	10	35	41	24	-6
Welling United	17	5	5	7	23	28	20	-5
Ashford Town	18	4	6	8	17	24	18	-7
Horsham YMCA	17	5	2	10	21	41	17	-20
Horsham	19	4	2	13	15	45	14	-30

WEST DIVISION	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Staines Town	17	13	3	1	53	23	42	+30
Woking	17	12	1	4	43	18	37	+25
Northwood	17	10	3	4	39	28	33	+11
Ashford Town (Middx)	17	9	2	6	37	22	29	+15
Hampton & Richmond Borough	15	8	4	3	30	13	28	+17
Hayes & Yeading United	17	8	1	8	46	37	25	+9
Harrow Borough	18	5	2	11	17	27	17	-10
Barnet (Amber)	16	5	1	10	25	40	16	-15
Fleet Town	16	1	3	12	18	55	6	-37
Barnet (Black)	16	1	2	13	12	57	5	-45

CUP COMPETITIONS

LUCAS FETTES YOUTH CUP

First Round

Carshalton Athletic vs. Horsham – 4-2
Dulwich Hamlet vs. Whyteleafe – 2-0
Eastbourne Town vs. Tooting & Mitcham United – 1-2
Faversham Town vs. Folkestone Invicta – 2-1
Horsham YMCA vs. Sutton United – 1-3
Kingstonian vs. Woking – 3-1
Leatherhead vs. Chipstead – 0-1
Maldon & Tiptree vs. Waltham Abbey – 3-2
Margate vs. Ashford Town – 0-1
Merstham vs. Maidstone United – 1-2
Metropolitan Police vs. Staines Town – 0-0
(Staines Town won 5-4 on penalties)
Thamesmead Town vs. Ramsgate – 2-1
Wealdstone vs. Barnet (Amber) – 3-4
Welling United vs. Brentwood Town – 2-0
Wingate & Finchley vs. Aveley – 5-2
Worthing vs. Lewes – 1-3

Second Round

Ashford Town (Middx) vs. Northwood – 1-2
Barnet (Black) vs. Hendon – 1-2
Billericay Town vs. Thamesmead Town – 0-2
Carshalton Athletic vs. Whitehawk – 2-1
Chipstead vs. Lewes – 1-3
Faversham Town vs. Ashford Town – 3-0
Fleet Town vs. Staines Town – 1-6
Hampton & Richmond Borough vs. Harrow Borough – 2-1
Hayes & Yeading United vs. Kingstonian – 3-3 *(Kingstonian won 4-2 on penalties)*
Maidstone United vs. Cray Wanderers – 3-1
Redbridge vs. Leyton – *Redbridge w/o*
Sutton United vs. Dulwich Hamlet – 5-0
Tonbridge Angels vs. Maldon & Tiptree – 4-2
Tooting & Mitcham United vs. Burgess Hill Town – 1-2
Walton & Hersham vs. Barnet (Amber) – 2-0
Welling United vs. Wingate & Finchley – 2-0

Third Round

Hampton & Richmond Borough vs. Sutton United – 0-4
Maidstone United vs. Welling United – 1-1
(Welling United won 4-2 on penalties)
Walton & Hersham vs. Carshalton Athletic – 3-1
Burgess Hill Town vs. Staines Town – 2-3
Kingstonian vs. Lewes – 1-2
Northwood vs. Hendon – 4-2
Thamesmead Town vs. Redbridge – 0-1
Tonbridge Angels vs. Faversham Town – 5-2

Quarter-Final

Redbridge vs. Welling United – 3-1

Sutton United vs. Lewes – 2-0
Tonbridge Angels vs. Staines Town – 1-2
Walton & Hersham vs. Northwood – 2-1

Semi-Final

Redbridge vs. Staines Town – 1-2
Walton & Hersham vs. Sutton United – 3-1

Final

Staines Town vs. Walton & Hersham – 1-2

ISTHMIAN VETERANS CUP

First Round

Thamesmead Town vs. Middlesex Wanderers – 2-1
Whyteleafe vs. Northwood – 4-1
Walton Casuals vs. Metropolitan Police – 4-3

Quarter-Final

Walton Casuals vs. Kingstonian – 1-3
Whyteleafe vs. Sutton United – 2-0
Bognor Regis Town vs. Burgess Hill Town – 3-0
Bromley vs. Thamesmead Town – 1-0

Semi-Final

Kingstonian vs. Bromley – 6-2
Bognor Regis Town vs. Whyteleafe – 27th
April 2011

Final

Bognor Regis Town or Whyteleafe vs. Kingstonian – 8th May 2011

RYMAN WOMENS CUP

Quarter-Final

Metropolitan Police vs. Fleet Town – 7-0
Godalming Town vs. Burgess Hill Town – 1-3
Croydon Athletic vs. Eastbourne Town – 0-6
Billericay Town vs. Enfield Town – 0-8

Semi-Final

Burgess Hill Town vs. Eastbourne Town – 0-5
Metropolitan Police vs. Enfield Town – 0-2

Final

Eastbourne Town vs. Enfield Town – 1-2

CLUB GOSSIP

WHITSTABLE TOWN FC

Lucy Gurr along with her friend Agi and 'young friends' of Whitstable Town from year 8 at Whitstable Community College held a number of events at the Whitstable Horesbridge Centre. The day's events were held to raise fund towards the cost of repairing the damage done by the 'Copper Thieves' at the football club last month. The youngsters; raised over £300 pounds

WINGATE & FINCHLEY FC

Wingate and Finchley have announced that striker Leon Smith has signed a new contract to stay with the Blues for another year. Smith arrived at the club in the Summer of 2009 has made the transition from Amateur football to become one of the most lethal strikers in the Ryman League. In his first season Smith scored 30 goals and his current form suggests he will better that this season. Wingate & Finchley Manager David Norman stated, "Leon has all the attributes a goalscorer requires - he has lightning pace, immense strength and has an eye for goal. He has taken his tally to 27 goals in all competitions so far this season!

"There has been lots of interest in Leon from clubs at a higher level and even from professional clubs... we are delighted that Leon has signed a new contract here and feels secure at the club's progress both on and off the field. Leon has tasted success here having gained the man-of-the-match award in our Ryman League Cup Final victory over Dulwich Hamlet and now reaching the play offs for a second season. He has worked really hard over the last month having missed four weeks due to injury and suspension which he has been rewarded with eight goals from Wingate's last five league outings."

WEEKLY STATS ATTACK

Top Goalscorers (League goals only)

(Season 2010/11)

PREMIER DIVISION		<i>Lge Goals</i>
Bobby Traynor	Kingstonian	23
Laurent Hamici	Cray Wanderers	22
Tom Bradbrook	Margate	21
<i>(includes 14 goals for Sittingbourne)</i>		
Richard Jolly	Sutton United	21
<i>(includes 10 goals for Wealdstone)</i>		
Rocky Baptiste	Harrow Borough	20
Tony Stokes	Concord Rangers	19
Frannie Collin	Tonbridge Angels	18

Robert King	Canvey Island	18
Martin Tuohy	AFC Hornchurch	18
Peter Dean	Wealdstone	16
Belal Aite-Ouakrim	Hendon	15
Sam Reed	Bury Town	15
Troy Hewitt	Harrow Borough	14
Harry Elmes	Concord Rangers	14
Danny Heale	Canvey Island	13
Bradley Woods-Garness	Sutton United	13
Danny Hockton	Maidstone United	12
Lee Reed	Bury Town	12
Craig Dundas	Sutton United	12

DIVISION ONE NORTH

Lge Goals

(goals scored against Leyton FC have been deleted)

Craig Parker	Needham Market	33
James Baker	AFC Sudbury	24
Kris Newby	East Thurrock United	22
Leon Smith	Wingate & Finchley	21
Sam Newson	Needham Market	19
Joe Sweeney	Maldon & Tiptree	17
Alex Osborn	Grays Athletic	17
Luke Callander	Heybridge Swifts	16
Liam Hope	Enfield Town	15
Nathan Stone	Needham Market	14
Dave Wareham	AFC Sudbury	14
Tyler Campbell	Waltham Abbey	14
Max Cornhill	East Thurrock United	14
Chris Bryan	Heybridge Swifts	14
Emmanuel Osei	Waltham Abbey	14
Steve Cawley	Waltham Abbey	14
Ryan Wade	Ware 14	

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Lge Goals

Jason Prior	Bognor Regis Town	38
Greg Andrews	Leatherhead	33
Tommy Hutchings	Leatherhead	25
Ian Pulman	Whitstable Town	25
Craig Watkins	Metropolitan Police	22
Luke Nightingale	Bognor Regis Town	21
Eddie Smith	Metropolitan Police	20
Mark Lovell	Ramsgate	19
Ray Freeman	Chipstead	19
Terry Dodd	Worthing	16
Joshua Jones	Whitehawk	16
James Field	Metropolitan Police	14
Sam Gargan	Whitehawk	14
Chris O'Flaherty	Metropolitan Police	14

YOUTH LEAGUE

Lge Goals

Mario Quiassaca	Staines Town	21
Romaine Walker	Northwood	21
Jack Simon	Maidstone United	18
Jack Mazzone	Woking	17
George Griffiths	Walton & Hersham	15
Brett Caiger	Eastbourne Town	13
Dale Malcolm	Leatherhead	12
George Isaac	Hayes & Yeading Utd	11

Best Attendances – Club by Club

(Season 2010/11)

PREMIER DIVISION

1,552	Sutton United vs. Hastings United <i>16th April 2011</i>
1,265	Lowestoft Town vs. Sutton United <i>9th October 2010</i>
1,163	Canvey Island vs. Concord Rangers <i>25th April 2011</i>
1,056	Carshalton Athletic vs. Sutton United <i>27th December 2010</i>
931	Bury Town vs. Lowestoft Town <i>22nd February 2011</i>
817	Tonbridge Angels vs. Hastings United <i>25th April 2011</i>
750	Kingstonian vs. Sutton United <i>4th October 2010</i>
720	Concord Rangers vs. Canvey Island <i>22nd February 2011</i>

DIVISION ONE NORTH

763	Brentwood Town vs. Cheshunt <i>23rd April 2011</i>
512	AFC Sudbury vs. Maldon & Tiptree <i>9th November 2010</i>
512	AFC Sudbury vs. Needham Market <i>25th April 2011</i>
455	East Thurrock United vs. Grays Athletic <i>25th April 2011</i>
450	Tilbury vs. Grays Athletic <i>3rd January 2011</i>
427	Grays Athletic vs. Tilbury <i>30th August 2010</i>
345	Harlow Town vs. Ware <i>25th April 2011</i>
345	Heybridge Swifts vs. Ware <i>30th April 2011</i>

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

1,319	Bognor Regis Town vs. Worthing <i>25th April 2011</i>
676	Worthing vs. Bognor Regis Town <i>27th December 2010</i>
472	Chatham Town vs. Bognor Regis Town <i>30th April 2011</i>
429	Leatherhead vs. Bognor Regis Town <i>19th March 2011</i>
360	Metropolitan Police vs. Bognor Regis Town <i>2nd April 2011</i>
331	Dulwich Hamlet vs. Whyteleafe <i>25th April 2011</i>
330	Faversham Town vs. Whitstable Town <i>3rd January 2011</i>
313	Horsham YMCA vs. Bognor Regis Town <i>5th March 2011</i>

Hat-trick heroes

(Week beginning Monday, 25th April, 2011)

This week's Ryman League hat-trick heroes are:

Luke Callander Heybridge Swifts

Wins Analysis

(Season 2010/11)

PREMIER DIVISION

Matches Played:	462	
Home Wins	198	42.9%
Away Wins	156	33.7%
Draws	108	23.4%
Home Goals	680	
Away Goals	604	
Total Goals	1,284	
Goals per game	2.78	

DIVISION ONE NORTH

Matches Played:	420	
Home Wins	186	44.3%
Away Wins	151	35.9%
Draws	83	19.8%
Home Goals	727	
Away Goals	629	
Total Goals	1,356	
Goals per game	3.23	

DIVISION ONE SOUTH

Matches Played:	462	
Home Wins	189	40.9%
Away Wins	165	35.7%
Draws	108	23.4%
Home Goals	806	
Away Goals	711	
Total Goals	1,517	
Goals per game	3.28	

League Form Guide *(Last six matches)*

PREMIER DIVISION		W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1	Kingstonian	4	2	0	15	8	14
2	Lowestoft Town	4	1	1	12	2	13
3	Tonbridge Angels	4	1	1	11	2	13
4	Cray Wanderers	4	1	1	10	4	13
5	Sutton United	4	1	1	8	3	13
6	Concord Rangers	4	0	2	12	4	12
7	Maidstone United	4	0	2	10	7	12
8	Canvey Island	4	0	2	8	7	12
9	AFC Hornchurch	3	2	1	11	5	11
10	Horsham	3	1	2	9	7	10
11	Aveley	3	1	2	9	9	10
12	Harrow Borough	2	3	1	6	5	9
13	Billericay Town	2	2	2	5	5	8
14	Bury Town	2	1	3	5	6	7
15	Wealdstone	2	1	3	4	5	7
16	Carshalton Athletic	2	0	4	4	14	6
17	Hastings United	1	2	3	9	10	5
18	Tooting & Mitcham Utd	1	1	4	8	15	4
19	Croydon Athletic	1	0	5	4	12	3
20	Hendon	0	2	4	3	11	2
21	Margate	0	2	4	6	15	2
22	Folkestone Invicta	0	0	6	2	14	0

DIVISION ONE NORTH		W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1	Wingate & Finchley	5	1	0	17	6	16
2	Enfield Town	5	0	1	12	3	15
3	East Thurrock United	4	1	1	16	7	13
4	Ware	4	1	1	13	9	13
5	Harlow Town	3	3	0	8	5	12
6	Waltham Abbey	3	2	1	16	15	11
7	Grays Athletic	3	1	2	15	7	10
8	Heybridge Swifts	3	1	2	19	12	10
9	AFC Sudbury	2	4	0	15	9	10
10	Potters Bar Town	2	3	1	8	7	9
11	Maldon Town	3	0	3	10	13	9
12	Needham Market	2	2	2	13	9	8
13	Great Wakering Rovers	2	1	3	6	10	7
14	Tilbury	2	0	4	4	7	6
15	Ilford	2	0	4	6	14	6
16	Brentwood Town	1	2	3	8	10	5
17	Waltham Forest	1	1	4	12	19	4
18	Redbridge	1	1	4	8	15	4
19	Romford	1	0	5	6	14	3
20	Thamesmead Town	1	0	5	4	13	3
21	Cheshunt	0	1	5	3	19	1

DIVISION ONE SOUTH		W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1	Bognor Regis Town	5	1	0	17	4	16
2	Metropolitan Police	5	1	0	14	2	16
3	Chipstead	5	1	0	15	6	16
4	Leatherhead	5	0	1	17	5	15
5	Whitehawk	4	2	0	19	6	14
6	Dulwich Hamlet	4	1	1	13	5	13
7	Whitstable Town	4	1	1	9	5	13
8	Faversham Town	4	1	1	8	5	13
9	Ramsgate	2	2	2	7	8	8
10	Fleet Town	2	1	3	11	8	7
11	Chatham Town	2	1	3	10	13	7
12	Corinthian-Casuals	2	1	3	7	13	7
13	Merstham	2	1	3	5	11	7
14	Sittingbourne	2	1	3	7	15	7
15	Walton & Hersham	2	0	4	7	10	6
16	Eastbourne Town	2	0	4	6	11	6
17	Horsham YMCA	1	2	3	5	11	5
18	Worthing	1	1	4	7	11	4
19	Whyteleafe	1	0	5	6	12	3
20	Burgess Hill Town	0	2	4	3	11	2
21	Godalming Town	0	2	4	5	15	2
22	Walton Casuals	0	0	6	5	18	0

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